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Hawthorn Woods Happenings

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Upcoming Special Events

Sat, Feb. 20
1:00 - 4:00p.m.
Winter Carnival
Community Park

Wed, Mar. 9
Noon
Senior Monthly Luncheon
Village Barn

Wed, Mar. 9
6:30 p.m.
Book Nook Reading Club
Village Hall

Sat, Apr. 9
10:00 a.m. - Noon
Bark in the Park
Community Park

Wed, Apr. 13
Noon
Senior Monthly Luncheon
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Early Bird Rates Now Available for 2016 Season Passes at the Hawthorn Woods Aquatic Center

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Mayor's Message

Dear Neighbors,

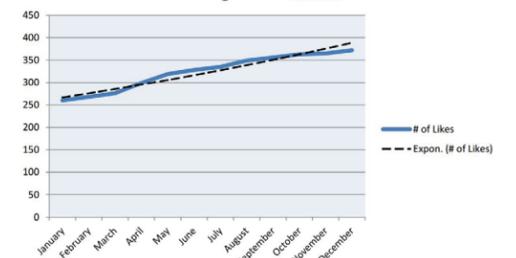
Our Hawthorn Woods Year in Review...

As we begin the first quarter of Village operations for 2016, I would like to highlight our annual year-end review. 2015 was a year of progress and accomplishments for our Village. We increased our participation in our Parks and Recreation programs, updated our Public Works and Police fleets, worked with neighboring communities to make an impact on the proposed Route 53 project, and issued a public marketing campaign that brought us to the headlines of major newspapers, talk radio, and the Governor's office.

The Village undertook several new initiatives, including the entitlement of new housing units to bring a diverse housing stock to town that will provide a greater opportunity for empty-nest seniors, young professionals, and growing families to choose Hawthorn Woods as their home. 2015 brought a surge of economic development opportunities and newly annexed properties. Our comprehensive plan was reviewed and updated to reflect the current and future needs of our Hawthorn Woods community.

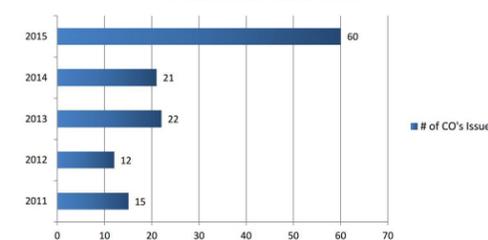
have not done so already, join the trend and "like" the Village of Hawthorn Woods on Facebook. We added a transparency portal to the Village website, and created a new resident welcome packet. Additionally, the Village was successful in issuing frequent press releases, hosting meet-and-greet opportunities with elected officials, and holding monthly Board Meetings to keep citizens active in community dialogue. I am looking forward to seeing some of you at our next Java with Joe event being held on Saturday, April 23rd from 9:00am to Noon at the Hawthorn Woods Country Club.

Facebook Page Likes



On January 31, 2015, the Village of Hawthorn Woods recorded 260 likes on the official Facebook page. By December 31, 2015, the number of likes reached 372 (43% increase).

5-Year Home Start Trend



This metric shows the number of Certificates of Occupancy issued within a 5-year period. The graph conveys a significant growth in activity, with a 185% increase in CO's issued from 2014 - 2015.

Another major undertaking completed during 2015 was the Village-wide flooding survey. Last February, our citizens were invited to complete a survey of flood-prone areas. We obtained new data and flood maps that will provide the Village with a plan of remediation and a priority list of projects for future funding.

We continue to demonstrate accountability through our transparency efforts. The Village hosted a Town Hall Meeting this past August, and we continue to keep in touch with you through our weekly e-blasts, quarterly newsletters, and through our Facebook page. If you

I am proud to report that Village received an unprecedented number of municipal recognitions in 2015, leading the state in many categories, including public safety. We also received National recognition for our Leadership in Re-Inventing Municipal Government.

Perhaps the greatest ongoing achievement, and a key component to our success, is the synergy between the elected officials, Village staff, our residents, and the business community of Hawthorn Woods. With Excellence as a benchmark in our everyday work plan, Hawthorn Woods continues to lead in excellence in public governance, public management, and public accountability.

Please visit us online at www.vhw.org to read the complete 2015 Year in Review report. I look forward to continuing on the path of progress in 2016.

Warmest Personal Regards,

Joe

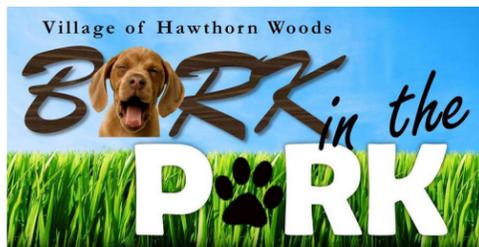


Upcoming Special Events!



Saturday, February 20, 1:00 - 4:00pm
Community Park

Shake loose from being cooped up inside and get out and enjoy Community Park for a fun family afternoon. The afternoon will be complete with refreshments, entertainment, music, a snowman building contest, games, sledding, and old fashioned wagon rides. This promises to be a spectacular afternoon for the whole family to make memories that will last a lifetime.



Saturday, April 9, 10:00am - Noon
Community Park

Bring your family, friends, and all the dogs and come out to Community Park for the annual Hawthorn Woods Bark in the Park event. Let's celebrate our furry friends who give so much to us each and every day. Dogs can run, jump, roll over and play with other friends. Your canine friend will enjoy treats, pampering, fun activities and more! Please leash all dogs.

Saturday, April 23, 9:00 - 11:00am
Hawthorn Woods Country Club

Meet Hawthorn Woods Mayor Joseph Mancino and discuss topics impacting our community that are important to you, or stop by and say hello. Come enjoy a cup of coffee with the Hawthorn Woods community and meet Mayor Mancino along with other Village Officials. Attendance is complimentary and open to everyone.



Sign-up for the Hawthorn Woods e-newsletter at www.vhw.org for information on news & special events!

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Village Calendar
March - April 2016

Monday, Mar. 7, 5:30pm
Finance Committee Meeting
Village Hall

Tuesday, Mar. 8, 6:00pm
Planning, Building & Zoning
Commission Meeting
Village Barn

Thursday, Mar. 18, 10:00am
Business Continuity
Work Group Meeting
Village Hall

Monday, Mar. 21, 7:00pm
Village Board of Trustees
Meeting
Village Barn

Tuesday, Mar. 22, 6:00pm
Planning, Building & Zoning
Commission Meeting
Village Barn

Monday, Apr. 4, 5:30pm
Finance Committee Meeting
Village Hall

Thursday, Apr. 7, 7:00pm
Environmental Committee
Meeting
Village Hall

Tuesday, Apr. 12, 6:00pm
Planning, Building & Zoning
Commission Meeting
Village Barn

Monday, Apr. 18, 7:00pm
Village Board of Trustees
Meeting
Village Barn

Tuesday, Apr. 26 6:00pm
Planning, Building & Zoning
Commission Meeting
Village Barn

Please visit www.vhw.org
for calendar updates.

Hawthorn Woods Aquatic Center

Early Bird Rates Now Available for Summer 2016 Season Passes

We are looking forward to our 2016 aquatic season! We will soon begin preparing the facility for opening day which is scheduled for Saturday, May 28th. Early bird rates are effective through March 31st.



Purchase your pass today!

The 2016 aquatic registration form can be downloaded from our website at www.vhw.org/HWAC and submitted:

- Online (apm.activecommunities.com/vhw)
- Mail or drop-off to Village Hall
2 Lagoon Drive, Hawthorn Woods, IL 60047
- Fax to (847) 438-1459

**2016 Early Bird Rates
No fee increase from 2015!**

Pass Options	RES	NON-RES
Ind./Nanny	\$95	\$142
Family of 2	\$142	\$238
Family of 3	\$176	\$285
Family of 4	\$214	\$333
Family of 5	\$252	\$380
Addtl. Person	\$57	\$76
Senior (65+)	\$71	\$119

* The above rates expire 3/31/16
Visit www.vhw.org/HWAC for rates effective 4/1/16

Village News

Officer Cortez Recognized for DUI Enforcement

At the Village Board of Trustees meeting held on January 25th, 2016, Officer Anthony Cortez was recognized by Mayor Joseph Mancino, the Village Board, and administrative staff for excellence in DUI enforcement. Officer Cortez led the Hawthorn Woods Police Department in the number of driving under the influence arrests in 2015, accounting for 50% of the department's total DUI arrests. He will be recognized by the Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists (AAIM) for this achievement. We are grateful for Officer Cortez's service to the community and his successful efforts making the roadways within Hawthorn Woods safe for all to travel.



Hawthorn Woods Police Department Welcomes New Officer

Officer Donny Rathje was sworn in by Mayor Joseph Mancino at the September 2015 Village Board Meeting. Officer Rathje graduated from the Police Training Institute on December 17th, 2015. He is currently working alongside other Hawthorn Woods Police Officers while completing his field training, after which time he will begin solo patrol. Rathje earned his Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice Sciences from Illinois State University. He has 4 years of professional experience working in security functions. "I am very excited to continue learning and experiencing what the Village has to offer. Everything I have seen in my short time here thus far from the Board, staff, and residents, impresses me more each day. I am happy to be part of this team," stated Rathje.



Celebrate Earth Hour

Saturday, March 19, 8:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Earth Hour is a worldwide movement that unites people to protect the planet and aims to encourage an interconnected global community. Hawthorn Woods is proud to be a part of this community which shares the opportunities and challenges of creating a sustainable world. Earth Hour 2016 will mark the ninth year of the campaign. We invite our Hawthorn Woods residents to join together and take part by turning off all non-essential lights in homes and businesses from 8:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 19th. For more information about this initiative or about how you can contribute more to creating a sustainable environment, please visit www.earthhour.org.



Spring Youth Soccer



The Village of Hawthorn Woods is proud to offer fun, instructional, and participative youth soccer leagues for children grades Pre-K through 5th. The Spring session starts on Saturday, April 9th with play running through Saturday, June 4th (no play on Saturday, May 28th due to Memorial Day weekend). Practices and games are all held at Heritage Oaks Park. Previous participants may use their old uniform; additional uniform pieces are sold separately.

Visit us online at www.vhw.org/youthsoccer for more information.

Pre-K - Kindergarten

Saturdays, April 9 – June 4

Players will meet for 1-hour on Saturdays. Time will be scheduled between 9:00-11:00am. Each class will consist of 30-minutes of training and 30-minutes of game play. Participants will play 3-on-3 games with two 10-minute halves. (No play on Sat. May 28)

Program + Uniform

\$100/Res; \$115/Non-Res
Code: 1549

Program Only

\$85/Res; \$100/Non-Res
Code: 1562

Grades 1-3

April 9 – June 4

**Practice/Training on Wednesdays
Games on Saturdays**

Practices will be 1-hour scheduled on Wednesdays between 4:30-6:30pm. Games will be played on Saturdays between 9:00-11:00am. Participants will play 4-on-4 or 6-on-6 games with two 15-minute halves. (No play on Sat. May 28)

Program + Uniform

\$125/Res; \$145/Non-Res
Code: 1547

Program Only

\$110/Res; \$130/Non-Res
Code: 1563

Grades 4-5

April 9 – June 4

**Practice/Training on Wednesdays
Games on Saturdays**

Practices will be 1-hour scheduled on Wednesdays between 4:30-6:30pm. Games will be played on Saturdays between 9:00-11:00am. Participants will play 6-on-6 games with two 20-minute halves. (No play on Sat. May 28)

Program + Uniform

\$125/Res; \$145/Non-Res
Code: 1548

Program Only

\$110/Res; \$130/Non-Res
Code: 1564

More Youth Programs

**Parent/Tot Tumbling
(Ages 1 1/2-3)**

Saturdays, 10:10 – 10:55am

Apr. 16 - May 21 | Code: 1565
Fees: \$65/Res, \$75/Non-Res

Tots will learn to take turns, listen, and follow instructions as they enhance their motor skills in this active class.
(Location: Village Barn)

**Soccer/T-Ball Camp
(Ages 3-4 w/ Parent)**

Wednesdays, 4:00 – 4:50pm

Apr. 27 - May 25 | Code: 1570
Fees: \$48/Res, \$55/Non-Res

A fun, social, and non-competitive introduction to t-ball and soccer.
(Location: Rambling Hills Park)

**Lil Pint Baseball Camp
(Ages 5-6)**

Wednesdays, 5:00 – 5:50pm

Apr. 27 - May 25 | Code: 1571
Fees: \$48/Res, \$55/Non-Res

Participants will learn to hit off a tee, run bases, play catch, and learn the basics of baseball.
(Location: Rambling Hills Park)

**After School of Rock
Guitar Lessons
(Grades 1-8)**

Enroll your future rock star and musician to learn how to play guitar in a fun and interactive setting.
(Location: St. Matthew-Entrance 12)



Beginner Guitar Lessons

Thursdays, 5:00 – 5:45pm

Feb. 18 - Mar. 24 | Code: 1556
Fees: \$125/Res; \$140/Non-Res

Apr. 7 - May 12 | Code: 1566
Fees: \$125/Res; \$140/Non-Res

Intermediate Guitar Lessons

Thursdays, 6:00 – 6:45pm

Feb. 18 - Mar. 24 | Code: 1559
Fees: \$125/Res; \$140/Non-Res

Apr. 7 - May 12 | Code: 1567
Fees: \$125/Res; \$140/Non-Res

Chess (Ages 6-14)

Wednesdays, 4:30 – 5:30pm

Apr. 6 - May 25 | Code: 1569
Fees: \$86/Res, \$96/Non-Res

Learn how to play the game of chess and continue to develop skills for the game, including tactics and strategies.
(Location: St. Matthew-Entrance 12)



Fencing (Ages 8+)

Thursdays, 5:00 – 6:00pm

Feb. 18 - Mar. 24 | Code: 1557
Fees: \$72/Res; \$80/Non-Res

Apr. 7 - May 12 | Code: 1568
Fees: \$72/Res; \$80/Non-Res

Our fun and informative classes teach students the basics from beginner to expert. Safety is stressed and each participant handles a foil in every session. All equipment is provided. (Location: Hawthorn Woods Aquatic Center)



**Book Nook Reading Club
March 9, 6:30pm**

April 13, 6:30pm

Enjoy a good book and share with friends in the Hawthorn Woods Book Nook Reading Club. Our group meets at Village Hall once a month. With this FREE club, all books will be provided for you, courtesy of Fremont Library. Our leader, Peter Ponzio, is a distinguished published author, professional editor, and Hawthorn Woods Village Trustee. He will prepare questions for you to consider while you read and lead discussions at our group meetings.
(Location: Village Hall)

The Hawthorn Woods
2016 Summer Brochure
Coming Soon!
AQUATICS, CAMP,
CONCERTS, & MORE!
Watch your mailbox or
check back with us in
early March.

**RECREATION
OFFERINGS 2016**

REGISTER TODAY!

Choose your convenient method to register for recreation programs.

Registration forms can be downloaded from our website at:

www.vhw.org/registration

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apm.activecommunities.com/vhw

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For more information, visit us online at www.vhw.org/parksandrecreation.