# BUFFALO GROVE VILLAGE NEWS





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March 7, 2018, marks the 60th anniversary of the incorporation of the Village of Buffalo Grove – we've come a long way in 60 years!

The very first pioneers to come to the Buffalo Grove area came from New England around 1834, and stayed for nearly five years. Many pioneers had received land grants from the government and came to settle on their frontier property. Early records show a mix of English, French and Scottish names.

In the 1840s, many of these first settlers sold their land to German immigrants fleeing their homeland. The cheap, yet fertile land in America was very appealing. Most Buffalo Grove area pioneers settled near people who shared their religion and nationality. German Catholics settled mainly in the Buffalo Grove area, German Lutherans lived in Long Grove and German Presbyterians moved to Wheeling. After they purchased land, the settlers worked very hard to turn their early farms and wilderness into part of a community. Many families would send one person ahead to see if Buffalo Grove was a good place to live. If they thought it was, the rest of the family would follow.

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## Jpcoming Village Board Meetings

March 19, 2018	Regular
April 2, 2018	cow
April 16, 2018	Regular
May 7, 2018	cow
May 21, 2018	Regular
June 4, 2018	cow













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## **Letter From The Village President**



Beverly Sussman bsussman@vbg.org

Do you know what makes Buffalo Grove a great place to live? The great organizations and volunteers we have in our community! In honor of the many volunteers who serve the Village of Buffalo Grove, the Village Board recently held its annual volunteer reception at the new Wild Buffalo restaurant. Volunteers from the following committees and commissions attended this event:

Arts Commission, Board of Fire and

Police Commissioners, Buffalo Grove Days Committee, Ethics Commission, Buffalo Grove Symphonic Band, Commission for Residents with Disabilities, Planning and Zoning Commission, Farmers' Market, Fire Pension Board, Police Pension Board, Electrical Commission, Police Volunteers, Board of Health and the Village Board.

As in past years, we recognized volunteers who were celebrating a milestone with the Village of Buffalo Grove. Congratulations to the following volunteers for their service:

#### **Five Years**

Elliot Hartstein Arts Commission

#### **Ten Years**

Karleen Pitchford Board of Health Mike Garfield Board of Health

#### Fifteen Years

**Arts Commission** Barb Herman Adam Moodhe **BG Days Betty Lou Manso BG Days Chuck Posniak BG** Days Janee Stempel **BG** Days **Ken Carothers BG Days** Ken Lazar **BG Days** Lee Orlov **BG** Days Penni Raphaelson **BG Days** Randi Orlov **BG Days** Ron Greco **BG Days** Mark Weiner **CRD Matthew Cohn** PZC Jim Pawlak **BG** Days

#### **Twenty Years**

Debra Jess BG Days
Doug Pitchford Board of Health
Jane Primak BG Days
Pam Koller Police Volunteer

Police Volunteer

Kay Krupela

This year, we have 14 committees, commissions and boards, including the Village Board. There are about 200 active volunteers, with 11 volunteers who serve on more than one committee. Approximately 35 volunteers have a family member who also volunteers with the Village of Buffalo Grove.

On behalf of the Village Board, I would like to thank all of our volunteers, chairs and co-chairs, trustee liaisons, staff liaisons and everyone involved with our volunteer program.

A special thank you to Peter Cahill, Management Analyst, for planning and organizing the volunteer reception.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, visit the Village's website at **vbg.org** and fill out a volunteer application form. We gratefully appreciate the service and dedication that our volunteers provide to the Village of Buffalo Grove.

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### **Upcoming Village Events**

SYMPHONIC BAND PERFORMANCE

APRIL 22 AT 7:00 P.M., STEVENSON HIGH SCHOOL

FARMERS' MARKET

SUNDAYS 8:00 A.M. TO 12:30 P.M. STARTING JUNE 17, MIKE RYLKO PARK

**BLOOD DRIVE** 

MARCH 3, JUNE 2, SEPTEMBER I, AND DECEMBER I, ALCOTT CENTER

**GREEN FAIR** 

JUNE 25, FROM 8:00 A.M. TO 12:30 P.M., MIKE RYLKO PARK

**FIREWORKS** 

JULY 4, BUFFALO GROVE GOLF COURSE

**BUFFALO GROVE DAYS** 

LABOR DAY WEEKEND, MIKE RYLKO PARK

**BUDDY BASEBALL** 

LABOR DAY WEEKEND, TWIN CREEKS PARK KENDRIGAN FIELD

FUN AND FOOD FOR RESIDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

LABOR DAY, MIKE RYLKO PARK

### **Village Maintains Bond Rating**

## from Moody's Investors Service

Citing strong financial management and reserves, Moody's Investors Service confirmed the Village of Buffalo Grove's 'Aaa' long-term bond rating in January of 2018. The Village's affluent demographic and favorable location in the region, along with strong financial management and a low debt burden ensured that the same high rating it received in 2017 was maintained. Moody's assigned a negative financial outlook underlying the Aaa rating, due to above-average pension liabilities compared to other municipalities across the U.S. Although Village pension contributions exceeded actuarial determined requirements, pension liabilities continue to grow. The Village consistently meets actuarial requirements for pension funding; however, the State of Illinois sets benefits for pensions, so the Village cannot make any changes to benefits.

"This rating is the result of prudent financial and budgetary management, innovative cost-saving strategies, and a conservative approach to managing debt," said Village President Beverly Sussman. "I credit both staff and the elected board for maintaining this prestigious rating."

Other factors given were budgetary flexibility and strong liquidity with available cash balances, compared to total government fund expenditures. Financial management was rated strong, as well as the Village's financial policies and the



use of long range planning documents.

President Sussman cited the state's continued economic and budgetary challenges as a significant threat to the Village's long-term financial stability, calling on Illinois' elected leaders to develop a viable financial plan for the state.

Buffalo Grove is one of only a handful of communities in Illinois to hold the highest bond rating available from Moody's, representing less than 1-percent of the 1,299 municipalities statewide.

## **Change Your Clock, Change Your Batteries**

Before going to bed on Saturday, March 10, 2018, (or you can get up early at 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, March 11,) turn your clocks ahead one hour for Daylight Savings Time (DST). The Buffalo Grove Fire Department urges everyone to take this opportunity to also test smoke alarms to ensure they are properly protected against fire. Smoke alarms with removable batteries should receive a fresh set, and smoke alarms with sealed-in batteries should be tested to ensure they are in proper working order.



According to research conducted by the National Fire Protection Association, three of every five home fire deaths occurs in a home without working smoke alarms. The vast majority of these deaths are due to dead or missing batteries. People frequently do not remember to change the batteries in their smoke alarms, or they disconnect the alarms to silence annoying chirps. (Those chirps are annoying for a reason; to let you know you need to change the battery). The result is a home that is defenseless against fire.

Smoke alarms should be installed inside and outside of each bedroom, sleeping area and on every level of a home, and they should be tested monthly. If a smoke alarm chirps, the battery should immediately be replaced. Smoke alarms, as well as carbon monoxide detectors, should be replaced every 10 years with new units.

For questions, please contact the Buffalo Grove Fire Department Public Education Office at **847-777-6110**.

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## Other Agency 2018 Road Construction Projects

Road construction projects on several roads within the Village of Buffalo Grove that are owned and maintained by other agencies, will begin on varying levels in 2018.



#### These projects and the scale of each include:

Intersection of Milwaukee Avenue and Deerfield Parkway: As part of the Woodman's Food Market development, the intersection of Milwaukee Avenue and Deerfield Parkway will be expanded and reconfigured. A second traffic signal will be added at the entrance to the development west of Milwaukee Avenue. Private utility relocation by ComEd and AT&T will begin in March or April of 2018, with the intersection work following through the fall of 2018. Woodman's Food Market has a projected opening date of fall 2018. Both construction activities are expected to impact travel throughout the area. The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) owns the roadway, and also has involvement in this project.

Weiland Road: This road project will consist of widening and reconstruction of the area that will be broken into two stages. Stage 1 is from Deerfield Parkway to near Lake Cook Road and Stage 2 is from Deerfield Parkway to Aptakisic Road, including Aptakisic Road, from Joseph Court to Bond Street. Stage 1 is expected to begin in late summer 2018, with Stage 2 starting in 2019. Both sections are expected to have utility relocation work begin in early 2018, which will cause periodic delays. Please see the Lake County Website at lakecountyil.gov/3832/Weiland-Rd for updates.

Lake Cook Road: The Cook County Highway and Transportation Department will be widening the roadway from four to six lanes, from Raupp Boulevard to Hastings Lane. This project also includes road work on Buffalo Grove Road, McHenry Road and Weiland Road. Project work is expected to begin late in 2018, with major impacts happening in 2019. Utility relocation work will begin early in 2018 causing periodic delays. There will be a project website created prior to the start of construction to provide updates to residents.

The Village of Buffalo Grove does not own these roadways and therefore cannot control the project direction. However, the Village is attempting to stay as involved as possible, to communicate information to the public on major changes and impacts. Look for future updates on the Village website and for links to project websites, information email blast sign ups, and project contacts.



#### **Did You Know?**

#### Quick facts to expand your knowledge.



The Great Pyramid of Cheops in Egypt, built about 2600 B.C., was constructed with enough stone to make a brick wall that could go around the world 20 inches high. In comparison, the largest modern building, the Pentagon, in Washington, D.C. would only make a brick wall that went around the world two inches high.

 $This \, information \, is \, courtesy \, of \, funology.com. \,$ 

## **Neighborhood Watch Programs**

The Buffalo Grove Police Department takes community policing seriously, and strongly believes in promoting communication between the agency and the Buffalo Grove community. While the department makes strong efforts to provide valuable information to residents, it also recognizes the importance of receiving information from them, as well.

The agency's recently formed Community Relations Unit (CRU) would like to remind Buffalo Grove residents of Neighborhood Watch Programs. These are individual groups that have members from relatively distinct neighborhoods, apartment complexes, and other living arrangements, who make a concerted effort to prevent and reduce crime within their neighborhoods.

Typically, these groups meet once a quarter to discuss current activities and how they can improve safety in the areas where they live. These groups work best with resident participation; usually 10-15 members are needed to achieve higher levels of success.

Starting a Neighborhood Watch group is simple! Initially, one invested neighbor needs to gather the support of others and organize a meeting. Prior to the meeting, it is best to visit the website **nnw.org**. This site will explain the entire process in starting and maintaining a Neighborhood Watch. Additional questions can be directed to the CRU.

\*Note: You do not need to become a paying member to

register your group with National Neighborhood Watch.

The CRU appreciates the opportunity to be included in these groups, even if minimally, and looks forward to listening to resident concerns and forming positive relationships. Presentations on different topics such as scams, burglaries and other safety topics can be provided by the CRU, as well as the ability to confirm or correct misinformation that may be shared throughout the community. The BGPD also appreciates this unique opportunity to disseminate information about the agency and criminal activity, and to receive complaints, tips and other information from residents who have a vested interest in the community.

These meetings can be held in someone's home, a clubhouse, or even at the Village of Buffalo Grove Youth Center, located at 50 ½ Raupp Boulevard, Buffalo Grove. Room information and reservations can be found at vbg.org/facilities.

For more information or assistance in starting your own Neighborhood Watch, please contact the Community Relations Unit at 847-459-2560.

### **Considering a Spring Home Improvement Project?**

Residents who are considering a home improvement project this coming spring/summer are encouraged to submit a building permit application as early as possible. There are fewer permit applications being reviewed earlier in the spring months, which means it will likely take less time for applications to be reviewed and approved. If there are any issues with the building plans that need to be verified or corrected, these matters can be addressed well before the construction season, which can help in getting projects started as soon as the weather breaks.

#### **Projects That Require a Building Permit:**

The following list includes samples of the type of work that requires a permit:

- Additions, including porches, decks, stairs and landings, gazebos, sheds
- Remodels, including kitchens, baths and basements
- · Fences, new or replacement
- Driveway and apron replacement/modification
- Patio and walkway replacement/new/modification
- Plumbing, including underground lawn sprinklers
- Electrical, including service upgrades and generators
- Swimming pools, hot tubs and spas

Some permits can be issued over the counter if all required information is present, such as:

- Air Conditioner/Furnace replacement
- Roofing permit
- Sewer repair
- Water heater replacement

Residents who are considering a home improvement project this coming spring/summer are encouraged to submit a **Follow the Below Tips to Ensure a Speedy Building Review**The project is a submit a project to the project this coming spring/summer are encouraged to submit a project to the project to the project this coming spring a home improvement project to the pro

- A plat of survey is required for work being done outside the home. Examples include building additions, fences, decks, sheds, and swimming pools. If the plat of survey cannot be located, check with the Building Division to determine if a copy is on file.
- To get specific permit requirements, visit our website at vbg.org/building. The requirements for the most common permits are listed under 'Residential Permit Requirements'. If requirements for a specific project are not available, contact the Building Division and speak with a representative.
- Submit all necessary information required on the building permit application form. Verify contractor(s) are registered with the Village. Contractor requirements can be found by visiting vbg.org/building.

Early planning for a project can help avoid frustration, potential problems and speed up the permit approval process. Village staff is ready to assist residents to explain the process and help ensure projects meet all applicable zoning and building safety codes. For more information, please contact the Community Development Department/Building Division at 847-459-2530 or BldgDept@vbg.org.

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## **Property Maintenance Around the Home**



Joe Arizzi, whose job as Property Maintenance Inspector for the Community Development Department, offers the following insight on common property maintenance items that should be reviewed this time of year:

- With the spring thaw, sump pumps become very active. Spring is a good time to check the pipe to make sure it is not blocked and is routed properly to the drainage swale. Remember, the discharge pipe cannot exceed a maximum allowable length of ten feet from the home.
- The overhead garage door, window frames and trim should be checked for chipping or peeling paint. Wood that is not properly protected from the elements can begin to rot and will then have to be replaced at a much higher cost than maintaining them with primer and paint.
- If there is a fence on a property, it should be checked to see that it is secure, and that panels or slats have not become loose or damaged. The posts should also

- be checked to make sure they are solidly anchored to the ground and haven't become loose.
- Trees and bushes that have grown over the public sidewalk should be trimmed back, so as not to encroach into the right-of-way and impede pedestrian traffic.
- Trees that have become diseased or have died should be removed, so as not to become a life safety issue.
- When performing spring cleanup activities, remember to place refuse, brush and related containers out for collection no earlier than 5:00 p.m. the night before collection, and remove all containers from the parkway within 24 hours after collection. Yard waste pick up begins April 1, 2018 and runs through December 15, 2018.

Village staff is ready to answer any questions regarding property maintenance projects. If you have any questions concerning property maintenance issues, please contact the Community Development Department at 847-459-2530 or at BldgDept@vbg.org.

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Those first Buffalo Grove settlers formed a very close bond because many of their sons and daughters married each other. Religion and education were two of the most important aspects of their new community. By 1899, downtown Buffalo Grove consisted of St. Mary Church, the Firnbach Tavern and the Weidner General Store. By 1900, Buffalo Grove was still small, but it was a prosperous dairy farming area. Over 100 years later, although we have grown, we still have a very close community where religion and education are some of the most important aspects of our lives. If you still have The History of Buffalo Grove booklet that was distributed to everyone for our 50th anniversary, I urge you to look at it again to review the history of our Village. I believe that we still have some of those booklets, so if you are new to Buffalo Grove and would like a booklet, please contact the Village of Buffalo Grove at 847-459-2525.

Written By Village Clerk Janet Sirabian

## **New and Expanding Businesses**

In 2017, 75 businesses opened, expanded and/or relocated in the Buffalo Grove. These businesses include:

ELM USA, Inc.
The Huntington National Bank
Volkswagen of America - Sales Learning Center
Lavender Spa, Inc.
Jennifer Stein, PH.D., P.C.
Sunshine Health Massage, Inc.
Remodel Direct, Inc.
Corptax, Inc.
Highland Capital Brokerage, Inc.
Avanti Market at Leica
Buffalo Group, LLC
Melvin J. Mayster & Co. Ltd.
On A Roll Trucking, Inc.

1609 Barclay Boulevard
401 Deerfield Parkway
1534 Barclay Boulevard
61 N. Buffalo Grove Road
355 W. Dundee Road, Suite 214
1022 Weiland Road
230 Lexington Drive
2100 Lake Cook Road, Suite 800
2150 Lake Cook Road, Suite 750
1700 Leider Lane
1564 Barclay Boulevard
1110 Lake Cook Road, Suite 260
975 Weiland Road, Suite 160

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## **New and Expanding Businesses**

Symphony Buffalo Grove LLC **Barrel Maker Printing** Orimtech, Ltd. Sign A Rama Buffalo Grove Barr Agency, Inc. New Age Elder Care, Inc. Paws & Claws Illinois, Inc. **Progressive Psychological Healthcare Redline Athletics** Connexion E-Blox, Inc. Knipex Tools, LP The Salem Group **Cesar Carrillo State Farm Insurance Agency Kartina TV** Pragma Edge, Inc. ThermFlo, Inc. **Comfort Keepers** Computer Aided Technology, LLC **Leyard American Corporation** Up N Adam Service & Supply, Inc. World HHD **Monnex Precision, Inc. Athletico Physical Therapy** The Wild Buffalo **Swift Prepaid Solutions, Inc.** Wholesaler's Unlimited, LLC **Yes Class** Fisher Container Corp. **Responsible Electronic Recycling L3C Veritas Document Solutions** Althea Day Spa, Inc. Fence Solutions Co. **Kabob at Pizza** Michael's on Main Café **Native Foods Holdings Corporation BCMF Financial Group/Mass Mutual Illinois Northwest Community Healthcare Edward Jones Investments Prairie House Tavern (addition)** Holland Home USA, LLC No Escape, Inc. (expansion) Rosin Optical, Co John Marshall Construction, Inc. Mate Vaman, Inc. **Chicago School of Golf Grove Psychological Services Omega Marketing Corporation Drs Papworth, Vargas & Associates, LTD** Verisk Analytics/Insurance Services Office, Inc. KCI International, Inc. PrimeHealth Toe the Line **Rubin Law Group Branson Ultrasonics Corporation Kennedy & Limardi Family Dental Monaco's Furniture** Woodcraft **BCDVideo Burdeen's Jewelry (addition)** 5i5j Realty Co Ltd Green Buddha Yoga Lounge, Inc.

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**150 Weiland Road** 1435 Busch Parkway **1611 Barclay Boulevard 350 Lexington Drive** 1110 Lake Cook Road, Suite 375 701 Deerfield Parkway, Suite 101 **404 Half Day Road** 1100 Lake Cook Road, Suite 130 1455 Busch Parkway 1700 Leider Lane, Suite 100 880 Asbury Drive 1500 Busch Parkway 1130 Lake Cook Road, Suite 240 1493 W. Dundee Road 779 S. Buffalo Grove Road 2150 Lake Cook Road, Suite 730 875 Busch Parkway 1400 Lake Cook Road, Suite 110 165 Arlington Heights Road, Suite 101 1690 Barclay Boulevard 725 Hastings Lane **1674 Barclay Boulevard 330 Hastings Drive** 1156 W. Lake Cook Road 48 Raupp Boulevard 2150 Lake Cook Road, Suite 100 190 McHenry Road 400 W. Dundee Road, Suite 106 1700 Leider Lane **708 Armstrong Drive 951 Commerce Court** 146 W. Dundee Road, Suite 101 545 Depot Place, 2nd Floor 1659 N. Buffalo Grove Road **485 Half Day Road** 1110 Lake Cook Road, Suite 195A 2150 Lake Cook Road, Suite 555 600 Lake Cook Road, Suite 160 975 Weiland Road, Suite 110 2710 Main Street 765 S. Buffalo Grove Road 1501 W. Dundee Road, Suites 102, 103 & 104 151 McHenry Road 1554 Barclay Boulevard 153 W. Dundee Road 1610 Barclay Boulevard 1217 McHenry Road, Unit 230 **354 Lexington Drive** 135 Arlington Heights Road, Unit 125 485 Half Day Road, Unit 300 1570 Barclay Boulevard 2100 E. Lake Cook Road, Unit 1000 302 McHenry Road 1110 Lake Cook Road, Unit 165 **1585 Barclay Boulevard** 1425 McHenry Road Unit 101 798 S. Buffalo Grove Road 1148 Lake Cook Road 901 Deerfield Parkway 1151 Lake Cook Road 1649 N. Buffalo Grove Road 146 W. Dundee Road Unit 204

## **Economic Development Update**

In 2017, the Village issued more than 2,500 residential and commercial building permits. These permits represent a total project valuation of nearly \$65,000,000 invested into the Buffalo Grove community.

The following projects were recently approved and/or are under construction:



#### Woodman's Market

On September 27, 2017, Village officials and Woodman's representatives celebrated the start of construction of the new 242,000-square-foot Woodman's Market grocery store on the northwest corner of Milwaukee Avenue and Deerfield Road. In addition to the new Woodman's grocery store, the project will also include an additional 43,000 square feet of new retail and office development on the south side of Deerfield Road.

#### ThermFlo, Inc. and Zonatherm Products Headquarters

ThermFlo, Inc. and its sister company Zonatherm Products have recently completed construction on their new 40,437-square-foot office and warehouse building located at 875 Busch Parkway.



#### 850 Asbury Drive

Construction has been completed on the new 160,000-square-foot multi-tenant industrial building

at 850 Asbury Drive. The developer demolished the previous building and constructed a new state-of-theart warehouse/office facility. The building will be home to Business IT Source, a computer hardware and services company that relocated from Vernon Hills. Another business occupying the building is Linn Star which specializes in delivery and installation of household appliances.

#### **Sky Fitness**

Sky Fitness, located at 1501 Busch Parkway, was recently approved for a 26,000-square-foot addition to the existing building. The addition will include new locker rooms, club area and an outdoor pool. Construction is expected to begin in spring/summer of 2018.

#### **Metro Storage**

Metro Storage is currently under construction with a new 3-story, 116,000-square-foot self-storage building which is on the vacant lot located at the southwest corner of Busch Parkway and Deerfield Parkway.



#### **Burdeen's Jewelry Addition**

Burdeen's Jewelry recently completed a 3,000-squarefoot addition to their existing building located at 1151 W. Lake Cook Road.

#### **Goddard School**

Goddard School is currently under construction for a new 9,600-square-foot childcare center at 1050 Barclay Blvd. The new building is expected to be completed in 2018.

#### **Link Crossing**

The Village Board recently approved the Link Crossing subdivision on the unincorporated 50 acres located at 16802 W. Aptakisic Road, just north of the existing Didier Farms property. The project by K. Hovnanian Homes will have a total of 187 units and include a mix of 68 clustered single-family detached homes, and 119 2-story townhomes. Many of the models will offer first floor masters, as well as two ranch models for the single-family detached area. The entire development will be maintenance free. Work will likely begin in late 2018 or early 2019.





#### Saturday, March 31 10 - 11:30 am Mike Rylko Community Park

Gather your entire family and hop on over to Mike Rylko Community Park for a morning full of free activities and fun! The festivities will kick off promptly at 10:15 am with our age specific egg hunts (age categories will be 2-4, 5-7 and 8-10), followed by face painting, games, pictures with the bunny and much more. Remember to bring baskets to collect your eggs. If there is inclement weather, the event will be held indoors at the Community Arts Center. Check the Rainout Line at 847.235.6857.

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#### **RESIDENT**

#### **NONRESIDENT**

\$20 - First Dog \$10 - 2nd and 3rd Dog \$15 - 2nd and 3rd Dog

\$30 - First Dog

There is a limit of 3 dogs.

The dog park is only available to permit holders only. Permits are now available to both residents and nonresidents at the Alcott Center. You can download the annual or daily use permit application at bgparks.org, and return it to the Alcott Center for processing. Annual passes are valid from May 1 through April 30 of the following year. A daily use permit is \$6 per dog (limit of 3 dogs).

In order to purchase a dog park permit, residents need to provide proof of Buffalo Grove Park District residency (Village and Park District borders are not identical) and a Village dog license. Nonresidents must provide current vaccination records.

#### Free parking is available at the south end of the train station.



835 Commerce Court Buffalo Grove, IL 60089

Located at the south end of the parking lot at the Sidney Mathias Metra Train Station









The Buffalo Grove Park District's charitable foundation.

#### **AARP Tax Assistance For Seniors**

Sign up for free income tax preparation appointments through AARP. This program helps taxpayers with low-to-middle income, with special attention to those over 60 years of age. Please stop by or call the front desk at the Alcott Center at 847.850.2100 for appointments. Appointments are available on Thursdays only, through April 12, and will be held at the Alcott Center. Because of the increase in identity theft, if taxpayers wish to file Married Filing Jointly, both spouses must be present, unless the spouse who is present has in their possession a Power of Attorney to represent the missing spouse. If you are filing taxes for someone else (parent, sibling, adult child), you must also have a Power of Attorney or court order showing your legal status to handle the taxpayer's finances. AARP/IRS requires you to bring a Social Security card for all people on the tax return (including dependents), and a government issued photo ID for all taxpayers (both spouses). We strongly recommend that you bring your 2016 tax return. The AARP Tax Assistance program is intended to handle simple returns that can be completed in approximately 1 hour. If there is something unusual or complicated in your finances, please call our office, and an AARP representative will be happy to get back to you and see if your tax return is within their scope.

#### Senior Adults Growing & Exploring (SAGES)

Thursday, March 8, 22, April 12 and 26

9:30 - 11:30 am

#### Free

Retirees, semi-retired, or soon to retire seniors discuss issues, share information and knowledge about retirement, lend each other support, seek new opportunities, and plan social events. Please join organizers Judy and Michael Yublosky, and other attendees, if you're interested in enjoying your new freedom, exploring your future, and making new friends with like-minded people. Visit https://sagesofbg.wordpress.com/ for more details. Registration is required.

#### **Senior Golf Day**

Thursday April 12

1 - 2 pm

#### Free to all seniors

The Golf Dome, located at 801 McHenry Road in Buffalo Grove, will be open for everyone to come and have some fun. If you need some practice hitting balls, or have never tried to golf, now is the perfect time to attend our open house. Refreshments will be served, along with raffle prizes and giveaways.

#### **Senior Expo**

Tuesday, April 10 10 am - 1:30 pm Arboretum Club

Mark your calendar for the 18th Annual Senior Citizen Expo on Tuesday, April 10. This free event, hosted by the Friends of the Parks Foundation and coordinated by the Buffalo Grove Park District and the Village of Buffalo Grove, provides a dynamic one stop shop for seniors to interact with vendors and service providers, enabling them to become familiar with the wide range of services available to them. The Senior Expo will be held at The Arboretum Club, 401 Half Day Road in Buffalo Grove from 10 am - 1:30 pm. There will be a grand prize drawing at 1 pm for a television, as well as other prizes. For more information please contact Terri Ebner at 847.850.2117.

#### **Vendors Needed**

There is still space available if you would like to feature your business at this year's Senior Expo. Last year over 700 people and 70 vendors attended this successful event. Booths are \$160, or become a Premier Sponsor and receive a larger booth in a prime location, as well as your company's logo prominently displayed on all Senior Expo publicity materials and advertisements. If you would like additional information on becoming a vendor, please contact Terri Ebner at 847.850.2117.

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## **Bowling for Buddies**

The Rotary Club of Buffalo Grove is partnering with the Commission for Residents with Disabilities to host Bowling for Buddies on Thursday, April 19, 2018 at Bowlero, 350 McHenry Road in Buffalo Grove, from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

This is an exciting opportunity for children in 4th through 8th grades with special needs to enjoy a fun activity in a family-friendly environment. Participants will receive free bowling, pizza, chicken fingers and refreshments. To RSVP, please go to this link <a href="https://goo.gl/forms/XnXXviznsD1dLjgm2">https://goo.gl/forms/XnXXviznsD1dLjgm2</a> and follow the instructions on the webpage. The form is also available at <a href="bgrotary.org">bgrotary.org</a>. RSVPs must be received by Monday, April 9, 2018.



## Lake Cook Corridor Market Study and Plan Update

The Village of Buffalo Grove would like to thank everyone who has participated in the Lake Cook Corridor Market Study and Plan thus far! Community input has helped to shape the direction of this project and the vision for the Corridor's future. Currently, the plan for the Lake Cook Corridor is being drafted for review. The plan will outline a vision for the future Corridor and provide recommendations and strategies to achieve this vision. Consequently, it will be used as a framework and guide for the Corridor over the next 15-20 years.

Once the plan is completed, the project team will invite the public to view the final draft plan and provide feedback. Please sign-up for project notifications on the project webpage at **vbg.org/lcc** to receive the latest updates. The project webpage also includes detailed information about the project's history, progress and meetings.

The Lake Cook Corridor Market Study and Plan is expected to be completed this spring.



