



Buffalo Grove Village News

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News for the Buffalo Grove Community

Fireworks on the 4th of July Siemens Celebrates with the Village



The Village of Buffalo Grove has partnered once again with Siemens to present the annual Independence Day fireworks display. Fireworks will begin at approximately 9:15 p.m. on Tuesday, July 4, 2017. Designated viewing areas include the Buffalo Grove Golf Course and Willow Stream Park.

Some Words from Our Sponsor:

Siemens Building Technologies is proud to be headquartered in the Village of Buffalo Grove, and to be one of Buffalo

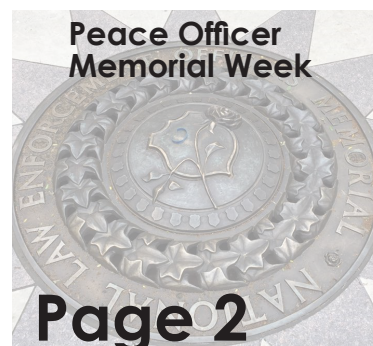
Grove's largest employers as an industry leader in efficient building infrastructure. Siemens is thrilled to continue its partnership to provide a brilliant fireworks showcase for the residents of Buffalo Grove on Independence Day!

The Village of Buffalo Grove would like to thank Siemens for its generous sponsorship of the July 4th fireworks display.

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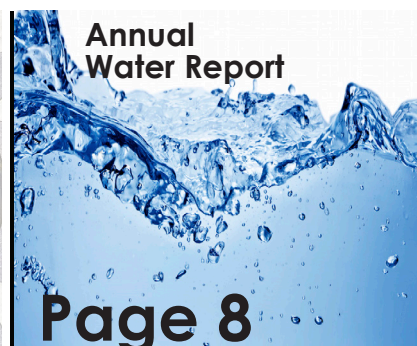
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Lake Cook Corridor Market Study & Plan Second Public Meeting: July 11th

The Lake Cook Corridor Market Study and Plan continues to move forward. The Village of Buffalo Grove would like to thank the more than 175 people who attended the first public meeting this past February. The input and participation was not only valued, but will help to guide the direction that this plan will take in the future.

The project team is now preparing for the second public meeting. The objective of this meeting is to gather input on different scenarios and visions for the future Lake Cook Corridor. The consultant team has worked closely with a Corridor Planning Group (the project's steering committee) to develop alternatives that will meet the Plan's goals, improve the Village's identity and vitality, and contribute to economic and fiscal sustainability. Data, information, and community

input from the project's previous phases have been instrumental in framing the upcoming visions.

The Second Public Meeting will be held:

*Tuesday, July 11, 2017
6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Community Arts Center
225 McHenry Road
Buffalo Grove, IL 60089*

This meeting will be held in an open house format; everyone is welcome to attend at any time between 6:00 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.

The Lake Cook Corridor is a key asset to the Buffalo Grove community. It encompasses more than 472 acres of land and includes over one million square feet of commercial space,

residential dwellings, the Village campus and the municipal golf course. The Corridor also serves as a gateway to the Village as it connects Buffalo Grove to the regional network of expressways, highways and other major roads. With over 40,000 vehicles traveling on it each day, Lake Cook Road is one of the most utilized and visible roads in our region.

The project's end result will be a vision plan for the Corridor that is comprehensive, grounded in market realities and achievable. The project team anticipates the plan will be completed by the end of 2017.

For more information about this project and to sign up for the mailing list, visit the website at www.vbg.org/LCC. This website will be routinely updated to announce public engagement activities, project updates and other related news.

National Peace Officer Memorial Week 2017

Since 1962, May 15 has served as National Peace Officer Memorial Day, and the week that follows as National Police Week. Thousands of officers from around the world travel with their families and friends to Washington D.C. to honor those who have lost their lives in the line of duty.

Through generous donations from the public, the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund (NLEOMF) built, and currently maintains the memorial site where officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice are honored. This Memorial is located on the 400 block of E Street in downtown Washington D.C., and was created to honor federal, state and local law enforcement. Currently, there are 21,183 police officers' names inscribed on the gray marble Memorial Wall, with 143 added in 2016. The tranquil environment is conducive to reflection; on the lives lost, the surviving families, and the brotherhood and sisterhood of police, everywhere.

One of the most emotional events of

Police Week is the annual Candlelight Vigil, which is held every May 13. During the vigil at the National Mall, prominent law enforcement advocates speak about the law enforcement profession and officers who have fallen. This year, former United States Attorney General John Ashcroft gave remarks about the tragedies that have occurred, and how the nation must band together to do better. Following the keynote speakers, law enforcements' finest musical talents performed tributes, which included the singing of "Amazing Grace". The officers' names were then read, one by one, where they were formally dedicated to the Memorial Wall. During the reading of the names, all in attendance were given a candle to light, which symbolizes, "Darkness cannot drive out darkness, only light can do that..." a quote given to us by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

While Police Week is about those who have passed away and their families, it also brings together officers from around the globe, giving them an opportunity to connect with one

another. Many officers bond while at "Tent City", an area provided for officers in attendance. Bagpipe bands are also present, offering entertainment and further comradery.

Thousands of officers visit Washington D.C. every year during Police Week, and one cannot help but be reminded of the sacrifices the law enforcement profession endures, as well as friendships that are relied upon moving forward.

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A Message From The Village President



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Now that summer is in full swing, Buffalo Grove residents can enjoy the warmer weather and the many events and activities that make Buffalo Grove a great place to live, work and raise a family.

Buffalo Grove has experienced an exciting period of economic activity and development. We issued more than 3,000 residential and commercial permits which represents \$60 million being invested back into the Buffalo Grove community. Close to 100 businesses opened, expanded and/or relocated to the Village of Buffalo Grove. This represents a 22-percent increase from the previous year.

The Village's Economic Development Strategic Plan has produced forward-thinking projects such as the Lake Cook Corridor Market Plan and Study. As a result of public meetings and input from a large cross-section of our community, new possible visions will be considered. Final plans are expected to be presented this winter.

I'd like to acknowledge other components of our community including: our nationally recognized schools, an award-winning park district, organizations such as Link Together and Stand Strong, both of which empower our youth to remain drug and alcohol-free, Indian Trails and Vernon Township Libraries, the Buffalo Grove Rotary and Buffalo Grove/Lincolnshire Chamber of Commerce, to name a few. The Village also provides an opportunity for

students from both high schools to participate in our yearly Civics Forum, and elementary students to visit Village Hall and participate in a mock Village Board meeting.

Our Village has received a number of prestigious awards and accolades. Out of 15,783 places ranked in the United States to live, Buffalo Grove came out as the #1 Best Place to Live in Illinois and the #7 Best Place to Live in the United States, according to Niche.com. We also received the Excellence in Financial Reporting award in 2017, along with being named the 12th Safest City in the country by NeighborhoodScout.com.

Finally, I want to mention all the volunteers that put their endless time and energy into our community. Just around the corner is Buffalo Grove Days which completed its first successful year in 2016, at its new location at Mike Rylko Park. This event alone takes hundreds of people to make it possible, and it is one of the many events that makes us all proud to live in Buffalo Grove.

Enjoy the summer, and I hope to see you soon!

Beverly Sussman



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Residents Reminded to Clean Up After Pets

The Buffalo Grove Police Department would like to remind everyone to pick up your animal's waste, both on any private property and on any public way. Leaving the excrement behind or letting it pile up on your property can create many issues, including the transmittal of diseases. Some of these diseases include salmonella and E. coli, as well as a variety of parasites such as roundworms. These are not only easily transmitted, but are a threat to other animals, and humans as well.

Under Buffalo Grove Municipal Code 6.12.60, a dog owner has 72 hours to remove any excrement deposited on their own property. However, the dog owner must remove the excrement immediately if it is deposited on public or private property. Failure to do so can result in fines ranging from \$50 for a first-time offense to \$100 after multiple offenses.

Residents are asked to do their part in keeping the Village clean and safe by picking up after pets, and properly disposing of it by flushing it down the toilet or bagging it and placing it in a sealed waste container.



Farmers' Market On Sundays

The Sunday crowds at the Farmers' Market are enjoying the wide variety of vendors and farmers that have chosen to be part of this year's market.

Some of the newer vendors this year are selling fresh fish, spices, tea, coffee, dog treats - and all have been well received! The farmers have been bringing in the freshest produce and flowers every Sunday, and the crowds have been steady for another great year.

At the National Farmers' Market Week celebration in August, the Buffalo Grove Farmers' Market will again have a raffle for the donated food baskets supplied by the market's vendors.

The Farmers' Market runs until October 8, 2017, but will not be held on Sunday, September 3, 2017 during Buffalo Grove Days.

Motorists, Cyclists and Pedestrians Reminded to Make Safety a Priority

With warmer weather upon us, more and more residents are spending time outside, increasing pedestrian and cyclist traffic on, or near roadways. The Village of Buffalo Grove would like to remind all residents, whether in a vehicle, on a bicycle, or on foot, to remain aware of their surroundings and to always drive, ride and walk defensively.

Since 2015, the Buffalo Grove Police Department has investigated 17 bicycle vs. vehicle accidents. In more than half of those incidents, the collision occurred when the vehicle was making a turn while the cyclist was proceeding straight through an intersection crosswalk. When interviewed, drivers most often explained that they simply did not see the cyclist. To avoid accidents like this, cyclists should always anticipate that they are unseen, and motorists are encouraged to take extra time to look for cyclists (and pedestrians as well) in or near intersections.

Should a cyclist decide to ride on the roadway, there are a number of "rules of the road" that should be followed. Cyclists must obey all traffic control devices, signals, and signs - including yielding to school buses stopped with extended arms or pedestrians in a crosswalk. Cyclists should also travel as closely to the right side of the street as possible. Should a cyclist need to make a left-hand turn, he or she should either follow vehicular traffic in the left lane of the street, or use the crosswalk and follow signals,

as a pedestrian would. Riding two abreast is allowed on designated bike paths, and cyclists may ride on sidewalks throughout Buffalo Grove, as there is no ordinance prohibiting it. When riding at night, bicycles must have a front white light visible at 500 feet, and the rear must have a red reflector visible from 100 to 600 feet. Wearing bright colors and reflective clothing is also strongly suggested.

While Illinois does not have a bicycle helmet law, helmets are recommended as they are an important piece of safety equipment that protect the head and brain from injury during a collision or fall. Cyclists are also encouraged to register their bicycles with the Village, so that police can locate the owner of a recovered, or stolen bike.

Additionally, motorists should also strive to be aware of, and share the road with cyclists. Vehicles should always yield to cyclists, be careful not to underestimate their speed, and allow enough room between the car and bike when passing. Additional information about bicycle safety, including a map of the bike path system in Buffalo Grove, instructions for properly fitting a helmet, and the bicycle registration form, is available on the Village of Buffalo Grove website at www.vbg.org.



Buffalo Grove 2017 Street Improvement Project

The 2017 Street Improvement Project began in May 2017, and is expected to be completed by the end of July 2017. The roads involved in the 2017 project area include:

- 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.

For more information on this project, please see the Village website at www.vbg.org, which will include updates about the progression of design, execution and construction. The scope of work will vary on each road; some may see

minor resurfacing while others will receive 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 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.



Annual Backflow Prevention Requirements for Lawn Irrigation Systems

Summer is here, and now is an optimal time to review the Village's requirements regarding backflow prevention for lawn irrigation systems. The Village's Cross Connection Control Program is established by Village Code (13-102) and required by the Illinois EPA as part of the water supply operating permit.

With regard to lawn irrigation systems, both the Illinois EPA (IEPA) 35 Ill. Adm. Code 653.802(e)(1) and the Illinois Plumbing Code, 77 Ill. Adm. Code 890.1140(d) specifically require that a reduced pressure principle backflow preventer assembly (RPZ) be installed on all lawn irrigation systems to protect the potable water supply.

Both the IEPA regulations and the Illinois Plumbing Code require testing of the backflow assembly at the time of installation and annually moving forward. Many lawn irrigation system owners remove the assembly in the fall when the system is prepared for winter. When the system is serviced and put back into use in the spring, the reduced pressure zone (RPZ) assembly is installed, tested and ready for another summer season. Homeowners who fail to have

their device inspected, tested and certified at this time and prior to placing it into service, will be issued a violation notice.

There are 2,414 registered active backflow devices in Buffalo Grove, and 1,426 of these devices are for lawn irrigation systems. The Village has contracted with BSI, Inc., a third-party administrator to manage the program. In April of 2017, registered homeowners with irrigation systems should have received letters from BSI, on behalf of the Village regarding annual compliance with these requirements.

If you do not plan to activate your irrigation system for the 2017 season, you must choose one of the following two options. Option 1: apply for a one-year waiver, or Option 2: disconnect the system from the potable water supply.

For information on either of these two options, or if you have additional questions about the program or its requirements, please contact Dave Haisma, Utility Superintendent at 847-459-2545 or by email at dhaisma@vbg.org.

Keep Your Home Safe While You're Away

Summer and vacations many times go hand in hand. Having a trusted neighbor or friend periodically check on a house while residents are away is an ideal safety plan, and one of the most reliable security strategies a resident can have. Buffalo Grove residents can also fill out a vacation watch form online at www.vbg.org/117/Police and request that officers check on the property occasionally during the period the homeowner is away. Burglars know that an empty house is the easiest target. The best thing for a homeowner to do is to make the home look as if someone is still there, even after they leave.

Below are tips to make your home look occupied:

- Stop the mail and newspaper – or ask a trusted neighbor to pick them up, including sales papers or fliers left on the door, in the mailbox or laying out on the driveway.
- Never place a sign on your door to let delivery people know that you are gone for a few days, or on vacation.
- Use lights on timers to go on and off throughout the evening.
- Radios or TV's can also be put on a timer to provide sound in an empty house.
- Motion sensor lights can be installed in your yard.
- Have someone mow the lawn if there is an extended vacation period.
- Have a trusted neighbor park in the driveway, or if a car will be left in the driveway, ask a neighbor to move the car once in a while to make it look as if it is being used.
- Have someone take your trash cans to the curb on trash pick up day.

If there is an alarm system in the house, make sure that the key holder or person watching the house has up-to-date codes and information. Be sure to notify the alarm company about vacations and give them updated contact information. Credit card companies monitor transactions, and will freeze accounts if they believe a card may have been stolen due to use in non-typical areas – so be sure to notify them of the dates when a vacation is planned.

Unplug small appliances and unused electronic devices in the house. Shut water off to the dishwasher, washing machine and sinks or toilets that might leak or have a history of running. Most water heaters have a “vacation” setting that will lower the temperature during a scheduled period. If it is an older water heater, residents may want to also shut the water off to avoid coming home to a flooded house.

Finally, avoid posting travel plans on social media. Burglars can easily find out where you live. The overall message is to plan ahead, so that your vacation can truly be enjoyed!



New, Moved or Expanded Businesses

E-Blox, Inc.
880 Asbury Drive

Knipex Tools, LP
1500 Busch Parkway

Nicholas G. Kekos, Ltd.
750 Lake Cook Road, Suite 100

The Salem Group
1130 Lake Cook Road, Suite 240

Cesar Carrillo State Farm Insurance Agency
1493 W. Dundee Road

Kartina TV
779 S. Buffalo Grove Road

Remodel Direct, Inc.
230 Lexington Drive

Corptax, Inc.
2100 Lake Cook Road, Suite 800

Highland Capital Brokerage, Inc.
2150 Lake Cook Road, Suite 750

Avanti Market at Leica
1700 Leider Lane

Buffalo Group, LLC
1564 Barclay Boulevard

Melvin J. Mayster & Co. Ltd.
1110 Lake Cook Road, Suite 260

On A Roll Trucking, Inc.
975 Weiland Road, Suite 160

Symphony Buffalo Grove LLC
150 Weiland Road

Barrel Maker Printing
1435 Busch Parkway

Orimtech, Ltd.
1611 Barclay Boulevard

ELM USA, Inc.
1609 Barclay Boulevard

The Huntington National Bank
401 Deerfield Parkway

Volkswagen of America Sales Learning Center

1534 Barclay Boulevard

Lavender Spa, Inc.
61 N. Buffalo Grove Road

Jennifer Stein, PH.D., P.C.
355 W. Dundee Road, Suite 214

Sunshine Health Massage, Inc.
1022 Weiland Road

Sign A Rama Buffalo Grove
350 Lexington Drive

Barr Agency, Inc.
1110 Lake Cook Road, Suite 375

New Age Elder Care, Inc.
701 Deerfield Parkway, Suite 101

Paws & Claws Illinois, Inc.
404 Half Day Road

Progressive Psychological Healthcare
1100 Lake Cook Road, Suite 130

Redline Athletics
1455 Busch Parkway

Connexion (Expansion)
1700 Leider Lane, Suite 100



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Finance and General Services

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Building and Zoning

(847) 459-2530

Health Department

(847) 459-2530

Fire Department

(Non-Emergency)

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Police Department

(Non-Emergency)

(847) 459-2560

Public Works-Operations

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Public Works-Engineering

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Buffalo Grove Golf Club

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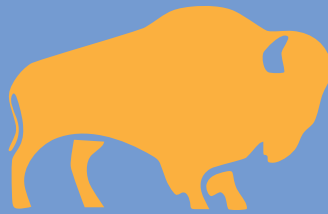
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2017 Village Board Meeting Schedule

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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