

# Hi Lighter

Hanover Park

January/February 2007

## Crime Rate in Hanover Park Drops to an All-Time Low in 2006; Increasing DUI Arrests Make Our Roads Safer For Everyone

Sleep well, Hanover Park residents. The Police Department has good news for us all. The crime rate for Part I crimes dropped to an all time low in Hanover Park in 2006. Part I crime is the benchmark used by the FBI to determine crime rates in cities and villages. The chart below lists Annual Part I crimes.



*Pictured are several members of Hanover Park's Patrol Bureau.*

Police Chief Ron Moser credits the reduction in the crime rate to proactive officers who seek out criminal activities and take measures to reduce crime.

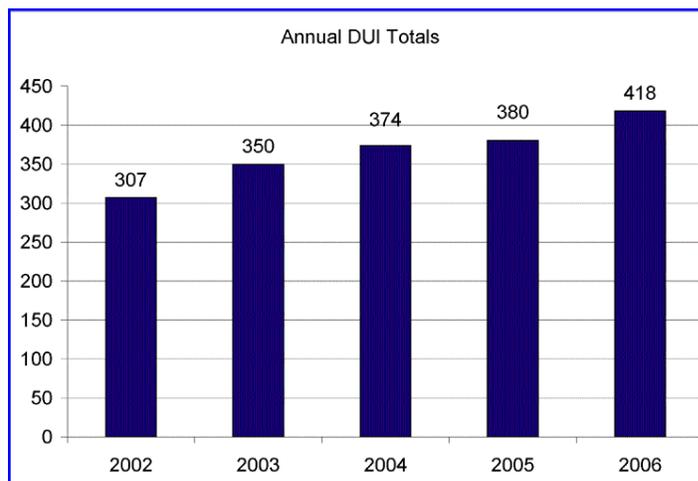
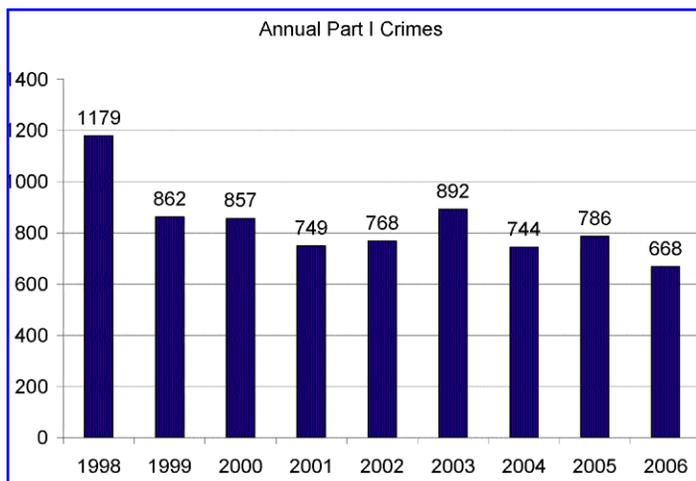
"The reduction has occurred in part because our public safety personnel have been paying particular attention to emerging trends," Moser said. "We are quick to develop and implement plans to curb crime in our Village."

The past year set another record in Hanover Park -- the highest number of DUI arrests. A total of 418 DUI offenders were arrested in 2006.

"We are particularly concerned about removing impaired drivers from our roads", Moser said, "as evidenced by the increase in DUI arrests." The Police Department is committed to continued enforcement of traffic related violations in order to provide the safest possible streets for those who live in and travel through Hanover Park.

There's even more good news. In addition to a reduction in crime and an increase in DUI arrests, Hanover Park traffic crashes were down 5% from the previous five year average. This is the second straight year of decline.

Continual improvement of all aspects of public safety is priority one for the Hanover Park Village Board. The Police Department is committed to continuing its emphasis on traffic safety and a reduction in criminal activity.



## Robert Packham



### Minute with the Mayor . . .

As we begin 2007, the Village Board looks forward to continued quality development; not only along the Lake Street and Irving Park Road corridors, but in other areas of the Village as well. Changes have occurred over the years that individually may not have carried much impact but, taken as a whole, have significantly contributed to the growth and diversity of Hanover Park.

Next year marks the Village's 50th Anniversary of incorporation. It is a milestone to be celebrated and planning is already underway to make 2008 a very special year in Hanover Park.

In 1958, most of the Village was farmland, predominantly situated in that part of Hanover Township west of Barrington Road and north of Lake Street. Photographs of new housing development depict ranch-style homes in mud fields. Trees were a rare sight in those early days. Barrington Road and Irving Park were both two-lane thoroughfares with stop signs posted at the intersection to control traffic flow. Things have definitely changed.

The 50th Anniversary should be a time when we can all look back to those early days of Hanover Park to see how far we have come. That is where you can be a part of the celebration. Somewhere in the attic there may be a box of old photographs you would like to share, to be displayed at the Village Hall. Maybe you have a special memory such as your first trip to the first shopping center that opened. It would also be interesting to know who has lived in Hanover Park the longest.

While Villages around us may be older and a few nearly as old, fifty years is a landmark date whether it is a person's age, a wedding or business anniversary, or to mark a community's date of incorporation.

Residents make up the community and because of that you are invited to be an important part of our 50th anniversary celebration. Even if you don't have those old photos or memories to share, give us your suggestions for what you would like to see as part of a year-long celebration. Please forward your suggestions to the Mayor's Office by calling (630) 372-4210 or email Kim Benedix, Executive Coordinator to the Village Manager, at [kbenedix@HanoverParkIllinois.org](mailto:kbenedix@HanoverParkIllinois.org) Let us all show the pride we share and look forward to the next fifty years.

Sincerely,

Robert Packham, Acting Village President

### Interested in starting a Neighborhood Watch?

Crime Prevention Officer Terrence Sherrill would like to meet with you to help set up a program in your neighborhood. Contact Officer Sherrill at (630) 372-4212.





Village Hall  
will be closed on  
Monday,  
February 19,  
in observance of  
Presidents' Day.  
The Police and  
Fire Departments  
will remain open.

## 'STAARS' Shine at Village Hall

(\*STudents Artists and AuthoRs Program)

The work of young artists from Anne Fox Elementary School was featured in the Village Hall from November 16 through January 17. Artists included:

**1st Grade:**  
Aeliscia Harden,  
Jonathan Keller

**2nd Grade:**  
Sergio Cintora,  
Jennifer Perez

**3rd Grade:**  
Monika  
Alcheikh,  
Michelle Holmes,  
Ena Sabanagic,  
Azaria Waits

**6th Grade:**  
Jilaine Heitkotter,  
Victoria O'Kane

**TEACHER:**  
Virginia  
Cavallini



## Interested in Becoming a Paid-on-Call Firefighter/EMT? The Village of Hanover Park Is Now Taking Applications

Join the Hanover Park Fire Department and serve a growing residential community. Those who qualify for a part-time firefighter position will control and extinguish fires, protect life and property, maintain equipment, and provide emergency medical assistance.

### MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

- ❑ 21 years of age at time of exams with a high school diploma or general education degree (GED), or age 20 with two years of college course work in Fire Science or related field
- ❑ Valid driver's license
- ❑ No felony convictions
- ❑ No residency requirement
- ❑ Illinois Department of Public Health EMT-Basic license is required at time of exams

### COMPENSATION

Starting rate effective May 1, 2007 is \$9.36 an hour. Part-time employees are not eligible for any benefits other than those required by law.



### SELECTION PROCESS

The selection process includes a mandatory orientation, written exam, physical ability exam, background investigation, oral interviews, psychological exam, polygraph, and a physical exam.

### TO APPLY

Testing will take place soon! If you are interested, contact the Village of Hanover Park Human Resources Department by logging onto [www.hanoverparkillinois.org](http://www.hanoverparkillinois.org) or by calling (630) 372-4250, or stopping in at 2121 W. Lake Street, Hanover Park, IL 60133.

## New Law Requires Carbon Monoxide Detector Alarms in Residences Became Effective January 1, 2007

The Carbon Monoxide Alarm Detector Act, effective January 1, 2007, requires homeowners and landlords to install carbon monoxide detectors in all buildings containing bedrooms and sleeping facilities. This Act, which pertains to both new and existing structures, requires:

- ❑ Every "dwelling unit" must be equipped with at least one operable carbon monoxide alarm within 15 feet of every room used for sleeping purposes.
- ❑ The alarm may be combined with smoke detecting devices provided the unit complies with respective standards and the alarm differentiates the hazard.
- ❑ A "dwelling unit" means a room or suite of rooms used for human habitation, and includes single family residences, multiple family residences, and mixed use buildings.
- ❑ If a structure contains more than one "dwelling unit," an alarm must be installed within 15 feet of every sleeping room in each "dwelling unit."
- ❑ The owner (or authorized agent) must supply and install all required alarms. The owner must ensure that the alarms are operable on the date of initiation of a lease. The tenant is responsible for testing and maintaining the alarm (including batteries) after the lease commences. The tenant is required to notify the owner in writing of any deficiencies that the tenant cannot correct.

- ❑ The owner is required to furnish one tenant per dwelling unit with written information regarding alarm testing and maintenance.
- ❑ The carbon monoxide alarms required under this Act may be either battery-powered, plug-in with battery back-up, or wired into the structure's AC power line with secondary battery back-up.
- ❑ Willful failure to install or maintain in operating condition any alarm is a Class B criminal misdemeanor.

Exemptions to the Act:

Those residential units in a building that:

- ❑ Do not rely on combustion of fossil fuel for heat, ventilation or hot water;
- ❑ Are not connected to a garage; and
- ❑ Are not sufficiently close to any ventilated source of carbon monoxide to receive carbon monoxide from that source OR a residential unit that is not sufficiently close to any source of carbon monoxide so as to be at risk of receiving carbon monoxide from that source, as determined by the local building commissioner

If **all three** of the above conditions are met, the residential unit shall **NOT** require carbon monoxide alarms.

## Help Keep Your Neighborhood Clean On Garbage Pickup Day -- Here's How!

A little bit of thoughtfulness and courtesy will go a long way toward keeping our neighborhoods free of blowing trash and debris on garbage pickup days. Here's how you can do your part:

- ❑ If possible, place your garbage at the curb on the morning of your scheduled pickup day, but never sooner than 5:00 p.m. on the day prior to collection. This will limit the amount of time your refuse is at the curb and the potential that animals, wind, and other factors may disturb your bags, cans or bulk items.
- ❑ Do not store your garbage containers in your front yard or anyplace where they are visible from the street. Village ordinance requires that garbage cans be screened from view.
- ❑ Garbage containers or anything not collected by Allied Waste must be removed from view within 24 hours after your pickup day.
- ❑ Load your recycling bin with heavier materials on the top to limit the possibility of materials blowing out of the bin on windy days.

By following these simple suggestions you will be making a great contribution to keeping your neighborhood clean on garbage day. Information is available on our website,

[www.HanoverParkIllinois.org](http://www.HanoverParkIllinois.org)

If you have any questions regarding items that may be left at the curb for refuse pickup, please contact Allied Waste Services at (630) 469-1036.

If you have any questions regarding Village ordinances relating to refuse regulations, please contact the Police Department Code Enforcement Unit at (630) 372-4484.



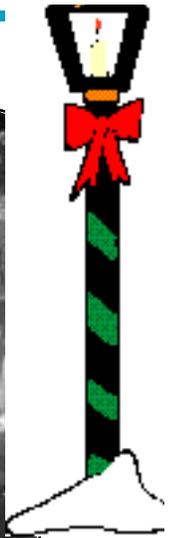
## Congratulations to Our 2006 Deck the Homes Contest Winners!

The Village of Hanover Park and Police Department rang in the holiday season by hosting their annual Holiday Lights Tour and Deck the Homes contest. On December 18th, Hanover Park residents joined with Hanover Park Police Officers, boarded two trolleys and toured the Village, viewing holiday lights displays and acting as judges for the annual "Deck the Homes" contest. After touring the lights, the group returned to Village Hall where they enjoyed hot cider, cookies and plenty of Christmas carols.

Congratulations to the 2006 Deck the Homes Contest winners:

**Single Family Winner** –  
The Tomsovic residence,  
1465 Spinnaker

**Multi Family Winner** –  
The Gonka and Prodzenski  
residence, 736 Roosevelt



## Wintertime is a Great Time to Brush Up on Home Fire Safety Reminders

A roaring fire on a cold winter evening is nearly everyone's idea of a great way to stay warm. But it's important to keep your home and family safe using these important fireplace safety tips:

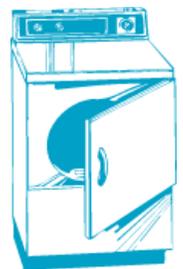


- Have your chimney or wood burning stove inspected and cleaned annually by a certified chimney specialist.
- Clear the area around the hearth of debris, decorations, and flammable materials.
- Always use a metal mesh screen with replaces. Leave glass doors open while burning fire.
- Install stovepipe thermometers to help monitor flue temperatures.
- Keep air inlets on wood burning stoves open and never restrict air supply to fireplaces.
- Use fire resistant materials on floors and walls around wood burning stoves.
- Never use flammable liquids to start a fire.
- Build small fires that burn completely and produce less smoke.

- Never burn cardboard boxes, trash, or debris in your fire place or wood burning stove.
- Never leave a fireplace unattended. Extinguish the fire before going to bed or leaving the house.

### Clean Out that Clothes Dryer Vent Pipe

Remember to clean out the clothes dryer vent pipe that is connected from your dryer to the outside of your house. After using the dryer, some of the lint from the clothes can get trapped in this vent pipe and can stop the release of hot air from inside the dryer. This will cause the dryer and clothes to overheat and possibly start the clothes on fire inside the dryer or the lint in the vent pipe.



### And Check for Dirt Buildup in Bathroom Exhaust Fans

Remember to check the exhaust fans that are in your house. These fans, after time, can build up dirt on the fan blades and cause the fan to slow down. This will cause the motor to heat up, stop turning and start on fire. Please remember to clean the fans regularly.

## Welcomes New Businesses!

We are pleased to welcome the following new businesses to Hanover Park:

**Blue Shoes and Accessories, Inc.**  
2101-A Irving Park Road

**Gratzie Pizzeria**  
5682 Arlington Drive East

**Jackson Hewitt Tax Service**  
1784 Lake Street

**Lily Nails**  
1738 Lake Street

**Medical Specialties Distributors LLC**  
1555 Hunter Road

**Owens & Minor Distribution, Inc.**  
935 Muirfield Drive

**Ultra Foods**  
7580 Barrington Road

### CONNECT Committee Members

**A&A Music Academy**  
Anita and Don Komorski

**A.G. Edwards & Sons**  
David Strutzel

**Camcraft**

**Charter National Bank and Trust**  
William Mingotti

**Classic Computer Systems**  
Kevin Swan

**First Eagle National Bank**  
Paula Wegner

**Hanover Park Branch Library**  
Gail Tobin

**Jimmy John's**  
Sandra and Brad Simousek

**Keeneyville School District #20**  
Carol Auer

**Nitto Kohki USA, Inc.**  
Michelle Parker

**Paragon Group I, Ltd.**  
Glenn Dailey

**Board Liaison**  
Sherry Craig

**Staff Liaison**  
Patrick Grill

## HOT OFF THE GRILL

by Patrick Grill,  
Community Development Director

The unusually warm start to winter has kept construction projects humming around the Village. The Hanover Park Animal Care Center over on Ontarioville Road is moving along ahead of schedule. The roof is virtually complete, and the exterior masonry work is almost done. Interior work will now become the major focus of the project and should continue unfettered by any changes in the weather.

Greenbrook Plaza, anchored by Caputo's grocery store, will soon have a new tenant.

Empire Beauty School is currently renovating space in that center and plan on opening in Mid-March. When complete, this school will occupy over 8,200 square feet that includes a large styling and manicure area, a shampoo area, four separate classrooms and several offices. Empire Beauty School has been educating cosmetology students for over 70 years and is the largest provider of cosmetology education in North America. They currently have 37 locations in nine states, and one in Japan. The Hanover Park location will be the third one in Illinois.

Discussions I have had with industrial brokers indicate that the market in DuPage County for business park and warehouse space is very hot right now. At this point, there are only two vacant parcels, zoned for this type of use, available in the DuPage portion of Hanover Park. Both are located on Hunter Road in the Hanover Corporate Center. The owner, IDI, is contemplating a 50,000 square foot building on one of the lots. The remaining lot, located at the southwest corner of Schick Road and Hunter Road, has excellent visibility and is ripe for a corporate headquarters.

Although the supply of available industrially-zoned lots is dwindling, there is still land available for this type of development. Like with children's toys, however, some assembly is required. The good thing is the Village may be available to assist in this endeavor.

Ultra Foods continues with its remodeling of the old Cub Foods location in the Westview Shopping Center. You may have noticed the new sign installed on the front of the building. Absent any unforeseen issues, look for Ultra Foods to be open by the end of January.



Ultra Foods in the Westview Shopping Center

## over Park CONECT Committee

(and Community Teamwork)



*The 2006 Village Awards Dinner*

### Upcoming CONECT Event Offers Networking Opportunities, Info on Fire Safety

Attention Hanover Park businesses! Here's a great opportunity to meet other local business representatives, talk one-on-one with Village leaders, enjoy complimentary refreshments, and even meet the winner and finalists from last year's Mayor's Choice Award program, as well as this year's nominees -- A.G. Edwards, Jimmy John's, Mac's Specialty Machine, Inc., and Menards. It's free and it's just for Village of Hanover Park businesses. Don't miss out!

**DATE:** Tuesday, February 27  
**TIME:** 5:00-7:00 p.m.  
**PLACE:** Hanover Park  
Fire Station,  
6850 Barrington Road

The event will also include helpful information about fire protection and fire safety regulations.

Please RSVP by calling Wendy Holtz at (630) 372-4282.



## Spotlight on Business

### La Taqueria

La Taqueria has been serving up traditional Mexican food in Hanover Park for almost eight years. The restaurant is located in the County Trails Shopping Center at the northwest corner County Farm Road and Army Trail Road. The business, which offers dine-in seating, will be celebrating its eight year anniversary on March 4, 2007. Owner Jesus Cuevas prides his business on service and quality of food served. The restaurant specializes in great traditional Mexican food. Others seem to agree. One review posted on the Internet stated that La Taqueria had "the best tortas around." The restaurant employs five people.

When asked what Mr. Cuevas likes best about having his business in the Village, he responded that he is in a nice location. Many of his customers are from neighboring business parks on Schick Road. He also said many of his customers are repeat customers, and that good "word of mouth" helps to bring in new customers.



Stop by La Taqueria at 1818 Army Trail Road for a delicious Mexican meal. Restaurant hours are Monday-Thursday 10 a.m.-11 p.m., Friday and Saturday 10 a.m.-12 midnight, and Sunday 10 a.m.-9 p.m.

### **The CONECT Committee Mission Statement:**

CONECT is a business oriented networking organization involved in the community. CONECT was formed to support and grow the local business community through networking, education and development.

## Hanover Park Hurricanes Football Team And Cheerleaders Take Top Honors Again This Year!

Congratulations to the 115 lb. Gold and 130 lb. Gold football teams, the 2006 Bill George Youth Football League Champions! The 115 lb. Gold team provided an exciting game with their win over the Elmhurst Eagles in the last few seconds of the game. Coach Vincent Hailey led the boys in a great game! The 130 lb. team, coached by Hurricane veteran Phil Rizzo, was victorious over the Elmhurst Eagles with a final score of 14-0. Special congratulations to the 130 lb. team as they walked away with their third consecutive Super Bowl win!

Hurricane Cheerleaders danced their way to victory at the Bill George Youth Football League Cheer Competition held in Bartlett and the "Reach for the Stars" competition held at Elgin Community College. The results:

### Cheer Division

80 lb. 1st place at Elgin  
90 lb. 3rd place BGYFL; 1st place at Elgin  
110 lb. 2nd place BGYFL; 1st place at Elgin  
115 lb. 3rd place BGYFL; 2nd Place at Elgin  
130 lb. 3rd place BGYFL; 2nd place at Elgin

### Pom Division

90 lb. 3rd place BGYFL; 1st place at Elgin  
110 lb. 3rd place BGYFL; 1st place at Elgin  
115 lb. 2nd place BGYFL; 1st place at Elgin  
130 lb. 2nd place BGYFL; 1st place at Elgin.

Congratulations girls on a job well done!



## Roll Up Your Sleeve and Save a Life! Hanover Park Hosting Blood Drive on March 29

Providing potentially life-saving help to the victim of a car accident, a patient with anemia or a blood-related disorder, those needing a bone marrow, stem cell or organ transplant, burn victims, or those needing a transfusion during emergency surgery is as easy as stopping by the Village Hall and rolling up your sleeve on Thursday, March 29.

That's when LifeSource Blood Centers will be at the Village Hall. Blood drive hours are from 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., making it convenient for those who wish to stop by or lunch hour, while the children are in school, or on the way home from work.

Blood, commonly referred to as "the gift of life," is truly just that. Blood carries gases, nutrients and waste products through the body. Blood also fights infections, heals wounds and performs many other vital functions. There is no substitute. Volunteer blood donors are the only source of blood for people who need it.

All blood types are urgently needed to help return the blood supply to normal levels. You can sign up in advance by calling Heather Nelson at the Village of Hanover Park, (630) 372-4254, request an appointment via email at [hnelson@HanoverParkIllinois.org](mailto:hnelson@HanoverParkIllinois.org), or simply stop by the day of the blood drive.

Please consider giving blood on March 29.



# Clerk's

## CORNER

Illinois voters will go to the polls on April 17, 2007 to cast their ballots in the Consolidated Election. Illinois House Bill 1968 has initiated some important changes in Election law. The anticipated result of these changes will be to enable a greater percentage of individuals to vote.

Here are changes that are important for our residents and business people to know:

**Registration:** When registering to vote for the first time, or changing your name or address, you no longer have to go to the Village or County you live in. Registrars can now register anyone who lives anywhere in Illinois up until 28 days before an election. Under this new law, registration will continue up to 14 days before the election, but only at the County office where the individual resides. If an individual registers or makes changes to their registration at the County within that timeframe, he/she will be required to vote at the same time.

**Early voting** in person will now be allowed at selected sites, beginning 22 days before the election, up until 5 days before the election. Individuals must show identification and fill out an application, but do not need to provide a reason to vote early. You must vote in the County of your residency, although not necessarily in the town of your residency.

To prevent individuals from voting early and often, the machines will be tied to a central voting database.

Absentee voting by mail begins 40 days before the election. Voting absentee requires a reason why the voter cannot vote on Election Day. Some of the Early Voting Centers will become Absentee Voting Centers once early voting stops 5 days before the election.

For more information, check out the DuPage County website at [www.dupageelections.com](http://www.dupageelections.com) or call (630) 407-5600; or the Cook County website at [www.cookcounty.com](http://www.cookcounty.com) or call (312) 603-0906.

### ★ ★ ★ CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS ★ ★ ★

#### FEBRUARY

Thurs., Feb. 1	Village Board meeting	7:30 p.m.
Thurs., Feb. 1	Community Development/ Administration budget presentation	8:30 p.m.
Mon., Feb. 5	Budget Workshop - Fire Department	7:30 p.m.
Mon., Feb. 12	Budget Workshop - Public Works & Engineering	7:30 p.m.
Tues., Feb. 13	CONNECT Committee	12:00 noon
Tues., Feb. 13	Sister Cities Committee	7:30 p.m.
Wed., Feb. 14	CPR class, Fire Station 1	6:30 p.m.
Thurs., Feb. 15	STAARS - Hanover Highlands	7:00 p.m.
Thurs., Feb. 15	Village Board meeting	7:30 p.m.
Mon., Feb. 19	Presidents Day - Village Hall closed	
Tues., Feb. 20	Cycles 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, & 8 water bills due	
Thurs., Feb. 22	Elected officials call-in program	7:00 p.m.
Thurs., Feb. 22	Budget Workshop - General Fund/ Central Equipment Fund	7:30 p.m.
Mon., Feb. 26	Budget Workshop - Water & Sewer Fund; Commuter Parking Lot Fund	7:30 p.m.

#### MARCH

Thurs., March 1	Village Board meeting	7:30 p.m.
Thurs., March 8	Development Commission	7:30 p.m.
Tues., March 13	CONNECT Committee	12:00 noon
Tues., March 13	Sister Cities Committee	7:30 p.m.
Wed., March 14	First Aid class, Fire Station 1	6:30 p.m.
Thurs., March 15	STAARS, Ontarioville Elementary	7:00 p.m.
Thurs., March 15	Village Board meeting	7:30 p.m.
Tues., March 20	Cycles 3 & 4 water bills due	
Thurs., March 22	Elected officials call in program	7:00 p.m.
Thurs., March 29	LifeSource Blood Drive	11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

#### APRIL

Thurs., April 5	Village Board meeting	7:30 p.m.
Tues., April 10	CONNECT Committee	12:00 noon
Tues., April 10	Sister Cities Committee	7:30 p.m.
Thurs., April 12	Development Commission	7:30 p.m.
Wed., April 18	CPR class - Fire Station #1	6:30 p.m.
Thurs., April 19	STAARS - Albert Einstein Elementary	7:00 p.m.
Thurs., April 19	Village Board meeting	7:30 p.m.
Fri., April 20	Cycles 1, 2, 5, 6, 7 & 8 water bills due	
Thurs., April 26	Elected officials call in program	7:00 p.m.

### Daylight Savings Time Arrives in March

It's going to be time to think about Daylight Savings Time sooner than you think. Since 1966, most of the United States has observed Daylight Saving Time beginning at 2:00 a.m. on the first Sunday of April and ending on the last Sunday of October. Beginning in 2007, most of the United States will begin Daylight Saving Time at 2:00 a.m. on the second Sunday in March and revert to standard time on the first Sunday in November.

This year Daylight Saving Time begins March 11, 2007 at 2:00 a.m. and ends November 4, 2007 at 2:00 a.m.

The Hanover Park Fire Department encourages residents to change the battery in their smoke detectors when they change their clocks. A working smoke detector more than doubles a person's chances of surviving a home fire.

# Hanover Highlights

## HANOVER PARK POLICE OFFICER HONORED WITH MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

Officer Matt McDonnell, a four year veteran of the Hanover Park Police Department, was presented with the Cook County Sheriff's Award for Meritorious Service in Chicago. This award is presented to Officers that consistently display professionalism and a high level of work ethic. Chief Moser states, "Matt McDonnell is an outstanding officer and very deserving of this award." Officer McDonnell exhibits a positive and professional attitude in all aspects of his work. Congratulations!



*Hanover Park Police Officer Matt McDonnell with the Cook County Sheriff's Award for Meritorious Service.*

## COMMUTER PARKING PERMITS AVAILABLE

2007 commuter parking lot permits can be purchased for \$20.00 per month. Permits through December 2007 are currently available. There is a 10% discount when permits for three or more consecutive months are purchased at the same time.

## ENJOY THOSE HOLIDAY LIGHTS . . . BUT REMEMBER TO REMOVE THEM WITHIN 90 DAYS

Holiday lights and decorations brighten the season for everyone. But, there is a time and a place for everything, and now is the time to place your holiday decorations in storage in readiness for next year. If your holiday decorations are still hanging from the rooftop and adorning the front lawn, this is a friendly reminder that Village ordinance specifies that holiday decorations must be taken down within 90 days following the holiday. Thanks for your cooperation.

## REMEMBER: OVERNIGHT PARKING PROHIBITED FROM 2:00 AM-6:00 AM

The Village of Hanover Park prohibits overnight parking on any designated Village street between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., every day of the week unless otherwise posted. If a resident needs temporary parking due to an emergency or out-of-town guests, call 630/372-4400 and receive permission to park on the street for a limited time.

The Village of Hanover Park restricts the time a vehicle may be parked on any sidewalk to provide for the safe movement of pedestrian traffic. Vehicles may be parked over the sidewalk between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. every day of the week.

## BRUSH PICKUP RESUMES IN APRIL

The Village of Hanover Park's annual Brush Pickup Program begins on April 2. Be watching for the March/April edition of the Hanover Hi-Lighter for complete details on the program.

## CURBSIDE YARDWASTE COLLECTION RESUMES APRIL 5

Allied resumes regular yardwaste collection on Friday, April 5, 2007. Yardwaste stickers are available at Village Hall in addition to several retail outlets at a cost of \$1.88 per sticker. A yardwaste disposal sticker must be affixed to each Kraft paper yardwaste bag or through the handle of each plastic or metal container left at the curb. Place the container so that the sticker is facing the street. Please consult your Solid Waste Services Newsletter for further information.

## HAVE A NEW BABY?

Make sure your child's car seat is installed properly. You can contact Officer Sherrill at (630) 372-4412 and he can help with proper installation.



The Hi-Lighter is published by-monthly by the Village of Hanover Park, 2121 W. Lake Street.

### Important telephone numbers

Village Hall (630) 372-4200  
Police Information (630) 372-4400  
Public Works Department (630) 372-4440  
Fire Department (630) 736-6800

Village Information Hotline (630) 372-4290

Code Enforcement Hotline (630) 372-4262

TDD (630) 372-4430  
Village Hall fax (630) 372-4215  
Police Department fax (630) 372-4420  
Public Works Department fax (630) 372-4462

Police, fire and ambulance 9-1-1

**Village Board meetings** are held the first and third Thursdays of the month at 7:30 PM at the Municipal Complex on Lake Street. The public is encouraged to attend.

**Standing committee meetings:** Call the Village Clerk's office at (630) 372-4220 for dates, times and locations of the following regularly scheduled meetings:  
Development Commission  
Hanover Park CONECT Committee  
Sister Cities Committee

**Curfew hours** for those under 17 years of age are 11:00 PM Sunday-Thursday, and 12 AM on Friday and Saturday.

**For questions or concerns regarding Village services, call (630) 372-4200**

## Hanover Park Honored with GFOA Award For 16th Consecutive Year

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) recently awarded the Village of Hanover Park with a Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for its budget. This is the 16th consecutive year the Village of Hanover Park has received this award.



*Joan Rock and Harry Sakai receiving the GFOA award from Pamela Figolah.*

The award represents a significant achievement by the Village. It reflects the commitment of the governing body and staff to meeting the highest principles of governmental budgeting. In order to receive the budget award, the Village had to satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. These guidelines are designed to assess how well the budget serves as:

- A policy document
- A financial plan
- An operations guide
- A communications device

Budget documents must be rated "proficient" in all four categories to receive the award. Hanover Park's entire Budget Review Team -- Village Manager Marc Hummel, Assistant Village Manager Mark Masciola and former Finance Director Harry Sakai -- were presented with a Certificate of Recognition in honor of their accomplishment.

Ms. Pamela Figolah, President of the Chicago Metro Chapter of the IGFOA, presented the award to the Budget Review Team at the December 7, 2006 Village Board Meeting.

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**Got a question or concern? Elected officials hope you'll call to talk to them about it**

Village of Hanover Park officials want to make it as easy as possible to talk to them about anything of special interest or concern to you. That's why they offer a special resident call-in program on the fourth Thursday of the month from 7:00-9:00 PM to answer your questions or hear your concerns. The phone number to call is (630) 372-4205.

The next call in dates are **February 22 and March 22.** We'd love to hear from you!

# Hanover Park Celebrates a New Holiday Tradition

The Village of Hanover Park welcomed in the holidays with its first annual Holiday Tree Lighting event on December 1. Several organizations participated in decorating Holiday trees including Elsie Johnson Elementary School, Hanover Park Little League, Lions Club, Hanover Park's Sister City Committee and Village employees.

Residents sang carols by the decorated trees while waiting for the arrival of a "special guest". Children and adults shouted with joy as Santa arrived by fire truck to assist Acting Village President Robert Packham in "flipping the switch" to light up the town.

The festivities then moved inside where everyone enjoyed refreshments provided by the Hanover Park Lions Club. Wide-eyed children had the chance to sit on Santa's lap and share their Christmas wishes!

Dancers from the Hanover Park Park District School of Dance performed several holiday routines including an exciting tap dance. Performers Arianna Eliopoulos, Ashley Howell, Candace Jordan, Clara Kiesel, Madeline Kiesel, Illyanna Lopez, Lindsay Masciola, Maureen O'Neil, Tejaci Patel, Shannon Wachter and Rachel Wiczorek set the

stage for the holiday season with their joyful performances and Santa hats.

The entertainment continued as the crowd was dazed and amazed by the magical performance of Magician Frank Kay.

It was exciting to see all the municipal complex lights, Lake Street holiday lights and decorated trees light up the night. The 2007 Holiday Tree Lighting will be held again in December. Plan on bringing the family to join us in this new Hanover Park tradition!



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### VILLAGE HALL HOURS:

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday** 8:00 AM-4:30 PM  
**Thursday** 8:00 AM-7:30 PM

### ELECTED OFFICIALS:

**Robert D. Packham**, Acting Village President  
**Sherry L. Craig**, Village Clerk

**Rodney S. Craig**, Trustee  
**Wesley E. Eby**, Trustee  
**Lori A. Kaiser**, Trustee

**William J. Manton**, Trustee  
**Joseph J. Nicolosi**, Trustee

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