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MOUNT PROSPECT VILLAGE news

JULY/AUGUST 2021

THE RETURN OF VILLAGE SPONSORED Summer Events!

Mount Prospect announces the return of Village sponsored summer events, thanks to the State of Illinois move into Phase 5 of the Restore Illinois COVID-19 mitigation plan. Residents will be able to enjoy the 4th of July Parade, Fridays on the Green, the Downtown Summer Block Party and the Celebration of Cultures. Due to the shortened time period for planning, some events have been transformed, moved to alternate weekends or moved to alternate locations.

4TH OF JULY PARADE | Sunday, July 4 | 1pm

The Parade Kicks-off at Emerson Street and Prospect Avenue and makes its way to Melas Park along Prospect Avenue and Central Road. This year the theme is: MOUNT PROSPECT CELEBRATES FREEDOM 2021. Come out for the marching bands, civic, youth and neighborhood groups, businesses, and entertainment.

FRIDAYS ON THE GREEN | July 16 & August 13 | 6pm

Fridays on the Green takes place in front of Village Hall on Centennial Green at 6 pm. July 16th will feature The Hemispheres paying homage to the legends of Soul, Motown, and Classic R&B. August 13th will feature local band The Dill Spears playing all your favorite hits.

DOWNTOWN BLOCK PARTY | August 27 & 28

The Mount Prospect Downtown Block Party has moved weekends this year. The Village and the Mount Prospect Chamber of Commerce welcome residents and visitors downtown to enjoy a weekend's worth of great live musical performances, delicious food and beverages, and the return of the business expo.

The Downtown Block Party will once again be held in the heart of downtown Mount Prospect at the corner of Emerson Street and Busse Avenue (next to Village Hall on Centennial Green, 50 S. Emerson Street).

Two full days of free entertainment are scheduled. The festival opens Friday, August 27 at 4 pm and runs through 11 pm. The party continues on Saturday, August 28 from

11 am to 11 pm. Bring the kids for fun, free activities from noon to 6 pm. Kids will enjoy the various rides, face painting and crafts.

No party is complete without food! Indulge in Mount Prospect's local favorites, from pizza, tacos, gyros, and hot dogs to ice cream and cakes. Beer, wine and specialty beverages will be available. For up-to-date restaurant listings, band information and more, visit mpblockparty.com, like the Downtown Block Party Facebook page, or call Village Hall at 847.392.6000.

CELEBRATION OF CULTURES | August 29 | 11 am to 4 pm

The 3rd Annual Mount Prospect Celebration of Cultures returns! On the day immediately following the Downtown Summer Block Party, the Celebration of Cultures will take place in the same downtown location and will once again feature cultural booths, ethnic entertainment, fair trade crafts from 10,000 Villages and food from around the world.

PARKING

FREE Parking for all Summer events is available in the East Commuter Lot (Northwest Highway & Route 83) and in the Emerson Street Parking Deck (50 S. Emerson Street). Rather take the train in? Centennial Green is just one block from the Mount Prospect Metra Train Station.

For additional information on these events, visit mountprospect.org and experiencemountprospect.org.



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Community Events

JUNE
30

4th of July Festival
June 30 – July 4

MELAS PARK

1500 West Central Road
Join the Mount Prospect Lions Club for their 82nd Annual 4th of July Festival. Event will include food,

entertainment and family fun. For more information, visit mplions.org.



JULY
1

Ageless Grace

Thursdays | July 1, 15, 22 & 29 | 1:30 pm

FARLEY COMMUNITY ROOM VILLAGE HALL

50 South Emerson Street

Seated senior exercise program for the mind and body.

Registration is required for this free 30-minute, socially distanced class, which is open to MP residents only. Please wear a mask to class. Call 847.870.5680 to register.



JULY
1

Virtual Conversations in English

Thursday | July 1 & 15 | 1 – 2 pm

Thursday | July 8 & 22 | 5 – 6 pm

If you are learning English, practice your conversational skills virtually. Enjoy interesting discussions while learning new conversational skills from the comfort of your own home. For more info or to register, call 847.506.4930.



JULY
1

Monthly Blood Drive

Thursday | July 1 | 2 – 8 pm

FIRE STATION 14

2000 East Kensington Rd

The Fire Department has partnered with Vitalant and their Everyday Heroes program. Donors generate points which are converted into a monetary award given to the Illinois Fire Chief's Association Scholarship Fund. For future drives, please register for an appointment at vitalant.org.



JULY
4

Farmers Market

Sundays Through October 31 | 8 am – 1 pm

EAST COMMUTER LOT
Northwest Highway and Emerson Street

Discover a wonderful array of fruits, vegetables, herbs, flowers and other one-of-a-kind food and non-food items. Parking is available at the West Commuter Lot, Emerson Street Parking Deck and on south side of the tracks. For more info, visit mplions.org.



JULY
4

4th of July Parade

Sunday | July 4 | 1pm

Kicks-off at Emerson and Prospect and makes its way to Melas Park along Prospect and Central. For details, contact Jill Friedrichs at 224.595.5231. Sponsored

by MP Special Events Commission.



JULY
6

Virtual Play and Learn Group

Tuesdays | July 6, 13, 20 & 27 | 11:30 am – noon



Parents and children ages 2 through 5 meet virtually with other parents and their children for story time, music and learning activities. To register, call 847.590.4090.

JULY
10

Lions Club Cruise Nights

Saturdays
Through September 25 | 3 pm – 9 pm



EAST COMMUTER LOT
Northwest Highway and Emerson Street

Cruise on over to see some cool cars! **July 10 Mopar Night, July 17 Model "A" Night, July 24 Pontiac Night, July 31 Thunderbird Night.** For more info, visit mplions.org.

JULY
11

Second Sundays at the Society: Patriotic Craft

Sunday | July 11 | 11:30 am – 1:30 pm



MOUNT PROSPECT HISTORICAL SOCIETY
101 South Maple Street

Make red, white and blue paper windsocks. (Take-and-make kits will be available). Meeting in person, outdoors. Canceled in case of inclement weather. Buildings on campus will not be open. For questions, please call 847.392.9006.

JULY
11

The Sunday Song Book Series: District 214 Summer Musical – Disney Descendants

Sunday | July 11 | 4 pm



VETERANS MEMORIAL BANDSHELL
411 South Maple Street

Join students from District 214 high schools as they present an audition-based summer song and dance experience. Audiences young and old will enjoy "Disney's Descendants: The Musical," based on the popular Disney Channel Original Movies featuring Disney characters and descendants of famous Disney villains. Put on by the MPPD, tickets are \$20 per circle. Visit mppd.org for details.

JULY
13

Two Lane Gems: Travelogue and Road Trip Inspiration

Tuesday | July 13 | 7 pm

Join award-winning author Theresa L. Goodrich for a great American road trip.



This travelogue takes an epic journey while sharing tips on how to plan adventures, choose destinations and save money on the road. Presented by the MPPL using Zoom. Participants must register and provide an email address to receive login information.

JULY
14

Senior Housing 101

Wednesday | July 14 | 7 pm

Rick Graffagna, owner and operator of Senior Solutions, will examine different types of senior housing options and advise what to look for



when touring a potential residence. He will also discuss financial strategies and how to choose the housing option that is right for you or your family member. Presented by the Mount Prospect Public Library using Zoom. Participants must register and provide an email address to receive login information.

JULY
14

Downtown Merchants' Movie Night: Trolls World Tour

Wednesday | July 14



Dusk
CENTENNIAL GREEN AT VILLAGE HALL
50 South Emerson Street

Join the Mount Prospect Downtown Merchants Association for family-friendly Movies on the Green.

JULY
15

Wits Workout

Thursday | July 15 | 10 – 11:30 am



FARLEY COMMUNITY ROOM VILLAGE HALL
50 South Emerson Street

This class is a brain-teasing workout for seniors who enjoy keeping sharp and socializing with others. Class size is limited and open to MP residents only. Please wear a mask to this socially distanced class. Call 847.870.5680 to register.

JULY
15

The Millennials Concert

Thursday | July 15 | 7:30 – 9 pm

VETERANS MEMORIAL BANDSHELL
411 South Maple Street

Enjoy classic rock from a new generation. Enjoy the music of a female-fronted band covering songs from Pink, No Doubt, Pat Benatar, Fleetwood Mac, Van Halen and more. Put on by the Mt. Prospect Park District. Visit mppd.org for details.

JULY
16

Fridays on the Green Summer Concert Series

Friday | July 16 | 6 – 8 pm

THE HEMISPHERES

CENTENNIAL GREEN AT VILLAGE HALL

50 South Emerson Street



Pack a picnic dinner or grab something from one of the downtown restaurants and enjoy a free concert on Centennial Green. Sponsored by Experience Mount Prospect.

JULY
17

Meet the Author: Talia Hibbert

Saturday | July 17 | 11 am



Settle in for conversation and fun as Talia Hibbert, author of *Get a Life*, *Chloe Brown*, *Take a Hint*, *Dani Brown* and *Act Your Age*, *Eve Brown*, is interviewed by booktuber, blogger, and avid reader Ashley from The Bookish Realm. Attendees entered into a giveaway for a signed copy of one of Hibbert's novels. Presented by the Mount Prospect Public Library using Zoom. Participants must register and provide an email address to receive login information.

JULY
18

The Four C Notes Concert

Sunday | July 18 | 7:30 – 9 pm



VETERANS MEMORIAL BANDSHELL
411 South Maple Street

Enjoy the iconic songs of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons. The Midwest's only Four Seasons tribute group will sing songs that tell the rags-to-riches story that served as the basis for the smash hit musical *Jersey Boys*. Put on by the Mt. Prospect Park District. Visit mppd.org for details.

JULY
22

Billy Elton Concert

Thursday | July 22 | 7:30 – 9 pm



VETERANS MEMORIAL BANDSHELL
411 South Maple Street

Enjoy the greatest songs written and performed by Billy Joel and Elton John presented by Reid Spears and his seven-piece band. Put on by the Mt. Prospect Park District and will be entertaining for all ages. Visit mppd.org for details.

JULY
25

The Johnny Burnett Band Concert
Sunday | July 25
7:30 – 9 pm

VETERANS MEMORIAL BANDSHELL
411 South Maple Street

The Johnny Burnett Band returns to delight music lovers once again with the very best in classic rock and pop, including many favorites by The Beatles. This talented seven-piece band puts on quite a show—one you won't want to miss. Hosted by the Mt. Prospect Park District. Visit mppd.org for details.



JULY
29

If You Lived: Crossing on the Mayflower and Life in Plymouth
Thursday | July 29
9:30 – 11:30 am

MOUNT PROSPECT HISTORICAL SOCIETY
101 South Maple Street

Learn what it was like to be a kid on this famous transatlantic trip and experience what life was like in the New World when the Pilgrims finally reached land. To register for this \$25 event, visit mthist.org/summer-2021-activities-for-young-historians/.



AUGUST
1

Farmers Market
Sundays Through October 31 | 8 am – 1 pm
EAST COMMUTER LOT
Northwest Highway and Emerson Street

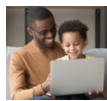
Get the freshest produce in town! Discover a wonderful array of fruits, vegetables, herbs, flowers and other one-of-a-kind food and non-food items. Parking is available at the West Commuter Lot, Emerson Street Parking Deck and on south side of the tracks. For more info, visit mplions.org.



AUGUST
3

Virtual Play and Learn Group
Tuesdays | August 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31
11:30 am – noon

Parents of children ages 2 through 5 are invited to meet virtually with other parents and their children for story time, music and learning activities. To register, call 847.590.4090.



AUGUST
3

National Night Out
Tuesday | August 3 | 6 pm
CENTENNIAL GREEN AT VILLAGE HALL
50 South Emerson Street

Join the Mount Prospect Police Department for a Picnic and Movie Night on Centennial

Green. Check out police vehicles and meet with officers from Mount Prospect's six police beats. The movie will be *Raya and the Last Dragon*.

AUGUST
5

Virtual Conversations in English
August 5 & 19 | 1 – 2 pm
August 12 & 26 | 5 – 6 pm



If you are learning English, practice your conversational skills virtually. Enjoy interesting discussions while learning

new conversational skills from the comfort of your own home. For more information or to register, call 847.506.4930.

AUGUST
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Ageless Grace
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FARLEY COMMUNITY ROOM VILLAGE HALL
50 South Emerson Street



Seated senior exercise

program for the mind and body. Registration is required for this free 30-minute, socially distanced class, which is open to MP residents only. Please wear a mask to class. Call 847.870.5680 to register.

AUGUST
7

Super Saturday: ScribbleMonster
Saturday | August 7 | 11 am
VETERANS MEMORIAL BANDSHELL
411 South Maple Street

All ages are invited to jump and jam at an energetic ScribbleMonster concert presented by the Mount Prospect Public Library. With a mix of kindness, music and humor, their presentation encourages children to play and think in creative ways. Space is limited and registration is required. Bring a blanket or chairs and spread out to enjoy some family time!

AUGUST
7

Lions Club Cruise Nights
Saturdays | Through September 25 | 3 – 9 pm
EAST COMMUTER LOT
Northwest Highway and Emerson Street



Cruise on over to see some cool cars! **August 7 50's Night, August 14 60's Night, August 21 70's Night and August 28 80's Night.** For more info, visit mplions.org.

AUGUST
8

Second Sundays at the Society: Local Storyteller Pam Nelson
Sunday | August 8
11:30 am – 1:30 pm

MOUNT PROSPECT HISTORICAL SOCIETY
101 South Maple Street



Enjoy a fun, interactive storytelling session! You can also bring a chair or blanket and a book to read in our beautiful garden. If weather is inclement, this event will be canceled. Buildings on the MPHist campus will not be open. For questions, please call 847.392.9006.

AUGUST
10

National Parks: A Virtual Tour
Tuesday | August 10 | 7 pm

Award-winning author Theresa L. Goodrich presents a tour of five unique National Parks. Explore Badlands National Park, Glacier National Park,



Joshua Tree National Park, Yellowstone National Park and Zion National Park. Go beyond the visual beauty and into the stories of the parks themselves and how they came to be. Presented by the Mount Prospect Public Library using Zoom. Participants must register and provide an email address to receive login information.

AUGUST
13

Fridays on the Green Summer Concert Series
Friday | August 13 | 6 – 8 pm
THE DILL SPEARS



CENTENNIAL GREEN AT VILLAGE HALL
50 South Emerson Street

Pack a picnic dinner or grab something from one of the downtown restaurants and enjoy a free concert on Centennial Green. Sponsored by Experience Mount Prospect.

AUGUST
19

Wits Workout
Thursday | August 19
10 – 11:30 am
FARLEY COMMUNITY ROOM VILLAGE HALL
50 South Emerson Street



This class is a brain-teasing workout for seniors who enjoy keeping sharp and socializing with others. Class size is limited and open to Mount Prospect residents only. Please wear a mask to this socially distanced class. Call 847.870.5680 to register.

AUGUST
20-22

56 MUSIC FIX
August 20 – 22
LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT VILLAGE



Experience local musicians and artists rockin' the 56! The 56 Artisan Fix Market returns to Lions Park Saturday, August

21 from noon to 5 pm and features juried, local artisans selling their creations with live music and food carts. Visit 56musicfix.org for details about this Village-wide music weekend.

AUGUST
21

Mount Prospect Family Bike Ride
Saturday | August 21 | 9 am
MELAS PARK
1500 West Central Road



Join the Mount Prospect Special Events Commission for a family bike ride event. Families

meet at Melas Park and kickstands will go up at 9 am. Pre-registration and info available at mountprospect.org/boards-commissions/special-events-commission.

AUGUST
24

Cookbook Recipes: International Vintage Desserts
Tuesday | August 24 | 7 pm



Hear about kolackies, baklava, German Chocolate Cake and other favorite vintage dessert trends with international origins

with cookbook collector Amy Alessio. Learn the history of some favorite foods and leave with recipes. Presented by the Mount Prospect Public Library using Zoom. Participants must register and provide an email address to receive login information.

AUGUST
27/28

Downtown Block Party
Friday | August 27
4pm – 11pm
Saturday | August 28
11 am – 11 pm



Emerson St & Busse Ave
Great food and entertainment with free kids' activities on

Saturday! For info, visit mpblockparty.com or [facebook.com/MTProspectParty](https://www.facebook.com/MTProspectParty). Sponsored by the Village of Mount Prospect and the Mount Prospect Chamber of Commerce.

AUGUST
29

Celebration of Cultures
Sunday | August 29
11:30 am – 6 pm



Emerson St & Busse Ave
Join the fun and celebrate our cultural diversity! Taste foods from around the world and enjoy cultural entertainment, live music, booths & crafts!

News from the Finance Department

Vehicle Sticker Reminder

April 30 was the deadline for displaying your 2021-22 vehicle sticker. If you still need to purchase a sticker you can do so online (option not available for first-time seniors or handicapped), by mail (Village of Mount Prospect, Attn: Vehicle Stickers, 50 East Emerson Street, 60056), 24-hour payment boxes at Village Hall, in person at Village Hall (Finance Department), or the Elmhurst Road Currency Exchange, 1698 South Elmhurst Road (standard-price stickers only; an additional \$2 service fee per sticker).

If you are an established resident and purchase a new vehicle after April 30, or you are a new resident after April 30, you have 30 days to purchase a vehicle sticker. Proof of vehicle purchase or move-in date is required.

If you change vehicles after having purchased a 2021-2022 sticker, please contact the Finance Department with updated vehicle information, as you may be eligible to transfer the sticker for no additional fee.

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

Utility Bill Payment Options

The Village offers several easy-to-use payment options for water, sewer and refuse bills:

- One-time online payment with a credit or debit card, through the Village website, mountprospect.org (no service fee). Online payment is secure and available 24 hours/day.
- Direct debit with a credit or debit card, or bank account, through the Village website, mountprospect.org (no service fee). Funds are withdrawn on the due date.
- 24-hour payment kiosk located outside Village Hall. You may access your account by entering your account number or simply scanning the QR code that appears on your bill. The kiosk accepts credit and debit cards, checks, and cash. Blank checks are accepted; the kiosk scans only the bank account information on a check, and processes the payment for the amount entered by the user. Partial or entire balance payments are accepted. A printed, texted, or emailed receipt is offered.
- 24-hour payment boxes located outside the front door of Village Hall and in the parking garage, next to the library book return.
- By mail or in person at the Finance Department of Village Hall.

Government Finance Officers Association Award

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) has awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the Village of Mount Prospect for its comprehensive annual financial report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019. The report has been judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program, which includes demonstrating a constructive “spirit of full disclosure” to clearly communicate its financial story and motivate potential users and user groups to read the report.

The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.

How are the Village's Water and Sewer rates determined?

The Village Board approved and adopted a water/sewer rate study in 2017 to define the rate increases needed for water/sewer funds to keep pace with the infrastructure needs of the water/sewer utilities. Before the adoption of the study, the Village infrastructure for the water/sewer utilities were at the replacement cycle of 600+ years, far beyond this infrastructure's normal lifespan of 75 years. With the help of the rate structure provided in the rate study, we will be able to lower the replacement cycle from 600+ years to 130 years.

Water/sewer bills are based on water consumption (water volumetric and sewer volumetric) and nominal fixed fees (water base and sewer base). The most recent rate changes occurred in January 2021. Collected fees support the water and sewer utility operations and capital needs. The rates are designed not to generate any profits, but to cover the true operating and capital improvement costs of the utilities as planned in the water rate study.

The current rate structure (2021) based on the approved rate study is defined below:

WATER		SEWER	
Base Fee Fixed (monthly)	\$6.00	Base Fee Fixed (monthly)	\$5.00
Volumetric Fee (per 1,000 gallons)	\$11.85	Volumetric Fee (per 1,000 gallons)	\$2.54

Per the adopted rate study, the above charges are billed and collected each month.

Note that some areas of Mount Prospect are served by Illinois American Water, which operates under their own rate structure.

Similarly, the refuse service fees are designed to cover the true cost of service. Although increases had been established, the Village had frozen the refuse rates from 2017 to 2020. The rates were recently increased in January 2021. The current refuse service rates for single-family households are as follows:

Refuse Cart Service Garbage collection	\$21.15
Cart Rental (Organic Waste) Optional organic cart and collection	\$3.82

News from the Building Department

Pre-Submittal Meetings for Your Building Projects

If you are thinking about putting on an addition, adding a deck or patio, or doing significant home remodeling, the Building Division offers free pre-submittal meetings to review your plans.

These meetings are meant to ease you through the application process, explain the code requirements, and make your permit review process go smoothly and quickly. We will provide free code handouts and checklists which will make laying out your new project even easier. While a pre-submittal meeting is required for larger projects such as remodels, additions, or new construction, we are happy to meet with you for any size project.

To schedule your meeting, please contact the Building Division at 847.818.5290 or email buildingmountprospect.org.



More Village News

56 Music Fix

Named for our zip code, the 56 Music Fix returns for a third year of 3 non-stop days of live music August 20 – 22. Enjoy performances

by local bands covering multiple genres of music at multiple sites throughout Mount Prospect.

The 56 Artisan Fix

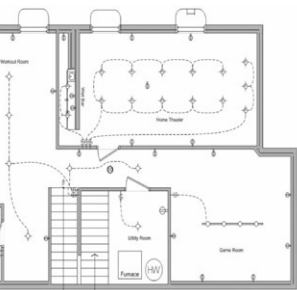
Market returns to Lions Park Saturday, August 21

from noon to 5 pm and features juried, local artisans selling their creations with live music and food carts. www.56musicfix.org



Sustainability Action Plan

The Village of Mount Prospect is in the process of creating a Sustainability Action Plan and has a survey available to gather your sustainability interests and priorities. All are welcome to take this survey whether or not you live or work in the Village. Your responses will be used to guide initiatives within the Sustainability Action Plan. mountprospect.org/SustainabilityActionPlan The survey should take about 5 to 8 minutes to complete. Your participation is greatly appreciated.



Support Our Local Businesses

With the summer weather, many local dining spots are offering outdoor seating again this year. We encourage all residents to support local shops and restaurants year-round.

Restaurants may submit an outdoor dining application to use the Village's right-of-way for seating. Applications must be submitted annually along with proper liability insurance to use the right-of-way.

In the past year, the Village has offered multiple grant programs available to restaurants and other businesses affected by COVID.



The Village promotes eating and shopping local through the Village website, social media, this newsletter, and other marketing outlets. For information on COVID restrictions, local businesses, available property, new development, or anything else related to economic development, please visit the Village's website at mountprospect.org.

Ribbon Cuttings



SINUS & SNORING MD
250 West Kensington Road
847.248.4448
sinusandsnoringmd.com




Mount Prospect
SEPTEMBER 23
GOLF OUTING

Thursday, September 23
Mt. Prospect Golf Club
Registration 10am | Tee Off 11am

- 18 Holes with Cart
- Boxed Lunch
- Beverages on the Course
- Happy Hour - Taste of Mount Prospect



2020  **Pandemic Moments**

MOUNT PROSPECT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Living in Mount Prospect, IL during the Pandemic of 2020

Fire Department

Play It Safe This 4th of July

While we encourage you to enjoy barbecues, parties, sunshine, and fun with family and friends this 4th of July, the Mount Prospect Fire Department reminds you that fireworks of all types, including sparklers, are prohibited in Mount Prospect. Only those with proper permits and training are allowed to use fireworks within the Village.

Fireworks present a danger to people and structures. According to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in 2019 there were more than 9,000 people treated for fireworks-related injuries. Children and adults can suffer burns, hearing loss, eye damage, and other serious injuries from fireworks. Even sparklers can reach a temperature of up to 1800° and remain hot after they are extinguished.

In data from 2018, the National Fire Protection Association estimated that fireworks started an estimated 19,500 fires causing significant property damage in many cases.

Unauthorized use of fireworks in Mount Prospect can lead to fines ranging from \$500 to \$2,500.

For your backyard party this 4th of July holiday, celebrate safely with glow sticks, glow-in-the-dark toys, flashlights, and party poppers. For any questions regarding fireworks or any other fire safety questions please contact the Mount Prospect Fire Prevention Department at 847.818.5253.



Ways to Get Involved with the Mount Prospect Fire Department

Paid-on-Call Firefighters – POCs



Originally founded as a volunteer organization on September 29, 1913, the Mount Prospect Fire Department became a full-time unit in 1961. The department was, and still is, supplemented

with paid-on-call (POC) volunteer firefighters. The POC program currently consists of 14 members, 12 of which are Mount Prospect residents.

Past and present POC members have come from many different backgrounds and some have used the POC program to become full time firefighters.

POC firefighters must complete basic firefighter certification. They also participate in ride-time with the department to gain practical experience. Once certified, POC members are on-call to provide assistance to the fire department 24/7/365.

POC members provide extra support for structure fires and emergency response. They may also be called out for flooding and power outages caused by major storms. In addition to training in structure fires and emergency response, the POC's are very involved with the community and public education. They participate in events such as the Toys for Kids Drive, Operation North Pole, neighborhood block parties, senior events, and fire safety education at the schools.

For more information and requirements visit the Fire Department Career Opportunities page on the village website mountprospect.org/departments/fire-department/career-opportunities or contact POC Deputy Chief, Mark Fedor at mfedor@mountprospect.org.

Community Emergency Response Team – CERT

Currently, 32 residents of Mount Prospect are part of the Village's Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program, collectively donating over 3,000 hours annually to the Village. Established in September 2004, CERT grew out of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Federal Citizen Corps program which provides opportunities for citizens across the country to participate in measures to make their families, their homes, and communities safer from threats and disasters of all kinds.

To be eligible for the CERT program, residents must complete a Citizen Preparedness Training class; classes are offered each October. The team trains a minimum of once a month in addition to specialized training and drills throughout the year. Team members are trained in CPR, first-aid, fire extinguisher use, utility awareness, ground search and rescue (GSAR), incident command, traffic/pedestrian control, radio communications, shelter management, and weather spotting.

When emergency incidents occur, or when large-scale special events are planned in the Village, CERT is called upon to assist with non-critical tasks which free-up police and fire resources to focus on the essential tasks related

to public safety and welfare. The CERT team may assist at a structure fire by finding shelter for the victims or other various rehab efforts. During severe weather, their assistance may be required to provide traffic control for flooding or downed power lines. You may see CERT members assisting at other events such as the Fourth of July parade and fireworks, the 5K run and family bike ride, the Fire Department open house, Downtown Block Party, Celebration of Cultures, and Special Olympics.

If you are interested in learning more about becoming a CERT member visit mountprospect.org/how-do-i/learn-about/emergency-management/be-ready-get-involved or call CERT Emergency Management Coordinator Jim Miller at 847.818.5254.



Police Department



Enrollment Open for the 2021 Citizens Police Academy

Mount Prospect residents 18 and older who are without any criminal history are encouraged to apply for the 2021 Citizens Police Academy. Classes begin on Monday, September 13, and will continue for eleven consecutive Monday evenings through November 22, from 6:30 pm until 9:30 pm. Classes will be held at the Mount Prospect Police Department.

The Academy allows citizens to get a firsthand look at police operations and to experience police work from the officer's point of view. Topics covered include traffic enforcement, crime scene processing, traffic crash investigation, and criminal law. Academy students will also be allowed to make simulated traffic stops and have an opportunity to use the department's pistol range.

Applications for the Citizens Police Academy are available at the Mount Prospect Police Department front desk and at mountprospect.org/police. Applications are due by 9:00 a.m., August 30. If you have any questions regarding the Citizens Police Academy, please call Officer Greg Sill at 847.870.5650 or email policedepartment@mountprospect.org.

Car Seat Inspections

The Mount Prospect Police Department has certified technicians who can assist you with installing or using a child car seat in your vehicle. Inspections and assistance can be scheduled by calling 847.870.5655 or by using the mpDelivers app.

We always recommend registering your car seat with the manufacturer to receive recalls and safety notices. You can also sign up with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to receive email alerts about car seat and booster seat recalls.



Calling 911

The Village of Mount Prospect is one of twelve northwest suburban communities that form a consolidated intergovernmental emergency dispatch system known as Northwest Central Dispatch System (NWCDS). The service handles police, fire, and EMS dispatch services across those communities.



If there is any doubt about whether or not to use 911, don't hesitate to make the call. 911 is not just for emergencies and any time you need a police officer dispatched to your location, make the call. Your call to 911 can be made anonymously if you prefer.

NWCDS is also accessible by text. We recommend sending two messages. First, type 911 in the To line, type your location in the message, and hit send. That will allow NWCDS to immediately dispatch an officer to your location. In a second message to 911, tell us what help you need and hit send. An automatic response will come your way, followed by another message from a dispatcher.

Please, do not ever hesitate to call 911 if you need police, fire, or medical assistance.

Firearm Safety

Project Childsafe has provided the police department with a supply of firearm safety kits to make available to residents. Each kit includes a free gun lock. You may pick up a kit while supplies last at the front information desk at police headquarters.



FIVE-O 5K | A Run with the Police

Come run with the police department during the return of the Five-O 5K. The 5K run/walk will be held on Saturday, September 25, 2021 and start at the police department, 911 E. Kensington Road, at 8 am. Registration is required, with a registration fee of \$25 for anyone 11 and over and \$15 for anyone 10 and under. More information about the race and where to register can be found at bit.ly/fiveo5k.



2020 Water Report Available Online

The Illinois and federal Environmental Protection Agencies are now allowing water suppliers to offer electronic delivery (e-delivery) of their annual Consumer Confidence Reports. The use of e-delivery will save thousands of dollars in printing and postage costs for the Village and fully meets the public notification requirements. Please visit mountprospect.org/CCR2020 to view your 2020 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 2020. If you would still like to receive a paper copy of the 2020 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.

Document Destruction Event



The Village, in partnership with the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC), will host a secure document destruction event on August 7 for Mount Prospect residents. We ask that you limit your drop-off to no more than 6 boxes or paper shopping bags of documents; business or institutional materials will not be accepted. Paper clips and staples do not need to be removed, but please remove binders. Drop-off will take place from 8 to 11 am. at Public Works, 1700 West Central Road. You may simply drive up and workers will remove the boxes or bags from your car and place them in carts for immediate, on-site destruction. All documents dropped off will be cross-shredded, baled, and recycled. For more information, call

Public Works at 847.870.5640 or email us at publicworksdept@mountprospect.org.

Summer Watering Limits

As part of the Lake Michigan water allocation program, the Village is required to place limits on outdoor water use. These water conservation measures are an important step in protecting our water supply and ensure that there is a continuous adequate water supply for drinking, bathing, and fire protection services.

Village ordinances restrict the use of water from public wells or the Village water distribution system for watering lawns and gardens, filling pools, outdoor washing, or other uses outside of the following days and times:

- Watering your lawn or landscaping is permitted for odd numbered addresses on odd numbered dates and for even numbered addresses on even numbered dates. Watering is only allowed prior to 10 am or after 4 pm on prescribed days. These rules apply 7 days a week.
- Newly sodded areas may be watered at any time on any day for 2 weeks following installation.

If you have any questions, please call Public Works at 847.870.5640.



Planting of New Trees

As we do each year, the Village is proceeding with a reforestation plan to replace every tree that has been removed from a public parkway, in the order they were removed. You will receive notification if a new tree will be planted in the parkway by your home. While we plan to continue the replacement program into the fall, it may take until next year for some trees to be replaced.

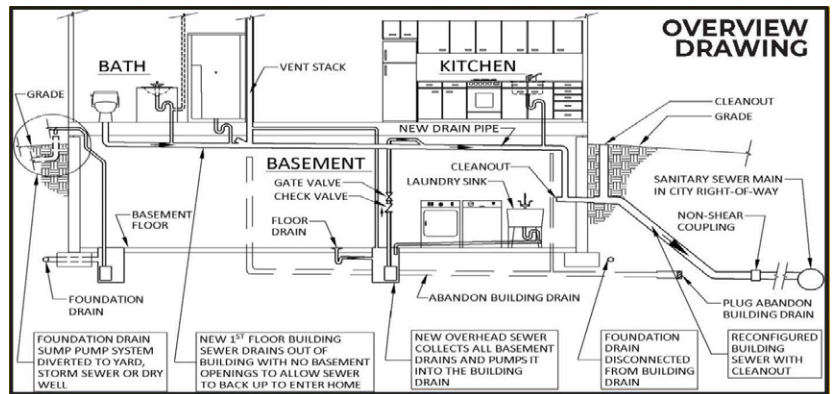
Trees will be chosen by Village staff from among 8 to 10 different species at an Illinois nursery and are guaranteed for one year.

If you are interested in having a parkway tree planted contact Public Works at 847.870.5640 or publicworksdept@mountprospect.org. Requests for fall planting should be received no later than August 1.



Overhead Sewer Rebate Program

The Village has established the Overhead Sewer Rebate Program to provide financial assistance to residents who want to convert their existing gravity-fed sanitary system into an overhead sanitary sewer system. To be eligible for this program, the homeowner must be a Village wastewater utility consumer.



Eligible single-family home owners can be reimbursed up to 50% of the cost up to \$7,500.

For more information contact Public Works at 847.870.5640 or visit mountprospect.org/departments/public-works/water-sewer/overhead-sewer-rebate-program.

Water Your Traps

We recommend that you periodically check traps in your floor drains, especially if they have not been used recently. When drains are not used often, they have the potential to dry out which can allow a room to fill with sewer gas from the Village sewer system.

The simple solution is to pour a little freshwater into the drain and top it off with a bit of cooking oil. The oil will create a seal to prevent evaporation of the water.



Human Services

Back to School Supply Drive

The Human Services Department will once again host our annual School Supply Drive for families who participate in our food pantry or have experienced significant financial hardship. Your donation allows us to provide children a backpack along with a gift card to be used for purchasing school supplies. This small but important contribution allows students to begin their year on a positive note and sets them up for success. You can donate via PayPal indicating School Supply Drive with your payment at mountprospect.org/donation



Medicare D Prescription Drug Open Enrollment Period

Open enrollment for Medicare D begins October 15 and runs through December 7 this year. Every year brings changes in premiums, co-pays, deductibles, and drugs covered for all drug plans so we are prepared to assist in your enrollment process. Human Services Department Social Workers and Senior Health Insurance volunteers use a tool available on the Medicare website to help you determine which plan is best for you for the upcoming year. In addition, our team will assess whether you are eligible for extra help with your plan premiums and co-pays. For assistance with enrolling or reviewing an existing plan, call 847.870.5680. There is limited availability for appointments.



Parenting Class Coming in Fall

The Human Services Department will offer the Becoming a Love and Logic Parent® training course in the fall, in both English and Spanish. The Becoming a Love and Logic Parent® curriculum was developed by Jim Fay, Charles Fay, Ph.D., and Foster W. Cline, M.D., of the Love and Logic Institute, Inc., in Golden, Colorado. Call Human Services at 847.870.5680 or the Community Connections Center at 847.506.4930 to register for the course.



Wits Workout

Developed by the University of Illinois Extension, this 90-minute class is a brain-teasing workout for seniors who enjoy keeping sharp and socializing with others. The class meets the third Thursday of every month at 10 am in the Farley Community Room at Village Hall. Class size is limited and open to Mount Prospect residents only.

Community Connections Center

August is National Immunization Awareness Month. For information and resources about this topic follow the Community Connections Facebook page by liking us at facebook.com/communityconnectionscenter.

You can find the Community Connections Center at 1711 West Algonquin Road and we can be reached at 847.506.4930.



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



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50 South Emerson Street
Mount Prospect | Illinois 60056
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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 847.818.5355
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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2 a.m. to 6 a.m.

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<p>4 Lions Club Farmers Market 8am-1pm, East commuter lot 4th of July Parade, 1pm MP Lions Club Festival Melas Park, 1-11pm</p>	<p>5 Lions Play and Learn Group 11:30am-12pm, MPPL</p>	<p>6 Virtual Conversations in English, 5-6pm Monthly Blood Drive, 2-8pm FIRE STATION 14 Monarch Butterfly: A Virtual Program, 7-8pm, MPPL</p>	<p>7 Virtual Conversations in English, 5-6pm Monthly Blood Drive, 2-8pm FIRE STATION 14 Monarch Butterfly: A Virtual Program, 7-8pm, MPPL</p>	<p>8 Virtual Conversations in English, 5-6pm Monthly Blood Drive, 2-8pm FIRE STATION 14 Monarch Butterfly: A Virtual Program, 7-8pm, MPPL</p>	<p>9 Virtual Conversations in English, 5-6pm Monthly Blood Drive, 2-8pm FIRE STATION 14 Monarch Butterfly: A Virtual Program, 7-8pm, MPPL</p>	<p>10 Lions Club Cruise Nights 3pm-9pm, East commuter lot, MOPAR NIGHT</p>
<p>11 Lions Club Farmers Market 8am-1pm, East commuter lot Second Sundays at the Society: Patriotic Craft 11:30am-1:30pm, MPHist The Sunday Song Book Series: District 214 Summer Musical - Disney Descendants, 4pm Veterans Memorial Bandshell</p>	<p>12 Virtual Play and Learn Group 11:30am-12pm, MPPL Two Lane Gens: Travelogue and Road Trip Inspiration 7pm, Zoom, MPPL</p>	<p>13 Virtual Play and Learn Group 11:30am-12pm, MPPL TWO Lane Gens: Travelogue and Road Trip Inspiration 7pm, Zoom, MPPL</p>	<p>14 Senior Housing 101, 7 pm Zoom, MPPL Movie Night: <i>Trois World Tour</i>, Dusk, Centennial! Green, MPDMA</p>	<p>15 Wits Workout, 10-11:30am, VH Virtual Conversations in English, 1-2pm Ageless Grace, 1:30pm, VH The Millennials Concert 7:30-9pm, Veterans Memorial Bandshell, MPPD</p>	<p>16 Fridays on the Green Summer Concert Series 6-8pm, The Hemispheres Centennial Green, VH</p>	<p>17 Meet the Author: Talia Hibbert 11am, Zoom, MPPL Lions Club Cruise Nights 3pm-9pm, East commuter lot, MODEL A NIGHT</p>
<p>18 Lions Club Farmers Market 8am-1pm, East commuter lot The Four C Notes Concert 7:30-9pm, Veterans Memorial Bandshell, MPPD</p>	<p>19 Virtual Play and Learn Group 11:30am-12pm, MPPL</p>	<p>20 Virtual Play and Learn Group 11:30am-12pm, MPPL</p>	<p>21 Virtual Conversations in English, 5-6pm Ageless Grace, 1:30pm, VH Billy Elton Concert 7:30-9pm, Veterans Memorial Bandshell, MPPD</p>	<p>22 Virtual Conversations in English, 5-6pm Ageless Grace, 1:30pm, VH Billy Elton Concert 7:30-9pm, Veterans Memorial Bandshell, MPPD</p>	<p>23 Virtual Conversations in English, 5-6pm Ageless Grace, 1:30pm, VH Billy Elton Concert 7:30-9pm, Veterans Memorial Bandshell, MPPD</p>	<p>24 Lions Club Cruise Nights 3pm-9pm, East commuter lot, PONTIAC NIGHT</p>
<p>25 Lions Club Farmers Market 8am-1pm, East commuter lot The Johnny Burnett Band Concert, 7:30-9pm Veterans Memorial Bandshell, MPPD</p>	<p>26 Virtual Play and Learn Group 11:30am-12pm, MPPL</p>	<p>27 Virtual Play and Learn Group 11:30am-12pm, MPPL</p>	<p>28 Crossing on the Mayflower and Life in Plymouth 9:30-11:30am, MPHist Ageless Grace, 1:30pm, VH Virtual Conversations in English, 5-6pm</p>	<p>29 Crossing on the Mayflower and Life in Plymouth 9:30-11:30am, MPHist Ageless Grace, 1:30pm, VH Virtual Conversations in English, 5-6pm</p>	<p>30 Crossing on the Mayflower and Life in Plymouth 9:30-11:30am, MPHist Ageless Grace, 1:30pm, VH Virtual Conversations in English, 5-6pm</p>	<p>31 Lions Club Cruise Nights 3pm-9pm, East commuter lot, THUNDERBIRD NIGHT</p>

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8 Lions Club Farmers Market 8am-1pm, East commuter lot Second Sundays at the Society: Local Stonyeller Pam Nelson 11:30am-1:30pm, MPHIST	9	10 Virtual Play and Learn Group 11:30am-12pm, MPPL National Parks: A Virtual Tour 7 pm, Zoom, MPPL	11	12 Virtual Conversations in English, 5-6pm Ageless Grace, 1:30pm, VH	13 Fridays on the Green Summer Concert Series 6-8pm, The Dill Spears Centennial Green, VH	14 Lions Club Cruise Nights 3pm-9pm, East commuter lot, 60s NIGHT
15 Lions Club Farmers Market 8am-1pm, East commuter lot	16	17 Virtual Play and Learn Group 11:30am-12pm, MPPL	18	19 Wife's Workout, 10-11:30am, VH Virtual Conversations in English, 1-2pm Ageless Grace, 1:30pm, VH	20 56 MUSIC FIX Throughout Village	21 Family Bike Ride, 9 am, Melas Park 56 Artisan Fix Market, Lions Park 12-5pm 56 MUSIC FIX, Throughout Village Lions Club Cruise Nights 3pm-9pm, East commuter lot, 70s NIGHT
22 Lions Club Farmers Market 8am-1pm, East commuter lot 56 MUSIC FIX Throughout Village	23	24 Virtual Play and Learn Group 11:30am-12pm, MPPL Cookbook Recipes: International Vritage Desserts, 7pm, Zoom MPPL	25 Secretary of State's Rules of the Road Class, 1:30pm, VH	26 Virtual Conversations in English, 5-6pm Ageless Grace, 1:30pm, VH	27 Downtown Block Party 4-11pm Emerson St & Busse Ave	28 Downtown Block Party 11am-11pm Emerson St & Busse Ave Lions Club Cruise Nights 3pm-9pm, East commuter lot, 80s NIGHT
29 Lions Club Farmers Market 8am-1pm, East commuter lot Celebration of Cultures 11am-4pm Downtown Mount Prospect	30	31 Virtual Play and Learn Group 11:30am-12pm, MPPL				

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SUMMER CONCERT SERIES
CENTENNIAL GREEN AT VILLAGE HALL
50 South Emerson Street | 6 - 8 pm
Friday | July 16 | The Hemispheres
Friday | August 13 | Dill Spears

Pack a picnic dinner or grab something from one of the downtown restaurants and enjoy a free concert on Centennial Green. Sponsored by Experience Mount Prospect.



56 MUSIC FIX
August 20 - 22

LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT VILLAGE
Experience local musicians and artists rockin' the 56! The 56 Artisan Fix Market returns to Lions Park Saturday, August 21 from noon to 5 pm and features juried, local artisans selling their creations with live music and food carts. Visit 56musicfix.org for details about this Village-wide music weekend.



CELEBRATION OF CULTURES
EMERSON ST & BUSSE AVE
Sunday | August 29 | 11 am - 4 pm

Join the fun and celebrate our cultural diversity! Taste foods from around the world and enjoy cultural entertainment, live music, booths & crafts!