

Hi Lighter

Hanover Park

January/February 2004

2003 Was a Year of Gold Star Achievements in Hanover Park!

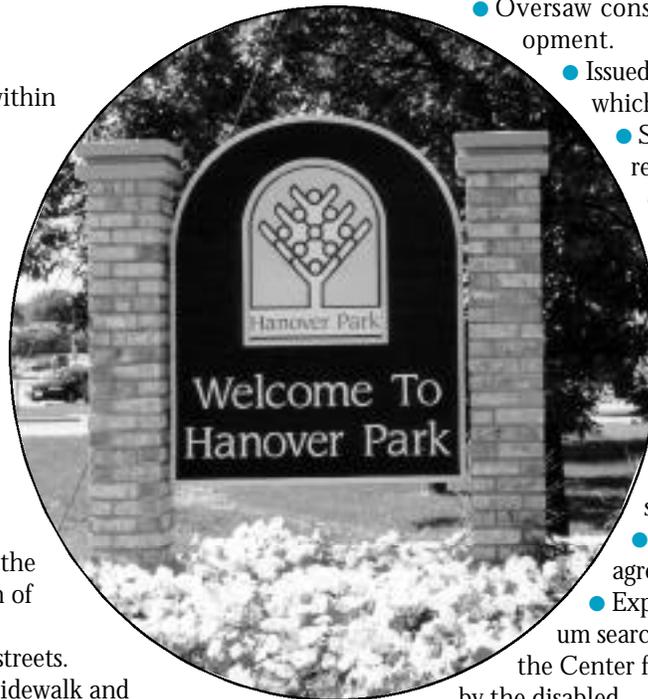
It has been a year of "Gold Star Achievements" in Hanover Park. From the use of the new Amber Alert that resulted in a young kidnapping victim being safely returned and the perpetrator being quickly taken into custody . . . to more than five miles of newly resurfaced streets . . . to a record number of new building permits . . . it has been an exciting and productive year for our community. Check the highlights listed below for a closer look at the good things that happened in Hanover Park in 2003!

Police Department

- Utilized the Amber Alert and within two hours of the alert, victim and offender were taken into custody.
- Using Local Law Enforcement Block Grant funds purchased recording equipment to tape incoming calls.
- Participated in the TOP Off II mock disaster drill.

Public Works/Engineering

- Awarded contract to Martam Construction for Lake Street Widening Project.
- Installed an eight foot fence on the east side of Barrington Road north of Yorkshire Drive.
- Resurfaced 5.4 miles of Village streets.
- Replaced 35,438 square feet of sidewalk and 7,758 linear feet of curb and gutter.
- Completed engineering and construction for a new water main on Valley View Road.
- Installed five new streetlights.
- Improved readability and appearance of Village signage.
- Delivered 119 loads of woodchips to residents.
- Conducted Vulnerability Assessment Study on Village water system.
- Completed construction of new Evergreen Elevated Tank including site and landscape improvements.
- Replaced 2,600 old water meters with new radio-read models.
- Received a wastewater treatment plant award from the Conservation Foundation.



- Constructed entryway signs at the Elgin O'Hare Expressway and Redford at Stearns.
- Received award from Salt Institute for Excellence in Storage Facilities.
- Installed over 200 bicycle-safe sewer grates

Community Development

- Oversaw construction of Cambridge Homes development.
- Issued 2,421 permits in calendar year 2003, which is a 48% increase over 2002.
- Saw construction of a new Wendy's restaurant, Midwest Technical building on Arlington, commercial building – Founders Center, Barnes Distribution, expansion at Camcraft, expansion of Canon and ITW.
- Published the 2004 Business Directory

Administration

- Refunded JAWA Series 2003 water supply bonds to improve interest rate.
- Negotiated firefighter and police labor agreements.
- Expanded the web site to include a premium search option and meet requirements for the Center for Applied Special Technology for use by the disabled.
- Received the 2002 Excellence in Financial reporting award.
- Received the 2004 Distinguished Budget Award.
- Purchased a new IBM AS400 mini computer.
- Negotiated antenna lease at Hartmann tank with \$25,000 annual revenue.

Fire Department

- Developed a reporting system to track department statistics.
- Placed new cardiac monitors on both front line ambulances.

Check our website at www.HanoverParkIllinois.org for a complete list of our 2003 Gold Star Achievements.

Check out the three month calendar of events & important dates on page 7 of this newsletter!



Minute with the Mayor . . .

The Board, staff and I hope each and every one of you had a wonderful and safe holiday season. The new year is full of promise for all residents of Hanover Park.

Now, as perhaps never before, in communities across the country people are serving others in new and important ways. Americans are responding to the evil and horror of the attacks of September 11 with a renewed commitment to helping each other. Warnings about the possibility of an impending terrorist attack are now part of everyday life for Americans. We now realize that we must all stay vigilant and help protect each other.

But how do we prepare, and how do we protect ourselves and our families if one of the warnings becomes a reality? Providing answers to those questions is the mission of the newly formed Hanover Park Citizen Corps Council.

This Council will help to coordinate volunteers' training and activities that will make our community safer, stronger, and better prepared to respond to all kinds of disasters. It is very important for each of us to know what to do in an emergency. We all need to make preparedness a part of our daily lives. We know all too well that there are never enough resources when dealing with disasters. Mobilizing and training volunteers is one of the best ways we can help protect ourselves and our neighbors during an emergency.

What Hanover Park Citizens Corps Council will have in common with all other Citizen Corps councils across this land is local leaders who are working to expand opportunities for their community members to engage in volunteer service that will support emergency preparation, prevention and response. It is an exciting new opportunity to serve our community and its residents.

Please contact my office at (630) 372-4210 if you are interested in becoming part of the Citizen Corps and participating in the Citizens Emergency Response Training. We will mail you a volunteer profile form to be filled out and returned to my office, and add your name to our team of charter Citizen Corps members.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Irv Bock".

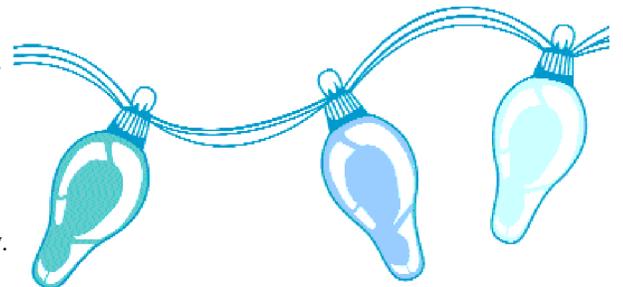
Irv Bock,
Village President

Holiday Lights Still Hanging from the Rooftop?

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 or 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.



Parking Pointers

Overnight Parking

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.

Residents needing temporary on-street parking due to an emergency or out-of-town guests may call 630/372-4400 and receive permission to park on the street for a limited time.

Parking Across Sidewalks

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 only be parked on any sidewalk between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. every day of the week.

Is This Your Year to Learn CPR? Reserve Your Spot In the Class of Your Choice!

The Hanover Park Fire Department offers basic CPR and First Aid classes that are open to all residents. In addition, the Fire Department offers Healthcare Professional (HCP) CPR classes that are open to healthcare professionals only.

All classes have a minimum attendance of five and a maximum attendance of 15. Participants must register for a class with the Fire Department by calling (630) 736-6803 between 8:00 AM and 4:30 PM.

2004 Class Schedule

- January 16 – CPR
- February 20 – CPR
- March 19 – HCP CPR
(Healthcare professionals only)
- April 16 – CPR
- April 23 – First Aid
- May 21 – CPR
- June – No Classes
- July 16 – HCP CPR
- August 20 – First Aid
- September 17 – CPR
- October 15 – HCP CPR
- November 19 – First Aid
- December 10 – CPR

'STAARS' Shine at Village Hall

(*STudents Artists and AuthoRs Program)

The work of Spring Wood Middle School's young artists was on display from November 2 through December 17. Artists included:

Sixth Grade:

Poojan Bhungalia,
Diane Fru

Seventh Grade:

Maggie Gnatek,
Sarah Leuze,
Michael Vega

Eighth Grade:

Dan Kowalski,
Jessica Mazuc,
Randy Moore,
Tommy Positano,
Chris Ryba,
Faaraan Syed,
Renee
Wawronozow

The work of Einstein Elementary School's young artists was on display from December 18 through January 14. Artists included:

Second

Graders:
Saba Paya,
Salmaan Zafir

Third Graders:

Caitlin Brown,
Sandya George,
Leslie Segovia,
Natasha
Subbaro

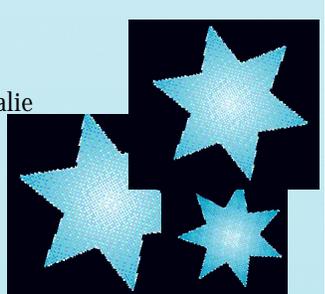
Fourth Graders:

Lauren Cossidente, Joseph Divizio, Logan Gizel, Natalie Marin, Katrina Pasco, Carly Pietro

Fifth Graders:

Cecelia Franco, Rhianna Stringer

Congratulations to all of these young artists!



New Hanover Park St. Alexius Treatment Center -- Ready 24 Hours a Day to Treat Minor Injuries and Illness

Two Commuters Honored for Pulling Woman from Path of Oncoming Train

Hanover Park officials recently recognized the heroic, lifesaving actions of John Thompson and Srinivasan Ramaswamy.

The men were at the Hanover Park Metra train station on October 23, 2003 when they observed Mrs. Lydia Miranda on the train tracks. She had fainted, struck her head, and was lying in the path of the train which had just disembarked passengers and begun moving. Mrs. Miranda was in grave danger of being struck by the train, which likely would have caused death or severe injuries. The men pulled Mrs. Miranda away from the path of the train to safety. Both gentlemen were publicly commended for their life saving actions in this incident.



John Thompson, Lydia Miranda and Srinivasan Ramaswamy



A visit to the hospital emergency room because of a relative minor injury or illness – the flu, for example, or a broken bone – usually means waiting to be treated. Ironically, the non-emergency nature of the ailment is all too often the reason for the wait. The new St. Alexius 24-Hour Care Center located at 1515 Lake Street in Hanover Park will treat non-emergency patients quickly and efficiently.

The new care center is part of a broader expansion plan announced earlier this year by the Alexian Brothers Hospital Network. The \$352 million plan will reshape Alexian's hospital campuses and related programs, creating a network with unprecedented scope and accessibility in the Chicago's northwest suburbs.

"The 24-Hour Care Center will allow patients convenient access to immediate medical care for a minor injury or illness without taxing the over-stretched hospital emergency rooms," said Peggy Higgins, corporate director of ambulatory services and property management. "Just as in the ER, patients are instructed to follow up with their personal physician for further care."

The physicians at the new center are employed by an affiliate of Midwest Emergency Associates, the same medical group that staffs the St. Alexius Emergency Department. These physicians have experience working in emergency medicine and other 24-Hour Care Centers. Diagnostic services, such as lab work and X-rays, will be provided. Patients who visit the center with more serious illnesses or injuries will be treated and stabilized, and then sent to St. Alexius Medical Center's Emergency Department for further care.

The Hanover Park center is the first of several care centers and community health facilities that are scheduled to open within the next three years. Other proposed 24-Hour Care Center locations include Palatine, Streamwood and Addison.

Congratulations Deck the Homes Contest Winners!

The "Deck the Homes" contest was combined with the Police Department's "Holiday Lights Tour." On December 17th, 75 Hanover Park residents joined with Hanover Park Police Officers, boarded three trolleys and toured the Village, viewing holiday lights displays and acting as judges for the annual "Deck the Homes" contest. Everyone enjoyed hot cocoa, cookies and plenty of Christmas carols. Congratulations to the 2003 Deck the Homes Contest winners:

Single Family Winner – The Tomsovic Family, 1465 Spinnaker Lane

Multi Family Winner – The Cihak Family, 4418 Edinburg Lane



Hanover Park was One of Santa's First Stops!

To the delight of one and all, Santa came "blazing" into Hanover Park on December 14, arriving atop a fire engine.

The day included a tree-trimming party for local children co-sponsored by the Hanover Park Lions Club and the Village. After the Village holiday tree was trimmed and carols sung, the party moved inside for hot chocolate, cookies, and a magic show!



Lake Street Reconstruction Update

Progress is continuing on the Lake Street Reconstruction Project. Removal of existing utility poles has given Lake Street a much different appearance. Storm sewer construction has kept crews busy. Also, excavation of the detention pond on northeast corner of Lake Street and Barrington Road has begun. In addition, NICOR has initiated a gas service line transfer.

Other ongoing work this winter includes construction of retaining walls east of the METRA bridge and the installation of a decorative fence at the commuter parking lot.

Although a lot has been accomplished thus far, there is much more to do. Lane closures, along with traffic delays, will continue as crews move ahead on the Reconstruction Project. Permanent lane closures will start this spring when the actual construction of the new concrete roadway will begin. Completion of the project is anticipated for the fall of 2004.

Fire Department Rookie Graduates

Congratulations go out to our Fire Department Rookie School Graduates -- Dianna Watkins, Isidore Ordinario, and Bill Manton who were recognized recently at a Village Board meeting for their completion of the program.



Hanover Park - Calendar of Events

Police 9-1-1 Fire/Ambulance 9-1-1 Village Hall (630) 372-4200

FEBRUARY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 Budget Workshop - Fire Department Presentation 7:30 p.m.	3	4	5 Village Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.	6	7
8	9 Budget Workshop - Police Department Presentation 7:30 p.m.	10 CONNECT Committee 12:00 p.m. Human Relations Committee 7:00 p.m. Sister Cities 7:00 p.m.	11 Lincoln's Birthday	12	13	14 Valentine's Day
15	16 President's Day Village Hall Closed	17	18 Cycles 1,2,5,6,7,8 Water Bills Due	19 Village Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.	20 CPR Class @ Station 1 6:30. - 10:00 p.m. Must register with Fire Department	21
Washington's 22 Birthday	23 Budget Workshop - Administrative Services Presentation 7:30 p.m.	24 Sister Cities Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m. Convention Topics	25	26 Elected Officials Call-In Program 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. 372-4205	27	28

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MARCH

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 Sister Cities Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m. Convention Topics	3	4 Village Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.	5	6
7 Budget Workshop - General Fund &	8	9 CONNECT Committee 12:00 p.m.	10	11 Development	12	13

		Water & Sewer Fund, Commuter Parking Lot Fund 7:30 p.m.	Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m. Convention Topics		Village Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.	Station 1 6:30 - 10:00 p.m. Must register with Fire Department
21	22		Sister Cities Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m. Convention Topics	23	Elected Officials Call-In Program 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. 372-4205	26
28	29		Sister Cities Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m. Convention Topics	30		

APRIL

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				Village Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.	Curbside Yardwaste collection resumes	3
4 Daylight Savings time begins - Don't forget to change the batteries in your smoke detectors	5 Brush collection for Area #1 7:00 a.m.	6 Sister Cities Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m. Convention Topics	7	Development Commission Meeting 7:30 p.m. Room 214	9	10
11	12 Brush collection for Area #2 7:00 a.m.	13 CONNECT Committee 12:00 p.m. Human Relations Committee 7:00 p.m. Sister Cities 7:00 p.m.	14	Village Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.	16 CPR Class @ Station 1 6:30. - 10:00 p.m. Must register with Fire Department	17
17	19 Brush collection for Area #3 7:00 a.m. Cycles 1,2,5,6,7,8 Water Bills Due	20 Sister Cities Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m. Convention Topics	21	Elected Officials Call-In Program 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. 372-4205	23 Arbor Day Illinois State Sister Cities Convention First Aid Class - Station 1 6:30 - 10:00 p.m. Must register with Fire Department	24 Illinois State Sister Cities Convention
25 Illinois State Sister Cities Convention 5K Run/Walk to benefit "Wheelchairs for Peace"	26 Brush collection for Area #4 7:00 a.m.	27	28	29	30	

Police Department Announces Openings for New Officers

The Hanover Park Police Department encourages those considering a professional law enforcement career to consider applying for current openings.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- ❑ Age 21 at time of exam or 20 years old with 2 years of college law enforcement.
- ❑ Associates Degree or 60 semester hours or 90 quarter hours of college credit from an accredited college or university.
- ❑ No felony convictions and good moral character.
- ❑ 35 mile residency requirement within one year of hire.
- ❑ Bilingual English/Spanish fluency highly desirable.

If you are interested in testing for the position of Police Officer with the Village of Hanover Park in the spring of 2004, we will put you on our mailing list.

There are two ways to contact us:

Web site:

www.HanoverParkIllinois.org under "Services/Human Resources/ Employment Interest Form"

By phone:

Contact the Human Resources Department at 630/372-4250

Village Seeking Applicants for Firefighter Applicants

If you've always wanted to pursue a career in the fire services, the Hanover Park Fire Department has both full and part time positions that could be just what you've been looking for. It's a great opportunity to be part of a dynamic group serving a growing residential community.

Minimum Requirements for both the full and part time positions are:

- ❑ 21 years of age at time of exams with a high school diploma or general education degree (GED), or age 20 with 2 years of college course work in Fire Science or related field.
- ❑ Valid driver's license
- ❑ No felony convictions
- ❑ No residency requirement.

FULL TIME POSITION – requires an Illinois Department of Public Health EMT-Paramedic license at time of exams.

PART TIME POSITION – requires an Illinois Department of Public Health EMT – Basic license at time of exams.

COMPENSATION:

- ❑ Starting pay for full time firefighter/paramedics effective 7/1/04 is \$37,255.16 a year (base salary + \$2,000 paramedic stipend)
- ❑ Starting rate for part time firefighter/EMT positions effective 5/1/04 is \$8.43 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 physical exam.

TO APPLY:

Applications are available at www.ifpra.com. Contact Illinois Fire & Police Recruitment Administration at (708) 410-0100 with any questions. The application deadline is Friday February 20, 2004. A mandatory orientation meeting will be held at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, March 2, 2004 at the Hanover Park Village Hall, 2121 W. Lake Street.

Clerk's CORNER

The Primary Election will be held on Tuesday, March 16, 2004. The last day to register to vote is Tuesday, February 17. In order to register, you must be:

- ▲ A citizen of the United States
- ▲ Lived in your voting precinct for at least 30 days prior to the election
- ▲ Be 18 years of age on or before March 18, 2004
- ▲ You must show two forms of identification, at least one of which must have your photo and your Hanover Park address.

The following will be on the March 16 primary ballot:

1. United States President and Vice President
2. U. S. Senate and Representatives
3. Illinois State Representatives
4. County States Attorney
5. County Recorder of Deeds
6. Clerk of Court
7. Commissioners of Water District (Cook County)
8. Supreme Court Judges
9. Appellate Court Judges
10. Circuit Court Judges

If you will be away from your polling place on March 16, you may cast an absentee ballot in the Village Clerk's Office during normal office hours beginning on February 23 through March 15, 2004.

The General Election will be held on Tuesday November 2, 2004.

Remember to Vote!!

WELCOME

New Businesses!

Winhere Automotive
5800 Turnberry Drive
(auto supplies)

Wendy's Restaurant
1065 Lake St.

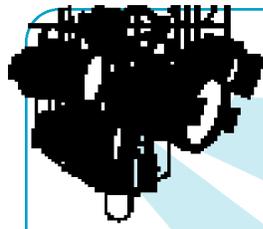
The Art of Flowers
1156 Lake St.
(flower shop)

DDP Fashion Emporium & Accessories
7205 Orchard Lane
(home furnishings)

Azteca Pasteleria
2085 Irving Park Rd.
(bakery)

Cleaners Depot Celebrates with Ribbon Cutting

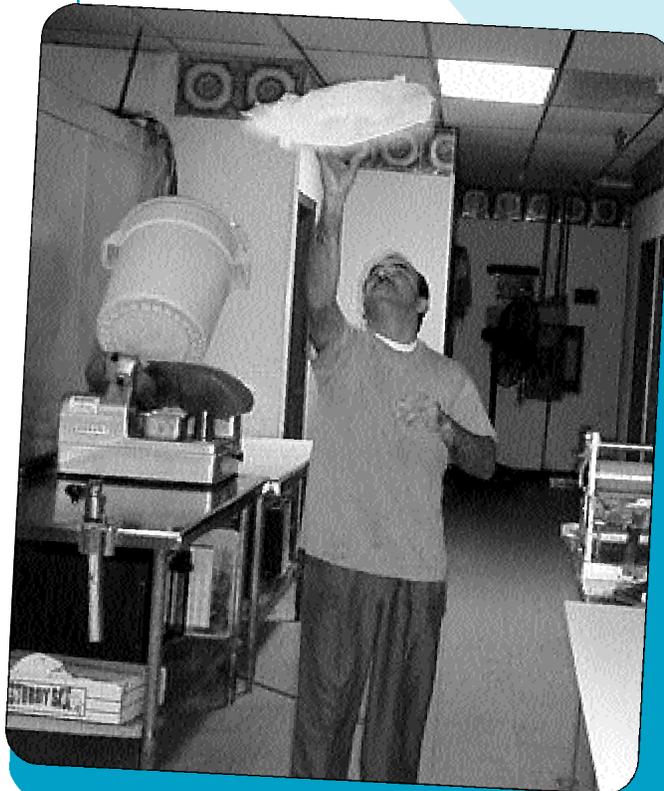
Elected Officials recently celebrated the grand opening of Cleaners Depot at 7306 Barrington Road with owners Jamillah Q. Shabazz and Wahid A. Shabazz.



Spotlight on Business

Jani's Pizza

Jani's Pizza, located at 1816 Army Trail Road in Hanover Park, has been offering delicious cuisine for the past 22 years. Mr. Ali Punjani, the current owner/manager, has been working at Jani's for 13 years. Prior to taking the helm at Jani's, his brother was the owner/manager. So, Jani's has been in the Punjani family for the entire 22 years it has been located in Hanover Park.



Ali Punjani demonstrates his pizza-spinning skills!

Jani's menu offers a wide selection of items including pizza, of course, but they also serve chicken, shrimp, ribs, sandwiches, pasta, lasagna – almost too many items to mention.

So, when you have a craving for a pizza or just don't want to cook, call Jani's. One of their three drivers will be sure to get your order to you piping hot and in short order.

For those who don't mind going out to pick up their order, Jani's also offers carry out service.

Jani's is open Friday and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until midnight, and weekdays from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. They offer a special of two 14 inch cheese pizzas for \$11.95 (\$1.25 additional for each topping).

So when you have a hankering for something good to eat, call Ali or Ruby at Jani's. They will be happy to serve you. Give them a call (630) 837-5220 and place your order!

Hanover Highlights

CONGRATULATIONS, CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY GRADUATES!

Twenty Hanover Park residents recently had the opportunity to get a first hand look at the Police Department, its responsibilities and functions, during the sixth annual Citizens Police Academy. The program is designed to create a working partnership between the police and the public. Citizens Police Academy graduates are eligible to become members of the Village's Citizen Patrol.



2003 Citizens Police Academy graduates

Participants were exposed to various aspects of police work including organizational setup, operational functions, the officer selection process and hiring requirements, academy training and the Field Training Officer program. Also highlighted were crash investigations, traffic stops, officer safety and occupant control issues. The program also provided an introduction to the Investigative Division including an overview of the investigative process and evidence collection. Participants completed several practical exercises simulating actual traffic stop scenarios, baton techniques, and three crime-scene exercises.

The Gang Tactical Unit and Police Canine Units provided explanations of their duties along with demonstrations. The class became familiar with the Police Department's Crime Prevention and Community Relations Division. They received an overview of the DARE and GREAT programs, COPS Days Picnics, National Night Out and PACT (Police and Children Together) Camp.

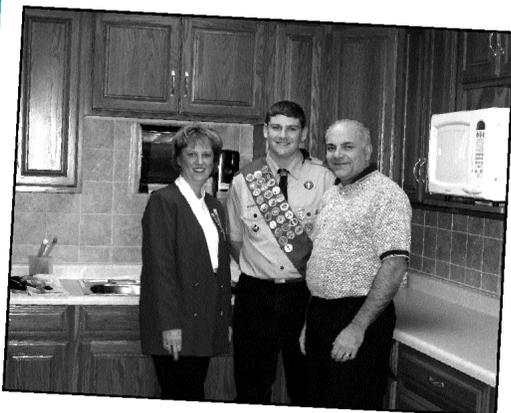
The Class of 2003 Citizen's Police Academy graduates include: Ray Autowski, Jennifer Banister, Carol Dameron, June Euliano, Dana Fletcher, Allan Franz, Doris Fuller-Gaic, Michael Gonzalez, Sharon Kelleher, John Kittle, Mary Kittle, Philip McBride, Frank McQueen, Nancy Nork, Marie Peterson, Jackie Philp, Jennifer Pitsenbarger, John Sackris, Dorothy Stone and Denise Wood.

KEEP KIDS AWAY FROM SNOW PILES AT THE CURB

For safety's sake, children should not be permitted to play on or near the piles of snow near the curb. The snow plow drivers may not be able to see children who are hidden by a snowdrift.

BE A FRIEND TO A FIRE HYDRANT

If there is a fire hydrant in front of or adjacent to your home, please keep it clear of snow so it will be easier for the Fire Department to locate and use.



POLICE KITCHEN GETS A FACE LIFT, THANKS TO EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT

Eagle Scout Candidate Matthew Favero, a member of Boy Scout Troop 98, recently completed an Eagle Scout Service Project for the Village. Matthew and fellow Scout volunteers remodeled the Police Department kitchen. It provides the 24-hour Police operation a facility for Police personnel to make a quick lunch and also is the location in which prisoner meals are prepared. Matthew was recognized at the December 18 Village Board Meeting. He is shown here with his proud parents Ray and Bridget Favero, in the new Police Department kitchen.



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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
- Historical Commission
- Human Relations 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



Fire Department Lieutenant Honored for Outstanding Contributions to the Department

Lieutenant Ken Zaccard, center, was recently presented with the "Chief's Commendation Ribbon" for outstanding administrative contributions to the Fire Department. Zaccard was honored for his exceptional management skills in the completion of a strategic analysis of departmental communications, enhancing the Department's information systems, outstanding administration of the Fire Department's Quartermaster Program, and for his key role in the writing of the Department's Operational Organization Policy. Pictured with Lt. Zaccard are Village President Irv Bock and Fire Chief Craig Haigh.

Pay your water bill online!

www.HanoverParkIllinois.org

Look under "Services/Finance/Direct Pay"

MasterCard, American Express and Discover may be used to pay bills online. Visa may only be used when paying in-person at the Village Hall.



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 26** and **March 25**. We'd love to hear from you!

Character Counts! Comes to Hanover Park

Trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship. These are all important values we hope our young people will grasp while growing up - qualities that will help them grow into successful and productive citizens. But they can't do it alone...they need the guidance and support of their community.

That's what the Character Counts! Coalition, a nonprofit consortium of the nation's largest and most influential educational and youth-serving organizations, is designed to do -- help provide community support to strengthen the character of America's youth.

Since its founding in 1993, the national Character Counts! organization has reached more than 40 million young people and their families. Character Counts! is a philosophy built on the Six Pillars of Character:

Trustworthiness

Demonstrate Integrity – Be Honest – Keep Promises – Be Loyal

Respect

Value All Persons – Live By the Golden Rule – Respect Others' Dignity, Privacy and Freedom – Be Courteous and Polite – Be Tolerant and Accepting Of Differences – Avoid Violence in All Forms

Responsibility

Do Your Duty – Be Accountable – Pursue Excellence – Exercise Self Control

Fairness

Be Consistent – Listen – Be

Open – Be Careful Making Judgments about Others – Treat People Equally and Equitably – Follow Fair Procedures

Caring

Be Caring – Be Compassionate – Be Kind – Be Loving – Be Considerate – Be Charitable – Be Unselfish

Citizenship

Be a Good Citizen – Do Your Share – Help The Community – Play By The Rules – Respect Authority And The Law

As a community, we would like to see these six pillars modeled, taught, shared and respected. Character development is important in building the future of our children and our community, as well as an excellent tool to help prevent violence. Let's join together and take a stand to develop character in all areas of our community.

The Village of Hanover Park would like to invite you to join this exciting journey. We recognize that as a Village we can have a positive impact in the character development of our children. We strongly believe if we can form a community coalition that includes schools, youth agencies, government, civic organizations, faith communities, business and parents/families, our ability to make a difference in our community is tremendously strengthened.

If you are interested in finding out more about the Village of Hanover Park's Ad Hoc Character Counts! Committee, contact Trustee Lori Kaiser at (630) 372-4204.



Village of Hanover Park

2121 W. Lake Street
Hanover Park, IL 60133
(630) 372-4200

VILLAGE HALL HOURS:

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

ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Irwin A. Bock, Village President
Shery L. Craig, Village Clerk

Rodney S. Craig, Trustee
Wesley E. Ely, Trustee
Lori A. Kaiser, Trustee

Kaye Lowman, Editor

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