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Experience Mount Prospect



The Village of Mount Prospect aims to support its businesses and organizations during the COVID-19 pandemic. During these times it is difficult to know who is open, closed, or on hiatus. The Experience Mount Prospect website, experiencemountprospect.org, encourages residents to continue to, *Shop, Dine, and Enjoy* by posting up-to-date information on community events, restaurants and more. By working directly with local business owners and local organizations, including park districts, library and more, we are able to share what's happening today on one convenient website.

Shop

Many retailers and services are just beginning to reopen under the State's Restore Illinois plan. Residents are encouraged to sign up for the monthly business deals e-newsletter and find out who is opening, giving discounts and deals. Business owners are encouraged to list their business in the Experience Mount Prospect Business Directory, which includes contact information for participating shops and services.

Dine

Restaurants have been some of the hardest hit businesses in town. The Experience Mount Prospect website has listings of restaurants and their availability of pick up, take-out and delivery options. As Illinois continues to move from stage 3 and beyond, Experience Mount Prospect has an updated listing of restaurants with outdoor *al fresco* dining options. Want to try something new? Check out the interactive restaurant map, featuring restaurants by cuisine type. Residents can also discover local restaurants by watching our very own Dish'n Out MP video series, which currently highlights about 30 local restaurants.

Enjoy

Even though the pandemic has postponed most summer events, as things begin to reopen, you can find out about upcoming community happenings and family-friendly activities throughout the year by subscribing to our e-newsletters, visiting our online calendar and following us on social media. Many organizations are now offering smaller registration-based events or offering virtual events for both children and adults.



To fully *experience Mount Prospect*, visit experiencemountprospect.org or follow EXMP on Facebook and Twitter.

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Community Events

With the duration of the on-going COVID-19 pandemic still unknown, we advise you to check on the status of these events as each draws closer. We look forward to being able to celebrate as a community and hope each of these can take place as planned.

JULY
1

Summer Reading Program: The Spectacular Reading Race

July 1 - August 31
MOUNT PROSPECT PUBLIC LIBRARY



The Summer Reading Program is for ALL AGES

and at your fingertips with Beanstack. Beanstack is software that brings the Summer Reading Program to you wherever you are online! You can track your reading, earn digital badges, and enjoy more chances to earn prizes. Although the race kicked off June 1, there is still lots of time for summer reading fun through August 31! Sign up at mmpl.org/summer-reading-2020. Questions? Email the library at readers@mmpl.org or call 847.253.5675.

JULY
5

Mount Prospect Lions Club Farmers Market

Sundays | 8am – 1pm
East commuter lot at Northwest Highway and Emerson Street



Stop by the Mount Prospect Lions Club Farmers Market every week rain or shine

to support local producers. Stock up on fresh fruits, vegetables, herbs, flowers, and other goodies. Admission is free and new COVID-19 restrictions will be in place. For more information, visit mplions.org.

JULY
6

Historians in Training Summer History Camp

Session II | July 6 – 10
9am – noon



MOUNT PROSPECT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

101 South Maple Street
History Camp is back for another year. The week-

long session features a local history themed day-camp experience for kids ages 6 to 12. A different aspect of local history will be explored each day through activities and projects on the Society's campus and on walking field trips to various community locations. Participants will also learn the importance of preserving history for future generations. Each week's programming is different, so campers registering for both sessions will have two unique experiences. Repeat campers are welcome as many projects and activities will be different from last year. Space is limited, so register at mthhist.org/history-camp-2020/ to pay via PayPal or call 847.392.9006. Each session is \$100 per child.

JULY
12

Second Sunday at the Society: Patriotic Crafts

Sunday | July 12
11:30am – 1:30pm
MOUNT PROSPECT HISTORICAL SOCIETY
101/103 South Maple Street



Join the Mount Prospect Historical Society at Central School for a unique opportunity to make patriotic crafts. Don't miss out on the red, white and blue fun. All ages welcome to this free event. The Dietrich Friedrichs House will also be open for tours.



JULY
16

Prairie Kids I & II Session I

Thursday | July 16
9:30 – 11:30am



Session II

Thursday | July 16
1:30 – 3:30pm

MOUNT PROSPECT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

101 South Maple Street

The Mount Prospect Historical Society has added a new twist to the popular Prairie Girl program. Renamed "Prairie Kids," boys and girls age 7 and up can step back in time and try their hand at the chores of yesteryear, make homemade goodies, learn the importance of farming and more. Space is limited, so register by July 8 at mthhist.org to pay via PayPal or call 847.392.9006. Each session is \$25 per child or register for both sessions for only \$40.

JULY
23

The Science of History: Boats Ships and Other Things that Float

Thursday | July 23
9:30 – 11:30am



MOUNT PROSPECT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

101 South Maple Street

The exciting Mount Prospect Historical Society Science of History program is back. This STEM-based interactive program has been delighting kids the past few summers with themes such as catapults, waterwheels, log cabin building and rockets. This year, children age 7 and up will be exploring boats, ships and other things that float. It will be oceans of fun. Space is limited, so register at mthhist.org to pay via PayPal or call 847.392.9006. Cost is \$25 per child.

JULY
23

Crossing on the Mayflower: Celebrating the 400th Anniversary of the Voyage

Thursday | July 23
1:30 – 3:30pm
MOUNT PROSPECT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

101 South Maple Street

After the Mount Prospect Historical Society Science of History program, kids ages 7 and up can sign up for *Celebrating the 400th Anniversary of the Voyage of the Mayflower*. During this event, kids will learn what it was like to be on this famous cross-Atlantic trip and explore what life was like in the New World when the Pilgrims finally reached land. Cost is \$25 per child and space is limited, so register at mtphist.org or call 847.392.9006.



JULY
25

Blacksmith Demonstration by Justin Stech

Saturday | July 25
11:30am – 1:30pm.
MOUNT PROSPECT HISTORICAL SOCIETY
101/103 South Maple Street



Join the Mount Prospect Historical Society on campus to view the Meyn Family Blacksmith Shop. Crowd-favorite Justin Stech will once again provide a live blacksmith demonstration.

JULY
30

Solarize Chicagoland Webinar

Thursday | July 30 | 6pm
Offered by the Citizens

Utility Board and the Midwest Renewable Energy Association, home and business owners may participate in this program to help pool their buying power to secure significant discounts that make installing solar more affordable. The program builds on previous years of successful programs that helped over 125 local property owners go solar. To register for the webinar, visit experiencemountprospect.org.



AUGUST
1

Document Destruction Event

Saturday | August 1
9am – noon



PUBLIC WORKS
1700 West Central Road
If you have sensitive documents to destroy,

SWANCC and Mount Prospect Public Works are hosting a document destruction event. Paper documents must be brought to the event in paper shopping bags or boxes—no plastic bags. Please remove all metal clips, plastic sleeves, folders, and binders prior to boxing paper up. There is a limit of six paper shopping bags or file-size boxes per vehicle. Documents will be cross-shredded, baled and recycled. No business or institutional waste will be accepted.

AUGUST
2

Mount Prospect Lions Club Farmers Market

Sundays | 8am – 1pm
East commuter lot at Northwest Highway and Emerson Street
Stop by the Mount Prospect Lions Club Farmers



Market every week rain or shine to support local producers. Stock up on fresh fruits, vegetables, herbs, flowers, and other goodies. Admission is free and new COVID-19 restrictions will be in place. For more information, visit mplions.org.

AUGUST
9

History Day Bake Sale

Sunday | August 9
8am – 1pm



MOUNT PROSPECT LIONS CLUB FARMERS MARKET
East commuter lot at Northwest Highway and Emerson Street
The Mount Prospect

Historical Society presents History Day at the Farmers Market. Stop by to buy yummy homemade baked goods and purchase museum store items. For more information, visit mtphist.org or call 847.392.9006.

AUGUST
9

Second Sunday at the Society: Read in the Garden

Sunday | August 9
11:30am – 1:30pm
MOUNT PROSPECT HISTORICAL SOCIETY,
101/103 South Maple Street



Bring your favorite book and a blanket or chair and relax in the beautiful garden at the Mount Prospect Historical Society. All ages are welcome. The Dietrich Friedrichs House will also be open for tours.

AUGUST
15

Household Hazardous Waste Collection

Saturday | August 15
7am – 2pm
(by appointment only)
MOUNT PROSPECT PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY
1700 West Central Road



If you need to dispose of hazardous waste, including paint, aerosol cans or lawn chemicals, make an appointment with Mount Prospect Public Works. This event is for Mount Prospect residents only and you must show your appointment confirmation email to enter. No business or commercial waste will be accepted. Information on the event, and how to make an appointment will be made available at mountprospect.org/HazardousWaste in the coming weeks.

AUGUST
22

Mount Prospect Historical Society Bus Trip Through Chicago

Saturday | August 22
9am – 5pm
Depart from MOUNT PROSPECT HISTORICAL SOCIETY
101 South Maple Street



Sign up to see historic sites on the South Side of Chicago with the Mount Prospect Historical Society. The first stop is the Frank Lloyd Wright Robie House on the campus of the University of Chicago. After lunch, the tour will continue south to the Pullman neighborhood where Pullman railroad cars were once built. Comfortable clothing and shoes are strongly recommended. Tickets are \$65 per person and includes tour admissions and bus transportation. Lunch is not included. Space is limited, so register at mtphist.org to pay via PayPal or call 847.392.9006.

AUGUST
29

Five Dollar Fives: Civil War Re-enactor Mitch Ransdell

Saturday | August 29
10am
MOUNT PROSPECT HISTORICAL SOCIETY
103 South Maple Street



Are you ready to step into the past and walk around in someone else's shoes? Presenter Mitch Ransdell will tell you what it's like to be a historic reenactor and regale you with tales of interesting characters of the Civil War era at the Five Dollar Fives event. Tickets are \$5 per person and space is limited. To register, please visit mtphist.org or call 847.392.9006.



Clerk's Corner

A symbol of freedom and liberty, the Flag of the United States is flown to honor our history, pride, and principals upon which this country was founded. In 1942, the United States Congress passed a joint resolution establishing guidelines regarding how citizens should honor the flag; it has subsequently come to be known as the U.S. Flag Code.

Summer offers some of the most celebrated opportunities to proudly display the United States Flag including Memorial Day (to be flown at half-staff until noon), Independence Day and Flag Day. It is important that all citizens understand and respect the standards for flying and displaying the U.S. Flag.

According the U.S. Flag Code, the flag may be displayed on any day of the year, in adherence with the following guidelines:

- The custom is to display the flag only from sunrise to sunset on flagstuffs in the open, but it may be displayed at night—if illuminated—to produce a patriotic effect.
- In the United States, no other flag should be placed above the American flag or, if they are to be placed on the same level, to the right of the American flag.
- The American flag should be at the center and the highest point when displayed with a group of state flags.
- The flag should never touch anything beneath it, such as the ground, the floor, water, or merchandise.
- The flag should never be carried flat or horizontally, but always aloft and free.
- The flag should never be used as covering for a ceiling.
- The flag should never have anything placed on it.
- The flag should never be used for any advertising purpose, nor embroidered on cushions or handkerchiefs, printed on paper napkins or boxes, nor used as any portion of a costume.

To view the U.S. Flag Code in its entirety, visit: military.com/flag-day/us-flag-code.html or contact Village Clerk Karen Agoranos, 847.818.5333 or kagoranos@mountprospect.org.

2020 Presidential General Election News

A Mail-In Ballot for the upcoming Presidential Election may be automatically coming to your mailbox soon!

Voting in November's General Election will be a bit different this year.

During its Special Session, the Illinois General Assembly passed legislation modifying how the 2020 General Election will be conducted. SB 1863 provides provisions that will require election authorities to mail or email a vote-by-mail to any elector who voted in the November 2018 General Election, the April 2019 Consolidated Election or the March 2020 General Election Primary. Details are still pending so stay tuned!

Contact Village Clerk Karen Agoranos, 847.818.5333 or kagoranos@mountprospect.org for more information or visit cookcountyclerk.com



Mount Prospect Lions Club Farmers Market

The annual Farmers Market returns to the corner of Northwest Highway and Emerson Street Sundays from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. again this summer. Sponsored by the Lions Club, the Farmers Market provides fruits, vegetables, herbs, flowers and more and is free to attend.



Due to the coronavirus, please be prepared for the following modifications this year:

- Vendors will be food only (no craft vendors at this time).
- Masks will be required for both vendors and visitors under State Executive Order guidelines.
- Food may be prepackaged to limit contact.
- Please limit your visit by coming to the market alone if possible.
- We ask that you not congregate or use the market to socialize.
- Please leave your dog at home.

These restrictions help ensure the Farmers Market remains open while we are striving to reduce the spread of coronavirus. These restrictions may be modified as needed to produce a safe environment for both customers and vendors. Your cooperation and patience are appreciated.

For more information, visit mplions.org.



Community/Economic Development

Summer Construction Update

The arrival of summer means construction is well underway on key development projects in the Village. While several projects have been affected by the ongoing coronavirus health crisis, most remain on track. Here is the latest update on downtown projects underway.

Twenty West

This mixed-use residential and commercial building at 20 West Northwest Highway, contains 71 apartments and an approximately 5,000 square foot restaurant space. Recent occupancy numbers have reached 40% with a leasing level now at 50%. The restaurant space, to be operated by EGGJAM Café, is currently under construction. With completion of the restaurant anticipated by summer's end, the café will open when permissible under current direction from the Governor's re-opening plan for the state.

Maple Street Lofts Building A

Located at the southeast corner of Maple Street and Prospect Avenue, the Maple Street Lofts development has experienced significant progress this spring. Building A, which contains 192 apartments and a 15,000 square foot commercial space, is now out of the ground with two lower-levels of parking and the cement support structure for the building complete. First occupancies are anticipated by the spring of 2021.

Maple Street Lofts Rowhomes

On the southern half of the site, construction is set to begin on the 56 rowhomes approved as part of the project. The model rowhomes will take four to five months to complete. The builder, Ryan Homes, will be able to start selling the rowhomes once the models are finished in early October.

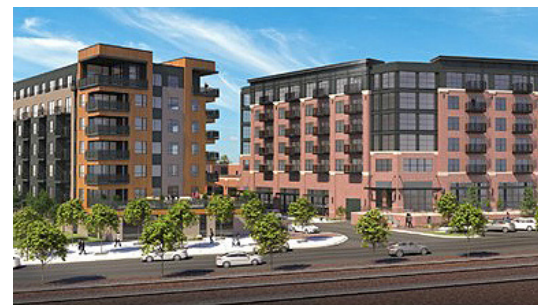
Maple Street Lofts Building D

Construction of the 7-story, 65-unit apartment building has not yet begun. Nicholas & Associates is monitoring market conditions due to COVID-19 and its potential impact on the rental community. However, design of the building is ongoing and formal permit submission is still slated for September 2020.

10 North Main Street

Now under construction at the northwest corner of Central Road and Main Street, First Equity Group, LLC and Harlem-Irving Companies are constructing a 5-story multi-family development featuring 97 luxury rental units. Construction is currently a full month ahead of schedule. The first building occupancies are anticipated by the end of this coming fall.

We look forward to the completion of these projects and the positive impact they will have on our community.



More Community/Economic Development information can be found on page 11.



Grilling Safety

Cooking dinner on the grill is a summer treat that everyone enjoys. Whether you're using a charcoal or a propane grill there are certain precautions that need to be taken to have a safe time grilling this summer.

Begin by using propane and charcoal grills outside only; never attempt to use them indoors. Place your grill a safe distance from your house, deck railings or any overhanging branches. Make sure that all children and pets stay at least three feet away from a lit grill and never leave your grill unattended.

If you have a charcoal grill use only charcoal starter fluid. Never use any other flammable fluid on your grill. Keep the charcoal starter fluid container safely away from the grill and out of the reach of children. Once you are done, make sure coals are completely cooled before disposing of them in a metal container.

For propane grills, check the tank lines for any leaks before the first use of the season. Apply soap and water to the hose line. If you see bubbles, a leak in the hose exists. Turn the hose off at once and call a professional to get your grill serviced. If at any point you smell gas, move away from the grill and call the fire department. Should the flame go out while in use, turn the grill and gas off and wait at least five minutes before attempting to re-light the grill.

Enjoy your summer grilling.

Safety Tips for Pools and Hot Tubs

While you are enjoying the use of a pool, spa, or hot tub at home this summer, always be aware of important safety concerns. Primary among those is the risk of electrical shock, the following are ways to prevent it from happening and how to react if it should occur.

Risk factors with a pool

- Faulty underwater lighting.
- Aging wiring from electrical pool equipment.
- The use of electrical appliances like tvs, radios and other devices with extension cords around the pool deck area.
- Overhead power lines.

Preventative steps to stay safe around your pool

- Have an electrician who is qualified in pool and spa repairs inspect and upgrade your pool in accordance with local codes and the National Electrical Code (NEC).
- Protect your family and guests from injury by following the NEC requirements for installing ground fault circuit interrupters.
- Use battery operated appliances instead of cord-connected appliances around your pool.
- If corded devices are used, maintain ten feet between them and the pool.
- Power lines should be at least 25 feet from the pool in all directions.

If electrical shock should occur

- Move away from the source of the shock.
- Immediately get out of the water.
- Turn off all power to prevent rescuers from becoming victims.
- Call 911.
- Use a fiberglass shepherd's hook to carefully pull any victim out of the water.
- Position the victim on his/her back, check for breathing and administer CPR.

Let's make it a safe summer in pools, spas and hot tubs.

Enjoy Your Fire Pit Safely This Summer

Summer is a great time for relaxing around a fire pit and toasting marshmallows. Knowing the guidelines for how and where to build a fire pit, can keep you and your family safe.

Follow these guidelines to make it a safe summer around your fire pit.

Choose the location carefully

- Choose a level surface that is at least 15 feet from any structure
– The distance should be 25 feet if the pit does not have a spark screen/flame arrestor.
- Keep the fire pit away from wooden decks/fences and overhanging branches.
- A fire pit should never be beneath canopies or under a covered patio.

Be cautious with the size of the fire

- The fire pit should be less than 3 feet in diameter.
- Keep the fire small. The bigger the fire, the greater the potential for an accident.

Fueling options

- A wood-burning fire pit provides that classic nostalgic feel from the kindling and crackling.
- Gas or propane pits light quickly and require less maintenance.
- Be sure to only use seasoned hardwoods.
- Never use construction materials like plywood as it can release toxic fumes.
- Be sure the length of the wood is contained inside the pit and does not extend over the edges.
- Keep smoke amount to a minimum as it can be a nuisance to neighbors.
- Fuel accelerants like lighter fluid are extremely unsafe and should be avoided. They can re-lease toxic fumes, and even possibly cause an explosion or accelerate your fire too quickly.

Check the weather forecast

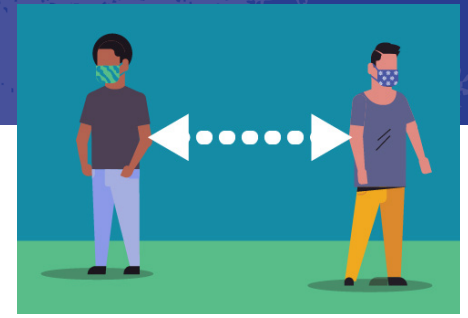
- Avoid using your fire pit under windy conditions that can cause the fire to spread unexpectedly and quickly.
- Be mindful of loose clothing and keep blankets contained.
- Be aware of burn bans or burn ordinances that might be in effect.

Have a plan and educate

- Make sure everyone is aware of locations of fire extinguishers and garden hoses.
- Everyone should know how to operate all the equipment in case a fire gets out of control and needs to be put out quickly.

A fire pit can provide hours of family togetherness. When the night is over, always have someone designated to put it out and never leave a fire pit burning overnight.

Police Department



Tips for Social Distancing

As we adjust to social behaviors brought on by the coronavirus, it is important to continue with appropriate social or physical distancing in the months ahead. In general, be sure to keep 6 feet away from other people when interacting. If you are not sure how to gauge a 6-foot distance, just imagine a two-arms' length gap between you and the other person.

Avoid gathering in groups in homes or other public places including parks and avoid locations with mass gatherings of any sort. While kids are out of school, do not initiate playdates with others.

For those who need food and medicine maintain a 6-foot distance from others when in a store. Check with your provider to see if medicines can be delivered by mail.

Cover your mouth and nose with a cloth face covering when around others, including when you have to go out in public. They should not be placed on children

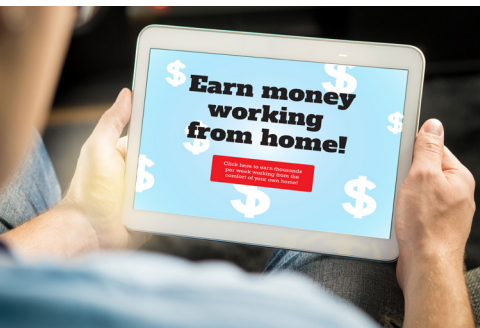
under two or anyone who has trouble breathing or is unconscious, incapacitated or who could not remove the mask without assistance.

If possible, avoid public transportation, taxis, and ridesharing services.

Despite this physical distancing you are encouraged to stay connected with family and friends through video and phone calls and social media platforms. It is important to manage your stress by maintaining personal relationships at this time.

Pass It On in 2020

Pass It On is an education campaign originated by the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), which provides new ways for friends and neighbors to keep each other informed about scams and how to prevent becoming a victim. The MPPD encourages everyone to share what you know to help protect one another. In each 2020 Village Newsletter, we will explain one type of scam along with helpful information on how to identify and avoid it. Please read the information and Pass It On.



This month we are focusing on work at home scams. They start with an ad saying you can earn big money at home, or one that offers help starting an online business – with a proven system to make money online. In other cases, the offender has seen your resume on a job search website, and someone calls asking for your driver's

license and bank account numbers before they interview you. That will only lead to a stolen identity or theft from your bank account.

In cases in which you answer the ad to work from home, you may be asked for money for training or special access. Be assured, there is no job in these instances. If you buy that proven system, you'll get pressure to pay more for extra services, but you won't get anything that really helps you start a business or make money.

Here's what you can do:

- Stop and check things out. Never pay money to earn money. Do not share personal information until you've done your research. Search online for the company name and the words review, scam or complaint.
- Pass this information on to a friend. You probably know how to keep your money and information safe. But you may know someone who could use a friendly reminder.

For more information visit ftc.gov/passiton and be sure to share this information with friends, neighbors and family members.

Police Department Summer Events

Due to the on-going coronavirus pandemic, the Village has cancelled or postponed many of the familiar community events for this summer, including most of the large-scale public events hosted by the Police Department. Cancelled events for this year unfortunately include our Kickin' It With The Cops Summer Soccer Program, Pool Party with the Police, and the Five-O 5K. National Night Out, originally scheduled to take place on August 4 has been postponed until October 6.

The status of any community event this summer should be verified with the event's organizer, and the Village will continue to update the experiencemountprospect.org event calendar throughout the summer.

Calling 911

In Mount Prospect, dialing 911 is not just for emergencies. Any time you need a police officer dispatched to your location, for any reason, dial 911. It is our mission to serve our community and it is better to call us anytime you think it might be necessary rather than hesitating while you try to justify using 911.

Mount Prospect is one of 12 different communities served by the Northwest Central Dispatch System (NWCDS). This intergovernmental consolidated dispatch system handles police, fire, and EMS dispatching across these dozen communities.

You can also text NWCDS by typing 911 in the To box and entering your location in the body of the message. Hit Send to initiate the dispatch process. You can then follow up with a description of the situation. You will receive an automated response and then a message from a dispatcher to get assistance to you.

If you are more comfortable doing so, you can always call 911 anonymously, but more than anything else, do not hesitate to request assistance via 911.

Get to Know Patrol Beat 3166

To better serve the community Mount Prospect is made up of six permanent police patrol beats, each with permanent beat assignments for officers. All officers are assigned a shift and beat for the entire calendar year. Each beat has a sergeant who is responsible for the entire beat as a Beat Coordinator. Beat 3166 is found in the central portion of the Village and is bordered by Northwest Highway, Waterman Avenue, Gregory Street and Wolf Road. The Beat Sergeant for 3166 is Sergeant Michael Angarola who can be contacted at beat3166@mountprospect.org.

2019 Water Report Available Online

The Illinois and federal Environmental Protection Agency is now allowing water suppliers to offer electronic delivery of their annual Consumer Confidence Reports. This use of electronic delivery or e-delivery will save thousands of dollars in printing and postage costs for the Village. The use of the e-delivery method fully meets the public notification requirements.

Please go to the following webpage mountprospect.org/CCR2019 to view your 2019 annual water quality report and learn more about your drinking water. This report contains important information about the source and quality of your drinking water during 2019. If you would still like to receive a paper copy of the 2019 Annual Water Quality Report or have questions about the report, please call Public Works at 847.870.5640 or you can email your request to publicworksdept@mountprospect.org.



Secure Document Destruction Event

A courtesy paper shredding day for residents will be held Saturday, August 1 in conjunction with the Solid Waste Agency of Cook County (SWANCC). This is a great opportunity to securely destroy old items such as medical records, tax forms and bank statements. After shredding all material will be used in recycling efforts.

You can bring paper materials to the Public Works facility at 1700 West Central Road from 9 am to noon.

Workers will be on hand to unload items from your car and place directly into toter carts. All documents will be shredded on site. You may bring materials in paper bags or cardboard boxes. Plastic bags cannot be used. Paper clips and staples do not need to be removed but binders or large clips cannot be put into the shredder.

The service is available to residents of Mount Prospect only so please be prepared to show an ID. Each car may bring up to six file size boxes or paper bags. Business or institutional materials will not be accepted.

For further information contact Public Works at 847.870.5640 or publicworksdept@mountprospect.org.



Restrictions on Watering

As part of the Lake Michigan water allocation program, the Village is required to restrict outdoor water use. Water conservation measures help ensure that there is a continuous adequate water supply for drinking, bathing, and fire protection.

Regulations make it unlawful to use water drawn directly or indirectly from public wells or the public water supply for watering lawns and gardens, filling swimming pools, washing vehicles or other items except as follows:

- Watering and sprinkling are permitted for odd numbered addresses on odd numbered dates and for even numbered addresses on even numbered dates between the hours of 4 pm and 10 am.
- Newly sodded areas of lawns may be watered at any time on any day for the two-week period following installation.

These rules are in effect seven days a week. If you have any questions, please call Public Works at 847.870.5640.

Hazardous Waste Collection

The Mount Prospect Public Works Department will be hosting a Household Hazardous Waste collection event on Saturday, August 15 from 7am to 2pm at Public Works, 1700 West Central Road. The event is open to Mount Prospect residents only and drop-off appointments will be required. Check-in for those with appointments will take place at Melas Park, 1500 West Central Road.

Materials collected will be disposed of in the most environmentally friendly method possible. Some of the eligible items include aerosol paints and solvents, pool chemicals, insecticides, used motor oil and cleaning products. A full list of eligible and prohibited items can be found at mountprospect.org/departments/public-works/solid-waste/household-hazardous-waste-collection. No business or commercial waste will be accepted.

Water Your Traps

Like any drain in your home, the traps in floor drains will eventually dry out if not frequently used. A dry floor drain can cause sewer gas from the Village sewer system to enter your home.

Floor traps need a layer of water sitting in the lower portion to block the gas from entering. Add a little fresh water to the trap, then top it off with a small amount of cooking oil to form a layer to prevent evaporation.

Reforestation Efforts

As with previous years, the Village will continue with reforestation efforts to replace any trees that have been removed. Budget permitting, replacements will continue in the fall. If you have had a parkway tree removed the Village will be in contact with information regarding a replacement.

The process begins with Village staff selecting a tree from among eight to ten appropriate species at an Illinois nursery. Installation will be done by a landscape contractor and the new tree will be guaranteed for a year. Trees are replaced in the order in which they were removed. In some cases, planting may not take place until the following year.

To request a fall planting, contact Public Works at 847.870.5640 no later than August 1.

Unlimited Organics Collection Program

The Village has rebranded the existing yard waste program as the Organics Program. In addition to the collection of yard waste, the Village will now accept organic material including fruits, vegetables, etc. All yard waste and organics material will be collected in unlimited quantities for no additional charge, but residents must provide their own rigid container or obtain one through the cart rental program for collection. Organics Service will be provided from April through mid-December. Please visit mountprospect.org/organics or contact Public Works for more information.

YES!

ACCEPTABLE

- GRASS CLIPPINGS
- BRUSH
- FLOWERS
- LEAVES
- FRUITS AND VEGETABLES
- PASTAS
- MEAT (NO BONE)
- BREADS
- CRACKERS
- CEREALS
- CHEESE, YOGURT (NO LIQUIDS)
- COFFEE GROUNDS

Is this OK for Organics collection?

NON-ACCEPTABLE

- PLASTIC BAGS
- STYROFOAM
- BONES, SEAFOOD
- SHRINK WRAP
- CHIP AND CANDY WRAPPERS
- PLASTIC UTENSILS
- PLASTIC CONTAINERS OR WRAP FROM FOOD PACKAGING
- PLASTIC OF ANY KIND
- GLASS OF ANY KIND
- BEVERAGES

NO!



Human Services

The content for this edition of the Village Newsletter was prepared at the end of May. At that time, Village Hall was preparing to re-open under the public guidelines in place to support the health and safety of the community. The effects of this pandemic have made it difficult to plan ahead and predict what our programming will look like at the time that this newsletter reaches you. Although we don't know exactly how services will be delivered in July and August, what we do know, is that we will continue to modify and rethink our service delivery to ensure that we are meeting the needs of the community. We will do our best to be creative in delivering services to keep people connected and safe. It is our hope that by the time this edition reaches you, the spread of COVID-19 will have slowed, and we will be offering more in-person services and programs. Please call our department and check our website for updated information about the status of group programs including Ageless Grace, 50+ Breakfast Club, Health Screening Clinics, Conversations in English, and Play and Learn. Stay tuned for information about our annual school supply drive and Medicare D Open Enrollment appointments. We are a phone call away if you need assistance or information.

Human Services 847.870.5680 | Community Connections Center 847.506.4930

To request a copy of the most recent Senior Sentinel Newsletter, please call the Human Services Department.



Community Connections Center

Follow the Community Connections Facebook page for information and resources about these and other topics by Liking us at: facebook.com/communityconnectionscenter.



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Hours

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



Community/Economic Development *(continued)*

Community Development Block Grant

Each year, the Village receives Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). CDBG funds are used to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons. HUD requires recipients to

produce a Five-Year Consolidated Plan, a collaborative process whereby a community establishes a unified vision for community development actions, including projected uses of the CDBG funds. The Village is currently preparing the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan, to be submitted to HUD in August.

In April, the Village was notified that it will receive a special allocation of CDBG funds to be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus (COVID-19). This special allocation was authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act). The CDBG funds from the CARES Act will be utilized to address new community needs related to infectious disease response, supplement existing CDBG programs that have been impacted by COVID-19 and facilitate community resiliency and recovery from the pandemic.

The Consolidated Plan is shaped through citizen participation and input from community partners. Copies of the draft 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan will also be available for public review and comment from June 15 to July 14 in the Community Development Department located in Mount Prospect Village Hall at 50 South Emerson Street, and available online at mountprospect.org, and the Mount Prospect Public Library website at mopl.org. You may contact the Community Development Department at 847.818.5328 for regulations regarding eligible activities, the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan, or the CDBG program.

Online Utility Bill Services

The Village offers an easy-to-use View Bill or Account History option and several convenient payment options for Water/Sewer/Refuse bills:

- View bill or account history and/or pay online with a credit or debit card through the Village website, www.mountprospect.org. There is no service fee for using this option. Online payment is secure and available 24 hours/day.
- With Direct Debit, funds are withdrawn on the due date. Authorization forms are available at mountprospect.org.

Other payment options include:

- Deposit 24 hours/day in one of the payment boxes located outside the front door of Village Hall and in the parking garage, next to the Library book return.
- Through the mail.
- In person at the Finance Department.

There's Still Time to Fill Out the 2020 Census

Due to the coronavirus pandemic the opportunity for you to participate in the 2020 Census has been extended until October. Over 75% of Mount Prospect households have already submitted their census information – we appreciate your prompt action. We encourage those who haven't filled out their form to please do so as this critical count influences the amount of funding the Village receives for infrastructure, emergency services and healthcare (think COVID-19 assistance), and hundreds of other social programs. Canvassing of non-responding households is now scheduled to begin August 11.

As a reminder, the Census is completely confidential, and the information gathered is not shared with any other governmental entity; even the President cannot access this information. The process itself is simple and quick, generally taking less than ten minutes to complete.

To fill out your questionnaire online, please visit my2020census.gov. The Census form can also be completed over the phone by calling 844.330.2020 for English, or 844.468.2020 for Spanish. For other questions regarding the Census and the Census form, please call the Community Development Department at 847.818.5312.

Once Park District and Village facilities begin opening, be on the lookout at the RecPlex, Weiss Community Center, Village Hall, and the Main and South Branch Libraries for additional places you can fill out your Census questionnaire.

For additional FAQ's and information, please visit: mountprospect.org/2020Census.



Vehicle Sticker Payment Extension

Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, 2020-2021 vehicle stickers may be purchased without late fees until July 31, 2020. There are several options to purchase stickers:

- Online for renewals or first-time purchases (no first-time seniors or handicapped).
- By mail by using the return envelope provided and mailing to Village of Mount Prospect, Attn: Vehicle Stickers, 50 South Emerson Street, Mount Prospect, IL 60056.
- Deposit in 24-hour payment boxes at Village Hall located next to the front door and in the parking deck, next to the Library book return.
- Standard priced passenger stickers only may be purchased in person at the Elmhurst Road Currency Exchange, 1698 South Elmhurst Road. (A \$2 service fee per sticker applies at the currency exchange.)

If you are an established resident and purchase a new vehicle after July 31, or you are a new resident after July 31, you have 30 days to purchase a vehicle sticker through the mail or 24-hour payment boxes, as proof of vehicle purchase or move-in date is required.

Residents who change vehicles after having purchased a 2020-2021 sticker should 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.

For more information regarding vehicle stickers, call the Finance Department at 847.392.6000 or visit mountprospect.org/vehiclestickers.

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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 847.818.5555
Television Services 847.870.5685
Community Development
Building Division 847.870.5675
Environmental Health 847.870.5668
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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Colleen E. Saccotelli, Michael A. Zadel
VILLAGE MANAGER | Michael J. Cassidy
VILLAGE CLERK | Karen Agoranos
Village Board Meetings are held the first and third Tuesday of every month at VH. Committee of the Whole Meetings are held the second and fourth Tuesday of every month at VH.

Mount Prospect E-News

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No Parking on Village Streets

2 a.m. to 6 a.m.

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MPPL Mount Prospect Public Library

MPPD Mt. Prospect Park District

RTPD River Trails Park District

MPDMA Mount Prospect Downtown Merchants Assoc.

MPHist Mount Prospect Historical Society

MPLC Mount Prospect Lions Club

Chamber Mount Prospect Chamber of Commerce

VH Village Hall

July 2020



SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
		LEARN MORE AT www.experiencemountprospect.org	1	2	3	4 Happy 4th of July!
5 MPLC Farmers Market 8am-1pm E. Commuter Lot	6	7	8	9	10	11
				Prarie Kids Session I 9:30-11:30am Prarie Kids Session II 1:30-3:30pm MPHist		
12 MPLC Farmers Market 8am-1pm E. Commuter Lot Second Sunday at the Society 11:30am-1:30pm MPHist	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 MPLC Farmers Market 8am-1pm E. Commuter Lot	20	21	22	23 Boats, Ships & Other Things That Float 9:30-11:30am Crossing on the Mayflower: Celebrating 400 Years 1:30-3:30pm MPHist	24	25 Black Smith Demo 11:30am-1:30pm MPHist
26 MPLC Farmers Market 8am-1pm E. Commuter Lot	27	28	29	30 Solarize Chicago Webinar 6pm	31	

August 2020



SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
						1 Document Destruction Event 9am-noon MP Public Works
2 MPLC Farmers Market 8am-1pm E. Commuter Lot	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 MPLC Farmers Market & MPHist History Day Bake Sale 8am-1pm E. Commuter Lot Second Sundays at the Society 11:30am-1:30pm MPHist	10	11	12	13	14	15 Household Hazardous Waste Collection 7am-2pm (by appointment only) MP Public Works 1700 W. Central Road
16 MPLC Farmers Market 8am-1pm E. Commuter Lot	17	18	19	20	21	22 MP Historical Society Bus Trip Through Chicago 9am-5pm MPHist
23 MPLC Farmers Market 8am-1pm E. Commuter Lot	24	25	26	27	28	29 Five Dollar Fives: Civil War Re-enactor Mitch Ransdell 10am, MPHist
30 MPLC Farmers Market 8am-1pm E. Commuter Lot	31	LEARN MORE AT www.experiencemountprospect.org				