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# BUFFALO GROVE VILLAGE NEWS



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# **Police Connect** With the Community

The Buffalo Grove Police Department believes engagement with the local community is a critical component of modern law enforcement. The public's trust in the Department is not taken for granted; this trust is a key component in promoting public safety.

From the chief of police to the newest community service officer, each member is encouraged to reach out to the community through positive, non-enforcement interactions whenever possible.

Community engagement means forming and maintaining relationships with residents, businesses and community organizations. Residents may see police officers serving cookies to seniors at the Alcott Center, or handing out stickers at a school picnic or at Willow Stream during concerts in the park. Officers also visit block parties, give police station tours to scout groups, or reward children with free ice cream coupons for wearing bicycle helmets.

There are a variety of programs that help to prevent residents from becoming crime victims. The Vacation Watch program lets patrol officers know when a home will be unoccupied, so they can periodically check on the residence while the homeowner is away. The Department also supports residents with the formation, support and maintenance of Neighborhood Watch Groups.

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#### Upcoming Village Board Meetings

July 16, 2018	Regular
August 6, 2018	COW
August 20, 2018	Regular
September 17, 2018	Regular
October 1, 2018	COW
October 15, 2018	Regular



Visit the Village of Buffalo Grove online at vbg.org

# **Letter From The Village President**



Beverly Sussman bsussman@vbg.org

Now in its 9th year, the Buffalo Grove Farmers' Market continues to be a great event! The market is held every Sunday between June 17th and October 14th (rain or shine, with the exception of Sunday during Buffalo Grove Days) from 8:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. The location is in the parking lot of Mike Rylko Park, at Route 83 between Deerfield Parkway and Buffalo Grove Road.

The Buffalo Grove Farmers Market is made up of local farmers, some from less than two miles away from Buffalo Grove, who bring freshly

grown fruits and vegetables picked just hours before they arrive. The farmers offer organic, certified organic, low spray and other options. They are proud of their work and happy to answer your questions about how your food was grown, and how to prepare fruits and vegetables.

Vendors offer coffee, smoothies, scones, muffins, freshly prepared crepes, donuts and other Sunday morning treats to be enjoyed on the pub tables located throughout the market.

The location is family-friendly with ample parking and indoor restrooms with changing tables for parents with little ones. On most Sundays, there is music and activities for the kids, including face painting. Area residents are invited to come out and socialize with friends and neighbors and support local farmers and vendors – many who have tables at the market on a weekly basis.

To add to your dinner table, you will find mushrooms, sauces, seasonings, breads, poultry, meats and fish and, of course, desserts! Bring your kitchen knives and gardening tools for Sharpening by Dave. For the family pet, North Shore Pet Chef offers treats for your dogs and cats. However, there is a Buffalo Grove ordinance that prohibits dogs from being at the market.

Our Buffalo Grove Farmers Market is the perfect family Sunday morning event!

Its kick-off date is Sunday, June 17 from 8:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

Beverly Sussman

# Village of Buffalo Grove Consumer Confidence Report for Water Quality January 1 through December 31, 2017 Published on July 1, 2018

Buffalo Grove presents a yearly summary of the quality of the water provided during the past year.

The Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) requires the Village of Buffalo Grove, as a community water supplier, to issue an annual 'Consumer Confidence' report to customers. This report details where water comes from, what it contains, and how it tests against the standards established by the Federal and State Environmental Protection Agencies.

The Village encourages public interest and participation in decisions affecting the water supply. For those interested in attending a meeting, the Board of Trustees meets on the first and third Mondays of the month at 7:30 p.m., at Village Hall, 50 Raupp Boulevard. To obtain a hard copy of the report, please contact Public Works at **847-459-2545** between 7:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Contact Superintendent of Water Operations Dave Haisma with any questions about water quality at **847-459-2545** between 7:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. To view the full CCR, please visit **vbg.org/ccr**. The full report was recently mailed out to all Village of Buffalo Grove postal addresses.

## **Buffalo Grove Supports Efforts** to Protect Future Water Supply

In 2011, the Village joined the United States Environmental Protection Agency's WaterSense Program. The purpose of the program is to protect the nation's future water supply by offering simple ways to use less water with water-efficient products and services. Additionally, Buffalo Grove updated its code to require WaterSense products when new plumbing fixtures are installed, or existing fixtures are replaced.

For more information about WaterSense, visit epa.gov/watersense.

# First Prairie View Metra Station Area Plan Open House a Success

The Village of Buffalo Grove would like to thank the more than 150 people who attended the first public open house for the Prairie View Metra Station Area Plan on May 10, 2018 at the Arboretum Club.

Potential new land uses and development will be investigated and discussed in future public engagement activities relating to the Prairie View Metra Station and the greater area around it. The first of these meetings was held on May 10, 2018. The project area includes residential and commercial properties in northern Buffalo Grove, in addition to open spaces in the vicinity of the Prairie View Metra Station. Buffalo Grove has hired a planning and design firm to conduct the meetings to hear from stakeholders on their thoughts and ideas on the future of this area.

The Village encourages the community to be involved in the engagement activities that will help to create the vision and future plan for this area. For more information about the project and to sign up for the project's mailing list, visit **prairieviewbg.com**. This website will be routinely updated, and will announce additional public engagement opportunities, as well as project updates and other related news.



Praire View Metra Station Plan Open House

# **Buffalo Grove Employee Spotlight:** Lieutenant Tom Nugent



Lieutenant Tom Nugent was sworn in as a Buffalo Grove police officer in 1989. He has served in the Directed Patrol Unit and Traffic Motorcycle Unit, and as a criminal investigator, staff services corporal, detective sergeant, patrol lieutenant, administrative services lieutenant, and investigator and supervisor for the Lake County Major Crimes Task Force. He is currently serving as an assistant commander with the Task Force.

Tom recently returned from a six-month fellowship with the FBI in Washington, D.C., working in the Criminal Investigations Division. This fellowship provides an opportunity for municipal law enforcement leaders to provide their expertise for national and international law enforcement issues. Tom was able to bring his local vision to decision-making and messaging on hational strategies, program management, training, policy and congressional affairs. He also acted as a facilitator for six working groups in the reorganization of the division of more than 860 FBI

agents and professional staff. Tom spent the last two months with the Violent Crimes and Gangs Section, where he helped to develop a national strategy to address the transnational gang, MS-13. Tom was required to pass an extensive background investigation for this assignment, after which he received a top secret security clearance.

Tom's parents instilled in him the philosophy of standing up for people who are victimized, wronged or maligned. He believes his role as a police officer is to help others reach a level of equity and justice. When asked what he finds most enjoyable about the job, Tom responded, "As much as the Patrol Division touches broader numbers of constituents, my work in major case investigations which assisted in the removal of some of the worst anti-social predators from society, has been the most rewarding."

## **Police Create Connections** With the Community

Police work with organizations to coordinate events that benefit the community. The 'Stuff the Squad', 'Shop with a Cop', 'Random Act of Kindness Day', 'Bowl with a Cop' and Special Olympics fundraising events are all examples of partnerships between the police and businesses that improve the quality of life for all Buffalo Grove residents. Officers are involved in various community coalitions and host 'Picnic with the Police' events at both the Indian Trails and Vernon Area public libraries. The Department also provides speakers for nonprofit organizations on topics including how to recognize common scams, to surviving an active shooter situation. One of the newest programs, SAFER Buffalo Grove, is a coalition with the Fire Department, Park District and local townships to promote public safety for seniors in the Buffalo Grove area.

All of these efforts cost very little in terms of dollars but pay large dividends when it comes to promoting overall public safety for the entire Buffalo Grove community.

Bowl with a Cop

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

Plane Pull



#### **Quick Facts to Expand Your Knowledge.**

Bike Rodeo

TOP

Cop On Top

Down for

211

Cardboard standees of Buffalo Grove police officers were used in local storefronts as part of an anti-drug campaign in 1990. In the photo on the left Police Corporal Steve Haisley is seen carrying 'Officer Dean Schulz' to get him ready for his next assignment.

(Photo courtesy of the Chicago Tribune)

## Save the Monarchs

Do you love butterflies? If there is one butterfly that is most recognizable, it is the Monarch! The Monarch population has declined 90-percent over the last 20 years, and their mere existence is in peril. A national movement to save the Monarch has now come to Buffalo Grove.

Buffalo Grove is one of approximately 350 communities in the U.S. to be a certified pledge community through the National Wildlife Federation (NWF) Mayor's Monarch Pledge Program.

Milkweed plants are imperative for the Monarch to live and survive; it is the only plant that the Monarch will lay its eggs on. The Save the Monarch volunteer group in Buffalo Grove has passed out Milkweed seeds at the Farmers' Market, and distributed them to scout troops, while also cleaning invasive plants from are prairies.

The group is currently collecting and cleaning milkweed seedpods, and planning for the summer season by planting natural prairie plants and nectar flowers at homes and businesses throughout Buffalo Grove. Visit **vbg.org/monarchs** for more information.



#### Pace's Bus-on-Shoulder Program Increases Buffalo Grove's Accessibility

#### In early April of 2018, suburban bus service provider Pace improved Buffalo Grove's accessibility through its 'Bus-on-Shoulder' program on the Edens Expressway (I-94).

This program enables existing routes, including Route 626 (Skokie Valley Limited route), to connect commercial, transit and business centers in North Shore communities with Buffalo Grove employment centers. The buses that create these connections ride on the shoulder of the Edens Expressway separate from regular traffic, which increases on-time performance and in turn, reliability.

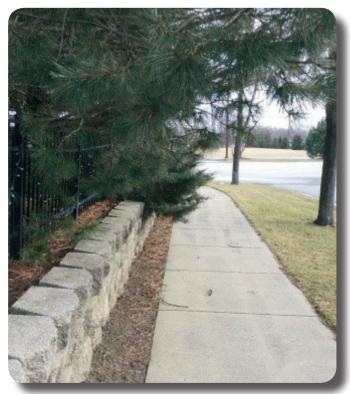
Pace first introduced shoulder riding in 2011 on the Stevenson Expressway (I-55). Since then, its on-time performance for those routes has increased from 65-percent to more than 90-percent, with ridership growing by 600-percent. Improved schedule reliability and ridership with the Edens Expressway initiative is anticipated, but it is unclear if similar dramatic ridership increases will be seen with local suburban users. Route 626 provides weekday service from Skokie to Lincolnshire with stops in Buffalo Grove, including at Milwaukee Avenue and Deerfield Road, the Prairie View Metra Station, Riverwalk Office Towers, and along Deerfield Parkway, Busch Parkway and Barclay Boulevard in the Village's industrial areas.

For more information about the bus-on-shoulder program, visit **pacebus.com/sub/vision2020/expressway\_brt.asp**.

# Keep Sidewalks and Bike Paths Safe for Public Use

The safe and efficient use of the Buffalo Grove's sidewalk and bike path system relies, in part, on the assistance of property owners. Village Code requires all property owners whose shrubs, trees and/or other vegetation that are planted along public sidewalks or near bike paths be trimmed so there is no obstruction to cyclists and pedestrians utilizing these areas.

There are approximately 249 miles of sidewalks and bike paths available for public use in Buffalo Grove, and assistance in keeping them safe is greatly appreciated! To help spread the word, the Public Works Forestry Section will be implementing a public service campaign this summer to inform residents of the risks associated with improperly maintained vegetation, in addition to what is required of property owners. Beginning in 2019, Buffalo Grove will begin to enforce violations. More information will be provided to residents prior to any enforcement efforts.



Improperly maintained shrubs



Properly maintained shrubs

#### 2018 Summer Sanitary Sewer Rates for Lake County Residents

Buffalo Grove collects sanitary sewer fees on behalf of Lake County from residents who reside there. Cook County residents' sanitary sewer fees are collected directly by Cook County.

Lake County charges \$4 per thousand gallons of water consumed to treat sanitary sewage, but during the summer months, the County caps the amount of sanitary sewer fees. This cap is calculated by averaging the non-summer months' consumption and multiplying the average consumption by 120-percent. This formula is designed to relieve residents of paying sanitary sewer fees for water used on their landscaping, which is not treated at Lake County's sanitary sewer facility. The sanitary sewer credit is reflected on utility bills issued in the months of June, July, August and September.

Cook County residents' sanitary sewer treatment is handled by the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago which has the ability to levy tax. The fees for water treatment are paid through Cook County resident property taxes.

## **New or Expanding Businesses**

Amaveo Med Spa **American Board of Endodontics** Amita Health Medical Group **Business IT Source, Inc. Champs Elysees Spa Chinese WORD Ministries Coram CVS Specialty Infusion Services** D&F Vapor, Inc. Daniel's Caviar Co. (Expansion) EZPlay, LLC Green Air Care Group, Inc. **Hair Clue Salon** I.N. Martial Arts Academy Katelen Nail Supply, Inc. Lake Cook Piano Studio, LLC Liquor City, Inc. Melted Co. Mongol Motors, Inc. **Northwest Medical Group** Pizza Amore, Inc. **Potbelly Sandwich Shop** Ram Racing (Expansion) **Relationship Works, LLC** Sabio Academy.com Spring-Fill, LLC Sterling Transit, LLC UKT Chicago, Inc. **United States Tax Services** White Amber Co. YoFruito

701 Deerfield Parkway, Unit 30 750 Lake Cook Road, Unit 137 600 Lake Cook Road, Unit 120 850 Asbury Drive, Unit B 151 W. Dundee Road 385 S. Buffalo Grove Road **1333 Barclay Boulevard** 1475 Busch Parkway 400 W. Dundee Road, Units 16 & 17 **1574 Barclay Boulevard 1584 Barclay Boulevard** 779 S. Buffalo Grove Road 155 W. Dundee Road 400 W. Dundee Road, Units 8 & 9 1151 McHenry Road, Unit 205-A 765 S. Buffalo Grove Road 249 W. Dundee Road 545 Depot Place 135 Arlington Heights Road, Unit 152 808 Milwaukee Avenue 800 Milwaukee Avenue 951 Corporate Grove Drive 1110 Lake Cook Road, Unit 152 830 S. Buffalo Grove Road, Unit 115 **1576 Barclay Boulevard** 850 Asbury Drive, Unit 3A 2150 Lake Cook Road, Unit 550 251 Milwaukee Avenue, Unit 1025 701 Deerfield Parkway, Unit 105 1240 W. Dundee Road

# **Police Issue Crime Opportunity Cards**

#### During the summer months, more people are out and about, or away on vacations, which creates additional opportunities for crimes to occur.

To support crime prevention efforts, the Buffalo Grove Police Department issues 'Crime Opportunity Cards'. For example, if a police officer observes a potential opportunity for a crime to be committed at a location due to safety deficiencies, they will issue a Crime Opportunity Card as a notice to the resident or business owner of their findings. Crime Opportunity Cards are not a citation, but instead an alert to educate the public. Below are examples of when a police officer may issue a Crime Opportunity Card:

- Open doors/garage doors
- Unlocked car doors
- Valuable items in plain sight
- Unsecured bicycles/equipment
- Inadequate perimeter lighting
- Obstructed view of premises (fences/landscaping)

Residents and business owners are reminded to secure all valuables and belongings, and to be aware of their surroundings. For more information on crime prevention tips, or to have a property evaluated for security, please contact the Community Relations Unit at **847-459-2560**.

# **Close Doors Before You Doze**

The Buffalo Grove Fire Department is urging residents to close their doors before they go to sleep at night. A closed door can slow the spreading of a fire, reduce toxic smoke levels, improve oxygen levels and decrease temperatures dramatically.

Using thermal imaging cameras, researchers have found that when a fire is spreading through a home, rooms with closed doors on both floors have an average temperature of less than 100° F, versus more than 1,000° F in rooms that have open doors.

Closed bedroom doors can also help lower a person's exposure to carbon monoxide. A bedroom with its door left open allows approximately 10,000 parts per million of carbon monoxide (PPM CO) in the room during a fire, which is highly toxic. A bedroom with a closed door has approximately 100 PPM CO. In closed door rooms, oxygen levels are at a breathable 18-percent, while open door room oxygen levels are at 8-percent level, which is extremely low and dangerous.

In experiments completed by the Fire Safety Research Institute, a victim in a bedroom with a closed door was able to survive and function successfully through every experiment, and long after the fire department had arrived. In the bedroom with an open door, potential victims would either be unconscious or deceased prior to the arrival of firefighters, or as a result of fire ventilation actions. When exiting a burning structure, don't forget to close the door. In addition to dramatically improving the chances for survival, it will also cut off the fire's oxygen supply and could stop, or slow down the fire's growth.

Residents are encouraged to take other steps to ensure their homes are safe by checking smoke detectors monthly. Roughly three out of five deaths occur in homes with no working smoke alarms or no smoke alarms at all. Around half of home fire deaths result from fires reported between 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. when most people are asleep.

Forty years ago, occupants had 17 minutes to escape a home in the event of a fire. Today, due to the use of synthetic materials, furniture and construction, that time has been dramatically reduced to three minutes. Having a fire escape plan for your home is also an important step to increase chances for survival.

For more fire safety tips, visit **ready.gov** and search 'fire safety tips'.







## July 20, 21, 26, 27 and 28 at 7:30 pm July 22 and 29 at 2 pm

Buffalo Grove Community Arts Center 225 McHenry Road

Tickets are on sale at **bigdealproductions.org** 

Buffalo Grove Park District presents



## FOOD DRIVE

Bring a nonperishable food item to National Night Out. All items collected will be distributed through local food pantries supported by the Northwest Suburban Interfaith Council.

# Tuesday, August 7

Willow Stream Park - 651 Old Checker Road

#### 5 - 7:30 pm

- ★ Business Expo
- ★ Picnic in the Park
- ★ Inflatable Attractions and Face Painting
- ★ Buffalo Grove Fire and Police Department Displays
- ★ Free Hotdogs, chips and drinks (while supplies last)

6 - 8 pm Live music with Sway Chicago































The Buffalo Grove Park District's charitable foundation.

# FREE FUN TUESDAYS in Buffalo Grove

#### Tuesdays • 10 - 11:30 am

- Park Location
- June 26

Date

- Willow Stream Park
- Twin Creeks Park (Safety Towr



#### lay in the Park with your family, friends, neighbors and the uffalo Grove Park District Park Squad! On 3 Tuesday mornings, ne Buffalo Grove Park District will be hosting fun activities for hildren of all ages. Drop in and have fun at no cost. Come njoy the fun and stay for lunch in the park. In case of inclement zeather, call the weather hotline at 847.235.6857.

#### Fun Park Activities Will Include

- Putt Putt Golf Hula Hoops Contest Bag Toss Horseshoe Toss Water Games Disc Golf
- Kickball Softball Wiffleball Playground Fun Arts & Crafts Parachute
- Chalk Bubbles Bocce Ball Safety Town (Must bring your own helmet) Frisbees



#### Sunday, September 2 Buffalo Grove Fitness Center 601 W. Deerfield Parkway

10K Run	7:30 am
5K Run	8:15 am
5K Walk	8:15 am

Register online at bgstampede.org.



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# **4th of July Fireworks**

The Village of Buffalo Grove will host the annual Independence Day fireworks display on Wednesday, July 4, 2018. The fireworks are sponsored by Siemens Building Technologies, and will begin at approximately 9:15 p.m. Designated viewing areas include the Buffalo Grove Golf Course and Willow Stream Park.

#### Some Words from Our Sponsor

Siemens Building Technologies is headquartered in Buffalo Grove, is one of the Village's largest employers, and an industry leader in efficient building infrastructure. Siemens is proud to continue its partnership to provide the fireworks showcase for the residents of Buffalo Grove on Independence Day!





#### 4th of July Parking and Road Closures

\*\*Closures in effect during and after the show\*\*

