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Message From the Mayor

It is summertime in Mundelein and hopefully that means we are all out and about enjoying all of the community events and activities that make Mundelein a wonderful place to live and raise a family.

Mundelein's Comprehensive Plan

The Village Board of Trustees is focused on Mundelein's downtown redevelopment, infrastructure improvements, and furthering its brand. Many changes are taking place with more change on the way. We acknowledge that change can generate discussion and in this issue of the newsletter we've addressed several topics of interest to residents including streets, gateway signage, the pedestrian bridge and brand development. Hopefully, the information provided will help residents better understand the background and rationale for the Board's actions in these areas of our Comprehensive Plan.

Farmer's Market

Please note that our Farmers Market moved to a new day, Tuesdays from 3 p.m. – 7 p.m., and in doing so, we've doubled the number of vendors at the market. Please visit the market often throughout the summer months (June 12-October 9) so that Mundelein can continue to host this community initiative.

Community Days

Mundelein's Community Days festival continues to live up to its reputation as one of the best community festivals in Lake County, and this year promises to be great once again! A complete schedule of our upcoming Mundelein Community Days is

in this newsletter. Every year this is our most attended event and a wonderful way to celebrate the 4th of July. Please take note that the Fireworks will take place on July 1. I look forward to seeing everyone at the festival.



Coffee with the Mayor

To help keep the lines of communication open between myself and residents, I host "Coffee with the Mayor" on the first Saturday of each month at Taste of Paris restaurant, and a different trustee joins me each month. The conversations are rich, qualitative, and topically varied month to month. There is always plenty to discuss and residents are better informed about all things Mundelein after attending. Please consider joining me for coffee soon!

**Mundelein's Weekly E-Newsletter—
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Once a week, Village staff produces an E-newsletter, Mundelein Connection, filled with timely information about Mundelein news, events, and happenings. I encourage you to sign-up to receive this newsletter to your inbox as it is a great way to stay informed about everything related to Mundelein. To sign-up, simply send your email address to: info@mundelein.org.

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Promoting and Leveraging Mundelein's Vast Potential

Mundelein is a community in a state of transition and change that can often generate conversation and debate. Creating a sense of place to enhance quality of life and attract people and businesses requires strategic thinking and planning. Since the Village is in the process of launching several key strategic initiatives, this article will provide additional information on the planned implementation.

Rebranding Mundelein

For the past decade, the Village of Mundelein has unified its brand, fine-tuned the customer experience, and consistently emphasized its many assets including award-winning village services, abundant recreational opportunities, state-of-the-art facilities, and highly-rated school districts. Mundelein's strong industrial base and great housing variety and values have helped its population grow rapidly in size, diversity, and affluence.

"Our decision to rebrand Mundelein has helped us to identify who we are and what sets us apart from our neighboring communities. Through the branding process, we now have a better understanding of who we are and where we want to go. This understanding helps to facilitate better strategic decision making and planning. Our Brand Promise centers on being a welcoming community and a good place to do business," explains John Lobaito, Village Administrator.



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Mundelein's rebrand appears to be connecting with people and developers. A 77-home development that opened in 2015 sold out within 18 months. A second 63-home site where construction started in March of 2018 has already sold 12 homes. Village officials are quick to acknowledge that Mundelein's excellent schools have made a great deal of investment in programs and facilities and these factors play a key role in the Village's positive trajectory and growth.

Access to authentic, walkable places is in high demand right now for buyers and renters. "We believe that there is a certain kind of vibe people are looking for that can't be easily created in the suburbs. We understand this and we are working toward creating this atmosphere in all of our decision-making relative to our brand. We are working on the built environment to match the brand," explains Amanda Orenchuk, Community Development Director.

"We also understand that to keep a community viable and relevant, we have to think both younger and older. We need to cater to the diversity and remove unnecessary barriers," she adds.

Gateway Signage

Mayor Lentz and the Board of Trustees are well aware of the need to enhance Mundelein's gateways and are actively working now to improve them and the Village's overall appearance. These projects are part of Mundelein's Comprehensive Plan. A small percentage of the Village's overall budget goes toward making Mundelein an attractive and desirable place.

"The community beautification projects will raise the standard for gateways in our community, provide a better first impression of Mundelein for potential future residents and businesses, and increase residents' pride in our Village," said Steve Lentz, Mayor.

Mayor Lentz continues, "Image matters to potential residents, developers, and entrepreneurs. Just as we're asking private people to invest in their properties, we have to send the message that your local government is going to take the lead by investing more in our infrastructure. We're going to make sure that all streetscape improvements are well-maintained; that we repaint our light poles when they're chipped; and that we add more planters, park benches; and bike racks. These details speak directly to our image. Whatever we are asking others to do to revitalize Mundelein, we have to lead by example."



"Gateway enhancements have been included in planning documents (including the Village of Mundelein's 2011 Comprehensive Plan and the 5-10 year plan) and recommended as easy first steps for implementation by consultants, development experts, and the Urban Land Institute," Orenchuk said.

Pedestrian Bridge

The Village's Downtown Plan calls for a crossing at the Metra Station that would connect residents on the east side of the railroad tracks and residents of Cardinal Square development, where seven more market-rate apartment/condo buildings are planned. For several years, Village officials reached out to Canadian National Railway and Metra requesting an "at grade" crossing and each request has been denied. According to representatives from both organizations, there has been a policy change and at grade crossings now require that the host community adopt unlimited liability, a stipulation unacceptable to the Village Board.

Dealing with the realization that Canadian National and Metra could not offer any assistance with this key gateway point into the downtown, Mundelein applied for and received \$3.68 million in grants to help cover a portion of the project cost. The Village received \$2 million from the Illinois Commerce Commission Grade Crossing Protection Fund and \$1.68 million from the CMAQ (Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality program-federal funds for transportation improvements). These grant funds must be specifically used for the pedestrian bridge and the funds cannot be used for any other village projects. These Grants help to cover a majority of the costs for the pedestrian bridge that will most certainly make this crossing safer for pedestrians.

"The Canadian National railroad tracks in downtown Mundelein have the unintended consequence of being a physical barrier between areas within our community. The tracks not only impede vehicular traffic, but also pedestrians who desire to cross the tracks. Studies indicate that a quarter mile is the common standard distance that an individual is willing to walk to reach their destination. Without a crossing near Mundelein's Metra station, an individual on either side of the tracks has to walk over a half mile just to reach a point directly across the tracks from the point where they originated," explains Taylor Wegrzyn, Planner, Community Development.

"Not only will the bridge connect residents to the station, but also to future mixed-use developments around Plaza Circle. In this way, the bridge is the catalyst for continued private development in the downtown. Based on the number of projects approved and those still in the conceptual stage, over the next several years Mundelein's density in the downtown will increase as the Village continues to move forward with its transit oriented development (TOD) plans. A pedestrian bridge also has the ability to become a landmark feature in the community and recognizable to a wider audience than residents alone," he adds.

Developers' Perspectives

Many developers shared with Mundelein's Community Development team that a community's image is paramount when making the critical decision whether or not to do business there. Beautification projects such as gateway signage, trees, flower pots, wayfinding signage, banners, bike racks, pedestrian furniture, and the like help to create and signal a sense of arrival and help to reinforce that the community is vibrant and relevant.

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"The popular saying 'a first impression is a lasting impression' rings true in the development world," Orenchuk explains. "In regards to developers, a lot of consideration is given to a potential buyer's impression or consumers' impressions when they are making their way to a development. So, beautification details are essential to make a good first, and hopefully lasting, impression."

"From a developer's perspective, communities that invest in themselves communicates a sense of pride of ownership and in turn this helps developers feel comfortable and optimistic about making their own investment in the town. When assessing a community, developers want to invest in a place that is vibrant and forward-thinking. I believe investing in communities is one of the most critical elements of any long-term economic development strategy," explains Tim Grogan, Equibase Capital Group, LLC.

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Promoting and Leveraging Mundelein's Vast Potential (cont.)

Developers' Perspectives (cont.)

"Mundelein is experiencing the same growing pains that every mature community in the country is experiencing as well. The changing demographics across the country are forcing municipalities to adapt or fall behind. I see Mundelein as a community that has planned wisely for what's on the horizon and I believe Mundelein has embraced our new reality and is well-positioned to meet the needs of the changing demographics," said John Breiting, Cushman Wakefield, Developers.

He continues, "Mundelein offers a broader range of housing options that appeals to everyone from baby boomers to millennials. For years, the community has listened to developers, observed development trends, studied the changing demographics, and is actively building community. More than a decade ago, Mundelein was looking somewhat tired. Now, with the reinvestment in the downtown redevelopment, new Village Hall Transit Oriented Development, new developments within the Diamond Lake Area, new housing options throughout the Village, a renewed emphasis on the arts—collectively these initiatives make an impression on developers. We look at the decisions that are being made and the strategy behind the positive changes and arrive at the conclusion, 'this is a community that we can work with.'"

The Shiner Group, a developer of neighborhood shopping centers in the Chicago area, as well as the Carolina's, Indiana, Minneapolis, Ohio and California, has partnered with the Mundelein community for over 20 years and has chosen to make significant investments in the Village.

"We have developed both the Jewel Osco center on Midlothian and the Target Center on 60 and 83. What separates Mundelein from other communities is its forward-thinking local government. The Board has made significant investments in beautification, private public partnerships, and developing the downtown. The efforts and expense of the programs show a commitment to the future," said Bill Shiner, Chairman and CEO, Shiner Group.

Shiner continues, "Also, very importantly, the school board has significantly upgraded their facilities, improving the reputation of the Mundelein schools. I cannot express how often I have witnessed communities stop committing to the future by not investing in tomorrow. There is a direct correlation between lack of investment by a community and housing values. The Village Board has had the vision to upgrade the look and feel of their community, the result of which has made Mundelein both a desirable place to shop, work, and live."

"Context-sensitive design elements such as landscaping, wayfinding/signage and public art create visual appeal and can help bring out the distinctive character of a corridor or neighborhood – this significantly enhances the customer experience, thereby strengthening development potential of the area," said Swasti Shah, AICP, LEED AP, Director of Community Engagement, Urban Land Institute, Chicago.

Joseph Schwieterman, Director of DePaul's Chaddick Institute for Metropolitan Development and Professor in DePaul's School for Public Service, Department of Public Policy, and Sustainable Urban Development program, concurs with the other experts in the field. "Communities can no longer sit back and let their image be defined by word-of-mouth testimonials and online publicity. That strategy is becoming increasingly risky. Communities must make investments in tangible assets that project a clearly defined image to residents and outsiders, exactly as Mundelein is doing," Schwieterman explains.

"Due to the fact that our metropolitan region is comprised of more than 250 suburbs, local governments must become more proactive in differentiating themselves from their neighbors. Mundelein's branding program is designed to do exactly that, employing a variety of planning strategies, including custom and LED signage. Being situated near highly prestigious North Shore communities, Mundelein faces a particularly pressing need to project a favorable image among prospective residents and businesses. Its branding and signage program will help achieve this goal," Schwieterman adds.



"The Village Board has had the vision to upgrade the look and feel of their community."



Street Program

"For the past decade, Mundelein has invested more than \$25 million in repairing streets. "Investing in our street infrastructure is a critical component in our economic development strategy. Nobody wants to live or work in a place that is falling apart. The Mayor and Board of Trustees have made it clear to Village administration that the street program funding is a high priority," explains John Lobaito, Village Administrator.

In just the last five years Mundelein has spent on average \$2.6 million annually on repairing streets, here are just a few of Mundelein's road improvement projects:

- Providing funds to study the 60/83 underpass at Diamond Lake Road
- West Hawley Street reconstruction (Collaboration with Lake County Department of Transportation)
- Intersection improvements at Route 60/83 and Route 176 (IDOT highway)
- Rehabilitation of many streets in Loch Lomond—originally built largely in the County in the 1950's
- Worked with IDOT to have resurfacing of Lake Street and Townline Road completed as part of a multi-year capital program

Please see related article, "Mundelein's Street Improvement Program- A Multi-Step Process," in this Summer 2018 edition of the "Mundelein Insider."



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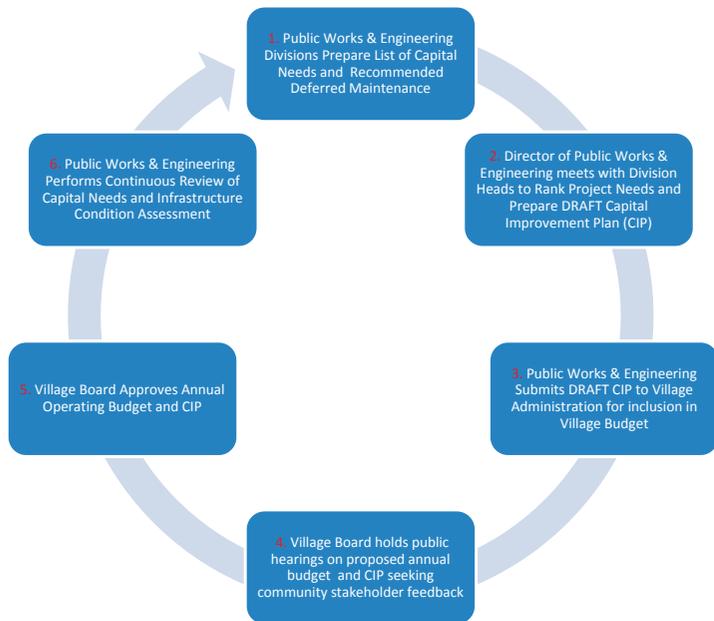
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Mundelein’s Street Improvement Program— A Multi-Step Process

Recently, several questions arose on how the Village of Mundelein conducts its street improvement program. Each year, Public Works and Engineering goes through a process that results in the development of a three year Capital Improvement Plan. The development process is shown in the graphic below.



The Village’s program is typically divided into two categories: (1) full reconstruction (including utility repairs) and (2) resurfacing (grind and overlay). While our annual reconstruction plan is forecasted for three years, our annual pavement preservation (i.e. resurfacing) schedule is a bit more fluid and does not get confirmed until the winter prior to the construction season. We have a great number of streets we look at for the resurfacing and build the annual program around several factors like cost, condition of pavement surface, geography, traffic volume and other variables.

Resurfacing is a cost-effective maintenance tool that extends the life cycle of the pavement structure, reducing reconstruction frequency. Resurfacing is conducted on roads that have a suitable base showing limited signs of damage

to just the roadway surface. This is much less expensive than full reconstruction of the road and can extend the life of the road by as much as 10 years!

When a road has reached the end of its useful life and cannot be resurfaced, the Village performs a full-depth reconstruction. At that time, the water and wastewater utilities are evaluated for repair since this is the most opportune time to conduct replacement since the road is to be removed. These projects can be costly, which is why the Village is working hard to catch up on these type of projects. Ultimately, the capital improvement program’s goal is to have a very limited amount of reconstruction, focusing almost all resources on resurfacing.

In our community, as in most, funding for road improvements is limited. The Village of Mundelein strives each year to commit as much funding as possible to the road program, allocating over \$2 million to the resurfacing and reconstruction of local roads throughout the Village, using Motor Fuel and Road/Bridge tax dollars. The table below shows the total spent on local roads over the last ten years.

As the table shows, the Village has demonstrated a commitment to the road program by allocating over \$25 million in the last ten years strictly to the resurfacing and reconstruction of Village maintained streets. Mundelein’s master plan is to maintain this level of commitment for years to come.

FISCAL YEAR	FUNDING (R&B/MFT ONLY)
FY2008	\$ 1,059,974.00
FY2009	\$ 3,114,874.00
FY2010	\$ 3,099,840.00
FY2011	\$ 1,497,387.00
FY2012	\$ 2,393,145.00
FY2013	\$ 1,398,684.00
FY2014	\$ 2,251,588.00
FY2015	\$ 2,253,452.00
FY2016	\$ 3,591,205.00
FY2017	\$ 2,300,000.00
FY2018	\$ 2,800,000.00

Message From the Mayor (cont.)

Time Out for Summer

Our summer passes quickly, so please make time to visit Diamond Lake, our extensive bike trails, Barefoot Bay Water Park, Park on Park, the Summer Concert series, and our gorgeous golf courses...to name just a few! Please visit our website for complete details on all of Mundelein’s summer festivities and offerings. Let’s make this a summer to remember!

Steve Lentz
Mayor

2018 MUNDELEIN COMMUNITY DAYS— Showcasing the Best of Mundelein

Mundelein Community Days opens at 4 p.m., Thursday, June 28 and ends after the fireworks, on Sunday, July 1. There is something for everyone at Mundelein Days—carnival, fireworks (July 1), parade (July 1), food, music, games, contests, demonstrations, displays and lots of kids activities. New this year—Lil' Kickers North Shore Soccer Demo, MFD Blood Drive, Pet Adoption Event, One World Exhibit and Cultural Performances by Ho Etsu & Ballet Folklorico.

The fireworks will take place on July 1, and there will be a Hot Dog Eating Contest, Chalk Art drawing event, a Petting Zoo and pony rides, and a day of "Music Under the Tent."

The parade route will travel Division to California to Hawley to MHS. The parade will form in the Metra station parking lot. The parade will exit the Metra station on Division Street, proceed west to California, north to Hawley, and west to Mundelein High School.

The Miss Mundelein, Junior Miss and Little Miss Mundelein Pageants will be held in the auditorium at Mundelein High School, on Sunday, June 24 at 6:30 p.m. Admission to the pageants is \$5 for adults, \$3 for students and senior citizens, children under 5 are free.

As usual, Mundelein Community Days features popular, high-quality musical acts from around the Chicagoland area covering all musical styles including: **3 If By Air** (Rock & Alternative), **Kashmir** (Led Zeppelin Tribute Band), Music Under the Tent: **Evan & Tom Leahy Band** (Irish and Folk/Rock Duo) and **John Metzger Duo** (Rock, Pop, Alternative), **Gina Gonzalez & the Wingmen** (Lake County's hottest new band. Playing the best adult alternative rock from the 90's through today, sprinkled with favorite songs from every generation), **Mason Rivers** (The Band that ROCKS Country), **The Desperate Bastards** (BlueGrass/Roots Music), **7th Heaven** (today's hits to classic rock and everything in between) and **Bella Cain** (High-Energy Country Band).

We've planned something for everyone at Mundelein Community Days. It is a great community festival for the entire family. Be sure to make this extravaganza part of your weekend plans!

JUNE 28-JULY 1
COMPLETE SCHEDULE
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2018

MUNDELEIN COMMUNITY DAYS

SUNDAY, JUNE 24

6:30 p.m. Little, Junior and Miss Mundelein Pageants
Mundelein High School
 Sponsored by Mac-Lean-Fogg Company

THURSDAY, JUNE 28

4-11 p.m. Mundelein Munch | **Santa Maria Meadow**
 4:30 p.m. Introduction of Mundelein Pageant Queens
Mainstage
 5-7 p.m. 3 If By Air | **Mainstage**
 5-8 p.m. Fire Engine Rides | **Seymour by Tennis Courts**
 Sponsored by McDonald's & Lakeside Recreation Center
 5-11 p.m. Carnival | Sponsored by American Legion Post #867
 8-11 p.m. Kashmir | **Mainstage**

FRIDAY, JUNE 29

9 a.m.-2 p.m. Chalk Art Drawing
 Sponsored by Mundelein Arts Commission
 Noon-11 p.m. Mundelein Munch | **Santa Maria Meadow**
 Noon-1 p.m. Park District Dancers | **Gazebo Stage**
 Noon-5 p.m. Lil' Kickers North Shore Demo
 12:30-4 p.m. Music Under the Tent | *Evan & Tom Leahy Band;*
John Metzger Duo
 1-4 p.m. Balloon Twister | **Gazebo Stage**
 1:30-6:30 p.m. Mundelein Fire Department Blood Drive
 4-5 p.m. Hot Dog Eating Contest | **Activity Tent**
 Courtesy of Luke's of Mundelein
 4-5 p.m. Taekwondo Demonstration | **Gazebo**
 Courtesy of Keumgang MAA
 4-8 p.m. Fire Engine Rides | **Seymour by Tennis Courts**
 Sponsored by McDonald's & Lakeside Recreation Center
 5-7 p.m. Gina Gonzalez and the Wingmen | **Mainstage**
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SATURDAY, JUNE 30

8 a.m. Mundelein Park District's Freedom Classic
 5K Run/Walk & 1/2 Mile Youth Run
 9 a.m. Pet Parade & Cute Pet Tricks | **Kracklauer Park**
 Sponsored by Pet Factory
 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Pet Adoption Event by REACH Rescue, Inc.
 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Car Show | **Santa Maria West Parking Lot**
 Hosted by BGV Motorsports
 10 a.m. Senior Horseshoe Tournament | **Crystal St. & Lincoln Ave.** | Hosted by Bill Chapman
 10 a.m.-2 p.m. K9 Demo
 Hosted by Mundelein Police Department | **Gazebo**
 Noon-3 p.m. Bingo | **Main Tent**
 Sponsored by Knights of Columbus
 Noon-4 p.m. Kids Crafts | **Activity Tent**
 Sponsored by Michaels Arts & Crafts
 Noon-5 p.m. Monkey Bridge
 Sponsored by Boy Scout Troop #198
 Noon-11 p.m. Mundelein Munch | **Santa Maria Meadow**
 1 p.m. Horseshoe Tournament | **Crystal St. & Lincoln Ave.**
 Hosted by Bill Chapman
 1-3 p.m. Face Painting | **Gazebo Grounds**
 Courtesy of Mundelein Queens
 Sponsored by Smile Makers Dental
 2-3 p.m. Magician | **Gazebo Stage**
 2-11 p.m. Carnival | Sponsored by American Legion Post #867
 2:30-3:30 p.m. "Bags" Registration
 3-7 p.m. Pony Rides | Sponsored by Bill's Pizza & Pub
 Petting Zoo | Sponsored by Groot Industries
 4 p.m. "Bags" Tournament | **Kracklauer Park Tennis Courts**
 Sponsored by Consumers Credit Union
 4-5 p.m. Jalapeno Eating Contest | **Mainstage**
 Courtesy of El Barrio Restaurant
 4-8 p.m. Fire Engine Rides | **Seymour by Tennis Courts**
 Sponsored by McDonald's & Lakeside Recreation Center
 5-7 p.m. The Desperate Bastards | **Mainstage**
 8-11 p.m. 7th Heaven | **Mainstage**
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SUNDAY, JULY 1

- 7–11:30 a.m. Pancake Breakfast | **Main Tent**
Sponsored by Mundelein Fire Association
- 8–11 a.m. Ceramics Painting | **Activity Tent**
Sponsored by Color Me Mine
- 8 a.m.–1 p.m. Kids Crafts | **Activity Tent** | Sponsored by Home Depot
- Noon–3 p.m. Bingo | **Main Tent** | Sponsored by Knights of Columbus
- Noon–11 p.m. Mundelein Munch | **Santa Maria Meadow**
- 12:30 p.m. Watermelon Eating Contest
Sponsored by Mundelein/Vernon Hills Rotary Club
- 1 p.m. McNulty Irish Dancers | **Gazebo Stage**
- 2 p.m. Mundelein Community Days Parade (*Parade Theme–
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- 2–11 p.m. Carnival (special tickets 2–5 p.m.)
Sponsored by American Legion Post #867
- 3–4 p.m. Kids Crafts | Sponsored by Debbie's Floral
- 3–6 p.m. One World Exhibit | **Activity Tent**
- 3:30 p.m. Ho Etsu Taiko | Sponsored by Fremont Public Library
- 4 p.m. Juggler/Stiltwaker | **Festival Grounds**
- 4:30–5:30 p.m. Ballet Folklorico
- 7–10 p.m. Bella Cain | **Mainstage** | Sponsored by TieMart
- 9:30 p.m. Fireworks | Sponsored by Alef Sausage,
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- Mundelein Parks & Recreation District
- Mundelein Police Department
- Mundelein Public Works
- Mundelein Queens
- Mundelein Soccer Association
- Mundelein–Vernon Hills Rotary Club
- O Salon & Spa
- Pine Meadows Golf Course
- REACH Rescue
- Santa Maria del Popolo
- Terri Voss
- Village of Vernon Hills

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Dedicated Community Days Volunteer Honored by Board of Trustees and Fellow Colleagues

Long-time Mundelein resident, Phil Siembal, recently was recognized posthumously for his excellence in volunteer service at a Village Board of Trustees meeting. Phil passed away on April 27, 2018 after a lengthy and courageous cancer battle.

Phil served on the Mundelein Community Days Commission as the Beverage Chair since 2012. During this time, he contributed countless hours to Mundelein Community Days and other community events. Phil's dedication and service to Mundelein has made a significant difference in the community.

A lifelong Mundelein resident and graduate of Mundelein High School, Phil became involved with Mundelein Community Days while he was working at DiCarlo's. He convinced the Community Days Commission to add wine to the festival and started as its "wine manager." He and his co-worker Preston from DiCarlo's, worked the wine side of the "beer" booth for the first couple of years.

"Phil had so many great ideas about how to manage the sale of alcohol that we made him the bar manager," explains Mike Flynn, former Assistant Village Administrator and 25-year VOM Community Days Liaison. For several years prior to his appointment to the commission, Phil worked at the bar every minute it was open, just like he continued to do since he was added to the commission. "As a member of the commission he was listed as the beverage manager, but like all the dedicated members, he also contributed in

many other ways. Phil's special contributions included adding fun events for kids, finding volunteers, and soliciting sponsors. He was just a great 'go to' guy who loved his hometown. He will be greatly missed," Flynn adds.



Phil Siembal (left) with his brother, Dave.

According to those who knew Phil well, he also volunteered in a similar fashion for the Vernon Hills Summer celebration and the Vernon Hills Park District's Rib and Blues Festival for many years. He also was a dependable volunteer for many non-profit fundraisers in the Mundelein and Vernon Hills communities.

"Most residents have never had the pleasure to meet Phil personally, however, they would not be having nearly as much fun enjoying themselves at Community Days if it were not for Phil's contributions and efforts over the years," said Margaret Resnick, Executive Director, Mundelein Park and Recreation District and Chairperson, Mundelein Community Days Commission.

The Village of Mundelein sincerely thanks Phil for his dedicated service and for helping to make Community Days one of the best festivals in Lake County!

MPD Proud to Host Upcoming Cops 'n' Bobbers Fishing Derby

The Mundelein Police Department's 21st annual Cops 'n' Bobbers fishing derby is scheduled to be held on July 14, 2018 from 8 a.m. until Noon at St. Mary's of the Lake Seminary. Parents bring your kids ages 5 – 13 and their fishing poles and spend the morning fishing and having fun. The derby is a great chance for families to have an enjoyable day and interact with Mundelein Police Department officers.

The pond will be stocked with sun fish. Bait will be provided by the Country Corner store and ILDNR will have a few fishing poles to use if you do not have your own. There will be a raffle drawing and prizes for the biggest fish, smallest fish and the most fish caught. The event is free and the first 100 children will get a free T-Shirt.

Food and non-alcoholic beverages are allowed in the park so feel free to bring a picnic lunch. An adult must accompany all participants.

If you would like more information or to volunteer for this event, please contact Officer Rachel Messina at 847-968-4600 or visit www.mundelein.org/police.



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Mundelein Launches New 1-2-3 Permit Program—Simplified Permit Fee Structure Enables Customers to Secure Permits as Easy as 1-2-3



In an effort to ensure that the Village of Mundelein's permit fees are priced competitively and to develop a more customer-focused and customer-friendly permit process, the Building Department recently introduced a more streamlined and simplified permit fee structure for all building permits. The new permit fees, along with the newly revised permitting process, are now in effect.

Mundelein's new 1-2-3 Permit Program aligns permit fees with the size of the project, thus making the permit process easier to understand for the customer and more cost-effective to administer by the Village. For larger remodeling alterations, additions, and new construction, a simple standard per square foot or per unit fee simplifies calculation and facilitates greater permit fee transparency.

The new fee structure is all inclusive, meaning permit calculations for electrical, plumbing, fire, and plan reviews are now all included in one fee per square foot for new construction, alterations and additions. The Building Department also established set fees for smaller projects, now called "minor" and "standard" permits that are either \$35 or \$70 depending on the size of the project.

After an in depth analysis of Mundelein's permit fees, the Mayor and Board of Trustees approved the Building Department's recommendation to restructure permit fees in order to make the permit process simpler, faster, more consistent, and most importantly, customer-friendly.

"Mundelein's previous permit fee schedule could be confusing to both staff and customer. Under our new 1-2-3 Permit Program, every building permit—regardless of size, shape, project cost, or complexity—will be based on a simple square foot formula. Depending on the type of project, the permit will cost either \$1, \$2 or \$3 per square foot; -\$3 for new construction, \$2 for additions, and \$1 for alterations—all calculations are based on square footage of living space, or in the case of non-residential, the fee is based on gross floor area. New multi-family projects are priced based on \$2,000 per dwelling unit. This is how we came up with name of the program," explains Pete Schubkegel, Director of Building.

"During the research phase of this project, it immediately became apparent that it was difficult, if not impossible to compare 'apples to apples' with our fees. Secondly, we knew we wanted to try and combine as many fees as possible to make our permits easier to understand and much more customer-focused. We believe that our customers should be able to pay one permit fee upfront and not multiple fees during or at the end of the project. We also wanted to make it possible for our customers

to be able to figure out the fee themselves," Schubkegel continues.

According to Schubkegel, during this process, the Building Department discovered that there were 16 or more fees that needed to be calculated to determine one permit fee for a single family home. This process became exponentially more complicated and confusing for commercial and industrial permits.

"We wanted to combine these fees into one simple fee calculator that anyone could use. It took hours of researching historical permit data, cost of operations, and other data analysis to combine all these fees into a simple per square foot calculator, or in the case of a multi-family project, a flat fee per dwelling unit. The simple fee calculator also translates to commercial and industrial permits, as well. The results of our research led us to the \$1, \$2, and \$3 cost per square foot. It's as easy as one-two-three," he said.

The entire fee schedule can be viewed on Mundelein's website, www.mundelein.org. Click the "Quick Links" tab, then select "Forms and Maps," and choose the "Building Department."

Please also feel free to contact the Mundelein Building Department at 847-949-3283 with any questions.

Mundelein Named in Top 100 Safest Cities in Illinois List

The National Council for Home Safety and Security recently announced its 2018 ranking of the Safest Cities in Illinois. Mundelein ranked 44th on the list. To identify the safest cities in Illinois, the National Council for Home Safety and Security, the organization reviewed the most recent FBI Uniform Crime Report statistics along with its own population data and internal research, eliminating any cities that failed to submit a complete crime report to the FBI and removed cities with populations under 10,000.

The National Council for Home Safety and Security is a trade association comprised of home security professionals across the United States. The council advocates for safe communities and home safety with a strong focus on community involvement. The complete list of the "Safest Cities in Illinois" for 2018 can be found here: <https://www.alarms.org/safest-cities-in-illinois-2018/>

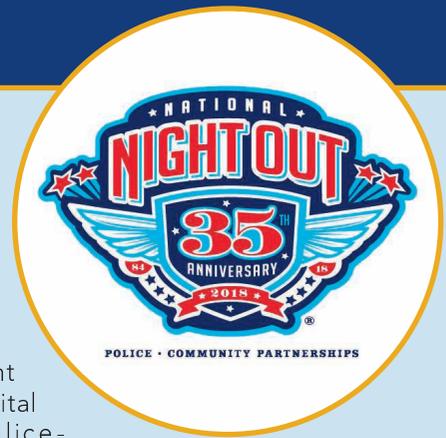
Mundelein Police Department to Host National Night Out Celebration

National Night Out, "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 "35th Annual National Night Out" crime and drug prevention event on August 7, 2018 from 7 p.m. to 10:30 p.m at Santa Maria Del Popolo lot (corner of Seymour and Courtland). 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



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Mundelein's Concerts in the Park 2018 Season Now Underway

The Village of Mundelein in partnership with Mundelein Park and Recreation District, are pleased to introduce the Concerts in the Park 2018 lineup. Concert organizers work behind the scenes to book bands and musical groups that will appeal to a wide-range of musical tastes. Last year, attendance exceeded expectations and feedback from concert goers was overwhelmingly positive.

Mundelein's Concerts in the Park take place at Kracklauer Park on Sundays from 5–6:30 p.m. from June 3–August 26. All concerts are FREE so invite your friends and neighbors to the concert, bring some snacks and drinks and have an enjoyable evening in the park. Food also will be available for purchase. The Concerts in the Park summer series is sponsored by the Village of Mundelein and the Mundelein Park District. For more information please call 847-949-3200.

Take Note— Village Reminders—Notes—Accolades

Village of Mundelein Water Quality Report Now Available to View Online

The Village of Mundelein's Water Quality Report is available to view online. This report contains important information about the source and quality of Mundelein's drinking water during 2017.



To view the 2018 Annual Water Quality Report online, please go to website: <http://waterquality.mundelein.org>

Summer Curfew Ordinance Now in Effect

Now that school is out for the summer, please take note of the Village's curfew ordinance. Curfew hours for children under 17 years old are Sunday - Thursday from 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. and Saturday and Sunday from Midnight to 6 a.m. In addition, drivers under 18 may not operate a motor vehicle between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. Sunday through Thursday, and between 11 p.m. and 6 a.m. on Friday and Saturday.

Neighborhood Watch Meetings

The Police Department is setting up Neighborhood Watch Meetings for the summer and fall months. Please call 847-968-4600 and ask for the Crime Prevention Office if you are interested in hosting or attending.

Keep Valuables Locked, Out of Sight

The Mundelein Police Department encourages residents to be mindful of important security measures to be taken in neighborhoods, homes,

and automobiles. Residents must be diligent in locking up cars, garages, and residences. Do not leave laptops, cell phones, and other expensive equipment in your automobile which would be visible to the passerby. Be sure to report any suspicious behavior or people in your neighborhood. The non-emergency phone number to the MPD is 847-968-4600 and always call 911 in an emergency.

Best Buy Demo Makes Way for Future Growth

Several Mundelein residents have inquired about the Best Buy demolition. Amanda Orenchuk, Director of Community Development explains, "The Best Buy building was very large and unique to Best Buy. Observations of current trends in the Commercial Market led us to believe that filling the space with a comparable-sized user, would be challenging. The removal of the building opens up buildable opportunity for spaces that meet the shifting needs of tenants in today's economy."

Pride of Ownership— Maintaining Neighborhood Appearance

For most people, the single most important investment is their home. One way to protect that investment is to ensure that neighboring properties are properly maintained. Homes that are vacant or unkempt, directly impacts the value of your property. Mundelein's Building Department is responsible for enforcing codes and ordinances that the Mayor and Board of Trustees have put into place to help preserve and enhance the appearance of the Village's



neighborhoods. To this end, if there is a home in your neighborhood that is vacant or is not being maintained, please call the Mundelein Village Hall at 847-949-3200 with the address of the property and any concerns you've noted. A Building Inspector will be scheduled to visit the location the following day to determine if a violation exists and then Village staff will take the necessary steps to correct the problem.

Residents Reminded to Tend to Long Grass

Long grass is a perfect example of an issue that can quickly detract from the appearance of the neighborhood, and the Village's overall appearance. Please take note: current Village Ordinance requires that grass and weeds not exceed eight inches in height. If a property is discovered that has long grass, a Building Inspector will attempt to make contact with the property owner, giving them "official Notice" to have the grass cut. If the grass is not cut within seven days as required in the Village Ordinance, the Village may elect to have the grass cut. The cost for cutting and removing the grass or weeds can become a lien on the property until paid.

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