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Hawthorn Woods Happenings

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Upcoming Special Events

**Wed, Nov. 18
Noon**
Senior Monthly
Luncheon
Hawthorn Woods
Country Club

**Sat, Nov. 28
10 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**
Holiday Craft Fair
Village Barn

**Fri, Dec. 4
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**
Tree Lighting
Ceremony
Village Barn

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Luncheon: Holiday
Edition
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Hawthorn Woods Internationally Recognized for Leadership and Governance

Congratulations to ICMA Award Winners



Pamela Newton, COO



Donna Lobaito, CAO

The Village of Hawthorn Woods was recently awarded the Strategic Leadership and Governance Award by the International City/County Management Association (ICMA). ICMA is an organization composed of government professionals who are dedicated to creating excellence in local government by developing and fostering professional management to build better communities. This international award recognizes innovative and successful local government programs or processes that have significantly affected an organization's culture or strategic direction.

Hawthorn Woods received the award for "Re-Inventing Municipal Government: An Entrepreneurial Small Business Approach," during the Celebration of Service ceremony at the ICMA conference in Seattle, Washington held on Wednesday, September 30. Pamela Newton, Hawthorn Woods Chief Operating Officer, attended this conference and was recognized by her professional peers. "It was such an honor to be recognized by our peers in the profession and awarded accolades for innovative leadership," Newton said. "I share this award with the entire elected Board, staff, and citizens who contribute their efforts to bring Hawthorn Woods to national recognition." An ICMA representative will be coming to Hawthorn Woods before the end of the year to present the award to award winners Pamela Newton and Donna Lobaito, and Mayor Mancino and the Village Board.

Mayor Joseph Mancino took office in April of 2009 and was faced with a severe financial crisis. He and the Village Board implemented a radical policy change – the Village of Hawthorn Woods would be entrepreneurially managed, using small business principles. The first step in implementing this policy was assembling a team of seasoned professionals with both public and private sector experience. Policies and procedures were reinvented to facilitate the economic recovery. A zero-based budgeting approach was implemented. Non-tax revenue initiatives were created including sponsorships, fund raising, and donation partner support. The Village streamlined departments and reduced expenditures. Five years later, the Village is happy to report a dramatic turnaround. The general fund balance has improved from a low point of 5% as of December 2008 to 48% as of the December 31, 2014 audit.

This entrepreneurial vision resulted in dramatic and sustainable results, and because of this vision and its success, the leadership team in the Village of Hawthorn Woods is proud to be recognized internationally and receive the Strategic Leadership and Governance Award.



Original leadership team in Hawthorn Woods



COO Pamela Newton at ICMA Conference in Seattle

Snow Plow Know How

During the winter season, the Village performs snow and ice removal operations on village owned streets. All residents are reminded that during and after snow and ice events, roadway surfaces may not provide as much traction as would otherwise exist, and driving with extra caution is recommended. The Village's Public Works Department offers the following information to help ensure snowplow operations are accomplished in a safe and effective manner:



- Obstructions in the Village right-of-way are not allowed per Village Ordinance 7-2-2, Obstructing Parkway. Placement of obstacles such as rocks, boulders, concrete, railroad ties, trees, shrubs, monument columns and monument mailboxes that inhibit snowplowing, vehicular traffic movement and the flow of water that prohibit maintenance of the right-of-way or obstruct vision are prohibited in the Village right-of-way.
- Depositing snow to streets 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. On-street vehicles impede the ability to clear the street of snow.

Please use the following guidelines to report hazardous road conditions such as ice, over two inches of snow accumulation, or drifted over roads:

- Any hour of the day, visit our website (www.vhw.org) and use the Report a Concern function to send a message directly to our Public Works department regarding road conditions.
- Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., please call (847) 540-5227 to report any concerns regarding road conditions.

The Village acts with great care, however, snow removal efforts may result in damage to lawns, parkways, and mailboxes. When a properly installed mailbox is damaged during Village snow plow operations, the mailbox will be repaired or replaced with a standard issue mailbox as soon as possible. To report damage to a mailbox as a result of Village snowplow operations, please call (847) 540-5227. Thank you, and let's hope for a mild winter!

Sign-up for our e-blasts at www.vhw.org for info on special events & news!

Elected Officials

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

Wednesday, November 11
Village Offices Closed
Veteran's Day

Thursday, November 12, 3:00pm
Police Commissioners
Board Meeting
Village Hall

Monday, November 16, 5:30pm
Finance Committee Meeting
Village Hall

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

Monday, November 23, 6:00pm
Police Pension Board Meeting
Village Hall

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

Thursday, November 26
Village Offices Closed
Thanksgiving Day

Friday, November 27
Village Offices Closed
Thanksgiving Friday

Thursday, December 24
Village Offices Closed
Christmas Eve

Friday, December 25
Village Offices Closed
Christmas Day

Thursday, December 31
Village Offices Closed
New Year's Eve

Friday, January 1, 2016
Village Offices Closed
New Year's Day

Visit www.vhw.org
for calendar updates.



Village News

Parks and Recreation Department and Hawthorn Woods Country Club Receive IAPD's Best Friends Award

The Village of Hawthorn Woods Parks & Recreation Department and the Hawthorn Woods Country Club have been named amongst the best of the best within the State by the Illinois Association of Park Districts for their cooperative efforts. They received the award in the category of "Best Friend of Illinois Parks-Small Business" for their effort and success in bringing together public and private entities for the benefit of the public.



Hawthorn Woods Country Club continually demonstrates its commitment to the Hawthorn Woods community through cooperative programming, participation and assistance in special events. Staff from both organizations attended an awards gala held by the Illinois Association of Park Districts on Friday, October 3rd where they received the award and were recognized for their achievements.

Village Welcomes New Staff

Community Development Department Welcomes New Staff

Wayne Wehde recently joined the Village Staff as a full-time Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer. His responsibilities include plan review, commercial and residential inspections, and code enforcement. Wehde worked for the Village of Fox Lake for two years in a similar capacity. He is ICC certified in residential, commercial, and property maintenance inspections. Wehde stated, "I am ecstatic for the opportunity to work with the Hawthorn Woods team and the community. Everyone here is friendly and nice and I have enjoyed working with the residents on their home projects." Wehde can be reached at wwehde@vhw.org or at (847) 847-3588.



Hawthorn Woods Police Department Welcomes New Officer

Amongst family, friends, and his new colleagues, Officer Alex Miller was sworn in by Mayor Joseph Mancino as a Police Officer with the Hawthorn Woods Police Department at the Village Board of Trustees meeting held on September 21, 2015. Miller earned his Associates degree in criminal justice from William Rainey Harper College in Palatine and is currently working on his Bachelor's degree at National Louis University in Chicago. "Having the opportunity to join the Hawthorn Woods team and work alongside such an excellent team of officers and staff has been a dream come true for me," stated Miller.



Meet Mayor Mancino at Java with Joe



Saturday, October 24
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

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. Mayor Mancino will be at the Hawthorn Woods Country Club on Saturday, October 24 from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. Come enjoy a cup of coffee with the Hawthorn Woods community and meet Mayor Mancino. Attendance is complimentary and open to everyone.



Trick-or-Treating

Saturday, October 31st
4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Stay safe this Halloween with these safety tips from the Hawthorn Woods Police Department:

Treats: Encourage children to not eat any treats before an adult has carefully checked them.

Costumes: Purchase or make costumes that are light and bright enough to be clearly visible to motorists. Decorate costumes and bags with reflective tape that will glow in the beam of a car's headlights. Children are encouraged to carry lit flashlights after dark. Purchase costumes that are labeled as flame resistant.

Pedestrian Safety: Young children should always be accompanied by an adult or an older, responsible child. All children should walk (not run) from house to house and use the sidewalk if available, rather than walk in the street. Children should be cautioned against running out from between parked cars, or across lawns and yards where ornaments, furniture, or clotheslines present dangers.

Choose Safe Houses: Children should only go to homes that they know, or that have an outside light on (as a sign of welcome). Trick-or-Treat in groups, never alone.

Hawthorn Woods Holiday Craft Fair

Saturday, November 28th | 10:00am - 4:00pm | Village Barn

Decorate your home or search for the perfect unique holiday gift at the Hawthorn Woods Annual Holiday Craft Fair. A wide variety of vendors and businesses bring their unique and handcrafted items to make your holiday season extra special. Find the perfect treasure for yourself or anyone on your holiday gift list. Admission is FREE!



Tree Lighting Ceremony

Friday, December 4th | 6:00pm | Village Barn

Usher in the holiday season and see Santa at the Annual Hawthorn Woods Tree Lighting Ceremony. Please join Mayor Mancino, the Village Board of Trustees, your Village Staff, and your Hawthorn Woods neighbors at this annual event. The tree will be set aglow while we listen to the Stevenson High School Caroling Choir followed by the arrival of Santa Claus on our fire truck. Stay warm inside the Barn with hot cocoa and cookies while making an ornament for your family tree. Children can visit with Santa, so don't forget your camera. Be sure to join us for this traditional holiday event! This event is FREE to the community.



Movies In The Barn

Let's gather together at the Village barn for a cozy night with friends and family. Join us at 6:30 p.m. for a craft and then we will settle in for our feature presentation at 7:00 p.m. These are FREE community events.



Maleficent
Friday, Oct. 23rd
6:30pm
Village Barn



Happy Feet Two
Friday, Dec. 11th
6:30pm
Village Barn

Recreation Happenings

Book Nook Reading Group

Wednesday, November 18, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 9, 6:30 p.m.

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 resident. He will prepare questions for you to consider while you read, and lead discussions at our group meetings. (Location: Village Hall)



Senior Monthly Luncheons

This is for those who are young at heart! Each month a different speaker is featured. Enjoy good friends, good food, and memorable moments.

Special Edition! Wed, Nov. 18, Noon

Our November sponsor, the Hawthorn Woods Country Club, has invited our seniors to their club house for lunch. Please RSVP to Amy at ascholz@vhw.org or (847) 847-3533 if you plan on attending.

Holiday Edition! Wed, Dec. 9 6:30 p.m.

Celebrate the holiday season in our decorated Village Barn! Please bring a dish to pass.



Healthier Together Workshops

The Parks and Recreation Department has joined with Aligned Family Spinal Care of Hawthorn Woods to bring the community a variety of workshops aimed at educating you on healthy habits. These 1-hour fun and educational workshops are building a community that helps us get healthier together.



Wed, Nov. 11, 6:00 p.m.
Sat, Nov. 14, 1:30 p.m.
Wed, Nov. 18, 6:00 p.m.
Sat, Nov. 21, 1:30 p.m.
Wed, Dec. 9, 6:00 p.m.
Sat, Dec. 12, 1:30 p.m.

Master Your Grocery List
Say No to GMO's
Kids Nutrition
Healthy for the Holidays
Boosting your Immune System
Are You Giving Your Heart Enough Love
Superfoods
Eating for Peak Performance

Fees:
\$10/workshop
\$30/4-Pass
\$55/Series Pass

* Under 18 are free
with paid adult

Healthier Together Workshops
are held at:



40 Landover Pkwy, Suite 2
Hawthorn Woods
(847) 550-4812
www.lakecountychiropractor.com

Visit our website for details about each workshop: www.vhw.org



Special Recreation Association of Central Lake County

The Village of Hawthorn Woods is a cooperative Member Agency of the Special Recreation Association of Central Lake County. SRACLCLC provides community based therapeutic recreation programs and services to people of all ages with special needs or disabilities. Contact the SRACLCLC at (847) 816-4866 or visit their website at www.sraclclc.org.

Fitness in the Barn (Ages 14 & up)

ZUMBA

Saturdays, 9:00 a.m.
A dynamic and effective total body fitness system that utilizes the principles of fitness interval and resistance training

YOGA

Thursdays, 6:00 p.m.
A restorative vinyasa flow class for all levels

Fitness Fees:

Daily Drop-In \$8
10-Punch Pass \$60

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.

Online

apm.activecommunities.com/vhw

Mail or Drop-Off

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