



MOUNT PROSPECT Village News

SPRING 2015



STAY CONNECTED WITH THE VILLAGE'S SOCIAL MEDIA COMMUNITIES

The Village of Mount Prospect invites residents to stay in-the-know. Staying connected is easier than ever on social media! By Liking the Village Facebook page or following the Village on Twitter, one can stay up-to-date on emergencies, news, severe weather and more. Simply visit mountprospect.org and click on the Facebook and Twitter icons located on the bottom of the homepage. In addition, residents can also Like and Follow the Police Department on Facebook and Twitter and the Fire Department on Twitter. Go to mountprospect.org (Government > Departments) and click on the individual department to start receiving timely updates. For instance, a downed power line that caused over 1,000 Mount Prospect residences to lose power in February 2015 was first reported in real-time in a post shared by the Fire Department.

In addition to the Village of Mount Prospect's social media channels, Village staff also manages an Experience Mount Prospect Facebook and Twitter account. Visit experiencemountprospect.org to Like and Follow Experience Mount Prospect on Facebook and Twitter for on-the-go information. The updates are designed to promote local business deals and community events. Follow these pages in time for the latest details on great summer events, such as Fridays on the Green and the Mount Prospect Downtown Block Party (Block Party).

Fridays on the Green is a series of free outdoor concerts held right on the lawn in front of Village Hall (50 S. Emerson Street) in downtown Mount Prospect. Residents pack picnics, chairs and blankets while

Continued on page 13

IN THIS ISSUE:

Village News	2-3	Human Services	9	Public Works	14-17
Community Events.....	4-7	Shining Stars.....	10-11	Community Development	18
Police Department	8	Fire Department.....	12	Ribbon Cuttings	19



NEWS & NOTES

Purchase Vehicle Stickers Today!

The 2015-2016 Village vehicle stickers are currently on sale and must be displayed by May 1. Passenger vehicle stickers are \$40, motorcycle and motorbike stickers are \$27, and trucks with B plates are \$60. There is an additional price schedule for trucks based on their individual weight. If a resident bought one or more vehicle stickers last year, one should have received a renewal application in early February. With the pre-printed renewal application, one will be able to conveniently purchase a new vehicle sticker online, by mail or in person. If a resident did not receive an application in the mail, please pick one up at Village Hall (50 S. Emerson St.).

Residents who wish to purchase their vehicle stickers online can do so at mountprospect.org/vehiclestickers. There is a vehicle ID referenced on the pre-printed application that will help in the renewal process. Residents may still purchase a vehicle sticker online without a pre-printed application.

To purchase new vehicle sticker(s) in person, residents may visit Village Hall during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. For added convenience, Village Hall will be open the following Saturdays in April: April 11, 18, and 25 from 9 a.m. to noon.

Reduced rates are available for residents over the age of 65. However, just one reduced rate (\$15) vehicle sticker per household is allowed. The vehicle must be owned and operated by the senior for a non-commercial purpose. Seniors who turn 65 prior to May 1 are eligible to purchase a vehicle sticker at the reduced rate and first-time seniors must come in to Village Hall to obtain that sticker. A current driver's license is required at the time of purchase.



Residents who had a vehicle sticker in 2014-2015 and did not receive a renewal application in the mail are not absolved from the responsibility for purchasing a sticker by May 1. Escalating late purchase penalties will be added to the cost of a vehicle sticker if not displayed by the May 1 deadline. If a resident receives a Police Department citation for not having an up-to-date sticker, one may have to pay a fine, the basic cost of the new sticker, and the late purchase penalty.

The penalty will not initially apply to new residents or to residents who purchase replacement vehicles on or after May 1. They will have 30 days in which to purchase their vehicle sticker without the late penalty. Proof of purchase or move-in date will be required to assure that a surcharge penalty is not imposed.

Residents who change vehicles during the year after having bought a 2015-2016 vehicle sticker may not transfer the sticker to another vehicle. A transfer sticker may be obtained at Village Hall for \$5 when a new application and proof of purchase within 30 days for new vehicle is submitted. Residents or business owners who are purchasing new license plates should purchase the vehicle sticker within the 30-day period and write "applied for" in the space on the application for license plate information. When one receives the plates, call the Finance Department and provide the plate numbers.

For more information about vehicle stickers, please call the Finance Department at 847/392-6000 or visit mountprospect.org/vehiclestickers.

Pay Village Utility Bills Online or through Direct Debit

The Village offers several different payment options for Water/Sewer and Refuse Utility Bills. In addition to coming into Village Hall (50 S. Emerson St.) or mailing in payments, residents can pay online through the Village's website (mountprospect.org) or direct debit of a checking account.

The online payment option is an easy-to-use process that allows for payment of the utility bills using a credit or debit card. Online payment is secure and available 24 hours-a-day for added convenience. If a resident prefers to use direct debit, funds for payment on your utility account will be withdrawn on the due date, thus avoiding late fees. Authorization forms are available on our website at mountprospect.org (Government > Village Departments > Finance Department > Direct Debit). Utility customers may elect to end participation in the direct debit program 10 days prior to the next scheduled billing date. For any questions concerning either of these two programs, contact Utility Billing at 847/392-6000.



Don't Forget To Vote! 2015 Consolidated Election Tuesday, April 7, 2015

Units of Local Government
Conducting Elections:

- Village of Mount Prospect Board of Trustees
- Village of Mount Prospect Public Library
- Park Districts
- School Districts
- Community College Districts
- Townships

Resources for additional election/voter registration information including:

- Grace period voter registration and voting
- Mail voting
- Early voting dates and locations
- Sample ballots

cookcountyclerk.com
mountprospect.org
Mount Prospect Village Clerk's office at 847/818-5355



Alternative Dispute Resolution (Mediation) Program

For residents is currently involved in a dispute (neighbor/landlord-tenant/contractor) that appears to have little hope for positive resolution, the Village's Alternative Dispute Resolution (mediation) Program may be the answer.

The mediation program allows participants to identify and discuss issues of mutual concern, explore solutions and develop mutually acceptable agreements. The sessions are facilitated by a neutral third party trained in mediation techniques.

For additional information, please contact Lisa Angell at langell@mountprospect.org or 847/818-5333.

Cable Providers in Mount Prospect

Many people complain about the lack of competition and the high cost of cable. However, Mount Prospect residents are in a unique situation to actually have options and can choose between three major cable companies offering Cable, Phone and Internet services. While prices have not been greatly reduced by this trio of companies operating in Mount Prospect, residents have the ability to voice their pleasure or displeasure by changing their cable provider. This may not apply to some apartment buildings or condominiums where only one cable company is allowed access to provide service.

Comcast/Xfinity is the company with the largest presence and biggest footprint in Mount Prospect. Comcast offers cable TV, phone, and internet to 100% of the residences in town.

Wide Open West, or WOW, comes in second with a 92% footprint in town. They offer the same services as Comcast - cable TV, phone and internet. Packages and bundles may vary.

Coming in third is AT&T's U-Verse system. They cover approximately 35 to 40% of the Village. It is not a traditional cable provider. It is what is known as a "Video Service Provider." On the surface their offerings are the same as Comcast and WOW, but the delivery of the service is different as it is IP (internet protocol) based. This simply means that the service does not come into the home on a coaxial cable; it comes delivered on the same wires as a phone land line. However, the customer does not usually see or notice any difference. To find out if AT&T U-Verse is available in a specific area, please go to the AT&T website and submit your address or call them (website and phone number listed below).

Providers' Information:

Comcast – comcast.com 800/266-2278

WOW – wowway.com 866/496-9669

AT&T U-Verse – att.com 800/288-2020

For further information, please call the Village Television Services Division at 847/870-5685.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Village of Mount Prospect Welcomes...

Misano Salon - A full-service salon now located at 70 E. Northwest Highway in the Shops at Village Centre.

VIG Dental - Offers general dentistry, teeth whitening and implants. Located at 60 E. Busse Avenue, in the Shoppes at the Emerson. (See page 19 for contact information).

Intelligent Plumbing Services - Now operating at 709 N. Main Street. A full-service company offering plumbing, water heater, drain clearing, pump, sewer and water line repairs by appointment or emergency call. Visit intelligentplumbing.com for more details.

Coming Soon...

McDonalds will be moving their operations across the street from their current location at 100 W. Rand Road. The new restaurant and drive-through at 13 W. Rand Road will open in the late summer of this year.

Village Inn Pizzeria has identified a tenant space at the northeast corner of Wolf Road and Euclid Avenue, near Anytime Fitness and Dunkin' Donuts. Homemade food at affordable prices has been the restaurant's recipe for success for over two decades in Skokie.



Coming to Randhurst Village...

Smokey Bones will occupy the former Billy Goat's space at 164 Randhurst Village Drive. Specializing in barbecue and fire-grilled dishes, Smokey Bones has locations from Illinois to Georgia. Anticipated opening in the early summer of this year.

Truco Tacqueira, located near AMC Theater, is a restaurant specializing in Mexican fare.

Outback Steakhouse will construct a new eatery on the former site of Border's Books. Anticipated opening in mid-2015.

For the most up-to-date Economic Development news, visit mountprospect.org (under the Business tab, select Development Update).

COMMUNITY EVENTS/PROGRAMS

4/1-
5/5



River Trails Park District's Summer Pool Passes

Early Bird Rate through Monday, May 4
Regular Season Rate starts Tuesday, May 5
Weiss Community Center
1500 E. Euclid Ave.

Enjoy a great summer at the Woodland Trails Pool. Practice diving skills from River Trails

Park District's (RTPD) one meter diving board or soar through the air from a drop slide. On deck are two water play areas that offer hours of fun. A separate zero-depth pool is designated just-for-tot fun. And for serious swimmers, RTPD has two lap swim lanes available during all open swim hours. Pool passes are now on sale at the early bird rate of \$39 (resident)/\$54 (non-resident) per person until Monday, May 4. Regular season rate is \$44 (resident)/\$59 (non-resident) per person. Summer pool passes can only be purchased at the Weiss Community Center. For more information, visit rtpd.org.

4/18

"Celebrate the End of the War in Europe"

Saturday, April 18

6 - 10 p.m.

Rob Roy Clubhouse

505 E. Camp McDonald Rd.

Prospect Heights

\$25 - Returning Hero Pizza Meal

\$75 - Officers' Mess Prime Rib

The war against Adolf Hitler's Third Reich ended 70 years ago, on May 8, 1945. Wild celebrations developed in the streets of America, Britain, France and even Australia as the lengthy war, which seemingly touched every family in one way or another, finally ended - at least in Europe. "Victory in Europe Day," or "VE Day" as it is known, was even an official holiday in most of those countries as families and neighborhoods gathered for elaborate meals to celebrate the victory. The Mount Prospect Historical Society and River Trails Park District will re-create that evening during their fourth annual History in the Headlines dinner. Guests are welcome to wear period-appropriate clothing. After dinner, dancers from the Mt. Prospect Park District will demonstrate the Big Band and Swing Dances of the 1940s and will even instruct those who wish to learn.

Tickets are limited and may be reserved individually or in tables of ten. For more information, visit mtphist.org or phone 847/392-9006, Tuesday through Thursday during office hours.

4/23

Sister Cities Pot Luck Dinner

Thursday, April 23

6:30 p.m.

Village Hall Community Room

50 S. Emerson St., 1st floor

Celebrate our Sister City relationship with Sèvres, France! Enjoy the stories and video presentation of the Prospect High School exchange students and their teachers who visited Sèvres for a week in March. Ralph Wilder and Allan Kaye will enhance the evening with their beautiful French music. Please bring a dish to share; French recipes are encouraged. Attendees may bring wine to share at the beverage table. Donations will be accepted. Free



mount prospect

IRISH
fest
2015

SAT., APR. 25
1PM - 11PM

IRISH FOOD, DRINK, MUSIC & GOODS

Irish Dancers: Sullivan - Trinity - Tully

3PM: The Dooley Brothers

5:30PM: They Might Be Irish

8PM: The Larkin and Moran Brothers

EMERSON STREET
BUSSE AVENUE AND
MPIRISHFEST.COM



event, but reservations are required. For more information and to make a reservation, contact Commissioner Bob Usnik at 847/593-8399 or at sistercities@mountprospect.org.



4/27-
5/1

Help the Mount Prospect Historical Society's Garage Sale Inventory

Items Needed Last Week in April

It's that time of year ... think spring cleaning! The Mount Prospect Historical Society (MPHS) will once again participate in the Mount Prospect Village Community-wide Garage Sale (taking place May 15 -17; see event listing on page 6). We're seeking items for the sale such as small appliances, dishes, decorative items, furniture, etc. We'll be collecting garage sale items the last week in April. If you have items you'd like to donate, please bring them to the Museum, 101 S. Maple St. (Be sure to call 847/392-9006 to make sure someone's here.) All proceeds go towards preserving the Central School and other MPHS educational programs.



5/2 &
8/22

Pub Crawl

Saturday, May 2 and Saturday, August 22

Enjoy a great time out with neighbors and friends visiting some of your favorite downtown Mount Prospect eating and drinking establishments. For more information, visit downtownmountprospect.com. Sponsored by the Mount Prospect Downtown Merchants Association.



5/4-
5/8

Children's Fire Safety Festival

May 4 – May 8

9:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. (1 hour presentations)

Fire Station 14 – 2000 E. Kensington Rd.

Come join us for a fun and educational experience about fire safety! The Mount Prospect Fire Department invites you to attend the 36th Annual Children's Fire Safety Festival. This is a free event for children in preschool through second grade. This one-hour presentation reviews staying low from smoke, how to call 911, meeting a friendly firefighter, sliding down a fire pole and enjoying a fire safety puppet show with "Firefighter Frank" and his friends. To make a reservation, contact the Fire Prevention Bureau at 847/818-5253.



5/11-
9/28

Community Garden

Monday, May 11 – Monday, September 28

Sycamore Trails Park

1500 E. Kensington Rd.

Residents Only

\$29 per plot, 1 plot per household

No room to garden? Join River Trails Park District (RTPD) at the Sycamore Trails Park Community Garden! Participants plant and maintain their own crops, and of course, watch them grow. RTPD will have participants' plots tilled and ready to plant in early spring. A water tank will be placed near the plots. Garden rules and guidelines will be provided. For more information, call 847/255-1200.

National Library Week April 12-18

Join us for events celebrating National Library Week. Learn How Lives Change @ Your Library!

Adult Spelling Bee

Tuesday, April 14, 7 - 8:30 p.m.

You can't spell "community" without local governments, organizations, and patrons of the Mount Prospect Public Library. This event brings representatives from around Mount Prospect to show off their word skills. Join in the fun and cheer on our Village notables in this Celebrity Spelling Bee.

Jobseekers Skills Series

Wednesday, April 15, 10 - 11 a.m.

This series will focus on the specific skills jobseekers need to successfully create a resume and complete online job applications. Participants are encouraged to attend all four sessions in the series and can also make individual reference appointments with Library staff. This program – the second in the series – will focus on tips and strategies for completing online applications.

Computer Learning Lab

Thursday, April 16, 4 - 6 p.m.

Stop in anytime between 4 and 6 p.m. and bring your questions about Word®, Excel®, PowerPoint®, e-mail, or e-books. Our trained staff will help you troubleshoot problems, practice your skills, or work on a project. This is also a great time to find out about Library services, including how to download e-magazines from Zinio. No registration required – just drop in! For help with e-books, please bring your e-reader and any necessary cords.

Reduce Your Waste Line Community Event

Monday, April 20 - Sunday, May 31

Get started changing the Earth for the better – one habit at a time. Beginning April 20 through May 31, the Library's Green Committee challenges the community to tackle behaviors that result in garbage production. Stop by the Library lobby and tell us how you are reducing waste in your household. Commit to this pledge for 21 days to be eligible for a drawing. In May, the Green Committee will be bringing you programming, including a discussion of *Garbology: Our Dirty Love Affair With Trash* by Edward Humes, centered on helping Mount Prospect residents think about how they can join together to preserve the planet for current and future generations.

For more information or to register, call 847/253-5675, stop by the Library or visit mopl.org.

COMMUNITY EVENTS/PROGRAMS

5/14

Sister Cities Wine Tasting Event

Thursday, May 14

6 - 8 p.m.

Fresh Thyme Farmers Market
211 W. Rand Rd.

Advance Tickets: \$10/ At-the-Door: \$15

Celebrate our Sister Cities French connection at a Wine Tasting event! Enjoy French wine and selections of cheese and fruit. A wine basket will also be raffled. Tickets can be purchased at Busse's Flowers & Gifts (100 E. Northwest Hwy.) and StayFit Physical Therapy (127 W. Prospect Ave.). For more information, visit mountprospect.org/sistercities or call Paula Randant at 847/922-7862.



snow plowing, tree maintenance, streets and sidewalks. See the behind-the-scenes operations of Public Works. Lunch provided on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, call Public Works at 847/870-5640. Sponsored by the Village of Mount Prospect's Public Works Department.



5/15-5/17

Community-Wide Garage Sale

May 15, 16 & 17

Each participating homeowner holds their own garage sale just as they would at any other time of year. The difference is that thousands of shoppers are attracted to this large group sale, said to be one of the largest of its kind in Illinois. Over 500 homes will participate. For more information, visit mpgaragesale.com or call 847/259-8600. Organized by Picket Fence Realty.

5/25

Memorial Day Parade

Monday, May 25

9:30 a.m.

Emerson St. and Busse Ave. (start)
to Lions Park

Parade participants will line up at Emerson Street & Busse Avenue between 9 a.m. - 9:15 a.m. Parade begins at 9:40 a.m. The Parade Route is as follows: South on Emerson Street to Lincoln Street to the Veterans' Memorial Band Shell at Lions Park where a ceremony will be held. Any interested citizens can march in the parade, and veterans are especially encouraged to join in. For more information, visit vfw1337.us or call Parade Coordinator Dutch DeGroot at 847/577-5314. Sponsored by the Prospect V.F.W. 1337.



5/16

Public Works Open House

Saturday, May 16

9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Mount Prospect Public Works Facility
1700 W. Central Rd.

Bring out the family and enjoy a fun day of exploring big trucks. Kids (and those young at heart) will have the chance to get inside a dump truck, ride in a sweeper and lift, play games, and more! Public Works is responsible for many different services including the water and sewer system, solid waste services,

5/16-9/26

Bluesmobile Cruise Nights Car Show

Saturdays, May 16 - Sept. 26

6 - 9 p.m.

Metra Commuter Lot

Celebrate the 10th Year Anniversary of DMA Cruise Nights! Come view the "coolest cars" around. Classic car shows will take place every Saturday night in downtown Mount Prospect with themed nights each week. For more information, visit downtownmountprospect.com Sponsored by the Mount Prospect Downtown Merchants Association.

MUSICAL MONDAYS



Mondays, June 15 - July 27

7:30 p.m.

Veterans' Memorial Band Shell
Lions Recreation Center

411 S. Maple St.

Mt. Prospect Community Band
Free

The Mt. Prospect Community Band, a 70-piece adult band, is proud to present its series of free outdoor concerts once again. Musical Mondays has become a community tradition, featuring talented soloists and an enormous variety of musical entertainment. Bring a lawn chair and enjoy the large variety of food and refreshments available at several concession stands. Attendees are welcome to bring dinner and portable tables, as well. Enjoy the array of band concerts in the park.



6/7-
10/18

Mount Prospect Lions Club Farmers' Market

Sundays, June 7 – October 18
8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Mount Prospect Train Depot
West Commuter Parking Lot
Corner of Northwest Highway & Route 83

Stop by and check out a wonderful array of fruits, vegetables, herbs, flowers and other goodies. Sponsored by the Mount Prospect Lions Club.



JUN -
AUG

Fridays on the Green

Fridays, June 5, June 19, July 17, August 7,
August 21

6 – 8 p.m.

Village Green at Village Hall
(50 S. Emerson Street)

Free

Enjoy live music on the Village Green the first and third Fridays in June, July and August (no concert on July 3rd). Pick up a picnic dinner at one of our downtown restaurants or grab a bite to eat before or after the concert. Bring chairs and blankets. Free parking in the Emerson St. Garage. For more information, visit experiencemountprospect.org. Sponsored by the Village of Mount Prospect.



6/6

Summer Splash Bash — Special Event

Saturday, June 6 (Rain Date: Sunday, June 7)
2 - 5 p.m.

Woodland Trails Pool
1500 E. Euclid Ave

Mount Prospect, IL 60056

Free

Kick off the summer with a splash! Join River Trails Park District (RTPD) as they celebrate the fun season with a DJ, entertainment, poolside games and some cool treats. RTPD will also be celebrating "Trusty" the Turtle's 14th Birthday. All ages welcome. For more information, visit rtpd.org or call 847/255-1200.

6/18

Mount Prospect Stories "A Peek into Mount Prospect's Attic"

Thursday, June 18

7:30 p.m.

Mount Prospect Public Library (MPPL)
10 S. Emerson St.

The Historical Society is the repository for a variety of items which reflect the history of the Village. Executive Director Lindsay Rice and MPPL Genealogy/Local History Librarian Anne Shaughnessy will discuss an Illinois State Library funded digital project which involves photographing items and making photographs available through the Illinois Digital Archives. Learn about the project, some unique items in the collection and the history of Mount Prospect as we take a peek in the Village's attic. Registration is required. To register, visit mppl.org, stop by the library or call 847/253-5675.

6/27

Totally Tools Auction

Saturday, June 27

7 p.m.

St. Paul Lutheran School Gymnasium
18 S. School Street

\$10 Admission

This event, similar to the Power of the Purse Auction, features old, new and gently used tools to auction. Tickets, which are limited, can be purchased at the museum or via PayPal at mtphist.org or call Mount Prospect Historical Society at 847/392-9006 Tuesday through Thursday during office hours to reserve tickets or gather additional information. Reservations are needed by June 15.



SAVE THE DATES

Mt. Prospect Lions Club Festival

Wednesday, July 1 - Sunday, July 5
Melas Park (Central & Busse Roads)

Enjoy live entertainment every night and food from a variety of the area's best restaurants. Highlights of the Festival include a Grand Prize Raffle on each day, Pancake Breakfast on the Saturday, the 4th of July (7 a.m. - 11 a.m.), Polish Heritage Day on Sunday, July 5, and much more! Sponsored by the Mount Prospect Lions Club.

4th of July Parade

Saturday, July 4

1 p.m.

Are you finished with winter? Time to start thinking about the 4th of July! Get your organization, group of friends or business and join the fun by participating in the parade. For more information on how to get your group involved, contact Parade Coordinator Jill Friedrichs at jillmyrle@wowway.com. Sponsored by the Mount Prospect Special Events Commission.

Downtown Block Party

Friday, July 24, 4 – 11 p.m.

Saturday, July 25, 11 a.m. – 11 p.m.

Free live entertainment! Free kids' rides! Food available for purchase from a variety of local restaurants. More information will be available at mpblockparty.com and in the Summer Village Newsletter (delivered to residents at the end of June).

Residents, if you are attending a local festival or Village function and the event is photographed, your image may be used for news and promotional purposes.

POLICE DEPARTMENT



Traffic Enforcement "Street Of The Week"

The Mount Prospect Police Department will be conducting the enforcement "Street of the Week" Program where officers concentrate their efforts on particular roadways for a one week period. The following is the list of dates and roadways for the "Street of the Week" Program:

March 23 – March 29
Elmhurst Rd./Main St. (Rte. 83)

March 30 – April 5
Central Rd.

April 6 – April 12
Northwest Hwy. (Rte. 14)

April 13 – April 19
Lincoln St.

April 20 – April 26
Rand Rd. (Rte. 12)

April 27 – May 3
Golf Rd. (Rte. 58)

May 4 – May 10
Burning Bush Ln.

May 11 – May 17
Wolf Rd.

May 18 – May 24
Busse Rd.

May 25 – May 31
Euclid Ave.

June 1 – June 7
Lonnquist Blvd.

Make Your Home "Undesirable" to Burglars

Most residential burglaries occur during the day time when no one is home. A burglar's goal is to get into a home undetected and with minimal effort. It is impossible to prevent all residential burglaries, but by 'target hardening' one's home, one can make one's property less appealing to a burglar.

Make it Appear as if Someone is Home

When no one is home, make it appear as if someone is there by leaving televisions or radios on inside the home with the volume up loud enough for someone to hear it if they were listening outside of your home. If one plans to be gone during evening hours, leave lights on.

Install Secondary Locking Devices on all Windows

A simple hole drilled in the frame of windows in conjunction with the use of a pin (i.e. a nail or dowel rod) in that hole will make it more difficult for burglars to get into a home via a window. The pin will act as a complement to a window's lock and will cause the burglar to have to work harder, longer and louder to get into a house through that window - something no burglar prefers to do. Make sure that all windows and doors are closed and locked when leaving one's home. Don't leave an open invitation to be burglarized.

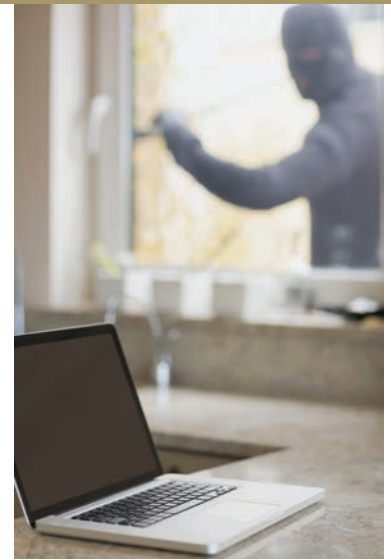
Stash Your "Priceless" Items Somewhere Else

We all have possessions that are valuable to us well beyond any price tag it may have once had. Most of us keep these items, whether it is jewelry, watches or something else, in our master bedroom and easily accessible. Burglars know and rely on this human quality we all have and go directly to the master bedroom of the homes for the best "score." Take all "priceless" and valuable items not regularly worn and get them out of the master bedroom. Store them in a box or container labeled "Halloween Decorations" or some other regular item and keep it in a basement, crawl space or anywhere else where decorations are kept.

Keep Records of Personal Property

In the age of digital photography, take pictures of all valuables. Photograph the whole item, as well as a close up on the serial number if applicable. Keep a record of the make/model and serial number of each item, as well. Keep these photographs and records somewhere safe, preferably away from the home for reference in case the unthinkable happens. Engrave, or etch, an identifier onto personal property if possible, like a driver's license number or last name.

For more home security tips, check out the Police Department's page on the Village website at mountprospect.org (Departments > Police > Crime Prevention).



Sidewalk Obstruction

As the weather is becoming warmer, more residents will be taking walks throughout their neighborhoods. As a courtesy to neighbors, keep sidewalks free and clear. It can be dangerous for a small child or an elderly person to have to leave the sidewalk to get around an obstruction. Please keep all lawn equipment, bicycles, toys, and vehicles clear of the sidewalk. Anyone found to be in violation of obstructing the sidewalk can be issued a citation for each offense.

MOUNT PROSPECT POLICE DEPARTMENT

With COURAGE we protect

With COMPASSION we serve



WWW.MOUNTPROSPECT.ORG/POLICE

WWW.JOINMPPD.ORG

For news, safety tips and more, "Like" us and follow us on social media.





Community Outreach Nursing

The Public Health Nurse provides nursing care, under the order of a physician, to homebound residents, regardless of age. This care is provided at no charge to residents who do not have the services paid for by Medicare, Medicaid or private insurance. The nurse also provides testing for International Normalized Ratio (INR) for homebound patients with a doctor's order, as well as conducts screening clinics open to the public several times a month in a variety of locations. The nurse does fasting lipid profiles to monitor

cholesterol and meets with residents privately who have medical concerns or questions in the nursing office at Village Hall (in the Human Services Department, 2nd Floor).

Senior Walking Club

It is that time of year again - time to get out and get walking! The Village nurse and nurses from the Mount Prospect Medical Reserve Corps will once again monitor and walk with Mount Prospect seniors weekly in the park that runs along Centennial Drive behind the Mount Prospect Plaza. The Senior Walking Club takes place from May through October. Seniors are welcome to bring walkers and canes – no one is turned away. Wear comfortable gym shoes. For more information, call 847/870-5680.

Driver Refresher Class

June 24 at 1:30 p.m.

The Secretary of State sponsors Rules of the Road driver refresher classes for senior citizens who need to renew their driver's license. To register or for more information, contact Human Services 847/870-5680.

Diabetes – A Growing Concern in Every Community

Today, one in 10 people in the United States has been diagnosed with diabetes and the U.S. Center for Disease Control reports an additional 27% of the population has undetected and untreated diabetes. Currently, there are many treatment options and a lot more is known about managing the disease. Diabetes, however, remains an insidious disease with long-term effects on the kidneys, eyes, blood vessels, nerves, brain – virtually every system in the body. It is important that it be detected early and treated as soon as possible.



At the Village's recent Holiday Meal Basket Program, all adult participants were offered a blood sugar screening. Many of those served in this program do not have access to regular medical care. 81 adults were screened. Nine of those adults had significantly elevated blood sugars indicating they had diabetes. Of those nine people, four residents learned for the first time that day, that they had diabetes.

As a result, the Village nurse has started Diabetes Education and Support Groups, in English and Spanish, to assist residents with diabetes, pre-diabetes and those who care for them. The support groups will offer participants an opportunity to learn more about the disease and how to manage it. For more information on this program, please call Village Nurse Jill Heinking at 847/870-5680.

Diabetes Education and Support Groups meet at the Community Connections Center (Center), 1711 W. Algonquin Road, across the street from Jameson's Charhouse. The English-speaking group meets the second Friday of the month from 9:30 – 11 a.m. The Spanish-speaking group meets the fourth Friday of the month from 9:30 -11 a.m. To register, please call the Center at 847/506-4930. The group is free and open to Mount Prospect residents.



1711 W. Algonquin Rd., • 847/506-4930

Residents can access Village and public library services at this satellite location – the Community Connections Center and the South Branch Library. Services include:

- Human Services Department's full range of services
- Police liaison can answer questions and performs infant-child safety seat checks
- South Branch Library's full range of services and programs for children, youth and adults.

Programs are also available to better serve our residents:

- **Ask the Nurse:** Village nurse is available on Mondays from 1:30 – 3 p.m. to discuss residents health concerns. Diabetes, cholesterol and blood pressure checks are available with a minimum of four hour fasting period; there is a \$5.00 fee for testing materials.
- **Play and Learn*:** Parents and their three- and four-year-old children are invited to enjoy arts and crafts, exercise, stories and music on Tuesdays, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- **Conversations in English*:** Is English your second or third language? Come practice your English speaking skills on Thursdays from 6 - 7 p.m. and Fridays 11 a.m. – Noon.
- **Tenants' Rights*:** Renters learn important information to address their concerns. The program is held the second Tuesday of each month from 4 – 5 p.m.

** Please call 847/506- 4930 to register.*



Each year, the Mount Prospect Special Events Commission honors individuals and organizations that help make Mount Prospect a great place in which to live and work. They are celebrated as “Shining Stars” and recognized at a gala banquet. The 22nd Annual Celestial Celebration was held on Friday, February 6, 2015, at The Cotillion Banquets in Palatine.

“This tradition has a rich history, as it was first started at the 75th Anniversary of the Village. It is an event many residents and business leaders look forward to each year,” said Mayor Arlene A. Juracek. “It brings people together to celebrate those who have done so much for our community.”

The Shining Star Awards are presented on the basis of nomination by community leaders, business people, residents, and others. Nominations were submitted online and by mail.

Congratulations to the 2015 Shining Stars:

- Best Business Award – StayFit PT – Diana Sahakian
- Good - Better - Best Neighbor – Bob and Louise Kubycheck
- Home Town Award – Russ Bechtold
- Stand and Deliver Award – Karen Gubbins
- Rising Star Award – Nolan Hahn
- There Ought To Be More Like You Award – Janice Farley
- Volunteers Volunteer Award – Jack and Eloise De Carlo
- The Star Spangled Award –John “Dutch” DeGroot
- Champion for Youth Award – Jeremy Morton
- Open Arms Award –Jeanne Foster

Shining Stars CELESTIAL CELEBRATION







Fire Sprinkler Myths vs. Fact

MYTH: “Fire sprinklers can malfunction and cause severe water damage - they’re a greater liability than they are a benefit.”

FACT: It is extremely rare for fire sprinklers to accidentally operate. Typical water damage is considerably less from an unwanted fire sprinkler discharge than from other plumbing mishaps.

MYTH: “Smoke from things like cigars or burned toast will activate the fire sprinkler system.”

FACT: Smoke from cigarettes, cigars, or burning food cannot cause a fire sprinkler to operate. Only the high temperatures of a fire will activate the fire sprinklers.

MYTH: “A small fire will activate all of the fire sprinklers and the water will cause more damage than the flames.”

FACT: In the event of a fire, typically only the fire sprinkler closest to the fire activates. Ninety percent of the time one fire sprinkler contains the fire. An uncontrolled fire will cause far greater destruction and smoke or heat damage than the water damage from an activated fire sprinkler.

MYTH: “Fire sprinklers waste a tremendous amount of water. It’s better to have the Fire Department put out the fire.”

FACT: The high heat, flames and smoke of a typical fire require a tremendous amount of water from Fire Department hoses — more than 10 times the water flow per minute of fire sprinklers.

MYTH: “Fire sprinklers are just plain ugly.”

FACT: There are several types of fire sprinklers including those designed for installation in walls and ceilings. Fire sprinklers today can be unobtrusive, oftentimes concealed by a plate or mounted flush to ceilings and walls.

Severe Weather Awareness

General awareness is the key to dealing with springtime severe weather such as thunderstorms and tornadoes. Being familiar with the different watches and warnings will help keep residents and their families safe during severe weather:

Terms to Know:

Severe Thunderstorm Watch: Conditions are conducive to the development of severe thunderstorms.

Severe Thunderstorm Warning: A severe thunderstorm has actually been observed by spotters or indicated on radar, and is occurring or is imminent.

Tornado Watch: Conditions are conducive to the development of tornadoes.

Tornado Warning: A tornado has been sighted by spotters or indicated on radar, and is occurring or is imminent.

What to Do When Tornado Warning Sirens are Activated:

If indoors at the time of activation:

1. Seek shelter immediately in the lowest level of the property, preferably in an interior room away from doors and windows.
2. Tune in to radio or television stations for the latest information.
3. Remain in place of shelter until the threat has passed.

If outdoors at the time of activation:

1. Seek shelter indoors, but not in a car or mobile home.
2. If there are no safe options indoors and a tornado is imminent, lie flat in the nearest ditch or depression and use your hands to cover your head.

Please contact the Mount Prospect Fire Prevention Bureau at 847/818-5253 with any questions regarding severe weather.



Change Your Clocks, Change Your Batteries



When you changed your clocks on March 8 for daylight savings did you also remember to change the batteries in your smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors? The Mount Prospect Fire Department recommends that residents change the batteries in these devices at least twice a year, and any time they “chirp,” which is a warning of a low battery. This is just one simple way to remember the importance of keeping smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors up-to-date and working. It could save a life.

Children's Fire Safety Festival May 4 – 8

Come join the Mount Prospect Fire Department for a fun and educational experience about fire safety at the 36th Annual Children's Fire Safety Festival.

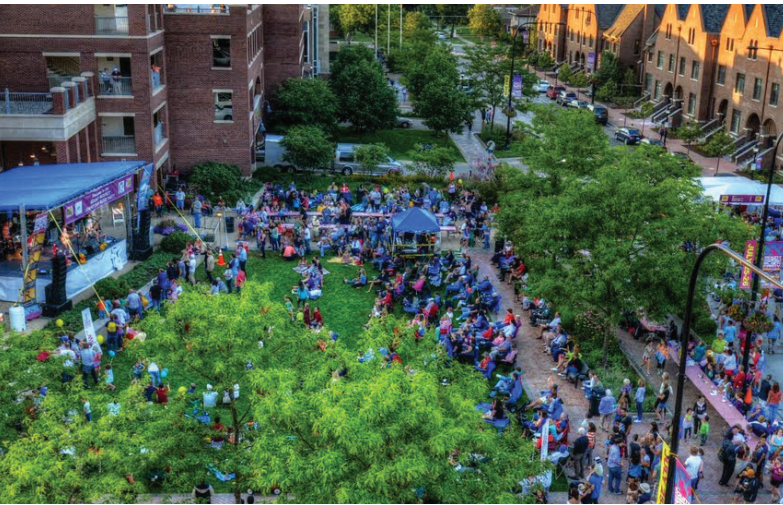
May 4 – 8
9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.
(1 hour presentations)
Mount Prospect Fire Station 14
2000 E. Kensington Road

FREE event for children in preschool through second grade.

If you would like to bring your school/daycare/home school group to the event, please contact the Fire Prevention Bureau at 847/818-5253. Individual families are also welcome, but please call to schedule a visit.



Stay Connected *continued from page 1*



enjoying live music. The concerts are held on the first and third Fridays from June to August (no concert July 3). Shows are 6 - 8 p.m. Stay up-to-date on band announcements by following Experience Mount Prospect on Facebook and Twitter or visiting experiencemountprospect.org. Residents are encouraged to visit one of the many wonderful downtown Mount Prospect restaurants with family and friends before or after the concert.

Residents should also keep an eye on social media for information regarding the 16th Annual Block Party, which will be held on Friday, July 25 and Saturday, July 26. Each year, the Village of Mount Prospect and the Mount Prospect Chamber of Commerce welcome residents and guests to this highly anticipated community event. Visit mpblockparty.com and Like the unique Block Party Facebook Page by clicking the Facebook icon on top. Join the over 1,700 people who have Liked the Block Party!

Admission to the Block Party is free. There will be a variety of bands to hear, food and beverages to enjoy, and memories for family and friends to create. The Block Party is held in the heart of downtown at the intersection of Emerson Street and Busse Avenue. For band updates and more, check out mpblockparty.com.

Stay informed on timely news and weather updates, business deals, community events and so much more on the Village's various Facebook and Twitter accounts. Social media is another way to promote all that Mount Prospect has to offer.



SHOP LOCAL

The latest news, events, retail & dining values.

Follow us on facebook and twitter  

experiencemountprospect.org



Recycling Programs

The Village offers a number of recycling programs sponsored by Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC). The programs are available to Mount Prospect and SWANCC residents. Recycling programs include:

- Household battery recycling
- Pharmaceutical recycling, including prescription and over the counter medications
- Medical sharps recycling
- Compact fluorescent and fluorescent tube recycling

To participate in any of these programs, bring accepted recycling items to Public Works, 1700 W. Central Road between 7:30 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. There are rules and regulations that govern the recycling programs and not all items will be accepted. For more information, visit the Village website (mountprospect.org > Government > Village Departments > Solid Waste > Solid Waste - Additional Recycling Program).

Easy Park - Save Time - Skip the Lines

Easy Park is a payment option for commuters looking to park at the Metra commuter parking lots along Northwest Highway in downtown Mount Prospect. The Easy Park program offers an alternative to the current daily payment options (cash, debit card) by offering a monthly parking permit. Commuters are able to purchase a \$30 monthly parking permit through the Village. Commuters can purchase a monthly permit or a permit for up to twelve months (must be within the same calendar year). Permits can be purchased at the Finance Department on the first floor of Village Hall (50 S. Emerson St.).

The lots are first come, first park; however, specific areas of the lots are designated permit parking areas only. Please visit mountprospect.org/easypark for more details or contact Public Works at 847/870-5640 or publicworksdept@mountprospect.org.

Public Works Offers Electronic Recycling Drop-off

Under the Illinois Product and Recycling and Reuse Act, specific electronics are prohibited from being thrown away in the garbage. To assist residents with the proper management of their end-of-life electronics, the Village, in partnership with the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC) has established an Electronics Recycling Drop-off site at the Mount Prospect Public Works Facility, 1700 W. Central Rd.

The drop-off site has proven to be extremely successful and has collected over 105,000 pounds of electronics for recycling.

Starting in April (official start date has not been determined; please check the mountprospect.org for official start date), every Wednesday through October, Village residents and SWANCC members can drop-off electronics at the Mount Prospect Public Works Facility, 1700 W. Central Rd. Items for recycling will only be accepted on Wednesdays between the hours of 10 a.m. and noon. Items brought to the drop-off site outside of designated hours will not be collected.



Not all electronics will be accepted. Please refer to the acceptable items list (mountprospect.org > Government > Village Departments > Solid Waste > Solid Waste - Additional Recycling Program).

For more information, contact 847/870-5640 or publicworksdept@mountprospect.org.

Parkway Ash Tree Replacement

For 2015, parkway ash tree replacements are expected to proceed as follows. The Village will offer 1½” diameter replacements for removed parkway ashes where there is a suitable planting site at no cost to adjacent property owners. Village staff will select the species to be planted. To increase the diversity of the urban forest, staff will select species that are currently underutilized. Village staff will leave a letter regarding viability of replacing a parkway tree adjacent to one’s property when the tree is marked for removal. Additionally, a brown mark is placed on the curb and a second letter is left preceding planting.

Property owners who do not want to wait for the offer of a free replacement tree may elect to participate in the Village’s next available “Full Cost” planting program. In this program, property owners with suitable parkway planting sites can select the species and order a 2 ½” diameter tree by bearing the full cost of planting. Participants can select from a list of eight to ten tree species that grow well in parkways. Each tree is planted and guaranteed for one year. Currently, the Village is taking requests for fall 2015 plantings; requests are generally due by the beginning of August.

Property owners can also plant parkway trees on their own, but must first obtain a permit from Public Works. Please contact the Public Works Department with questions concerning tree planting programs offered by the Village at 847/870-5640 or publicworksdept@mountprospect.org.





Lot Drainage

A typical residential lot within the Village of Mount Prospect was designed to efficiently drain stormwater away from the house and towards a collection point for the Village's drainage system. Typically, residential properties are designed to drain from the middle of the property to the street, where it is collected by the street drainage system; and also from the middle of the property to the back property line, where stormwater can flow along the back property lines of the entire block in a shallow drainage swale. Water is designed to flow in backyard swales until it is collected by a catch basin or it flows out into the street at the end of the block. Unfortunately, over time, changes occur within the lots affecting drainage patterns and some lots are left with standing water following rain. The changes can be caused by building additions, garages, sheds, raised gardens, bushes, fences, placing fill or even tree roots. Changes made in a drainage path can block the flow of water resulting in standing water in a location where it was not originally planned. Many of these improvements require a Village permit, such as building additions, garages, sheds, fences and anything that alters the level of the ground such as fill and raised gardens. The permit process was created so that problems, such as drainage issues, could be avoided as a result of a review by Village Staff.

Some residents have attempted to solve flooding problems by filling in portions of their yard with dirt thinking that the stormwater will be displaced. Unfortunately, it is often that act of filling which will interrupt a drainage path and create new problems for themselves or their neighbors.

Residents who are experiencing standing water in their yard (that is more than a short term nuisance), are encouraged to contact Public Works at 847/870-5640 or publicworksdept@mountprospect.org. Public Works staff will come out to the resident's property and assess the situation and provide options for consideration to minimize the standing water issue on the property.

EAB Update

Village staff continued fighting the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) battle throughout 2014. The total number of parkway ashes removed in Mount Prospect in 2014 was 719 trees, which was very close to the 731 ash trees removed in 2013.

The parkway ash population now numbers approximately 1,350 trees, down from more than 4,000 when EAB was first discovered in Mount Prospect in 2010. The Village will continue performing parkway ash inspections throughout the year. Property owners adjacent to infested parkway trees are routinely notified when the trees are scheduled for removal.

The Village continues to preventively treat (with the use of insecticide) about 800 parkway trees of selected ash species that were in excellent condition before the EAB outbreak began. Property owners may also receive permits to treat parkway ashes at their own expense. Please contact the Public Works Department with any questions concerning EAB at 847/870-5640 or publicworksdept@mountprospect.org.

Isabella Drainage Improvements

The Village of Mount Prospect is prepared to begin the much-anticipated Isabella Drainage Improvements Project. The \$8.9 million project will involve installing a relief sewer to work in combination with the existing sewer system in the Isabella Street residential area. This project is a result of the comprehensive flood study completed by the Village in 2011. The main trunk line will run from the deep tunnel in the Menards parking lot west along Isabella Street to Elmhurst Avenue. Sewer pipe will also be installed along many of the intersecting streets including Route 83 (Main Street). Approximately 17,400 feet of pipe ranging from 12" to 84" in diameter will be installed as part of the project. Once constructed, the increase in the sewer system's capacity will reduce the risk of future basement backups in the neighborhood.

Work was scheduled to begin in March and will progress through the spring, summer and fall. It is anticipated work will be completed in November 2015. Motorists can expect lane closures when work is occurring on Rand Road and Route 83; however, these roads will never be completely closed. Neighborhood streets may be closed during the day but will reopen at the end of each work day. Daily detour routes will be in place. The Village of Mount Prospect reminds everyone to use caution when driving through a work zone.

More information can be found on the project webpage including plan details and progress reports at mountprospect.org/isabella. Residents can also sign up on the project webpage to receive an E-newsletter on a regular basis throughout construction. Questions during construction can be directed to the Public Works Department at 847/870-5640 and publicworksdept@mountprospect.org.

PUBLIC WORKS



Keep Pet Waste Out of Our Waterways!

Cleaning up after one's pet is a helpful way to help protect the waterways that run through the Village. Pet waste that enters a creek in Mount Prospect can have a long journey and impact a variety of plants, animals, ecosystems, and even people.

Pet waste left on sidewalks, streets or yards contains numerous pollutants such as nutrients and bacteria. These pollutants can easily be washed into nearby storm sewers. Residents should discard pet waste by wrapping it in a plastic bag and throwing it in the garbage.



Yard Waste Collection Resumes April 6

All containerized yard waste, bags and/or rigid containers must have the Village imprinted yard waste sticker affixed for collection. Stickers are \$2.50 and are available at Village Hall, Public Works and other locations (see Village website mountprospect.org > Government > Village Departments > Solid Waste > Solid Yard Waste).

Acceptable yard waste includes: grass clippings, leaves, weeds, brush and twigs ONLY. Yard waste should be placed out for collection in either a 32 gallon, maximum-capacity, rigid container or in paper compost bags. Residents who use a rigid container, must affix a "Yard Waste" decal, in addition to the Village imprinted sticker to the container. "Yard Waste" decals are available, at no cost, at all locations selling the Village yard waste sticker. Each rigid container and/or paper compost bag placed at the curb cannot exceed 50 pounds in weight.

Unlimited Brush Collection Starts April 6

Residents may set out an unlimited number of properly prepared bundles of brush. Properly prepared brush bundles will be collected at no cost; no sticker is required. Tree limbs/branches are not to exceed 3.5" in diameter, 5' in length or 50 pounds in weight and must be secured with a biodegradable material.



Spring/Summer Construction Season

Spring and summer are busy seasons for the Public Works Department. Residents will see Public Works crews and contractors resurfacing streets, cleaning and repairing inlets, crack sealing streets and starting a number of capital projects. Please visit the Village website for information on 2015 construction projects at mountprospect.org/construction.

Landscaping or Digging? Call 811

Residents who plan to dig for an outdoor project on their property should know Illinois law requires they contact the local one-call service or JULIE (Joint Utility Locating Information for Excavators) to locate any underground utilities. Call 811 or 800/892-0123 to ask for underground utility locates. Whenever possible pre-mark the proposed excavation area with white paint or white flags and call at least 48 hours prior to the start of any excavation. For more information, visit illinois1call.com.





Sidewalk Replacement

The Village of Mount Prospect aims to properly maintain its infrastructure. One of the more noticeable maintenance programs involves the public sidewalk and the Village's Shared Cost Sidewalk Program. This program has proven to be a successful partnership between the Village and the property owners. During March, April, and May, applications will be accepted from property owners, including businesses, interested in replacing sections of the public sidewalk adjacent to their property. The Village will select a contractor in May through a competitive bidding process and the sidewalk replacement work will continue across the Village throughout the summer.

The Village is offering this program once again in 2015; however, funds will be limited. Applications will be accepted on a "first come, first serve" basis until the funding runs out. The last day applications will be accepted is May 15, 2015.

The Village is able to keep the resident's share of the cost at \$62.50 for a typical sidewalk square, which is the same cost as last year. This represents half of the anticipated bid cost of a sidewalk square. The Village will pay the remaining amount. The contractor's work includes removing the existing square, replacing it with new concrete, and backfilling along the edges with topsoil.

The Village's Shared Cost Sidewalk Program Applications are available online at mountprospect.org (Government> Village Departments> Public Works> Engineering> Sidewalk Replacement). Residents can also pick one up in person by visiting the Public Works Department located at 1700 W. Central Rd.

For additional questions, please contact the Public Works Department at 847/870-5640 or publicworksdept@mountprospect.org.

**SATURDAY
MAY
16
9AM - 1PM**

**MOUNT PROSPECT
PUBLIC WORKS
OPEN
HOUSE**

- **Big Trucks - get inside a dump truck, ride in a sweeper and a lift**
- **Get a behind-the-scenes look at our water and sewer system, solid waste services, snow plowing, tree maintenance, streets and more**
- **Meet P.W. Paws, Public Works' mascot!**
- **Games and Fun**



**Mount Prospect
Public Works Department
1700 W. Central Rd.
847/870-5640**

mountprospect.org

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Why is a Building Permit Needed?

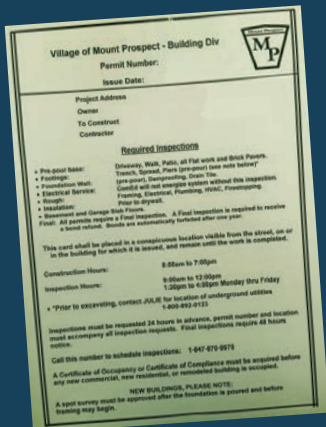
A building permit grants legal permission to begin construction of a project. While many homeowners view the Building Permit process as tedious and unnecessary, the permit process ensures that the job is completed in a workman-like manner and according to Building Code standards.

What exactly does that mean for homeowners? It means that the work on one's property is safe for the homeowner, the homeowner's family, and the community while also maintaining the value of the property. Work that is done safely and meets Building Code standards is an investment in one's property.

A building permit also helps the Village protect the community. By signing a building permit, the property owner agrees to protect parkway trees, maintain the property during construction, and minimize disturbance to neighbors.

What Types of Projects Require a Permit?

A good rule of thumb is that if the electrical, plumbing/gas, structural, or lot coverage will be effected in any way by one's project, one will need a permit AND the subsequent inspections. Some examples of common projects that require building permits are: water heaters, furnaces, air conditioners, generators, sheds, fences, patios, roofs, swimming pools, driveways, and other flatwork. Of course, large projects such as demolition, new construction, remodeling, or additions also require permits. The Building Division offers a free pre-submittal meeting, so when in doubt, give the Building Division a call at 847/870-5675.



Vacant Properties

While the economy is improving, foreclosures and vacant homes continue to impact communities throughout the United States, including Mount Prospect. The resulting vacant properties are a greater concern if they are not maintained. Neglected vacant properties are an eyesore, an attractive location for vandalism, and can have a negative impact on property values. To prevent these problems, many banks are taking a proactive approach and are hiring property preservation companies to inspect and maintain their vacant properties that are in foreclosure. When the Village staff is aware that a property is being neglected, staff members contact the responsible party and require that they correct the problems promptly. Typical problems include long grass, accumulated debris, unsecured doors and windows and general disrepair of the property. If problems are not corrected, the Village hires contractors to correct the violations and then bills the responsible party for all costs incurred, including penalties. The costs are recovered upon billing or when the property is sold. To date, Mount Prospect has been fortunate as most vacant properties are being maintained. However, if one notices a neglected property in one's neighborhood, please report the location on our website (go to mountprospect.org and click on the button called "Service Request") or call 847/870-5668. This way, Village staff can begin to remedy the problems as quickly as possible.



New Web Page for Building Division

Check out the new web page for the Building Division. Go to Village of Mount Prospect home page (mountprospect.org) and click "I want to" on the right side of the page. Then, choose "Obtain a building permit." New features include easier access to codes, applications, and checklists. If any of the features do not fit one's needs, please contact building@mountprospect.org or 847/818-5289 for additional assistance.

For construction or building product questions, or to simply discuss a potential project on one's property, please contact the Building Commissioner at 847/818-5289 or email bschroed@mountprospect.org.



ENTREPRENEUR'S CAFÉ

The Entrepreneur's Café connects new and prospective business owners to resources that help ensure success.

Programming includes quarterly educational events, networking, and professional guidance.



To learn more, or to sign up for our E-newsletter, visit mountprospect.org/Ecafe

RIBBON CUTTINGS



Mount Prospect Horizon

1703 E. Kensington Rd. | 847/635-2071 | mountprospecthorizon.com

Mount Prospect Horizon offers a quality senior independent living community with a variety of amenities, services and resources. The Ribbon Cutting ceremony was presented by The Alden Foundation and Alden Realty Services.

Ribbon Cut: December 3, 2014

Mount Prospect Chamber of Commerce

662 E. Northwest Hwy. | 847/398-6616

mountprospectchamber.org

The Chamber welcomed the community and business leaders to its new location after it was displaced by the February 2014 building fire on Route 83 (near the intersection of Northwest Highway). The new location with Shardon Builders, Inc. has been a successful move as the Chamber continues to promote a thriving business community in Mount Prospect.

Ribbon Cut: December 17, 2014



Vista Linda Eye Care

111 W. Prospect Ave. | 847/253-2100 | visibilitygroup.com/VLEC.htm

Dr. Linda Murray and Dr. Doris Martinez bring exceptional eye care to Mount Prospect residents. They provide eye examinations in English, Spanish, Cantonese, and Mandarin. Vista Linda Eye Care celebrated their 5000th customer in January of 2015.

Ribbon Cut: January 16, 2015

Schulze Chiropractic

800 E. Northwest Hwy., Suite 105 | 847/873-0488 | schulzechiropractic.com

Schulze Chiropractic specializes in restoring and improving the integrity of one's nervous system to help improve the body's own natural healing ability and immune system response without the risky side effects of drugs or irreversible surgery. The staff provides a holistic, common sense approach to health helping their clients maintain total body health.

Ribbon Cut: January 22, 2015



VIG Dental

60 E. Busse Ave. | 847/873-1900 | vigidentalinc.com

Dr. Iva Arnaudova, DDS, and her staff at VIG Dental offer exceptional patient care, state-of-the-art equipment and a complete range of dental services. VIG Dental, located in downtown Mount Prospect, is dedicated to providing the most advanced, personalized dental care for one's family.

Ribbon Cut: February 11, 2015

VILLAGE OF MOUNT PROSPECT

50 S. Emerson Street
Mount Prospect, IL 60056
mountprospect.org

VILLAGE HALL HOURS

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



PRSRT STD
U.S. Postage
PAID
Mount Prospect, IL
Permit No. 13
CR RT

***** ECRWSS**
POSTAL CUSTOMER
MOUNT PROSPECT, IL

- Emergency** 911
 - Village Hall** 392-6000
(includes Finance, Village Administration)
 - Village Clerk** 818-5355
 - Television Services** 870-5685
 - Community Development**
 - Building Division 870-5675
 - Environmental Health 870-5668
 - Planning Division 818-5328
 - Fire Dept.** (non-emergency) 870-5666
 - Human Services Dept.** 870-5680
 - Police Dept.** (non-emergency) 870-5656
 - Public Works Dept.** 870-5640
 - Water Billing** 392-6000
- All phone numbers are (847) area code unless otherwise noted.*

VILLAGE OFFICIALS

MAYOR

Arlene A. Juracek

TRUSTEES

Paul Wm. Hoefert	A. John Korn
John J. Matuszak	Steven S. Politt
Richard F. Rogers	Michael A. Zadel

VILLAGE MANAGER

Michael E. Janonis

VILLAGE CLERK

M. Lisa Angell

Mount Prospect E-News

Sign up to receive the latest information on community events, news and alerts at mountprospect.org.

NO PARKING ON VILLAGE STREETS 2 a.m. to 6 a.m.

The MOUNT PROSPECT VILLAGE NEWS is published by the Village as a public information service for residents. This publication may not be reproduced as a whole or in part by electronic, photographic, print, or any other means without prior written permission by the Mount Prospect Village Manager.

EDITOR

Marianthi Thanopoulos, Public Information Officer
pio@mountprospect.org

*Photo credit for community event photos:
Mike Zarnek and Fred Pfeifer.*

  Like Us on Facebook - Follow Us on Twitter

 Printed on Recycled Paper with Vegetable Based Inks

SAVE THE DATES

FRIDAYS ON THE GREEN

**6-8 PM @ VILLAGE GREEN
VILLAGE HALL • 50 S. EMERSON ST.**

FREE LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

**JUNE 5 • JUNE 19
JULY 17
AUGUST 7 • AUGUST 21**

Pick up a picnic dinner at one of our downtown restaurants or grab a bite before or after the concert. Bring chairs & blankets.

**More information to come!
Visit experiencemountprospect.org**

COFFEE WITH COUNCIL

Meet informally with the Village Board of Trustees and Department Directors about anything concerning Mount Prospect. Coffee with Council is held on the second Saturday of every month (unless there is a conflict with a holiday) from 9 to 11 a.m. at Village Hall, 50 S. Emerson Street. For more information, please call the Village Manager's Office at 847/392-6000, or visit mountprospect.org.

