

# HAWTHORN WOODS HAPPENINGS



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## Did You Know...

The Village of Hawthorn Woods sponsors a household battery recycling program for alkaline, nickel, silver, and mercury batteries (9V, AAA, AA, C and D batteries). In June of 2021, we recycled 31 pounds of batteries!

Drop off your batteries at Village Hall, 2 Lagoon Drive. Prior to dropping off your batteries, you must tape both terminals of each battery with transparent tape to avoid the possibility of a short circuit and fire. We will not accept batteries that are not properly taped.



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## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Hello Neighbors and Friends,

As our summer concert series comes to a close, I have enjoyed meeting so many of you each Friday night for our free concert series in Community Park. As we look ahead to the fall season, I want to encourage you to continue to enjoy all of our beautiful parks and the special events we have planned for you. Our Fall Family Fun Fest is back at the Aquatic Center parking lot on Saturday, September 25, with fun and food for the entire family.

As the weather begins to change and our fall routine begins to settle in, I would like to encourage everyone to support our local businesses right here in town. All of our restaurants and even our Shell gas station are family-owned, and as small businesses struggle to recover from the economic downturn of 2020, they need our support as we head into the fall and winter season this year. Be sure to drive through our business park, The Commons, at Midlothian and Landover Parkway, where you will find services for your children, family members, and medical, dental and vision needs. You will find financial services, insurance companies, a day care/preschool, and our local bank.

At the Cherry Hill Plaza, located at the Midlothian and Gilmer Road intersection, you will find the Village's two restaurants with lots of opportunity for dining in or take-out menus for dinner as the kids get back to school and after school activities make for a rushed dinner time schedule. Cherry Hill also is home to offices for legal and real estate services, salon services, and dry cleaning and tailor services. Of course, our one and only gas station also needs our support, as it is operated by an independent small business owner.

Did you know we have two garden centers in town? One is located on Old McHenry Road and the other is at Gilmer and Hawley. Last year was a very difficult year for our landscape companies, as well. Please shop local for your gardening and landscape needs, as we can stay local for upcoming holiday decoration purchases.

We wish to see all of our small storefronts succeed, like our newest daycare center at the corner of Quentin and Route 22. We also lend our support to our many solopreneurs and home business owners. Let's make it our joint goal this month to support our small businesses in town and shop, buy, visit, enroll, make a medical/dental/vision appointment, order, or carry-out food from a Hawthorn Woods hometown business.

We appreciate all of our businesses who have chosen to invest in our Hawthorn Woods hometown and who have stayed open during some difficult times. I look forward to visiting with many of our small business owners this fall, and hope to see many of you around town as autumn draws near.

With Kind Regards,

*Mayor Dominick DiMaggio*

# Commercial Solicitation

At the July Village Board Meeting, which was held on July 26, 2021, Mayor Dominick DiMaggio and the Village Board of Trustees took action to comply with the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution. As mandated, the Village Board passed an ordinance allowing commercial solicitors to knock on residential doors.

As a result, you may encounter commercial solicitors at your door. However, the solicitors must wear a permit, visible to residents. Our Community Development Department must approve a solicitation application in order to issue a permit. Once the application is approved, the Village will provide commercial solicitors with a permit pin-on card which includes the following information:

- Name of the soliciting company
- Effective date of the permit
- The dates in which the solicitation shall occur
- A photograph of the solicitor



If you do not want solicitors to come to your door, you can post a “No Solicitors” or “No Solicitors Invited” notice near the main entrance door to your residence. For your convenience, we are providing a “No Solicitors” notice to post at your home. Cut out the sign above and post at your front entrance.

If you should have any questions, please contact Village Hall at (847) 438-5500.

# Upcoming Special Events Calendar

All events held by the Village of Hawthorn Woods will follow COVID guidelines issued by local, state, and federal authorities. We appreciate your cooperation as we aim to keep our community safe and healthy.

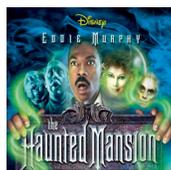


## Fall Family Fun Fest

Saturday, September 25, 10:00 a.m. - Noon

Hawthorn Woods Aquatic Center

Thank you to our event sponsors:



## Movie in the Barn - The Haunted Mansion

Friday, October 22, at the Village Hall Barn

Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Feature presentation begins at 7:00 p.m.

This movie is rated PG for viewing audiences.

Visit [www.vhw.org/SpecialEvents](http://www.vhw.org/SpecialEvents)



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## Green Business Program

The Village is proud to introduce the Green Business Program of Hawthorn Woods, intended to promote and celebrate green business practices in our Village, large and small. This program aims to educate business owners on options for greening their business, incentivize sustainable actions in our community, and publicly recognize these accomplishments. Learn how to reduce energy costs, manage waste, and support natural landscapes through our Green Business Guidebook and Action Resources!

Any type of business in town is capable of earning the Green Seal of Hawthorn Woods, from a single employee to a large organization. Awardees will be presented with a Certificate of Excellence from our Mayor and Village Board of Trustees, as well as promotion on our website and social media outlets. Apply now to be recognized for sustainable action!

For more information on the Green Business Program initiative, please visit <https://www.vhw.org/565/Green-Business-Program> or contact Sustainability Coordinator, Robin Grooms, at [rgrooms@vhw.org](mailto:rgrooms@vhw.org) or (847) 847-3522.

