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## Message From the Mayor

We are proud to announce that Mundelein's new Village Hall, located at 300 Plaza Circle, is now open for business! In just one year, we've built a new Village Hall to serve as a catalyst for future development in Downtown Mundelein and beyond. We plan to create a mixed use development area capitalizing on Mundelein's central location, first-rate transportation infrastructure, and healthy demographics, to shape the future of our vibrant Village. We are very proud to be partnering with Weston Solutions on this initiative—in a unique public-private partnership—thus easing the tax burden on our residents. Please visit us soon in our new home!

As many of you are aware, over the past several months the Village has been involved with a comprehensive branding initiative designed to better position Mundelein in the marketplace and to help articulate Mundelein's unique attributes. Our new M-Star logo is designed to do just that. I wish to thank the many residents who participated in our branding campaign. Thanks to your input, our brand is much stronger because it reflects your input.

The quality of life we all enjoy in Mundelein is something to be respected and celebrated. We are confident that our new brand will help our community to grow and thrive. In fact, a local reporter remarked in an article about our new brand, "Mundelein has a symbol that represents a promise they can deliver." We hope you share our Mundelein pride!

Mundelein's Second Annual Beer Festival garnered positive press for the Village and the event drew a capacity crowd. The

Mundelein Community Connection organizing committee along with Bruce Dir at Tighthouse Brewery did a fantastic job organizing this event. I am very proud

that Mundelein hosted one of the finest craft beer festivals in the area. I also hope we draw capacity crowds at our upcoming Mundelein Community Days. A complete schedule is in the newsletter, so please join us! I want to thank the Mundelein Days Commission, American Legion Post 867, the Mundelein Park District, Santa Maria del Popolo Parish, our business sponsors, the Historical Society of Fort Hill Country, and the hundreds of volunteers who make this event possible. Our special events are second to none and a great source of pride for our community.

Throughout the summer months, please be sure to participate in the other events that make Mundelein a wonderful place to live and raise a family including: the Farmers Market, Barefoot Bay, Park on Park, and the Summer Concert series to name just a few. Please visit our website for complete details and let's make this a summer to remember!

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

**Steve Lentz**  
Mayor of Mundelein



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# Public-Private Partnership Results in New Village Hall—Mundelein and Weston Solutions Partnering to Move Mundelein Forward

After more than 80 years in the same facility, Village of Mundelein staff recently moved to their new home—a 32,000 square foot Village Hall located at 300 Plaza Circle in Downtown Mundelein adjacent to the Metra Train station. Direct entrance to the Village Hall is from the east off of Plaza Circle. The Village Hall is accessible from Hawley and Division streets. The first official day of operation was June 23, 2014. Mundelein's new Village Hall is part of a 5-lot subdivision centered around a circular plaza. The other lots are contemplated for mixed use office, retail and residential development.

For this project, the Village partnered with Weston Solutions—a nationally renowned environmental engineering company. The new Village Hall is a LEED certified building designed to reduce energy consumption and pollution.

Under the public-private partnership agreement, the Village Hall occupies 16,000 square feet of space on the ground floor which houses the Village offices, including workspace for 35 employees, the Mayor's Office, the Village Clerk, Board Room and conference rooms. Weston Solutions will occupy 16,000 square feet of leased office space upstairs for approximately 50 employees. This new location serves as the companies new regional headquarters. Entrance to the Weston Solutions offices are from the west, off of Archer Street; but both the Village Hall and Weston Solutions are accessible from either entrance.

"The public-private partnership greatly benefits the community in that there was no increase in property taxes to pay for the \$10 million building. Village financial reserves, lease payments, grant proceeds, and revenues from recycled materials paid for the building," explained John Lobaito, Village Administrator.

Some of the building's notable energy efficiency features include occupancy sensors to turn lights off when the space is not occupied, additional heating and air conditioning controls to help with comfort and over heating and cooling of work spaces. Bike racks have been installed to encourage non-motor vehicle use. Also, all materials used in the building are certified "green"

products and "green" cleaning practices and products are being used to maintain the new building.

In addition to the new Village Hall's energy efficiency features, a building automation system has been installed to control major functions of the building's electrical and mechanical systems to be efficient as possible. To better serve the public, there is a large, easily accessible customer service counter with an electronic community message center. The new Village Hall's illuminated clock tower stands as a beacon of progress.



## SUMMER CONCERTS IN THE PARK—A MUNDELEIN TRADITION

Sponsored by the Mundelein Community Days Commission, Mundelein Park District & Village of Mundelein. **Sunday concerts begin at 5 p.m. at Kracklauer Park.**

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|----------|--|-----------|--|
| June 29  | Classical Blast (from Bach to Classic Rock, contemporary rock and pop) | August 3  | Saturday June Band (60's & 70's right up through today's hits) |
| July 3-6 | Mundelein Community Days   | August 10 | Special Consensus (Bluegrass)                                  |
| July 13  | Stateline Band (Country)   | August 17 | Kaleidoscope Eyes (Beatles Tribute Band)                       |
| July 20  | Jazz Spectrum  | August 24 | Maxwell Street Klezmer Band (Folk)                             |
| July 27  | TBD  |           |  |

PLEASE JOIN US!

# Mundelein—Take A Second Look—

## Village's Branding Initiative Promotes Mundelein's Unique Attributes

**"A brand is a living entity—and it is enriched or undermined cumulatively over time, the product of a thousand small gestures."**

**Robert Iger**  
**Disney, CEO**

A key strategy identified in the Village of Mundelein's Comprehensive Plan, states the need for Village officials to "Establish a distinct identity and brand for the Village reflective of Mundelein's unique character and community assets."

To this end, the Village hired Business Districts, Inc., to assist with establishing a comprehensive branding program. Project deliverables include: comprehensive research about the Mundelein community, focus group findings, brand promise, logo, marketing plan for the new logo launch, and brand standards.

Phase I and II (research and development) are now complete and Village staff is currently in implementation mode.

"Mundelein's new brand is the platform for the Village's marketing and economic development efforts. Executed correctly, residents, business owners, realtors, brokers, developers and potential new business owners collectively will see Mundelein in a more favorable and accurate light. The brand launch will engage internal and external audiences," explains Steve Lentz, Mayor, Village of Mundelein.

"The Village of Mundelein's new M-Star logo is the first tangible sign in the Village's re-branding process. Critical in the next branding step, is the consistency of message and visuals throughout all communication and adherence to the brand promise. This is what will establish the brand and keep it alive," explains Dawn Jenich, Manager, Communication and Marketing.

Mundelein's brand promise, **"Mundelein will be central Lake County's premier location for entrepreneurs and known as a welcoming community"** promotes several key Village attributes unique to Mundelein:

1. **Location:** Central Lake County
2. **Business:** Strong entrepreneurial attitude/spirit
3. **Community:** Welcoming environment

"Mundelein is much like Apple was 30 years ago in that initially the Apple logo did not have any meaning in the marketplace. What it has come to represent had to be created through performance over time. Through research, the consultants learned that beyond the local region, Mundelein doesn't really have an image, for better or for worse. The story that the new logo represents thus becomes a tremendous opportunity for "citizen brand managers" to create and promote the image of their choosing over time—just like Apple had to do in order for its symbol to develop meaning," Mayor Lentz says.

### Star Center:

Mundelein's Central Lake County location, roadway connections and overall transportation accessibility.

### Star Points:

Mundelein's five historic names and entrepreneurial legacy

### Green Star Point:

The Village's high quality recreational amenities, and its proximity to Lake County forest preserves and open spaces.

### Blue Star Point:

The Village's proximity to Lake Michigan and Lake County's numerous water resources.

### Gold Star Point:

Mundelein's "gold star" quality of life and optimism about future prospects.



# Mundelein

## Mundelein Installs High Tech 911 Software with Capabilities to Accept Texts, Pictures, Videos

The Mundelein police department recently installed new 911 dispatch software that eventually will allow 911 operators to receive texts, videos and pictures – something officials say could help police solve crimes more easily.

Proponents of the new technology – which those in the industry are calling Next Generation 911 — say it should prove beneficial in crime investigations.

“We get a lot of calls from people that say, ‘There’s a suspicious vehicle that’s out in front of my home and could you come check it out?’ ” Police Chief Eric Guenther said. “Now, here’s the call: ‘There’s a suspicious vehicle in front of my home, and I just sent you a picture of it.’ How great is that in terms of what we’re looking for?”

Some say it seems inevitable that all emergency dispatch centers eventually will have the technology, but the cost of switching — and the timeframe for when state laws and infrastructure are ready to support the systems — may mean a complete changeover is still a few years down the road in Illinois.

“It’s kind of still new in the industry,” said Cliff Hammarstrom, vice president of technology services for Johnsburg-based Radicom, which installed Mundelein’s system. “It’s been in development for years. Now that there’s product available to put on

the market, the other side of this is installation and rules and regulations need to catch up.”

Forgety said of the approximately 6,400 911 call centers across the country, only about 100 or 150 are able to accept texts from one or more carriers.

Guenther said Mundelein and other departments are waiting on a set of state regulations on the new technology expected to come out later this year. Of the approximately 20 dispatch centers that Radicom maintains, Hammarstrom said Mundelein’s was the first the company has installed.

Mundelein’s price tag, which also included an upgrade to radio technology that will allow them to more easily connect with other departments’ frequencies, was \$450,000.

But Guenther said that Mundelein’s previous system was about 15-years-old and in need of repair. He said there was no point in saving \$100,000 or so to buy an older system that eventually could become obsolete.

Mundelein paid for the equipment through a state tax that is included in residents’ phone bills. The tax is reserved for 911 call centers, and goes toward maintaining and upgrading dispatch systems.

This technology never will replace calling police when an emergency strikes. Phoning in still will be the best way for police to get the most information they need, while texts, videos or pictures would help supplement investigations.

“We run into situations where people are unable to call us, due to the offender being in the proximity. They can pick up their phone and text ‘help’ to the 911 center,” Guenther said. “This technology is something we definitely need to be exploring. I’m excited that we’re at the front door.”



## Mundelein Police Raise Thousands for Special Olympics

The Mundelein Police Department recently sponsored the 14th annual Golf Outing to benefit the Special Olympics of Illinois. The event was held at Steeplechase Golf Course in Mundelein and raised more than \$30,000.

On an annual basis, members of the law enforcement community raise money to support participants and volunteers at the local, regional, state, and world Special Olympic Games. The Law Enforcement Special Olympics Torch Run started in 1986 and raised \$10,000. In 2013 over \$3.3 million was raised, Illinois is ranked #4 in the world, the Mundelein Police Department is ranked #8 in Illinois raising \$28,405.41 in 2013. The Police Department’s 2014 fundraising goal was \$30,000 and they exceeded that target.

Special thanks to the more than 50 local businesses that sponsored golf holes. A special thank you to Hitz Pizza and Gold Hole Sponsors: Kristan Funeral Home and Shakou Restaurant.

# Municipal Aggregation Rates Under Review

Mundelein's First Energy Contract expires in July 2014. In March, the Village accepted bids for a new aggregated contact. The 2-year contract price ranged from \$.08224 to \$.0859.

**What does this mean for our residents?** It means that the price you pay for electricity, which accounts for approximately 60% of your Com Ed bill, will increase from \$.0477/KwH to \$.07600/KwH. If you originally chose the "green" energy option from Com Ed, you are paying a slightly higher rate of \$.0486. If you stayed with Com Ed, use another energy supplier, or purchase power on an hourly-rate basis, your rates will be different. **No action is required.** Sometime between now and July 15, all Mundelein customers

that have First Energy as their power supplier will receive a letter from Com Ed advising them that their electricity supplier is being changed. **Please note: if you want to switch to an electricity provider other than Com Ed you must do so within 60 days after receiving the Com Ed notice. After that time, changes are not permitted.**

**What does this mean for the future of Municipal Aggregation?** The long term future of municipal aggregation is uncertain. But, the program could be revived in 12 months. On June 9th the Village suspended the aggregation program. We will monitor the Com Ed rate and may choose to rebid the aggregated power again in 2015. There are a number of factors that

may make this advisable. First, there are proposed changes at the ICC that will have an effect on how aggregated municipal power is bid. Second, the rates established by Com Ed on May 6th are a moving target. It is not a set rate for the year. Com Ed is permitted to make monthly "true-up" adjustments; and they will re-set the rate in the fall. The prices received at public bid are guaranteed for length of the term. A two or three year, guaranteed contract, could be better than a 1-year, variable rate from Com Ed. The Village will monitor the ComEd Rate factoring in the true-up charges and adjustments, and use this history to determine whether or not to bid for aggregated electric supply in 2015.

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## Mundelein Offers Grants to Business Owners to Revitalize Downtown

The Village of Mundelein recently introduced a grant program to assist downtown businesses owners who are interested in investing in their property. Under the plan, qualifying projects would include signs, landscaping, façade improvements, door replacements, and ornamental fencing. The program is open to the owners of private, for-profit businesses within the downtown district. Eligible business owners could receive 50 percent of the project's cost, up to \$25,000, under the proposal. The Village would reimburse business owners once the work is complete.

Mundelein has budgeted \$75,000 for the program in the current fiscal year, ending April 2015. The Village will not put dollars toward roof repairs, parking lot improvements or interior remodeling, among other restrictions. To protect the Village's investment, officials have drafted a timeline that would require recipients who close their business to pay back part of the

subsidy. The strictest provision would force owners to repay 75 percent of the grant if their business shuts down in less than a year. The Village Board approved the downtown revitalization grant program at the April 2014 board meeting.

The goal is to funnel money into projects that freshen up properties on a larger scale than routine maintenance. Village Administrator John Lobaito said, "We want to do whatever we can to encourage people to invest in their property. The renovations could generate a buzz that attracts new shoppers and developers who want to do business in Mundelein. We hope to create a sense of place in the downtown."

These incentives, like the branding campaign, are an unprecedented step for Mundelein.

"We're serious about revitalizing the downtown," Trustee Holly Kim said.

Over the past decade, the Village has poured millions into acquiring old industrial buildings and new infrastructure that officials are counting on to lure private developers and pedestrians. Mundelein also recently announced a plan to consolidate public works buildings downtown to free up the land for more traditional uses.

In addition, the Cardinal Square apartment complex and the village's \$10.4 million village will open next summer in what trustees hope will become an area of new growth near the Metra station.

The grants could help better align surrounding properties with the feel of the two-story municipal facility.

"We're thinking we're setting the bar high with the appearance of our new village hall," Lobaito said.

## Luke's of Mundelein Benefits from Village's Grant Program

Luke's of Mundelein, established in 1999, recently took advantage of the Village of Mundelein's grant program. Owner Mike Majestic, President of Boo & Tade, Inc., purchased 551 North Lake Street, also known as the old KFC building, in June of 2013. He has since invested approximately \$210,000 to relocate Luke's of Mundelein to its new location.

Mr. Majestic expressed interest in the Village's grant program early on. Shortly after the Village Board adopted the program, he submitted his application for consideration. He was approved and has invested in his business making many exterior improvements including brick paver patio with picnic tables and umbrellas, signage, paint and more.

"Mr. Majestic has been a good community partner and he purchased the property to relocate his business with the intent of becoming a permanent fixture in our community. He has bigger plans for the property and his business and he embraces the Village's efforts to enhance the community. We are proud to partner with him," said Victor Barerra, Director, Planning and Development.

Mundelein's Grant Program was created to incentivize and encourage business and property owners to reinvest in their community. For more information about the program, please call Victor Barerra, Director, Planning and Developments at 847-949-3282



# 2014 MUNDELEIN COMMUNITY DAYS— Celebrating the Best of Mundelein

This year Mundelein Days is back to its traditional four-day format. The festivities kick off on July 3rd at noon with for “Lunch at the Munch” featuring 12 great local restaurants. The festival grounds open daily at noon and close at 11 pm, except for Sunday when the lights go out at 9:30 pm and we pack up the tent for another year. A full events schedule is provided later in this newsletter, and is available at [www.mundelein.org](http://www.mundelein.org) under “Our Community” then “Local Happenings”.

There are a few changes in store at this year’s event—the stage is a little bigger with a new speaker arrangement; a VIP Tent will be added on opening night as a “Thank You” for our top sponsors; the Miss Mundelein pageants have been consolidated to one night, Sunday June 29th; the Navy Band will march in the Parade; and a Jalapeno Eating contest sponsored by El Barrio Restaurant has been added. In addition, there will be three days of arts and crafts for kids, inflatables by Bella’s Bouncies, pony rides, magician, bags and horseshoe tournaments, and much more.

Musically, we have a great line up scheduled. The fun begins with music under the tent Thursday afternoon from 1 to 4 pm with two great acoustic acts, Wright Street Band (Irish/Cajun/Folk) followed by The Harry and Peter Project (acoustic guitar and harmonica). Thursday night features Mundelein’s home town band, Samadhi Vibe (Blues, Rock and Funk) just out of the studio after recording their 2nd album; followed by Modern Day Romeo’s (Classic and Contemporary Rock/Motown ). Friday’s acts include Tropixplosion (Caribbean/Reggae) at 1 pm, the B-Side Band (Rock/Soul) at 5 pm, closing out with Bella Cain. Saturday afternoon from 3 pm to 5 pm features a Mariachi Band, a great blues band Reverend Raven and the Chain Smok’in Altar Boys, and local favorite Led Zeppelin tribute band Kashmir. Sunday we close out with Skip Towne and the Greyhounds (rock’in blues you can’t refuse), and Heartache Tonight (Eagles Tribute). There is a lot of great music with no cover charge. Enjoy the best summer ever with your neighbors and future friends.



**JULY 3-6**  
COMPLETE SCHEDULE  
ON NEXT PAGE.

## SUNDAY, JUNE 29

7:00 p.m. Little, Junior & Miss Mundelein Pageants  
(Admission to pageants is \$4 per person, \$2 for children under 12) | **Mundelein High School**

## THURSDAY, JULY 3

12-1 p.m. Park District Dancers | **Gazebo**  
 Noon-11 p.m. Mundelein Munch | **Santa Maria Meadow**  
*Beer garden closes at 10:30 p.m.*  
 12-5 p.m. Kids Crafts | **Gazebo**  
 Sponsored by Michael's Arts & Crafts  
 1-2 p.m. McNulty Irish Dancers | **Gazebo**  
 1-4 p.m. Wright Street Band (*Irish/Cajun*)  
 and Harry Peter Project | **Under the Tent**  
 1-4 p.m. Face Painting | **Gazebo**  
 Sponsored by Smith, LaLuzerne & Hartman, Ltd.  
 3-4 p.m. Magician | **Gazebo**  
 Sponsored by Consumers Credit Union  
 3-8 p.m. Fire Engine Rides | **Seymour by Tennis Courts**  
 4 p.m. Introduction of Mundelein Pageant Queens  
**Mainstage**  
 5-11 p.m. Carnival | **Courtland & Seymour**  
 Sponsored by American Legion Post 867  
 Special ticket pricing 5-11 p.m.  
 \$1 per ticket, all rides 2 tickets  
 5-7 p.m. Samadhi Vibe (*Blues/Rock/Funk*) | **Mainstage**  
 8-11 p.m. Modern Day Romeos (*Classic, Rock, Motown*)  
**Mainstage** | Sponsored by Groot Industries

## FRIDAY, JULY 4

8 a.m. Mundelein Park District's Freedom Classic 5K Run/  
 Walk & ½ Mile Youth Run | **Community Park**  
 1401 N. Midlothian Road  
 Noon-11 p.m. Mundelein Munch | **Santa Maria Meadow**  
*Beer garden closes at 10:30 p.m.*  
 1-3 p.m. Tropixplosion (*Caribbean/Reggae*) | **Mainstage**  
 2-11 p.m. Carnival | **Courtland & Seymour**  
 Sponsored by American Legion Post 867  
 \$1 per ticket, all rides 2 to 5 tickets  
 3 p.m. "Bags" Tournament | **Kracklauer Park Tennis Courts**  
 Sponsored by the Mundelein Park & Recreation  
 District (*Registration 1:30 - 2:30 PM*)  
 3-8 p.m. Fire Engine Rides | **Seymour by Tennis Courts**  
 4-5 p.m. Taekwondo Demonstration | **Gazebo**  
 Sponsored by Keumgang MAA  
 5-7 p.m. B-Side Band (*Rock/Soul*) | **Mainstage**  
 8:30-11 p.m. Bella Cain (*Country Rock*) | **Mainstage**  
 Sponsored by Grease Monkey  
 (*formerly Lube Pros*)  
 9:30 p.m. Fireworks

## SATURDAY, JULY 5

9 a.m. Pet Parade & Cute Pet Tricks | **Begins at Kracklauer Park** | Sponsored by McDonald's of Mundelein, Pet Factory & Shear Paradise Pet Salon  
 9:45 a.m. 27th Annual Patriotic Celebration | **Fort Hill Heritage Museum, 601 E. Noel Drive** | Hosted & Sponsored by the Historical Society of Fort Hill  
*Country Featuring: Keynote Speaker-Mayor Steve Lentz, Speakers-Chief of Police Eric Guenther, WWII Veteran Don Carter, Captain Robert Fink- Acting Commander Naval Service Training Command Great Lakes*  
 10 a.m. Senior Horseshoe Tournament | **Crystal St. & Lincoln Avenue** | Hosted by Bill Chapman | Sponsored by Mac-Lean Fogg  
 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Car Show | **Santa Maria West Parking Lot**  
*Featuring: Old #1 Fire Truck*  
 Noon-11 p.m. Mundelein Munch | **Santa Maria Meadow**  
*Beer garden closes at 10:30 p.m.*  
 Noon-3 p.m. Bingo | **Mainstage**  
 Sponsored by Santa Maria del Popolo Parish  
 Noon-4 p.m. Kids Inflatables | **Kracklauer Park**  
 Sponsored by Bella's Bouncies  
 Noon-4 p.m. Police & Fire Department Public Information  
**Kracklauer Park**  
 Noon-5 p.m. Kids Crafts | **Gazebo** | Sponsored by Crave Art  
 1 p.m. Horseshoe Tournament | **Crystal St. & Lincoln Avenue** | Sponsored by Gewalt Hamilton  
 2 p.m. Watermelon Eating Contest | **Gazebo**  
 Hosted by LMV Kiwanis Club  
 2-11 p.m. Carnival | **Courtland & Seymour**  
 Sponsored by American Legion Post 867  
 \$1 per ticket, all rides 2 to 5 tickets  
 3-5 p.m. Mariachi Band | **Mainstage**  
 Sponsored by Taco & Burrito Express  
 3-7 p.m. Pony Rides | Sponsored by Bill's Pizza & Pub  
 and Mundelein Ace Hardware  
 3-8 p.m. Fire Engine Rides | **Seymour by Tennis Courts**  
 4-5 p.m. Jalapeño Eating Contest | **Mainstage**  
 Sponsored by El Barrio Restaurant  
 5-7 p.m. Reverend Raven & The Chain Smokin' Altar Boys  
 (*Blues*) | **Mainstage**  
 8-11 p.m. Kashmir (*Led Zeppelin Tribute*) | **Mainstage**  
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# SUNDAY, JULY 6

- 8–11:30 a.m. Pancake Breakfast | **Main Tent**  
Sponsored by Mundelein Fire Association
- 9–Noon Health & Wellness Expo | **Gazebo**  
Sponsored by the Human Relations Commission
- Noon–9 p.m. Mundelein Munch | **Santa Maria Meadow**  
Beer garden closes at 8:30 p.m.
- Noon–3 p.m. Bingo | **Mainstage**  
Sponsored by Santa Maria del Popolo Parish
- 2–7 p.m. Kids Crafts | **Gazebo** | Sponsored by Home Depot
- 2–8 p.m. Carnival | **Courtland & Seymour**  
Sponsored by American Legion Post 867  
Special ticket pricing 2–8 p.m.  
\$1 per ticket, rides 2 tickets
- 2 p.m. Mundelein Community Days Parade |  
**Hawley/Prospect to Mundelein High School**  
Featuring: Great Lakes Navy Marching Band
- 4 p.m. Juggler/Stiltwalker | **Santa Maria Meadow**
- 4–6 p.m. Skip Towne & the Greyhounds (Rock/Blues)  
**Mainstage**
- 5–7 p.m. 102.3 WXLC | **Main Entrance**
- 7–9 p.m. Heartache Tonight (*Eagles Tribute*) | Mainstage

## THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO HELP MAKE MUNDELEIN COMMUNITY DAYS POSSIBLE:

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| Crave Art                          | Village Homesteaders           |
| Home Depot                         | District 73 Teachers           |
| Michael's Arts & Crafts Store      | Bella's Bouncies               |
| Bill Chapman                       | Consumers Credit Union         |
| LMV Kiwanis Club                   | Keumgang MAA                   |
| Santa Maria del Popolo             | DiCarlos                       |
| Mundelein Parks & Recreation Dist. | El Barrio                      |
| McNulty Irish Dancers              | Greg's Frozen Custard          |
| Betty Hurmis                       | Hitz Pizza & Sports Bar        |
| Marilla Milner                     | Tavern on 60                   |
| Karen Bost                         |                                |
| Tricia Sample                      |                                |
| Susan Ryba                         |                                |
| Cindy Barr                         |                                |
| Jill Lyman                         |                                |
| Village of Vernon Hills            |                                |
| O'Salon & Spa                      |                                |
| Century 21 Marketplace             |                                |
| Pine Meadows Golf Course           |                                |
| Taco & Burrito Express             |                                |
| Mundelein CERT Team                |                                |
| First Midwest Bank                 |                                |
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## Mundelein Farmers Market— Bigger and Better Than Ever

Enjoy farm fresh fruits and vegetables; fresh baked breads and muffins; delicious meats, cheeses and eggs at the 2014 Mundelein Farmers Market. The Farmers Market, organized by Mundelein Community Connection, takes place every Friday from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the new Village Hall Plaza through October 10. This year, there will be a tented seating area where market goers can relax, have a snack, and enjoy live music. Each week will feature local musicians including Sipos & Young, Frank Bago, and Doug Blake.

Over 20 vendors will be participating. Most of the vendors have been with the market since it began in 2011. New vendors joining the Mundelein Farmers Market include: Katic Breads selling USDA Organic breads; Swirl Café, a specialty coffee drinks and

sweets vendor; and Pretty Posies with fresh and dried floral wreaths. Returning vendors include: Arnold's Meats and Eggs; Taste of Paris; Nana's Rum Cakes; Benton Harbor Fruits and Honey; Geneva Lakes and Horcher's vegetables. Tasty Vending (selling kettle corn, lemonade, and snow cones); and TonyDogs! (selling Chicago style hot dogs.)

### Volunteers are needed!

More information can be found on the new Mundelein Farmers Market website [www.mundeleincommunityconnection.org](http://www.mundeleincommunityconnection.org). For further information about the 2014 Mundelein Farmers Market please contact Jo Ann Bednar, Market Manager, at 847-970-9235 or email [mundeleinmarket@gmail.com](mailto:mundeleinmarket@gmail.com) or view the website at [www.mundeleincommunityconnection.org](http://www.mundeleincommunityconnection.org).



## Mundelein's Second Annual One World Festival Celebrates Cultural Diversity

Last year's inaugural presentation of the Mundelein One World Festival was a great success. Plans are underway to make this year's event even better.

The One World Festival, which will be held Saturday, September 20, 2014, at the Mundelein Metra Station, is a celebration of cultures from around the world, through music, dance, food, beverages, games, art, and history. There will be colorful opening and closing ceremonies, art projects, kids games, and lots of fun. The Mundelein Park and Recreation District, Fremont Library District, the Village of Mundelein, and Mundelein Community Connection will once again partner on this fun, educational, family event. Sponsorship opportunities are available for businesses interested in supporting the event.

The objective of the One World Festival is to promote understanding and acceptance of different ethnic, cultural and religious backgrounds in a fun, educational and family-centered environment. At last year's festival over 20 cultures were represented. This year's goal is to have at least 50 cultures represented. At this time the organizing committee is looking for organizations, businesses, or individuals interested in presenting cultural displays at the event. Displays can focus on art, history, lifestyle, traditions, religion, language, education, or any other aspect of the culture that is representative of its people.

Presenter display applications are available on-line at [www.mundelein.org](http://www.mundelein.org) under "community happenings." For more information please contact Amanda Orenchuk at 847-949-3252 or [aorenchuk@mundelein.org](mailto:aorenchuk@mundelein.org).



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## Village of Mundelein Proposed FY 15 Budget \$2.4 Million Less Than Previous Year— Board of Trustees Approve Budget at Board Meeting

The Village of Mundelein Board of Trustees reviewed and approved Mundelein's proposed \$54.8 million overall budget for capital and operational expenses for fiscal year 2015 at the Monday, April 28, 2014 Board Meeting. The proposed budget is \$2.4 million less than last year's budget and includes \$18 million in capital improvements, \$21.5 million in personnel costs (representing 70% of the corporate fund budget) and zero property tax increase. Village officials have been able to maintain a flat property tax levy for the past three years with zero reductions in services.

The budget covers police and fire protection, road maintenance and repair, water and sewer services, building permits and inspections, Public Works and Engineering, and Village Administration.

The public meeting took place during the regularly scheduled Village Board Meeting. The Village's

proposed budget includes: Two new positions: Community Service Officer budgeted for one half year and Facility Maintenance Technician budgeted for a full year; \$23,951,750-corporate budget - \$48,250 surplus.

### Some of the money budgeted for capital improvements will be utilized for the following projects:

- The Seavey Drainage Channel Improvement project will rehabilitate approximately 2,000 linear feet of the channel between Shaddle Avenue and the Com Ed Right-of-Way near Hanrahan Park. The rehabilitation will include dredging portions of the channel, shoreline stabilization to minimize erosion, and native plantings to enhance water quality. The project will include other features such as the replacement of a pedestrian bridge and ten foot maintenance drive to access the Village's 42" sanitary interceptor.

- The Route 176 intersection will be widened to allow for dedicated left and right turn lanes for both east and westbound traffic. The project will extend north on Route 60 to improve accessibility to the shopping center through the installation of a traffic signal and dedicated right turn lanes off of Route 60. Project to begin in the fall. The project will be fully funded through a State \$5 million DCEO grant that the Village obtained in 2012, so no Village money will be spent on this project.

- West Hawley utility improvements.
- \$2.6 million budgeted for street improvements.
- \$200,000 for tree replacement-estimated 1,900 parkway trees infected with Emerald Ash Borer.
- \$75,000 budgeted for the Property Enhancement Grant Program.

## Downtown Beautification Program Approved By Village Board

At the May 12 Mundelein Village Board meeting, the Trustees voted to create a pilot program to bring an artistic flair to Mundelein's downtown. A four-member committee, known as the "Utility Box Art Review Committee," was formed to manage the program.

Under the pilot program, three streetlight control boxes on Seymour Street in the downtown area have been selected to be artistically enhanced. The Mundelein program, patterned after similar programs in other cities, was proposed by Trustee Holly Kim. Trustee Kim will serve as the committee chairperson. Other members are Linda

Doyle, owner of Crave Art, 515 N. Lake Street; Dakota Norton, Holcomb Hollow; and Susan Peterson. Joe DeVito, Deputy Director of Public Works, will serve as the staff liaison and non-voting member of the committee.

The functions of the Utility Box Art Review Committee are to develop guidelines for painting the utility boxes; review and approve design proposals, select artists, provide materials and oversee painting. By December 31, 2014 the committee will prepare a report for the Village Board that summarizes the committee's activities and completed projects, and make recommendations

on whether to continue, terminate or amend the pilot program. The Art Review Committee will expire on December 31st unless that program is extended by the Village Board. Trustee Kim explained the "encouraging and supporting local artisans and art displays is one of the key strategies addressed in the Village Comprehensive Plan. This program is a way of adding color, interest and excitement to our central business district."

## Residents Asked to Assist with Street Light Outage Notifications

There are over 1,500 street lights within the corporate limits of the Village. In most cases, the residents of each neighborhood are able to uncover problems with street lights. If you notice lights that are not functioning by not coming on at night or lights that remain on during the day, please contact the Public Works and Engineering Department either by telephone at (847) 949-3270 or by initiating a Request for Service at [http://www.mundelein.org/forms\\_maps/pw\\_request\\_form.htm](http://www.mundelein.org/forms_maps/pw_request_form.htm).

Within the Village, Commonwealth Edison is also responsible for maintenance of street lights. If the street light is on a wooden pole, it is a Com Ed street light. Upon notice, the Village will notify Com Ed of the outage. Even though the street light is not the responsibility of the Village, please notify Public Works so that they may notify Com Ed of the outage. Individuals may also use the Com Ed Request for Streetlight Repair website at <https://www.comed.com/customer-service/service-request/street-light-maintenance/pages/request-maintenance.aspx>.

## Mundelein's 2014 Road Improvement Program Underway

This year, the Village's annual road improvement program will be focused in the Loch Lomond and Ravine Slope subdivisions. The roads targeted for improvement include the following: Dublin Dr. (Firth-Beach), Lucerne Dr. (South end-Lomond) Beach Pl. (Route 45-North End), Glendale Pl. (Bingham-Stafford), Norton Ave. (Route 45-Glendale), Prairie Ave. (Orchard-Courtland), Lincoln Ave. (Orchard-Courtland)

In addition to these rehabilitation projects, the Village has also allocated \$500,000 toward emergency resurfacing of blocks of various roads throughout the Village to address issues resulting from the harsh winter season. The roads are as follows: Garfield Ave., Emerald Ave., Division St., Ridgemoor Ave., Courtland St., Whittier Ln.

All work is scheduled for completion by the end of October, including parkway restoration. If you have any questions about the details of the project or notice deficiencies during the construction, please contact Public Works and Engineering at (847) 949-3220.

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## Mundelein Residents Invited to Participate in National Night Out Against Crime

**Tuesday, August 5, 2014, 6:30–9:30 p.m.**  
**Flashlight Walk at Dusk**  
**Santa Maria Del Popolo lot**  
**(Corner of Seymour and Courtland)**

“America’s Night Out Against Crime,” began as an effort to promote involvement in crime prevention activities, police-community partnerships, neighborhood camaraderie and send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

The Mundelein Police Department invites you to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the “31th Annual National Night Out” crime and drug prevention event. National Night Out, which is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) and co-sponsored locally by the Village of Mundelein, will involve people from more than 15,000 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases around the world. In all over 37 million people are expected to participate.

National Project Coordinator, Matt Peskin said, “This is a night for America to stand together and promote awareness, safety, and neighborhood unity. National Night Out showcases the vital importance of police-community partnerships and citizen involvement in our fight for a safer nation. On NNO, we invite neighborhoods nationwide to join us and “give crime a going away party”.

**Watch our website for more information [www.mundelein.org/police](http://www.mundelein.org/police)**

### WATER QUALITY REPORT AVAILABLE ON-LINE FOR RESIDENTS

The Village’s Annual 2014 Water Quality Report is now available on-line. To learn more about your drinking water, view the report at:

<http://waterquality.mundelein.org/>

The report contains important information about the source and quality of your drinking water during 2013. For a paper copy of the 2014 Annual Water Quality Report mailed to your home, translation of the water quality report, or to speak with someone about the report please call (847) 949-3273.

### PUBLIC WORKS AND ENGINEERING NEWS AND NOTES

- Received Tree City USA recognition for the first time in Village history.
- Replaced 154 trees as part of Emerald Ash Borer reduction project; residents with new trees should make sure to keep them watered regularly.
- Adopt-a-Highway is now available to residents for local Village roads. Please contact Public Works 847-949-3270 for more information.
- Water Conservation is now in effect; outdoor water use should be used appropriately (even-odd east-west of Route 45)
- Electronics recycling runs from May 1-September 30. Any electronic equipment can be dropped off at 440 E. Crystal St. from 7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

## Take Note— Village Reminders–Notes–Accolades

### 2014 Health & Wellness Expo Planned

The Mundelein Human Relations Commission is once again sponsoring a Health Expo at Community Days to provide information about community-based health resources. On July 6 from 9 a.m. to Noon at Kracklauer Park, attendees can have their blood pressure checked, consult with a local chiropractor, and learn about multiple health-focused businesses and organizations. Samples of products and services will be available. Trying to fit in some physical activity with all of the festivities and feasting going on? Free fitness classes open to the public will be provided. The Village website will have detailed information of the resources to be featured.

### Mosquito Control

The Village uses Clarke Environmental for mosquito control. Services include treating breeding areas, public and private catch basin applications and monitoring nuisance levels. Residents who have a breeding area on their property should call the mosquito hotline at 1-800-942-2555. The area will then be checked and treated as needed. When it is determined that there is an outbreak of adult mosquitoes, a Village-wide ULV spraying will be ordered. Product safety data sheets for all products used by Clarke are available on the Village website. For Advanced Notification of Village-wide Mosquito Spraying treatments call the Mosquito Hotline at 1-800-942-2555

### Mundelein Arts Festival

The Fourth Annual Mundelein Fine Arts Festival, a juried art festival which showcases the talents of 45 fine artists and craftspeople in a variety of media, will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on

Saturday, September 6 and Sunday, September 7 in Kracklauer Park, downtown Mundelein. In addition to professional artists, the Fine Arts Festival also will highlight artwork by select students from Mundelein and Carmel Catholic High Schools.

### Let's Say Thank You To Our Police Department— Residents Asked To Support Police Statue Project

To pay tribute to the Mundelein Police Department, the Village's Public Safety Statue Committee currently is raising funds to complete a police officer tribute. The project will include a life-sized cast bronze statue of a police officer holding the hands of two children. It will be placed in front of the Police Station facing Route 45. Approximate cost of the project is \$70,000.

Residents interested in donating to the Police Statue Fund are encouraged to make your checks payable to Mundelein Police Statue Fund, Village of Mundelein 300 Plaza Circle, Mundelein, IL 60060.

**The Mundelein Police Statue Committee would like to thank the following companies and residents for their donations to the Police Statue Fund over the past few months:**

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