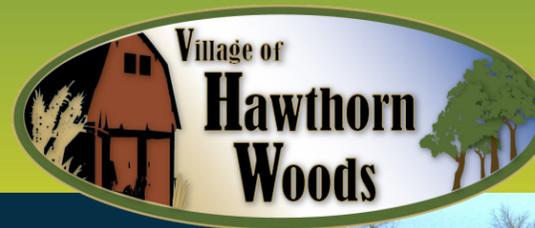




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Hawthorn Woods Happenings

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Upcoming Events

Sat, Feb. 21
1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Winter Carnival
Community Park

Wed, Mar. 11
Noon
Senior Monthly Luncheon
Village Barn

Wed, Apr. 8
Noon
Senior Monthly Luncheon
Village Barn

Sat, Apr. 18
9:00 - 11:00 a.m.
Java with Joe
Hawthorn Woods Country Club

Sat, Apr. 25
10:00 a.m. - Noon
Bark in the Park
Community Park



Winter Carnival | February 21 | 1-4pm | Community Park

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Mayor's Message

Dear Neighbor,

2015 has us off to a busy and productive start to a great year.

The Village has been continuously ensuring that snowplow operations are accomplished in a safe and effective manner during this winter season. I have received dozens of compliments from residents who are pleased with a job well done by our snow and ice removal operations team; I couldn't agree more. This winter, the Public Works Department has been out on 24 events, which includes not only plowing, but also salting and de-icing. Salt and liquid de-icers are used in combination to clear village owned streets. We have used 420 tons of salt so far this year, and have over 450 tons still remaining in stock. Our Public Works staff has done an outstanding job ensuring the safety of our roads which is made up of over 60 center-lane miles, and approximately 115 cul de sacs. To report hazardous road conditions such as ice, over two inches of snow accumulation, or drift-over roads, please visit our website (www.vhw.org).

While the Village acts with great care, accidental damage to lawns, parkways, and mailboxes may occur. When a properly installed and secured mailbox is damaged during Village snow plow operations, the mailbox will be repaired or replaced with a standard issued mailbox as soon as possible. You may use the Report a Concern function during any hour of the day to send a message directly to our Public Works department. You can also call (847) 540-5227 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

This winter, the Village has been hard at work diversifying our housing stock and ensuring that Hawthorn Woods continues to offer a place to call home for our young professionals and families as well as our senior residents who may want to downsize but stay in town. During the Comprehensive Plan process, one goal residents asked us to address is to provide housing for our younger families and aging population, while maintaining the upscale character of our community.

The Pulte development, known as Hawthorn Hills, is designed modeling the Beverly Hills subdivision and is under construction at the corner of Midlothian and Gilmer Roads. Along with upcoming intersection widening at the corner by the Lake County Department of Transportation, the Village will see the addition of three new parks in this development as well as four different neighborhood designs. A retail component will be developed in the future at the corner, ensuring a walkable community and new Village amenities. In addition, we are working on the Stonebridge and Stonewood Glen subdivisions, planning an open space cluster design with 60% of the land undeveloped, as well as one-acre home estates on Old McHenry Road. It is a busy winter in the Village, and I personally invite you to stop by and say hello at our Java with Joe event scheduled next month. Be sure to sign up for our weekly communications so we stay connected on a regular basis.

Our Parks and Recreation Department has prepared a fun-filled day for our second annual "Winter Carnival" which is taking place on Saturday, February 21st from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. at Community Park. This free event will offer horse drawn wagon rides, snow shoeing, dog sled demonstrations, music, games and more. It will be a great day to break out from being indoors and enjoy some winter fun. Also, mark your calendars for the dog-friendly event, "Bark in the Park", coming up on Saturday, April 25th. These are great times that bring out the best in our community.

It is a privilege serving as your Mayor. I thank you for your continued trust and support of our Board of Trustees. I look forward to seeing you in the neighborhood soon.

Warmest personal regards,

Joe



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Book Nook Reading Club
Wednesdays, Starting March 4th, 6:30 p.m.
Village Hall

Enjoy a good book and share with friends in the Hawthorn Woods Book Nook Reading Club. Our group will meet at Village Hall twice 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 resident. He will prepare questions for you to consider while you read, and lead discussions at our group meetings. Our first read will be To Kill a Mockingbird. Contact Amy at ascholz@vhw.org or (847) 847-3533 with questions, or to RSVP and obtain a copy of the book.

Saturday, April 18
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Hawthorn Woods Country Club

Meet your Mayor and discuss topics impacting our community that are important to you, or stop by and say hello. Village Mayor Joseph Mancino will be at the Hawthorn Woods Country Club on Saturday, April 18th from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. to enjoy a cup of coffee with the Hawthorn Woods community. All Village residents are welcome.



Signup for our eblasts
at www.vhw.org
for info on special
events & news!

Monday, Mar. 2, 5:30pm
Finance Committee Meeting
Village Hall

Tuesday, Mar. 10, 6:00pm
Planning, Building & Zoning
Commission Meeting
Village Barn

Monday, Mar. 16, 7:00pm
Village Board of Trustees
Meeting
Village Barn

Tuesday, Mar. 24, 6:00pm
Planning, Building & Zoning
Commission Meeting
Village Barn

Thursday, Apr. 2, 7:00pm
Environmental Committee
Meeting
Village Hall

Monday, Apr. 6, 5:30pm
Finance Committee Meeting
Village Hall

Monday, Apr. 6, 6:00pm
Public Safety & Judicial
Committee
Village Barn

Tuesday, Apr. 7, 6:00pm
Public Works Committee
Meeting
Village Hall

Tuesday, Apr. 14 6:00pm
Planning, Building & Zoning
Commission Meeting
Village Barn

Monday, Apr. 20, 7:00pm
Village Board of Trustees
Meeting
Village Barn

Tuesday, Apr. 28 6:00pm
Planning, Building & Zoning
Commission Meeting
Village Barn

Please visit www.vhw.org for
calendar updates.

Village News

Upgrades for Village Facilities and Services



New Public Works Truck



Roof Replacement at
Village Hall/Police Department

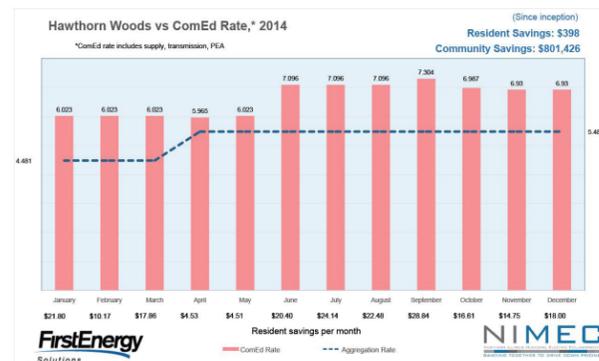
In order to provide our residents with optimal services and to maintain our current community facilities, the Village recently purchased a new Public Works truck, replaced the roof at Village Hall and the Police Department, and upgraded the light fixtures in the Village Barn. The new truck for Public Works serves a variety of purposes, including snow plowing, and was added to the fleet in December of 2014. It was funded with capital improvement funds from the Village's accrued savings. The roof at Village Hall and the Police Department replaced the previous roof which was over 25 years old. The project was funded through awarded grants. The lighting fixtures in the Village Barn were upgraded to a more modern style while maintaining the rural barn environment. These energy efficient fixtures were funded through awarded grants.



New Lighting
Fixtures in the
Village Barn

Electric Aggregation Program Reaches Milestone

Hawthorn Woods residents participating in the electrical aggregation program reached a cumulative savings of over \$800,000! The standard rate through ComEd was set at 6.93¢ per kWh as of December 2014. Hawthorn Woods' rate is fixed at 5.48¢ per kWh through June of 2017. The chart to the right illustrates savings by comparing the standard ComEd rate (pink) to the Hawthorn Woods aggregation rate (blue). Residents not currently enrolled in the program may do so any any time by calling FirstEnergy at 888-651-5200. Calendar year savings is about \$200 per household.



Earth Hour

**Saturday, March 28
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 2015 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 to 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 28th. For more information about this initiative or about how you can contribute more to creating a sustainable environment, please visit www.earthhour.org.



Employee Spotlight

Ryan Mathy began working for the Hawthorn Woods Public Works Department in January of 2014 when he was hired to assist with snow plow operations. He soon became a seasonal employee in Public Works, working specifically in the parks department. Mathy has approximately 30 years of experience in the construction industry working for companies such as Lenny Hoffman Excavating and Glenbrook Excavating. He retired from construction in January of 2013. He enjoyed one year of retirement before starting another career in Public Works.



Mathy was recently promoted to Parks Maintenance Crew Leader. He will lead our parks department in performing work to upgrade and maintain our current park system. Mathy stated, "I enjoy working with the Hawthorn Woods board and staff and I am fortunate to be a member of such an amazing team. I look forward to creating great park environments for our community to enjoy."

Upcoming Special Events

Mark your Calendars!



**Saturday, February 21, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Community Park**

Shake loose from being cooped up inside and get out and enjoy Community Park for a spectacular fun family afternoon. The afternoon will be complete with music, snowman building contest, inflatable obstacle course, sledding, snow shoeing, and old fashioned wagon rides. With the warmth of our great Hawthorn Woods community, this is sure to make some family memories that will last a lifetime.



**Saturday, April 25, 10:00 a.m. - Noon
Community Park**

Dogs are welcome to gather with family and friends at Community Park in Hawthorn Woods for the Village of Hawthorn Woods Bark in the Park event. Dogs can run, jump, roll over and play with other friends. A variety of vendors will be available to pamper your best friend. Our canine friends will enjoy treats, pampering, fun activities and more! Please leash all dogs.

Aquatics

Pool Pass Early Bird Rates Available through March 31

We are look forward to our 2015 aquatic season. We will soon begin preparing the facility for opening day which is scheduled for Saturday, May 23rd. Projects to be completed this year prior to opening are resurfacing both slides and painting the bottoms of both pools.

Purchase your pass today!

The 2015 aquatic registration form can be downloaded from our website at www.vhw.org 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

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 3/31/15

Visit www.vhw.org for rates effective 4/1/15

Youth Recreation Programs

Parent/Tot Tumbling

Saturdays, 11:00 - 11:45 a.m. | Ages 1½ and up with adult
In this active and fun introduction to gymnastics, tots will learn to take turns, listen, and follow instructions as they enhance motor skills. (Tot must be walking)
Apr. 11 - May 16 | Code: 1268 | Fees: \$60/Res; \$70/Non-Res

Chess

Wednesdays, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. | Ages 6-13
Learn the rules of the game and continue to develop chess skills, including tactics and strategies. (Instructor: Richard Milnamow; Location: St. Matthew's School)
Apr. 1 - May 20 | Code: 1260 | Fees: \$65/Res, \$75/Non-Res

Fencing

Thursdays, 4:45 - 5:45 p.m. | Ages 8 and up
Students of all levels will be taught moves and strategies for the foundation for their fencing game. All equipment provided. (Instructor: Fencing Sports Club; Location: St. Matthew's School)
Feb. 26 - Mar. 19 | Code: 1263 | Fees: \$54/Res; \$64/Non-Res
Apr. 9 - May 14 | Code: 1264 | Fees: \$80/Res; \$95/Non-Res

Meet the SRA CLC

**Monday, April 27, 6:30 p.m.
Village Barn**

Does your child have special needs? Are you trying to decide what type of Day Camp setting would work the best for your child? Come to this informational session to learn about the differences between Village of Hawthorn Woods Day Camp and Special Recreation Association of Central Lake County (SRACLC) Day Camp. Coordinators from both camps will be on hand to discuss the programs. Please **RSVP** for this FREE workshop to Amy at ascholz@vhw.org or (847) 847-3533.



Hawthorn Woods Girls Night Out

**Wednesday, April 15th
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

*Inland Bank - Hawthorn Woods
Admission is FREE*

Bring "spring" to your step with a fun-filled evening with the girls. Inland Bank in Hawthorn Woods is hosting an evening for ladies featuring businesses in Hawthorn Woods. Stop in to the Hawthorn Woods branch for make-up advice and demos, chair massages, tips for great hair, and learn about products and services offered from our hometown businesses. Complimentary appetizers and beverages will be available. *RSVP to Amy at ascholz@vhw.org or 847-847-3533.*

Visit www.vhw.org
> Parks & Recreation
> Recreation Programs
for recreation program offerings for all ages.

RECREATION OFFERINGS 2015

REGISTER TODAY!

Choose your convenient method to register for recreation programs.

The Activity Registration Form can be downloaded from our website at www.vhw.org.

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