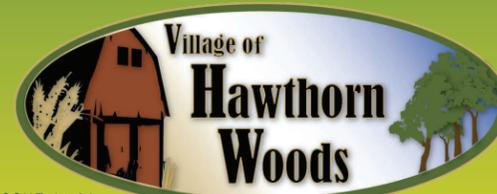


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# Hawthorn Woods Happenings

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### Meet Your New Recreation & Public Information Manager

In early February, the Village welcomed **Amy Scholz** to its staff as the Recreation & Public Information Manager. Amy comes to us with nearly 9 years of experience in government recreation. She previously worked for Park Districts in Park Ridge & Highland Park. "I am excited to work with the talented staff, Board of Trustees, and residents of Hawthorn Woods to bring people together in such a wonderful community" said Scholz. She continued, "I look forward to meeting everyone in the community at all of our amazing events."



Amy grew up nearby, attending Mundelein High School all 4 years. She graduated with a bachelor's degree in Recreation & Park Administration and a minor in Business Administration from Illinois State University. She is passionate about parks and recreation and public service. Amy can be reached at [ascholz@vhw.org](mailto:ascholz@vhw.org) or at (847) 847-3533.

## Special Events

**Adult Open Gym**  
Friday Nights  
Feb. 28 - April 25  
St. Mathews School  
Basketball/Volleyball

**Chess Class**  
March 12, 2014 thru  
April 30, 2014  
4:30-5:30pm

**Senior Luncheon**  
March 12, 2014  
Noon @ Village Barn

**Board Meeting**  
March 18, 2014  
7pm @ Village Barn

**Family Workshop**  
March 20, 2014  
7pm @ St. Mathews  
*How to Monitor Social  
Media and Keep Your  
Children Safe*

**Early-Bird Rate**  
Aquatic Passes  
Available Thru  
March 31, 2014

**Senior Luncheon**  
April 9, 2014  
Noon @ Village Barn  
6:30pm - 8:30pm

## Mayor's Message

Dear Neighbors,

Holding office and serving in the Village of Hawthorn Woods is one of the most fulfilling endeavors of my life. I am grateful for all that I have learned and experienced, and look forward to more.

The Village of Hawthorn Woods continues to be on solid financial footing. Our year wrapped up in December under budget, and with a healthy sweep of dollars into our reserves. Our annual zero based budgeting techniques are proving to be very successful in the management of our finances and programs. In November, the Board approved the new 2014 annual budget. As in previous years our budget follows a conservative approach to not only expenditures but also expected revenues. We are fortunate to have such a capable and dedicated staff working on our financial behalf.

New development activity in the Village has staff very busy in the new year. In February the Pulte Home Corporation presented a plan for property on the NW corner of Gilmer and Midlothian Roads. The development concept includes new housing, open space, new parklands as well as a small retail portion on the corner frontage of the property. The project is being reviewed by our Planning Building and Zoning Commission, and should come before the board in the next month or so. Check our website for updates on this exciting development.

In September of 2013 the Village began the process of updating our Comprehensive Plan. We were fortunate in receiving a grant from CMAP in the amount of \$90,000 to assist us in writing the plan – kudos to staff in winning this grant. With the grant we were able to hire Houseal Lavigne & Associates, a dynamic planning group who is assisting us in preparing the plan. We have held several public meetings as well as workshops where residents, elected officials, & staff all took part in interactive presentations & idea generation. We seek to wrap up the process in the first part of the year. Check our website for upcoming meetings and interactive details of the plan.

Check out our Parks and Rec section on our website for some great community events coming to our Village. On February 22nd we held our first ever Winter Carnival. We were proud to host Hawthorn Woods families who came out to Community Park for this event and enjoyed refreshments, entertainment, music, ice sculpture demonstration, snowman contest, winter games, sledding, old fashioned wagon rides and culminated with an amazing laser light show.

This month we also enjoyed the grand opening of Mariano's Grocery on the corner of Quentin Road and Rt. 22. It is a fabulous operation offering so much more than your typical grocery store. Although technically not in our Village, we will benefit with 20% of tax revenues from this store going directly to Hawthorn Woods – another reason to shop at Mariano's.

Late last year I was asked to serve on the Illinois Tollway's Finance committee to explore funding/financing options for the potential construction of the Rt. 53 extension from Lake Cook Road to Rt. 120. The committee has had 3 meetings to date where we discussed the history of the Rt. 53 issue, the current recommendation of the Blue Ribbon Advisory Committee, and a menu of options for funding & financing. The estimates for construction of the road are in the \$3 billion dollar area as currently designed. If constructed as currently envisioned, the road would have a bonding potential of approximately \$600 million dollars based on projected toll revenues. This leaves a funding gap of approximately \$2.4-\$2.5 billion dollars. Our committee is tasked with vetting the various funding/financing options available and to make a recommendation to the full Tollway Board by end of 2014. You can find out more about this issue by visiting <http://www.illinoistollway.com/construction-and-planning/community-outreach> and clicking on the Rt. 53/Rt. 120 button.

It is an election year and I urge you to get involved in our governance. There are many important positions being contested in the County and State, including the Governor's office. I believe our state is at a watershed moment with regards to our leadership, and never has it been more important for us to get informed, get involved, and most importantly – vote.



I thank you again for your continued support and trust of our board. If you should have any questions please feel free to reach out to me directly.

Warmest regards, Joe

## Help Us Create A Comprehensive Plan for the Village of Hawthorn Woods

### What is a Comprehensive Plan?

The Village of Hawthorn Woods Comprehensive Plan will serve as the official guide for land use, physical improvement and development. The Comprehensive Plan will provide a foundation for decision-making based on community consensus, community vision, existing conditions and future potentials. The Plan is intended to serve as a "road map" for 10 to 15 years into the future by guiding policy decisions and helping the community achieve its long-term objectives.

The Comprehensive Plan for the Village of Hawthorn Woods will address a variety of topics and will likely include community-wide plans for land use and development, annexation and growth areas, transportation and mobility, open space and environmental features, community facilities, and infrastructure. Individuals can go to the website and view the latest activity and comments from community residents.

You can post your own insights as well at <http://www.hlplanning.com/clientportals/hawthornwoods>.



### Elected Officials

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March 3  
Finance Committee Meeting  
5:30pm at Village Hall

March 11  
Planning Building & Zoning  
Commission Meeting  
6pm at Village Barn

March 18  
Village Board of  
Trustees Meeting  
7:00pm at Village Barn

April 1  
Public Works  
Committee Meeting  
6:00pm at Village Hall

April 3  
Environmental  
Committee Meeting  
7:00pm at Village Barn

April 7  
Finance Committee Meeting  
5:30pm at Village Hall

Public Safety & Judicial  
Committee Meeting  
6:00pm at Village Barn

Parks & Recreation  
Committee Meeting  
7:00pm at Aquatic Center

April 8  
Planning Building & Zoning  
Committee Meeting  
6:00pm at Village Barn

April 21  
Village Board of  
Trustees Meeting  
7:00pm at Village Barn

April 26  
"Bark in the Park" Pet Event

May 12  
Village Golf Outing

May 24  
Aquatic Center Opening Day

## Snow Plow Know How

Public Works — Keeping our Village Safe

Your Public Works department has been working to keep our Village safe this Winter every weekend for the past 13 weeks, in addition to the normal Public Works work hours and functions. Public Works has worked on snow/ice control over 50 separate days since December. This has been an exceptionally challenging Winter for all of us.

During the winter season the Village performs snow and ice removal operations on Village owned streets. Public Works plows approximately 52 centerline miles of road that is split into 6 different routes. All residents are reminded that during and after snow and ice events roadway surfaces may not provide as much traction as would otherwise exist. Driving with extra caution is recommended.

Depositing snow on the street from private driveways creates a hazard and is very dangerous after it freezes. When removing snow from private property, please avoid shoveling snow onto or across village streets. Parking is prohibited on any street during snowfall events as on-street vehicles impede the ability to clear the street of snow.

To reach Hawthorn Wood's Snow Command, please call Public Works at 847-540-5227 during Public Work's normal working hours of Monday through Friday, 7:00am to 3:30pm. If calling after hours, please leave a message and we will get back to you as soon as possible. Thank you for being patient this Winter while crews work to clear all the roadways.



## Village of Hawthorn Woods Annual GOLF Outing



Mark your calendars on Monday, May 12th for the annual Village of Hawthorn Woods Golf Outing, hosted by Mayor Joseph Mancino. Proceeds of the day go towards community special events such as our upcoming firework display and concerts in the park. For more information on attending the event or becoming an event sponsor please contact:

- Brian Sullivan, Director of Parks & Recreation (847) 847-3531 or [bsullivan@vhw.org](mailto:bsullivan@vhw.org)
- Amy Scholz, Recreation & Public Information Manager (847) 847-3533 or [ascholz@vhw.org](mailto:ascholz@vhw.org)

## Special Family Workshop on Social Media

**How to Monitor Social Media and Keep Your Child Safe**  
Thursday, March 20, 2014, 7:00pm - 8:30pm

In cooperation with St. Matthews, we will be hosting an informative, contemporary and engaging workshop that examines topics impacting the families of our community, region and state.  
Fee: \$3/person or \$5/couple

Location: St. Matthews, 24500 Old McHenry Road in Hawthorn Woods (Please use the Church entrance)

## Babysitter Training

Friday, March 7, 2014  
4:30pm-9:30pm @ Village Barn

This class is for older adolescent children ages 11-14, who have the desire to work with children ages 6 months – 10 years. Participants will be taught the basic necessities of how to care for a young child including how to diaper, feed and clothe children and infants, along with how to react in an emergency situation. Please bring a sack lunch and a baby doll. Open to both boys and girls. Certification, books and supplies are included in your fee. Min/Max is 6/15.

Fee: \$65/resident, \$85/non-resident \*

\* Sign up for both the Babysitter Training and CPR/First Aid programs and save!  
\$100 for both classes/resident | \$120 for both classes/non-resident

## Child & Infant CPR / First Aid

Friday, March 14, 2014  
4:30pm-9:30pm @ Village Barn

When caring for a child or infant, one should know what to do in an emergency. Learn how to care for a choking child or infant, and what to do in an emergency or sudden illness. Class material will also cover how to recognize the need for stitches or if a child or infant has a broken bone. Participants must pass a skills test along with a written test with 80% accuracy to complete their certification. Certification books and supplies are included in your fee. Min/Max is 6/10.

Fee: \$65/resident, \$85/non-resident \*

## Adult Open Gym Nights

Through a cooperative partnership with St. Matthews Lutheran School, we are offering adult open gym nights for basketball & volleyball at 6:30pm. The first and third Fridays of the month are bump set and spike opportunities for Volleyball enthusiasts. The second and fourth Fridays are scheduled for the B-Ballers who enjoy a hardwood court and some fun exercise. So if you possess a nice jumper or even a flat footed set shot this opportunity is for you.

St. Matthews: 24500 Old McHenry Rd. in Hawthorn Woods. Enter through door #2 for open gym nights. No open gym on April 18 due to observance of Good Friday.



Pass Options	RES	NON-RES
Daily Drop-In	\$5	\$10
Season Pass	\$25	\$35

\*Season Pass includes all open gym dates thru 4/14

**Basketball: 3/14, 3/28, 4/11, 4/25**  
**Volleyball: 3/7, 3/21, 4/4**

## Think Spring with a Creative Craft Class for You or Your Child

**Adult Stampin' UP Class:**  
**Thank You Cards**

Thursday, March 13, 2014  
6:30pm-8:30pm @ Village Barn  
Come create 5 one-of-a-kind thank you cards with envelopes. Led by Lora Rampino, a Stampin' Up demonstrator of over 7 years, you will use various products to create your hand-stamped cards. Fee: \$20

**Kid's Day Out Class:**  
**Spring Wreath**

Tuesday, March 25, 2014  
9:30am-Noon @ Village Barn  
Let your little one come craft a beautiful spring time wreath during Spring Break. It's the perfect way to occupy them when school is out. There will be other spring time projects to complete if time permits. Fee: \$25

**Kid's Day Out Class:**  
**Garden Wind Chime**

Thursday, March 27, 2014  
12:30pm-3:00pm @ Village Barn  
Let Spring Ring! Your little crafter will enjoy creating the perfect spring wind chime for your garden. Each chime is made of terra cotta pots & beads. It's sure to add a perfect touch to your outdoor space. Fee: \$25

## Senior Monthly Luncheons

Enjoy good friends, good food, and memorable moments. Our senior group meets for a potluck luncheon on the second Wednesday of each month from Noon to 1:30pm in the Barn at Village Hall. Each month a different speaker is featured. Please bring a dish to pass, and a friend to join us.

**Wednesday, March 12th at Noon**

Our featured guest speaker will be Merleann Rampale from SWALCO, the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County.

**Wednesday, April 9th at Noon**

Our featured guest speaker will be Mayor Joseph Mancino from our very own Village of Hawthorn Woods.

## Learn To Play Chess

Wednesdays, March 12-April 30  
4:30pm-5:30pm

Chess! The most played game in the world next to soccer. Why? IT'S FUN! Additionally, it teaches you to think while you visualize moves, create plans, focus thoughts, solve problems and accept responsibility. In this class you will learn the rules of how to play the game and continue to develop chess playing skills including tactics and strategies. For ages 6-14. Program is 8-Weeks. Min/max of 6/14 participants; all equipment provided. Fee: \$65.00/resident, \$75.00/non-resident  
Location: St. Matthews (24500 Old McHenry Rd, Haw. Woods)



## Early Bird Rates Available ~ 2014 Summer Pool Passes

The Public Works staff recently began preparations for the 2014 summer season and is already working to prepare the Hawthorn Woods Aquatic Center for opening day on May 24th. Purchase your pass now through March 31 to receive early bird rates on your 2014 pass.



**Purchase your pass today!**

The Aquatic Registration Form can be downloaded from our website at [www.vhw.org](http://www.vhw.org).

- Online ([apm.activecommunities.com/vhw](http://apm.activecommunities.com/vhw))
- Mail or Drop-Off to Village Hall, 2 Lagoon Drive, Hawthorn Woods, IL 60047
- Fax to (847) 847-3530

## 2014 Early Bird Rates:

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

\*Above rates available through March 31, 2014.

## JOIN OUR Weekly Eblast

Learn what is going on in the Village every Thursday in your e-mail! News, Meeting Notices, Road Closures, Recycling, Special Events, Updates from the Mayor and More. Text HAWTHORNWOODS to 22828 to get started! Or sign up your email at [www.vhw.org](http://www.vhw.org), or by calling 847-847-3531.

**SUMMER CAMP & Aquatic Brochure Coming to Your Mailbox Early March!**

**RECREATION OFFERINGS 2014 REGISTER TODAY!**

Choose your convenient method to register for recreation programs such as open gym, chess, & more. The Activity Registration Form can be downloaded from our website at [www.vhw.org](http://www.vhw.org).

- Register Online ([apm.activecommunities.com/vhw](http://apm.activecommunities.com/vhw))
- Mail or Drop-Off to Village Hall, 2 Lagoon Dr, Hawthorn Woods, IL 60047
- Fax to (847) 438-1459