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# **Buffalo Grove** Farmers' Market

The Buffalo Grove Farmers' Market is now in its 8th year and re-opens on Sunday June 18 to October 8, 2017! The market has been so popular in previous years that nearly all of the vendors from 2016 are returning, along with a few new vendors to enjoy!

The Farmers' Market is a true gathering place for area residents to be on Sundays from 8:00 a.m. until 12.30 p.m. Rain or shine, our vendors are there to sell the freshest produce grown locally in Illinois, Wisconsin, and Michigan. Farmers offer organic, certified organic, low spray and other options in growing their food. They are available each week to answer most questions and provide ideas on how to prepare various fruits and vegetables.

This past mild winter has developed into an early spring which allowed the farmers to plant their crops earlier. This means the Farmers' Market will see produce sooner and residents will have the opportunity to enjoy the famous 'Mirai Corn' before August!

In addition to farm fresh produce, vendors offer: knife sharpening (garden tools too), mushrooms, cheese, meats, donuts, coffee, smoothies, breads, dog food and other treats. Mike Rylko Park is a family-friendly location that boasts public restrooms and bike racks, with entertainment

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provided on most Sundays. The Farmers' Market also hosts nonprofit booths for community groups.

A friendly reminder: the Village of Buffalo Grove has an ordinance that does not allow dogs or other pets into the Farmers' Market area. Service dogs, however are allowed.

The Buffalo Grove Farmers' Market is run by dedicated community volunteers. Please stop by the information booth to meet them! See you on Sunday, June 18 for the kick-off!



# Village of Buffalo Grove Debuts New App: BG Connect

The Village of Buffalo Grove is unveiling its new mobile app, "BG Connect". The goal for this new app is to connect residents with Village services, and it is now available for download on Google Play and in the iPhone App Store. This new communication tool provides the public with an easy way to submit service requests and villagerelated questions, all the while being able to follow the status inquiries from submission to completion.

The app has a wide range of functions, including an opportunity to request village services, such as reporting potholes and other non-emergency issues. The submitter can attach a photo to the request and receive documents and photos in return when applicable. All BG Connect submissions are automatically directed to the appropriate Village Department.

In addition to the above features, the app also notifies the individual who submitted the original request when the status of a question or service request changes.

"One of our goals was to identify and launch a mobile app that would allow residents to communicate 24/7 with the Village of Buffalo Grove from the convenience of their cell phone," said Village Manager Dane Bragg. "BG Connect will transform how we communicate with each other by utilizing new technology that is becoming a norm in today's world."

The BG Connect app can be downloaded for free on any android or iPhone. For questions, or more information, please call the Office of the Village Manager at 847-459-2525.





# Bike to Work Day

In 2017, Bike to Work Week will be observed from May 15-19, and Bike to Work Day will be on May 19, 2017.

So, why bike to work? Biking is healthy, and integrates physical activity into your daily routine. It's also green, which reduces your carbon footprint, air pollution and fossil fuels. It saves money, because it cuts down on paying for gas, tolls and other costs. Finally it can be fun while building your morale and a sense of ownership in our community.

Did you know that 40-percent of all trips in the U.S. average to be less than two miles away from the home, making bicycling a feasible and fun way to get around? Due to citizens' increased interest in healthy, sustainable and economic transportation options, it's not surprising that from 2000 to 2013, the number of bicycle commuters in the U.S. has grown by more than 62-percent. For more information, please visit **www.bikeleague.org/bikemonth.** 

Village News

# A Message From The Village President



The Village is very excited about the new restaurant opening at the Buffalo Grove Golf Course in late May/early June of 2017 – The Wild Buffalo. The restaurant owners, Salvatore and Briana Cardone, are extremely excited to open their second place of business. They have successfully owned and operated Mambo Italiano since 2004, also co-owning The Couture Caterer and La Cucina Inc.

Salvatore Cardone grew up in Buffalo Grove and is an alumnus of Buffalo Grove High school. Briana has spent most of her life in both Buffalo Grove and Long Grove and is an alumnus of Stevenson High School. They are both locally grown and are excited to open a new restaurant in their home town.

The Wild Buffalo will be a modern space with the goal of drawing more patrons to the Buffalo Grove Golf Course restaurant. With the proper overhaul of the venue, they see themselves creating a new and modern theme for the restaurant. The Cardones are creating a brand new menu with a more urban/ gastro pub flair.

The Cardones are currently operating a 'test kitchen' to ensure that the final menu is multi-faceted and attracts both golfers and community members; the ultimate goal is to provide delicious food at an affordable price. Whether it's a quick bite for lunch, business meeting, golf outing, family dinner or private event, the Cardone's will be flexible to accommodate our community's needs.

The restaurant will also feature a full-service bar and lounge that serves craft beer, local wines and top shelf liquor as well as video gaming for patrons. The layout of the restaurant has changed so that the Wild Buffalo can host golf events, village events, showers, weddings and family-oriented events. Their mission will be to create a more appealing atmosphere with an eclectic menu and delicious refreshing cocktails all with a friendly face and comfortable surroundings.

The restaurant space is currently under construction so an exact opening date is not yet known. To keep informed about the Wild Buffalo's opening date, please follow the Village on Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, or NextDoor. The Village will also announce the opening in the Village's e-news which residents can sign up for on the website at **www.vbg.org**.

We are very excited to have a local family with a great reputation open a new restaurant in Buffalo Grove! For employment opportunities at the new restaurant, please contact Briana Cardone at 847-281-9100.

Beverly Sussman



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#### Waste Management Fees to Increase

The Village is entering into the 6th year of a 7-year contract with Waste Management for household refuse waste disposal, recycling and landscape waste collection. The rate remained unchanged for the first 5 years of the contact, at \$14.81/month for a single-family unit with a cart and \$13.81/month for a single-family without a cart.

Effective April 16, 2017, per the contract with Waste Management, fees increased by 5-percent to \$15.55/month for a single-family unit with a cart and \$14.50/month for a single-family unit without a cart.

If you have questions, please contact the Village of Buffalo Grove at 847-459-2500 or you can visit the Village's website at **www.vbg.org/128**/ **Refuse-Recycling** 



#### **Community** Blood Drive

The next Buffalo Grove Community Blood Drive will be held on Saturday June 3, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at the Alcott Center, 530 Bernard Drive in Buffalo Grove.

To prepare for your blood donation, eat well, stay hydrated and bring an ID. To schedule an appointment, please call Life Source at 847-543-3768. Appointments are preferred, but walk-ins are welcome. Visit **www. lifesource.org.** 



## Buffalo Grove Introduces Community-Portal™

The Village of Buffalo Grove is introducing a new application to residents that enables them to search local addresses to obtain a wide array of information specific to the searched property.

The application is called Community-Portal<sup>TM</sup>, which is free to residents and available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. An address can easily be searched through the Maps link on the Village's website, which then provides a variety of details and information associated with that property.

Information available includes services such as when garbage, recycling and waste collection occurs, as well as a map gallery that includes the responsible jurisdiction for snow and ice removal efforts. Zoning information about properties throughout the Village is also available to users of this program.

Other details made available include what school district, township and/or county a property is located in, as well voter precinct name and number, and polling location. The property's PIN (property index number), information about zoning, and even which elected

officials (state and federal) represent the area can also be accessed.

The Buffalo Grove Community-Portal<sup>TM</sup> was developed by MGP, Inc., a Des Plaines-based technology company that founded the GIS (Geographic Information System) Consortium of which the village is a member, that partners with communities to manage and visualize their data to make informed decisions.

Visit www.vbg.org for more information.



# **Buffalo Grove 2017** Street Improvement Program

The 2017 Street Improvement Program has a planned start in May 2017, and is expected to be completed by July 2017. The full execution of this project and all of its components are subject to budgetary constraints, competitive bid results, and Village Board approval. The roads involved in the 2017 program are:

- Bedford Ct.
- Bunescu Ct.
- Bunescu Ln.
- Burgess Cir.
- Burgess Ct.
- Chase Ct.
- Cooper Ct.
- Fremont Way (Partial)
- Heritage Pl.
- Lee Ct.
- Newport Ct.
- Providence Ct.
- Providence Ln.
- Saybrook Ct.
- Saybrook Ln.
- Shambliss Ct.
- Shambliss Ln.

Please see the Village website, **www.vbg.org**, for more information about this project, which will

#### Environmental Action Team **Green Fair**

The Buffalo Grove Environmental Action Team will be hosting the annual Buffalo Grove Green Fair. The Fair will be held at Rylko Park on Sunday June 25, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. adjacent to the Farmers Market. Please see the Park District section at the end of this newsletter for more information. include updates about the progression of design, execution and construction. The scope of work varies on each road; some may see minor resurfacing while others see a full depth reconstruction of the roadway and base.

Other construction projects may include sewer cleaning, sewer lining, crack sealing and a variety of other minor repairs. These minor repairs typically involve a low impact to residents, and frequently are fully completed in just a few hours. For any questions pertaining to construction on Village roads, please contact the Engineering Department at 847-459-2523.



#### Village to Step Up Dead Tree Enforcement Efforts

In the wake of the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) infestation, thousands of dead Ash trees remain on private property throughout our Village. Dead trees of any species pose a hazard to the general public and are in violation of Village Ordinance. The responsibility of removing these trees rests with individual property owners. Inspections will begin in late spring after the trees leaf out and continue through late fall. Village employees will be out inspecting properties and issuing violation notices where appropriate. Residents that are found to be in violation of the Code will be issued a violation notice letter, and have 30 days to comply. Failure to comply will result is citations being issued. For more information please visit the Village's website at www.vbg.org or call Public Works at 847-459-2545 and an available member of the Forestry Staff will assist you.

# Lake Cook Corridor Market Study and Plan Update

The Lake Cook Corridor Project continues to move toward creating a future vision for the Corridor. The project, which was recommended by the Village's approved 2016 Economic Development Strategic Plan, was kicked off in late 2016. The end result will be a realistic, comprehensive visioning plan for the Corridor that will help to improve the Village's identity, vitality, and fiscal sustainability.

The project is guided by a consultant team lead by international design firm Hellmuth, Obata, and Kassabaum, Inc. (HOK). This past April, the consultant team completed The Lake Cook Corridor Market Study and Existing Conditions Report. This report represents the culmination of months of research and analysis on market, traffic, real estate, land use, environmental, and public engagement data and information. It is meant to provide an informative overview of the current state of the Corridor and it is available on the project webpage **www.vbg.org/lcc**. The completion of the Lake Cook Corridor Market Study and Existing Conditions Report marked the end of Phase II (Existing Conditions and Market Assessment) of the project.

The Lake Cook Corridor Project is currently beginning Phase III (Future Land Use and Development Planning). In this phase, the Corridor Planning Group (the project's steering committee) draws upon the Lake Cook Corridor Market Study and Existing Conditions Report findings, specifically the Corridor's constraints and opportunities, to develop multiple visions for the Corridor. These visions will be presented to residents, property owners, businesses and other stakeholders for feedback at a future public meeting.

Information regarding the project's next public meeting as well as further information on the project and how to sign up for the project's mailing list can be found on the project's webpage **www.vbg.org/lcc**.

#### Lake Cook Corridor Market Study and Plan Process

Stage 1. Project Kick Off (Fall/Winter, 2016) Stage 2. Existing Conditions/Marke Assessment (Winter 2017) Stage 3. Future Land Use and Development Planning (Spring/Summer, 2017)

Stage 4. Draft Recommendations Summer/Fall 2017)

Stage 5. Final Plan (Fall/Winter 2017)

#### Landscape Waste Pick-Up

Residents are reminded that landscape waste is picked up on the normal recycling pick-up day, and will run through December 15, 2017.

Landscape Waste Container Requirements: Landscape waste should be contained in 32-gallon special yard waste paper bags. Also acceptable are 32-gallon rigid, unlined waste containers marked with a large "X" (which is at least 12 inches in diameter so it can be seen from the truck).

#### Acceptable Items Include:

- Grass clippings
- Leaves
- Vegetative plants
- Brush and small trees (brush and tree limbs up

to 3.5-inches in diameter must be bundled in 4-foot lengths, tied with string or cloth, and not exceed 70 pounds in weight.)

#### Non-Acceptable Items:

- Indoor Plants
- Flower arrangements
- Trees larger than 3.5
- inches in diameter
- Dirt or stones
- Sod
- Pine cones

If you have any questions, please contact the Village of Buffalo Grove or you can visit the Village's website at **www.vbg.org/128/ Refuse-Recycling.** 



#### Village News

# Celebrate National Public Works The Village of Buffalo Grove Proudly Presents: 2nd Annual Public Works Open House



Featuring: Two Live Demonstrations at 11:00am and 1:00pm Touch A Truck Exhibits with over 15 Vehicles Free Giveaways, Various Vendors, and Snacks

When: Saturday May 20, 2017 10:00am - 2:00pm Where: 51 Raupp Blvd Buffalo Grove, Il

Free!

Fun for All Ages

Free!







### **Community Spring Workday** Saturday, May 20, 2017 - 9 a.m. until Noon

Mike Rylko Park – meet at the Buffalo Grove Rd. parking lot near the skate park, south of Deerfield Rd.

Activities include stream cleanup, invasive plant control and new plantings in the newly cleared woodlands and along streambanks.

#### Dress for the weather. Refreshments will be provided.

Volunteers of all ages are invited. For children under 14, parental supervision is required.

Community service hours are available for high school students.

#### Questions: Call Jeff Weiss at 847.224.0965 Email: marjeffl@aol.com

This event is co-sponsored by the Lake County Stormwater Management Commission



Village News

#### May is Stroke Awareness Month

Stroke is the fourth leading cause of death in America, and the leading cause of severe, longterm disability. Someone suffers a stroke every 40 seconds and there are 795,000 new or recurrent strokes annually.

In the event of a stroke, immediate emergency medical treatment can greatly reduce the risk of brain injury and disability, making a remarkable difference in a victim's recovery. Yet less than one-third of Americans can correctly identify a single warning sign of a stroke.

Be educated about the sudden signs of stroke, and about the importance of calling **9-1-1** immediately in any of them are identified in an individual.

The **F.A.S.T.** campaign is designed to help bystanders recognize the signs of a stroke—and remind them to respond quickly when they see them.

Face Drooping: Does one side of the face droop or is it numb? Ask the person to smile.

A rm Weakness: Is one arm weak or numb? Ask the person to raise both arms. Does one arm drift downward?

Speech Difficulty: Is speech slurred? Are they unable to speak? Are they hard to understand? Ask the person to repeat a simple sentence like: "The sky is blue." Is the sentence repeated correctly?

Time to call **9-1-1**: If the person shows any of these symptoms, even if the symptoms go away, call **9-1-1** and get them to the hospital immediately.

# THE National Citizen Survey™

The Village of Buffalo Grove is asking residents to participate in The National Citizen Survey<sup>TM</sup>. This survey is designed to provide a baseline of how the Village government is serving residents, to gauge perceptions of the Village and to make comparisons with peer municipalities.

The Village has contracted with The National Research Center, Inc. to conduct The National Citizen Survey<sup>TM</sup> (The NCS<sup>TM</sup>), an instrument developed with the assistance of the International City/County Management Association (ICMA) in 2001 to provide municipalities with a method to measure citizen opinion.

The survey includes questions about quality of life in our community, local policies, demographics, rating of local government services and resident use of those services.

Out of our entire community, 1,500 households will receive invitations to participate in the mail, and their responses will be weighted and analyzed.

The National Citizen Survey<sup>TM</sup> was among the first scientific surveys developed to gather resident opinion on a range of community issues, and has been used in more than 350 jurisdictions across 46 states. The NCS<sup>TM</sup> is a cost-effective, scientific survey of resident opinion and an important benchmarking tool that allows for comparison among communities. Communities using The NCS<sup>TM</sup> have reported that the tool helped to improve performance, strengthen communications with community stakeholders, and identify clear priorities for use in goal and budget setting. Buffalo Grove is one of many jurisdictions in the U.S. to participate in this survey during 2017. Within the next two weeks, questionnaires will be sent to the random sample of households, asking for this important feedback.

The NCS<sup>TM</sup> is sponsored by the ICMA in cooperation with National Research Center, Inc. (NRC). The questionnaire and survey procedure were designed based on the experience of hundreds of local governments that ranged in size. Scientific sampling and weighting of the responses in each city ensure accurate and reliable results. Because each jurisdiction's survey is developed using a standard template, and many jurisdictions can be surveyed at one time, The NCS<sup>TM</sup> is viewed as a highly efficient way to measure citizen opinion.

Now in its fourteenth year of existence, over 350 municipalities in 44 states have utilized The National Citizen Survey<sup>TM</sup>. In Illinois, this includes Oak Park, O'Fallon, Skokie, Lombard, and Peoria County.





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#### Village Hall Hours

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#### 2017 Village Board Meeting Schedule

May 15	Regular
June 5	COW
June 19	Regular
July 17	Regular
August 7	COW
August 21	Regular
September 18	Regular
October 2	COW
October 16	Regular
October 23	Civics
	Forum
November 6	Regular
November 13	Budget
	Presentation
December 4	Regular
December 18	Regular

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