



MOUNT PROSPECT Village News

FALL 2015



'DISHN' OUT MOUNT PROSPECT' HIGHLIGHTS MOUNT PROSPECT EATERIES

Who doesn't get into a rut when it comes to picking out a restaurant? There must be so many places to eat in town, but where are they? Well now Mount Prospect residents will have an opportunity to discover just how many great eateries are located right here in the Village when they tune into *Dishn' Out Mount Prospect* on MPTV.

Dishn' Out Mount Prospect is an exciting and informative new show on MPTV, that features unique restaurants and eateries located throughout the Village.

The program is a collaborative effort developed by the Community Development Department, the Public Information Division, and the

Television Services Division. *Dishn' Out Mount Prospect* takes viewers to the small out-of-the-way establishments that offer diverse cuisines. "In a world where cookie-cutter corporate food establishments have dominated the restaurant scene, I am especially interested in exploring and sharing the unique mom-and-pop eating venues with the audience. I think they will be amazed with some of the one-of-a-kind menus and savory food selections that are available in the Village," said Executive Producer Howard Kleinstein.

The show, debuting in mid-September, will familiarize viewers with some of the 80 plus locally-owned restaurants and eateries. How does a restaurant get selected for a segment on the show? Village staff will randomly pick an eating

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NEWS & NOTES

Did You Purchase A Vehicle Sticker?

The deadline for displaying 2015-2016 vehicle stickers was April 30. The Police Department is now issuing citations to owners of locally registered vehicles on which 2015-2016 vehicle stickers are not displayed. The penalty will not initially apply to new Village residents or to residents who have purchased replacement vehicles after May 1. In either case, residents have 30 days to purchase their sticker. During the grace period, proof of purchase or move-in date will be required to ensure that a penalty is not imposed. Residents who change vehicles during the year require a transfer. For more information, call the Finance Department at 847/392-6000.



Coming Soon: Mount Prospect's Centennial Celebration!

The Village of Mount Prospect, incorporated in 1917, will celebrate its centennial anniversary in 2017. The Mount Prospect Centennial Commission has been hard at work for over a year planning events and opportunities for residents to participate throughout the centennial anniversary year.

Within the coming months, the Commission will announce several opportunities to commemorate the centennial and begin appealing to residents and the business community for sponsorship partners. Look for more detailed information in the winter newsletter.



Submit Water Meter Reading on the Web

For residents whose water meters have not yet been upgraded to an automatic meter reader, the Village continues to provide several options for those serviced by Village water to submit their water meter reads. Residents may submit readings by phone, fax, and e-mail or electronically via the website, www.mountprospect.org/watermeter. Residents who have already received upgraded automatic meter readers are no longer required to submit readings. For any questions, please call Utility Billing at 847/392-6000.

Pay Village Utility Bills Online or through Direct Debit

The Village offers several different payment options for the Water/Sewer and Refuse utility bill. In addition to coming into Village Hall or mailing in a payment, residents may opt to pay online or sign up for direct deposit through the Village's website.

Online payment is secure, conveniently available 24 hours a day and is provided at no charge to the user. For residents who prefer direct debit, funds for payment to their utility account will be withdrawn on the due date, thus avoiding late fees. Authorization forms are available at mountprospect.org. Utility customers may elect to end participation in the direct debit program at any time. Residents with questions, please contact Utility Billing at 847/392-6000.



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establishment, which is then offered an opportunity to appear on the show. Each show features three different restaurants; which are located in the northern, central and southern areas of Mount Prospect. MPTV will produce six shows for a total of 18 restaurants for the first round of videotaping.

"People drive right past wonderful and unique restaurants every day without ever stopping in for a

new eating experience," said Senior Planner Nellie Beckner. "We hope this new show will allow residents and non-residents alike a peek at what's inside these eateries and whet their appetite for a new dining experience."

WGN and WIND radio personality, Lisa Wolf will host the new restaurant show. "I love talking to people who are as passionate about food as I am," said Wolf. "Just hearing the stories about each owner's culinary journey and how that experience led them to their Mount Prospect eating establishment is going to amaze viewers."

Residents can see productions of Dishn' Out Mount Prospect on MPTV, Comcast and WOW Channel 17, at 6 p.m. and 10 p.m. nightly.

COMMUNITY EVENTS/PROGRAMS



10/01-
10/31

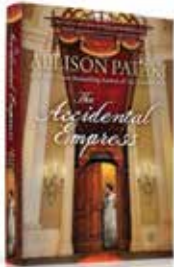
Bella Italia: Under the Italian Sun

October 1 - 31

Mount Prospect Public Library

10 S. Emerson St.

Bask in the glory of the luminous locations and evocative tastes and sounds of Italy. Dream of a villa beneath the Tuscan sun, a museum filled with timeless treasures, or a coastal perch where we can gaze upon azure-blue waters. No wonder musicians and artists have found the sun-drenched country a continuous source of inspiration. Join us as we explore the Italian peninsula and see this many-faceted country in its best light. Visit the October calendar at mpppl.org for a complete listing of programs. The Library's annual Cultural Series, highlighting the diverse regions of the world, is funded through the generosity of the Elizabeth J. Clough Memorial Fund.



10/05

MPPL Foundation Presents Barbara Rinella as The Accidental Empress

Monday, October 5

1 - 2 p.m.

Mount Prospect Public Library

10 S. Emerson St.

For the 10th year in a row, the Mount Prospect Public Library Foundation welcomes acclaimed book dramatist, Barbara Rinella as she brings to life Alison Pataki's compelling novel, *The Accidental Empress*. This performance is a fundraiser for the Foundation, which provides funding for programming and special projects for the Library. Tickets are \$20 and must be purchased in person at the Registration Desk. For more information, visit mpppl.org, call 847/253-5675 or stop by the Library.

10/10



Fall Craft Show

Saturday, October 10

10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Friendship Park Conservatory

395 W. Algonquin Rd., Des Plaines

FREE Admission

Come out and shop for expert handmade textiles, unusual crafts, holiday items, unique jewelry and much more. For information about these or any Mt. Prospect Park District programs, events or classes, please call 847/640-1000 or visit mppd.org.

10/11



Lemons of Love 5K

Sunday, October 11

Registration: 7 a.m. • Walk/Run: 9 a.m.

Emerson St. & Busse Ave.

Lemons of Love, Inc. is a non-profit organization that creates and delivers care kits for patients undergoing chemotherapy. Mount Prospect resident and Lemons of Love, Inc. founder Jill Swanson invites residents and guests to participate in the non-profit's first 5K (run/walk) in downtown Mount Prospect. Refreshments immediately following. Early registration: \$40, day of event: \$50, Little Lemon runners under 14: \$20. Pre-registration price includes event t-shirt and goodie bag. All funds support the organization's mission. To register and learn more about the organization, visit lemonsoflove.org.

JOIN MOUNT PROSPECT'S DOWNTOWN MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION AND CELEBRATE MOUNT PROSPECT'S GERMAN ROOTS AT THE ANNUAL

Oktoberfest

OCT. 9 (NEW) & OCT. 10
4-11 PM

Featuring your favorite traditional German beers and foods! Live entertainment each night. Saturday headliner - Phenix with their mix of popular covers and traditional German music.



Fall Festival

OCT. 10: 1-4 PM

Enjoy a trick or treat line, pumpkin decorating, crafts, and entertainment! Come in costume!



EMERSON STREET
BUSSE AVENUE

FREE ADMISSION

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COMMUNITY EVENTS/PROGRAMS

10/15

Senior Health Fair

Thursday, October 15

9 a.m. – Noon

Village Hall Community Room

50 S. Emerson St.

State Representative David Harris will host a Senior Health Fair that will feature many services including flu shots, glucose testing, hearing screening plus 35 presenters from local health agencies. For additional information, contact Human Services at 847/870-5680.

10/16

Monster's Bash

Friday, October 16

4 - 7 p.m.

River Trails Park District

Weiss Community Center

1500 E. Euclid Ave.

rtpd.org

Come dressed in a favorite costume to welcome the Halloween season! Enjoy Chris Fascione's fascinating show, Trick or Treat Town, games, a photo booth and more! Don't forget to turn in the Passport to Adventure for a chance to win a FREE bike! All Ages Welcome! This is a free event.



10/17-
10/18

Friends of the Library Book Sale

Saturday, October 17, 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, October 18, Noon - 4 p.m.

Mount Prospect Public Library

10 S. Emerson St.

Stock up on great books at bargain prices during the Friends of the Library's Used Book Sale. A special members-only preview sale will be on Friday, October 16 from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. For more information on the Friends and how to become a member, visit mmdl.org or call 847/253-5675. Funds raised through the Book Sale will help the Friends support additional Library programs, events, and services.



10/17

Howlin' Halloween Fest & Harvest Market

Saturday, October 17

11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

(last ticket sale at 2:15 p.m.)

Lions Recreation Center

411 S. Maple St.

\$5 per child payable at the door

Celebrate a Mount Prospect tradition loaded with treats and just a few tricks. So many activities both inside and out - Have fun with your family while you check it all out. From non-spooky games to a hayride and crafts; paint your face, bounce in a house and have a good laugh! There's treats to buy and a free bag to carry. Wear your costume cute or scary! We know you'll enjoy the Halloween fest - Mt. Prospect Park District scares the best!



10/23

Spooky Skate

Friday, October 23

6-9 p.m.

Central Community Center

1000 W. Central Rd.

\$5 youth/\$7 adult (skate rental available \$5)

Have the costumes and skates ready for this fun-filled night. Children and families can take to the rink during cosmic skate with a DJ, head to the gym for fun activities or embrace their creativity with arts and crafts. All costumes must be in good taste and may not restrict vision or ability to skate or play safely. Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult 17 years or older. For information about these or any Mt. Prospect Park District programs, events or classes, please call 847/640-1000 or visit mppd.org.



10/24

The Trails Youth 2K Challenge-Obstacle Course Race

Saturday, October 24

9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

River Trails Park District

Woodland Trails Park

1500 E. Euclid Ave.

Ages 7-14 years old

rtpd.org

The Inaugural RTPD Trails Challenge Youth OCR is a 1.25 Mile (2K) Race. The race will take adventurous youth throughout the Woodland Trails Park. There will be between 10-14 natural and man-made obstacles throughout the course challenging determination and physical prowess. Located approximately 12 miles northwest of the Chicago Loop, the races are held completely within the Woodland Trails Park footprint so there are no street crossings. All participants will receive a t-shirt, medal, goodie bag and bragging rights they conquered the trail. Fees: Early Bird \$15 until Friday, Oct 2. Regular Rate \$20 until Friday, Oct 23. Race Day \$25 Saturday, October 24.

10/25

Cooking Demo, Luncheon and "Impressions of Sèvres"

Sunday, October 25

1 - 3:30 p.m.

Retro Bistro

1746 W. Golf Rd.

Pre-event tickets: \$40/person

Join Retro Bistro Chef Chris Barth and the Mount Prospect Sister Cities Commission for a cooking demo, luncheon and "Impressions of Sèvres." Ticket price includes: Cooking demonstration of a Baked Apple Tart by Chef Chris Barth; Luncheon and gratuity, including one glass of champagne, small bistro green salad, ravioli appetizer, bread, tapenade, and apple tart with coffee; and a program called "Impressions of Sèvres" (delegates traveling to Sèvres, France in September will talk about their visit and impressions of our Sister City). Additional drinks will be available for purchase. Call Judy McGinnis at 224/659-4522 for tickets.

10/29



Biennial "Power of the Purse" Handbag Auction

Thursday, October 29

7 p.m.

Village Community Room

50 S. Emerson St.

Prepare for the fall and winter seasons or buy your holiday gifts a bit early when the Mount Prospect Historical Society hosts its second "Power of the Purse" handbag auction. Wine and desserts will be served. Live and silent auctions, as well as entertainment offered. Limited tickets are \$10 each and available through the Society or online at mtphist.org.

11/11

Veterans' Day

Wednesday, November 11

10:30 a.m.

Lions Park Recreation Center

The Veterans' Day Ceremony will be held at the Lions Park Recreation Center. Please come out and honor and support our veterans.



11/13-12/13

Gift of Reading

Nov. 16 through Dec. 13

Mount Prospect Public Library

10 S. Emerson St.

Give the Gift of Reading this holiday season by bringing new or like-new unwrapped books for local children in need, ages 6 and younger. Donations of books in English and Spanish are greatly appreciated and can be dropped off at the Library. For more information, call the Mount Prospect Public Library at 847/253-5675.



11/14

Holiday Market

Saturday, November 14

10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Friendship Park Conservatory

395 W. Algonquin Rd.

FREE Admission

The Holiday Market will feature the finest vendors all in one place—Partylite, Tupperware, Tastefully Simple, Longaberger and more. Get a jump on holiday shopping or find something special for yourself. For information about these or any Mt. Prospect Park District programs, events or classes, please call 847/640-1000 or visit mppd.org.



11/19

Mount Prospect Stories: Victory Over Japan Day

Thursday, November 19

7 - 8 p.m.

Mount Prospect Public Library

10 S. Emerson St.

On August 14, 1945, the world learned that Japan had surrendered, effectively ending World War II. This announcement triggered an enormous celebration, including impromptu parades and the iconic image of one very famous kiss between a nurse and a sailor. Mount Prospect Historical Society Director Lindsay Rice will talk about life in our hometown during the end of the war. To register, visit mprospect.org, call 847/253-5675, or stop by the Library.

10/31

Trick or Treat for the 1896 Central Schoolhouse

Please start stockpiling your spare change and put it next to the candy bowl on Halloween because the children of Mount Prospect will be Trick or Treating this year to help support the restoration of the one-room 1896 Central School located at 103 S. Maple Street. Please be generous as the children of Mount Prospect work to give their community the gift of a restored historic schoolhouse for its upcoming 100th birthday. For more information, call 847/392-9006.

11/05

50th Anniversary Celebration

River Trails Middle School

Thursday, November 5

2 p.m. - Assembly & Reception

River Trails Middle School is celebrating its 50 year anniversary! The building opened as River Trails Junior High with 300 7th and 8th graders and 81 6th graders on September 7, 1965. River Trails Middle School Administration invites all staff and adult alumni to attend a celebratory assembly and reception on Thursday, November 5 beginning at 1:45 p.m. at the Middle School. Please RSVP, krogers@rtsd26.org or, 224/612-7600.

11/15

Mt. Prospect Community Band Concert

Sunday, November 15

3:30 p.m.

St. Paul Lutheran Church

100 S. School St.

Don't miss the Mt. Prospect Community Band Fall Concert! The performance will be held in the sanctuary of the St. Paul Lutheran Church. The performance begins at 3:30 p.m. and will feature wonderful music for our loyal audience. Tickets can be obtained from the Mt. Prospect Park District or from band members. Advance tickets purchased at Recplex are just \$7 or \$9 at the door.



11/22

Prospect Arlington Fall Haul 5 Mile and 5k

Sunday, November 22

Packet pick-up: 7:30 a.m. • Race: 9 a.m.

Fairview Park (Gregory St. and Oak Ave.)

Come enjoy the newest race in the Northwest Suburbs! Runners will enjoy a flat, fast course with 5 Mile and 5k options. Open to all ages and the first 500 people to register will receive a technical shirt along with their goodie bag. Race organizers will also be collecting canned goods that day to be donated to the Elk Grove Township Food Pantry. For information and registration, visit www.fallhaulrun.com. For direct registration, www.signmeup.com/108999. Discounted pricing available for children 17 and under.



COMMUNITY EVENTS/PROGRAMS

11/25

Tree Lighting Ceremony & Christkindlmarket

Wednesday, November 25

Tree Lighting, 5 p.m.

Christkindlmarket, 4 - 7 p.m.

Village Hall - Keystone Plaza

(Corner of Rte. 83 and Busse Ave.)

Bring friends and family to witness the lighting of a tree donated by a Mount Prospect resident. Enjoy hot chocolate, cookies and holiday carols. Stay and explore the Christkindlmarket. For those interested in vendor opportunities, please email specialevents@mountprospect.org or call Teresa VanOpdorp at 847/337-7923. Tree Lighting is sponsored by the Village of Mount Prospect. Christkindlmarket is sponsored by the Mount Prospect Special Events Commission



Mount Prospect
Tree Lighting ★
wednesday
NOV. 25

PLUS!
 Christkindlmarket
 Holiday Market
 with goods from
 local artists
 and vendors.
 4 - 7PM

5PM @ Keystone Plaza
 50 S. Emerson St. (west entrance of Village Hall)
experiencemountprospect.org

Refreshments provided by the Mount Prospect Lions Club

Mount Prospect
 Be a part of it!

12/04

Mount Prospect Historical Society 28th Annual Holiday Housewalk

Friday, December 4

3:30 - 9 p.m.

Stroll through the neighborhood around the Mount Prospect Country Club. Peruse the interiors of this year's featured homes decorated for the holidays. Donation is \$25 in advance, \$23 for members when purchasing at the museum before the walk, and \$27 on the day of the walk. Tickets will be available for purchase throughout the community beginning Nov. 1. For information, call 847/392-9006 or visit mtphist.org.

12/05

Teddy Bear Walk

Saturday, December 5

10 a.m. - Noon

Mount Prospect Public Library

10 S. Emerson St.

Bring your favorite Teddy Bear and see nationally known story-performer Chris Fascione act out best-loved stories. Sing along with Parents' Choice Gold Winner Mark Dvorak as he brings some favorite tunes to life. Ted E. Bear will then lead the march over to the Village Hall to welcome the arrival of Santa and Mrs. Claus. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Library. To register, visit mmdl.org, call 847/253-5675, or stop by the Library.



12/05 & 12/12

Breakfast with Santa

Saturday, Dec. 5 & 12, 10 - 11:30 a.m.

Rob Roy Golf Course Clubhouse

505 E. Camp McDonald Rd.

Age: 1Y and up

\$13 Resident/\$15 Non-Resident 16Y and up

\$9 Resident/\$10 Non-Resident 1Y-15Y

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Santa is joining us to celebrate the season with a breakfast buffet! Please drop off a small, wrapped



gift to the Weiss Center by Dec. 2 for Santa to give to your child. Label gift with child's first and last name. Gift amount should not exceed \$10. Registration deadline Nov. 27 or when maximum is reached. Children under 1 yr. are free but please list child on registration form. There are limited high chairs and booster seats, please bring one for your child. Complete family seating request form available online or at the Weiss Center by deadline.

12/05

Holiday Open House

Saturday, December 5

11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Friendship Park Conservatory

395 W. Algonquin Rd.

FREE Admission

Young or not so young...this event is one not to miss. There will be musical groups of all ages, activities for kids, live reindeer, snowy hay rides, and, of course, the man in the big red suit! Poinsettias will be available for purchase. For information about these or any Mt. Prospect Park District programs, events or classes, please call 847/640-1000 or visit mppd.org.

12/19

Stocking Deliveries

Saturday, December 19

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

River Trails Park District

Age: 1Y and up

\$16 - 1st child

\$10 - each add'l child

rtpd.org

This year, Santa is making a special trip from the North Pole to make a personal delivery at your home! Imagine your child's delight or a friend's surprise when jolly old Saint Nick brings a stocking full of goodies to the door! We'll try to accommodate time requests; however no guarantees can be made. Deliveries are restricted to River Trails Park District residents. One stocking per child.

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.



FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Prevention Week: October 4 - 10

The Mount Prospect Fire Department is teaming up with the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) for Fire Prevention Week 2015: October 4 – 10. This year's theme is **"Hear the Beep, Where you Sleep."** Working smoke alarms can mean the difference between life and death in a fire. According to the NFPA, when it comes to smoke alarms, it's all about location, location, location! The key message of this year's campaign is to install smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level of your home, including the basement.

In conjunction with Fire Prevention Week, the Mount Prospect Fire Department will once again be conducting its annual Poster/Essay Contest for students in Kindergarten through 8th grade. All Mount Prospect schools have been given the guidelines for the contest and we encourage all students to participate in this educational activity. For more information, please contact the Mount Prospect Fire Prevention Bureau at 847/818-5253.

Holiday Fire Safety

Halloween Fire Safety Tips

Planning ahead can help make this Halloween a fire-safe one. According to the National Fire Protection Association, taking these simple safety precautions can prevent fires.

- When choosing a costume, make sure fabrics and decorative materials are flame-resistant and stay away from long trailing fabric.
- Dried flowers, cornstalks and crepe paper catch fire easily. Keep all decorations away from open flames and other heat sources like light bulbs and heaters.
- Use a battery-operated candle or glow-stick in jack-o-lanterns.
- If using real candles, remember to "Candle with Care" and keep candles at least 12 inches away from anything that can burn.



Thanksgiving Safety

Did you know that Thanksgiving is the leading day of the year for home fires involving cooking equipment? Safety in the kitchen is important when there is a lot of activity and people at home.

- Stay in the home when cooking the turkey and remember to check on it frequently.
- Make sure smoke alarms are working. Test them by pushing the test button.
- Have activities that keep kids out of the kitchen during this busy time.
- Be sure electric cords from an electric knife, coffee maker, plate warmer or mixer are not dangling off the counter within easy reach of a child.



Winter Holiday Safety

Did you know that nearly half of holiday decoration fires happen because decorations are placed too close to a heat source? As winter approaches, residents should remember these few, but precious, life saving tips to help keep safe.

- Be careful with holiday decorations. Choose decorations that are flame resistant or flame retardant.
- Connect no more than three strands of mini light sets and a maximum of 50 bulbs for screw-in bulbs.
- Make sure Christmas trees are at least three feet away from any heat source, such as fireplaces, radiators, candles, heat vents or lights.
- Carbon monoxide is also a serious problem in the winter. Check carbon monoxide detectors regularly to ensure they are working properly.



Fire Department is on Social Media

Stay connected with the Fire Department's Social Media Sites.



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www.facebook.com/MountProspectFD



Follow us on Twitter,
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where you
SLEEP

EVERY
BEDROOM
NEEDS A
WORKING
SMOKE
ALARM.

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK
OCTOBER 4-10, 2015

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POLICE DEPARTMENT



Traffic Enforcement "Street Of The Week"

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

September 21 – September 27
Rand Rd. (Rte. 12)

September 28 – October 4
Central Rd.

October 5 – October 11
Northwest Hwy. (Rte. 14)

October 12 – October 18
Lincoln St.

October 19 – October 25
Elmhurst Rd./Main St. (Rte. 83)

October 26 – November 1
Golf Rd. (Rte. 58)

November 2 – November 8
Burning Bush Ln.

November 9 – November 15
Wolf Rd.

November 16 – November 22
Busse Rd.

November 23 – November 29
Euclid Ave.

November 30 – December 6
Lonnquist Blvd.

Drive Safe Near Schools

School districts throughout Mount Prospect invest heavily in security hardware, video cameras, and hall monitors in an attempt to keep all children safe. Staff receives training in conducting lock down drills and how to identify and report suspicious vehicles or persons in and around the schools. However, the greatest threat to any child's well-being and safety is a parent dropping off and picking up their child.



Every parent who drops off or picks up a child at school knows the streets and neighborhoods surrounding schools get very congested during these times. Parents sometimes park blocking driveways preventing homeowners access to their property. Cars regularly park in fire lanes and crosswalks. The most dangerous incidents occur when parents double or triple park in the street and then call out to their children who dart out between parked cars to get to the waiting parent. Adult volunteers are verbally abused daily when

they ask parents to comply with the safety rules. The Mount Prospect Police are asking parents to schedule after school events and appointments accordingly so that they have the time to park safely and drive away from the school at a safe speed. If everyone obeys the traffic and parking laws and follows the school's pickup and drop off procedures, an injury or death of a child can be prevented.

Remember, use of cell phones by drivers in school zones is strictly prohibited when in the vehicle unless the vehicle is parked.

Parking Restrictions

As the weather cools, residents will notice more soccer and football leagues playing games at the many parks across town. Please be reminded of the following when parking on the street during these events:

- Obey all posted signs, which may contain restricted parking hours or restrict which side of the street to park on.
- Be courteous of the neighbors by not blocking sidewalks or driveways.
- Parking within 15 feet of a fire hydrant or 20 feet of a crosswalk is prohibited and violators will be ticketed.
- Parking with the left wheels to the curb is prohibited.

Thank you for adhering to these laws and allowing a potentially stressful parking situation to be less stressful to the neighborhood and less costly.

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.



Halloween Safety

Halloween is approaching fast and will be here soon. Here are some helpful tips to keep all of the little vampires and princesses safe.

- Make sure kids only trick-or-treat during the suggested times of 3 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- Avoid dark colored costumes, they are much harder to see at night. If dark costumes are worn, make sure the kids carry a flashlight, glow stick, or wear a reflective belt or vest to make sure they are easily spotted.
- Avoid wearing masks as they restrict vision, use face paint instead.
- Make sure kids trick-or-treat in groups and an adult should always tag along for extra safety.
- Trick-or-treaters should always cross at the crosswalks and never go between parked cars.
- A quick note to the drivers out there...make sure to drive a little bit slower in the residential areas and watch for those kids that forgot the last tip and run out from between parked cars.
- And finally, an adult should always check all candy.



Try to keep these tips in mind and enjoy a safe and happy Halloween.





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Security Tips For a Joyous Holiday Season

As another holiday season approaches, residents find that their schedules become quite full of activities and they become very busy. Everyone needs to take a moment out of their busy schedules to remind themselves of holiday safety. Typically as the holidays approach the Police Department sees an increase in thefts and burglaries. Here are some tips to keep the holidays safe and merry.

- Make a house look as if someone is always home. Keep lights on the inside and outside, using timers to achieve this when no one is home. If a house is the only dark one on the block, it sticks out as no one being home. Leave radios or TVs on to create noise to give the impression that someone is home.
- When shopping, don't overburden yourself with too many packages or bags, a purse or wallet could be an easy mark for thieves. Don't become too engrossed in shopping as to let your guard down.
- When parking a car, make sure all the vehicle doors are locked. This simple prevention measure makes a big impact. The vast majority of thefts from motor vehicles occur from vehicles with unlocked doors.
- Don't place purchases inside the vehicle for all to see. While a person is in the stores shopping, some thieves are in the parking lot shopping. Place bags and packages in the vehicle's trunk or out of sight. If a thief can't see that they are assured of a good score, they usually won't risk getting caught.

HUMAN SERVICES



1711 W. Algonquin Rd., • 847/506-4930

The Human Services satellite office is located at the Community Connections Center. Services, available in English and Spanish, include:

- 'Ask the Nurse' screening clinic
- Case management and advocacy in coordinating services with other organizations
- Financial assessments for Village assistance programs (emergency financial assistance, food pantry, holiday meal programs)
- Information and referrals for additional resources
- Application assistance for various local, state, federal and other assistance programs
- Crisis intervention

For more information or to schedule an appointment, please call the Department at 847/506-4930.



Diabetes Education and Support Group

Residents with pre-diabetes, diabetes and their caregivers are invited to participate in a monthly support group focusing on discussion topics and guest speakers selected by group participants. The English-speaking support group meets the second Friday of each month from 9:30-11 a.m. at the Community Connections Center. The Spanish-speaking support group meets the fourth Friday of the month from 9:30-11 a.m. The October topic will be Stem Cell Research and the Future of Diabetes. For more information or to register, please call 847/506-4930.

Medicare D Prescription Drug Open Enrollment Period

Open enrollment for Medicare D begins October 15 through December 7, 2015. Each year brings changes in premiums, co-pays, deductibles and drugs covered for all drug plans! Staff uses a tool available on the Medicare website to help Medicare recipients determine which plan is best for them for the upcoming year. Staff members also will assess whether recipients are eligible for extra help with their plan premiums and co-pays. Anyone who would like assistance with enrollment or reviewing their current plan should call 847/870-5680 to obtain a worksheet so an appointment can be scheduled.

October is Senior Health Month

During October, several events will be held related to health and wellness. Programming will include: The Lighthouse for the Blind Product Roadshow; Exercise for Your Mind and Body; Living in Recovery: Mental Illness after Age 65; and a Senior Health Fair.

For more information, please call the Human Services Department at 847/870-5680.



Senior Health Fair -State Representative David Harris will host a Senior Health Fair, Thursday, October 15 from 9 a.m. until noon at the Village Hall Community Room. The event will feature many services including flu shots, glucose testing, hearing screening plus 35 presenters from local health agencies. For additional information, please call the Human Services Department at 847/870-5680.

New Monday Morning Health Screening Clinic Hours, Effective October 1

The Health Screening Clinic held every Monday morning at the Village Hall Community Room will now be held from 9 to 11 a.m. Residents may come to this clinic without an appointment and have the Village nurse check blood pressure, fasting glucose for \$1 and total cholesterol for \$4.

Rules of the Road Class

This course is intended to give drivers the information and confidence needed to pass the license renewal written examination. The next class will be held on Wednesday, November 18 at 1:30 p.m. To register, please call the Human Services Department at 847/870-5680.

Thanksgiving & Holiday Programs

The holidays are approaching and help is available for low-income Mount Prospect residents who may need assistance. Through the generosity of the community, the Human Services Department will be able to spread holiday cheer to those who might not have certain holiday items that help make these times special. To allow time for packing and distribution, all food items should be dropped off at the Human Services Department, on the second floor of Village Hall, 50 S. Emerson Street. Thanksgiving Program donations should be received by November 18. December Program donations should be received by December 16. For additional information, please call the Human Services Department at 847/870-5680.

Food Pantry

Residents experiencing a financial hardship may be eligible for food pantry assistance on a monthly basis. A financial assessment must be completed with a social worker/counselor to determine eligibility. For additional information, please call the Human Services Department at 847/870-5680.



Bedbugs Are Hard to Find



According to the pest control company, Orkin, Chicago is the top U.S. city for bedbug infestation. These pests have no borders and it is likely everyone may have to deal with the problem at some point. Bedbugs can withstand a wide range of temperatures from nearly freezing to 122 degrees Fahrenheit. They can spread from room to room once they are in a building. Effective and prompt control is essential to stay calm and keep pest control costs to a minimum.

Tackling the job without an exterminator can be fruitless. Bedbugs are hard to find. They are not just in mattress seams or the bed. They can be in chair cushions, sofas, behind electrical outlets, cracks and crevices around baseboards, or even behind picture frames.

To prevent bedbugs, render unusable furniture for disposal. When returning from a trip, check belongings and clothing. Wash and dry clothes using hot settings.

Bedbugs, unlike cockroaches, are not associated with filth. Pesticides and other measures are effective, but if misapplied (too much, wrong place, wrong pesticide) can be toxic and ineffective. For these reasons, inspection and treatment is best done by professional pest control companies.

Aluminum Wiring Safety

The Village recommends that all homeowners and property owners check all existing wiring, including individual circuits, to assure safe and secure operating conditions. In particular, existing aluminum wiring should be regularly inspected by licensed and qualified electricians to ensure all connections and electrical devices are operating correctly and safely. For more Information, please contact the Building Division at 847/818-5289 or building@mountprospect.org.



Rand Road Corridor Planning Study to Begin

The Village of Mount Prospect and The Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) have partnered to draft a Rand Road Corridor Plan. The proposed study will serve as an update to the Village's existing 1998 Rand Road Corridor Plan. The study will reassess the corridor and address three main goals related to all forms of transportation, including pedestrian, transit, and private vehicle: 1) improve the efficiency of access and travel; 2) provide amenities that enhance safety and encourage their use; and 3) improve access to destinations within the study area.

The Village received a grant from the RTA to draft the plan and selected Teska Associates, Inc. as the primary project consultant. Throughout the process, there will be opportunities for residents, business owners and visitors to share their thoughts, issues and concerns regarding the corridor. Please check the Village's website for status updates. Questions may be directed to Senior Planner Nellie Beckner at 847/818-5312.



Handyman Program - Expanded!

Are you 65 years of age or older? Or 18 years old with a disability? A resident of Mount Prospect, Arlington Heights, Buffalo Grove, Palatine or Rolling Meadows? These five communities are working together to make home repairs and maintenance jobs easier for residents.

Eligible work includes: grab bars, light fixture repair or replacement, drain cleaning, faucet repair, gutter cleaning, toilet repair, installing shelves and more. Based on income, seniors or disabled residents will pay only \$10, \$20, or \$30 an hour for assistance.

In addition, there is a special one-time grant opportunity, up to \$1,500, for qualifying households to be used for home modifications.

The Handyman Program is administered by the North West Housing Partnership. For additional information or to hire a handyman, call 847/969-0561 Mon. through Fri. from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.



PUBLIC WORKS

Loose Leaf Collection

The loose-leaf collection program is for LEAVES ONLY and will take place from October 5 – November 20. Any leaf pile containing grass clippings or other yard material will NOT BE COLLECTED.

- It is the responsibility of the homeowner to remove all unacceptable materials from the leaves for collection.
- Rake leaves onto the pavement one foot from the curb line one day prior to the scheduled collection day.
- Do not rake leaves into the street after the truck has passed your home. The machines travel each street weekly during the collection period, but only once on each side.



Bagged Leaf Collection

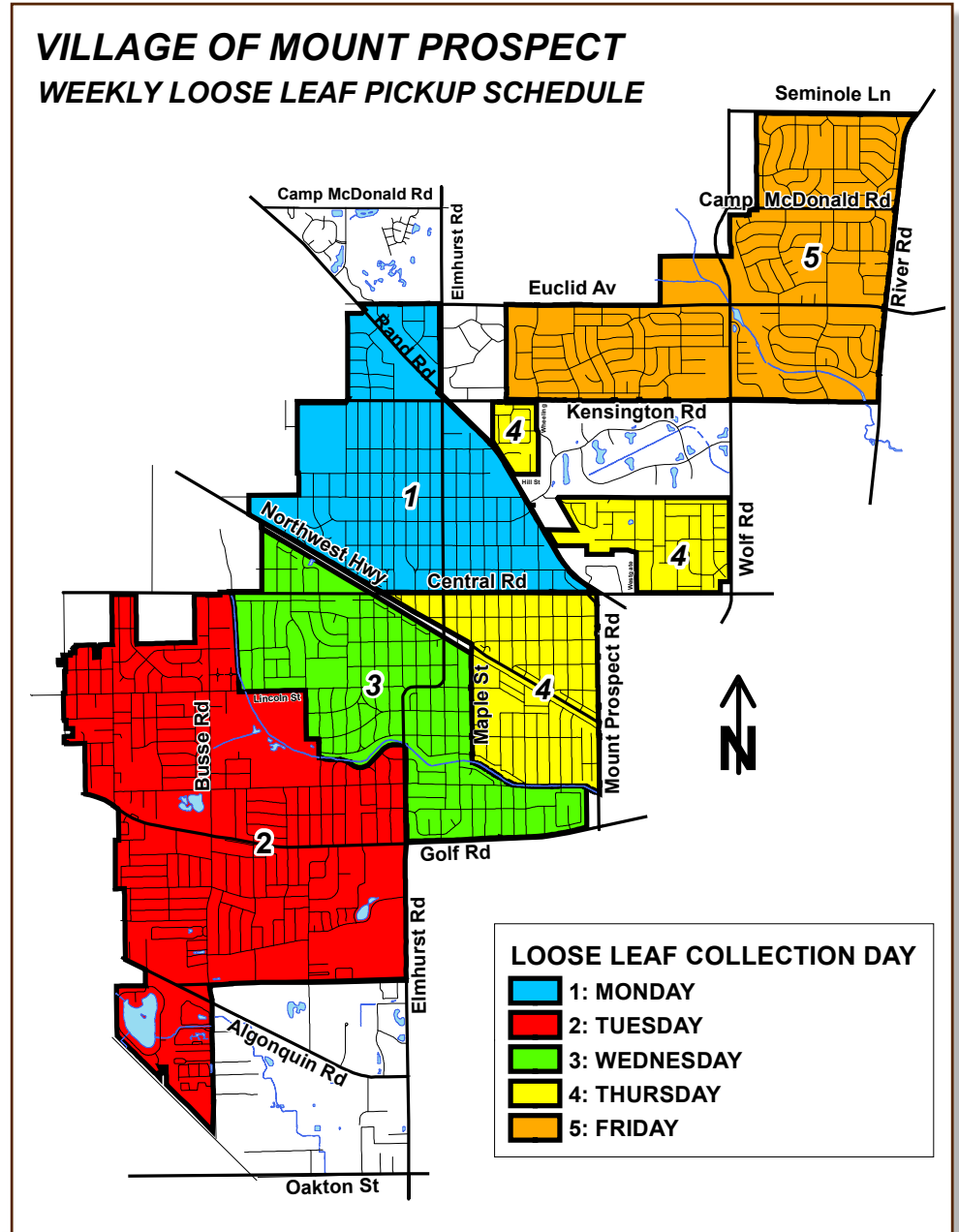
ARC Disposal will conduct the extended leaf collection program for bagged leaves on your regularly scheduled refuse collection day from November 23 - December 11.

- Kraft paper yard waste bags containing leaves only will be collected without the Village imprinted sticker.
- All other yard material and/or leaves in rigid containers must have the Village-imprinted sticker affixed to pay for collection and disposal of the yard material. Bags and/or containers must not exceed 50 lb. Rigid containers must also have the yard waste decal affixed.

Yard waste and brush collection ends December 11. Please make sure to place all properly prepared yard waste and brush at the curb prior to December 12. Yard waste or brush placed at the curb after December 11 will not be collected. Please visit the Village website in the spring for the start date of the 2016 yard waste program.

Fall Leaf Collection Program

The Village's fall leaf collection program provides residents with two methods to conveniently dispose of leaves at no-cost. The program allows residents to place loose leaves at the curb for collection by Public Works crews from October 5 through November 20. Bagged leaves also will be collected from November 23 through December 11. Please visit the Village's website for more information on the leaf collection program.



**BURNING LEAVES IN
MOUNT PROSPECT VIOLATES
ORDINANCE 24.115**

Holiday Tree Wanted!

Do you have a fir or spruce tree in your yard that is no longer wanted? Consider donating the tree to the Village to be used for the 2015 Tree Lighting Ceremony. The Village will entertain requests from residents that have a fir or spruce tree with a minimum height of 30 feet that has uniform and full growth (tree cannot be trimmed up from the bottom). The Village will remove and transport the tree at no cost to the resident. Interested individuals should contact the Public Works Department at publicworksdept@mountprospect.org or 847/870-5640.



Christmas Tree Collection

January 4 – January 15, 2016

Residents are encouraged to participate in the Village's Christmas tree composting program. Christmas trees will be collected by the refuse hauler at no additional cost on residents' regular refuse collection day; no stickers required.

Christmas trees set out for composting must be free of all decorative debris such as:

- Lights
- Tinsel
- Ornaments/bulbs
- Strings/wires.



Please do not cut or trim trees for collection; place trees at the curb whole. Trees may be placed at the curb prior to January 5 and after January 16, but these trees will be collected as regular refuse and will not be composted. Wreaths will also be collected at no additional cost on residents' regular refuse collection day, but are considered refuse due to the metal frame. Please place your wreath in your green refuse cart for disposal. In addition, artificial wreaths are not recyclable. Artificial wreaths should be placed in the green refuse cart for disposal not the blue recycling cart.

Caring for a Vehicle and the Environment

Proper car care and maintenance is a very important part of efforts to protect the local environment. Many vehicle fluids can be hazardous to waterways. Whatever is dumped into storm drains or onto pavement will wind up in local creeks and, ultimately, in the Des Plaines river.

Residents who change their own oil, should dispose it properly. Put the used oil in a sturdy container, label it, and take it to a local oil recycling location. Call Public Works at 847/870-5640 for a current list of oil recycling stations.

Antifreeze is also dangerous to the environment. It contains ingredients that are poisonous to people, fish, and wildlife. It should be treated in the same manner as waste oil. In the case of a spill involving any of these types of materials, use kitty litter, sawdust, cornmeal, or special oil absorbent products to absorb the spill. Sweep up the absorbent after a few hours. For more information about household hazardous collection events, visit mountprospect.org.

No Parking Reminder

Parking on Village streets is prohibited between the hours of 2 and 6 a.m.

Parking is not permitted on Village streets at any time within a 24-hour period of a snowfall of two inches or more (Ordinance 2963). This ordinance cancels any overnight parking permission previously granted. The Village will tow parked vehicles—at the owners expense—if the vehicle is not removed in time.

Vehicle owners are responsible to monitor weather conditions to avoid problems if a two-inch or greater snowfall occurs at any time. For more information about overnight parking permission, please call the Police Department at 847/870-5656.



Supplemental Snowplow Drivers Wanted

Any resident who has experience driving large trucks, has a valid-approved Class A or B commercial driver's license (CDL) with air brake endorsement, can be available whenever needed and could use some extra money, the Public Works Department wants you! The Department is currently looking for supplemental snow plow drivers, an orientation class must be attended by all first-year drivers, please contact the Public Works Department at publicworksdept@mountprospect.org or call 847/870-5640 for details.

Street Plowing Procedures

Since all streets cannot be plowed at the same time after a snowfall, there is a priority system.

- Principal intersections are plowed and salted first.
- Primary collector streets are then plowed enough to allow two-way traffic to pass safely. Cul-de-sacs are plowed after a two-inch accumulation of snow.
- Feeder streets and dead ends are plowed last.

When all roads have been opened, repeat passes will be made to clear them curb-to-curb, and intersections will be cleared completely.

Remember, it is hazardous and illegal to shovel or blow snow into any public street once the street has been plowed. All shoveled or blown snow should be piled in the yard or parkway.



Winter's Coming Prevent Frozen Water Lines- Take Precautions Now

With the past two winters being extremely harsh and cold, several properties in the Village experienced frozen water service lines outside and frozen pipes inside. If this happened to you, please take steps to prevent this from happening again this winter. Most water service lines (pipes) going into the home are not going to freeze. Only a handful of properties experienced this problem but it is always good to be prepared.

Residents who will be out of town over the winter should have a friend, relative, neighbor or handyman check on their home during severe cold spells. Please make sure that the inside water shutoff actually works and that everyone knows where this important valve is located.

Homeowners who have a history of frozen water pipes, should consider leaving a spigot slowly dripping water as this keeps water circulating in the pipes. However, they will be charged for the water used so run the water at a rate of about one gallon every five minutes. Allowing the water to run at a rate of one gallon every five minutes, which is a stream of water about the width of a pencil, is equivalent to approximately 500 gallons per day.

Homeowners can wrap any exposed pipes in their home with foam pipe insulation or with heat tape. They can also turn the temperature up in areas where they have exposed water piping. Do not turn the heat lower than 55 degrees Fahrenheit in areas with exposed piping. All of these items are available at the local plumbing or hardware stores. Not sure? Ask your plumber or handyman for advice.

If the water line freezes, consider calling a licensed plumber. Improper thawing could cause pipes to burst, adding to the problem. Do not use open flames, consider using a heat tape to wrap around the pipes. A hair dryer, heat tape, heating pad or heat gun may help thaw the line but this can take hours. So be careful and do not leave these items unattended. If the water lines are frozen for an extended period, there may be an issue with the water heater or boiler; please consult a professional. Please contact Public Works with any questions concerning frozen pipes and potential methods to avoid the issue in the future.

Winterizing Water Service – Do It the Right and Safe Way

The Village receives numerous inquiries on the proper process to “winterize” a water service. Homeowners request to “winterize” their homes for various reasons, such as extended vacations, renovations, vacancy, sale of the home, etc.

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

- Please call Public Works at 847/870-5640 at least 48 hours in advance to schedule a water service shutoff at the b-box. If Public Works finds any problems with the operation of the b-box, the property owner will be notified. Sometimes debris or age will make a b-box inoperable.
- After the water service is shutoff by Public Works, residents will need to drain the interior plumbing by shutting off the water heater and opening the water heater drain port or by draining the lowest faucet or spigot in the system. Expect to drain several gallons of water from this spigot so have a bucket handy. Contact a licensed plumber to properly drain piping, water heater, toilets, and traps to prevent damage from freezing.
- Do not turn off the heat to the property. Lower the thermostat to maintain a minimum temperature to keep pipes from freezing. Contact an HVAC contractor to install a programmable thermostat if needed. Turning off the heat to a property is not advisable during the winter months as pipes can freeze or worse, burst and cause flooding.

The Village Code does not allow a property to be “winterized” by the removal of the water meter. Removal of a water meter is considered tampering with the water system and is prohibited by Village Code. B-boxes, round-ways or road boxes should only be operated by Public Works. Improper use of these devices by untrained persons can result in damage, including main breaks or service leaks causing service disruption to the property and others. Also, fines and fees can be imposed per the Village Code.

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

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

RIBBON CUTTINGS

The Wildbird Shack

854 E. Northwest Hwy. | 847/873-0409 | wildbirdshack.com

The Wildbird Shack specializes in providing clients with ideal birding needs. Their knowledgeable staff can help attract new diversity to one's yard using a hand-picked collection of bird houses, feeders, and products. The shop also sells unique "non-birding" gift items.

Ribbon Cut: June 2



Mobile Print Inc.

201 W. Central Rd. | 847/398-6155 | mobile-print.com

Mobile Print Inc. began as mobile printing vehicle, which would travel from town-to-town across the Chicagoland area. As a downtown Mount Prospect, family-run business, Mobile Print Inc. helps businesses reach their clients through marketing materials and run their businesses with operational printing. In the summer of 2015, Mobile Print Inc. celebrated their 50th Anniversary.

Ribbon Cut: June 26

Smokey Bones Bar & Fire Grill

164 Randhurst Village Dr. | 847/305-1799 | smokeybones.com

Smokey Bones, specializing in barbeque and fire-grilled dishes opened in the summer of 2015 at Randhurst Village! Smokey Bones has 65 locations from Illinois to Georgia.

Their menu showcases a variety of meats smoked in-house daily, and includes an extensive beverage list of craft beers and over 40 varieties of spirits.

Ribbon Cut: July 13



Mt. Prospect Park District

1000 W. Central Road (Admin. Bldg.) | 847/255-5380 | mppd.org

For the past 60 years, the Mt. Prospect Park District (MPPD) has served the residents of Mount Prospect providing unique programs, recreational activities, community events and much more. MPPD celebrated its 60th Anniversary in the summer of 2015.

Ribbon Cut: July 29

Nikki's Hair Salon

7 W. Prospect Ave. | 847/668-9706 | Find "Nikki's Hair Salon" on Facebook

Nikki's Hair Salon provides an array of beauty services. The full-service hair salon is located in downtown Mount Prospect, next to Keefer's Pharmacy.

Ribbon Cut: July 31



Crave Sports Bar

106 W. Northwest Hwy. | 224/735-3965

CravePizza in downtown Mount Prospect expanded to include a modern sports bar with high top tables and chairs, 11 flat-screen TVs, a state-of-the-art sound system and a new draft beer system with 12 taps. Their bar menu will also be enhanced.

Ribbon Cut: August 4

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

- 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.

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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.

