

# SMOKE SIGNALS



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## Administration's Message

Dear Residents:

Last year at this time I sadly reported to you the loss of Police Chief Patrick M. Crowley. This year on July 10, one day before the anniversary of his death, the Village, family and friends gathered at 7:00 p.m., before the Village Board meeting, for the dedication of a newly planted Swamp White Oak Tree near the Village Hall to remember and honor Police Chief Crowley.

The dedication inscribed on a bronze tablet affixed to a stone at the base of the tree symbolizes Pat's courage and strength, which he showed as he faced his battle against cancer, and his on-going dedication to the Village and his fellow officers. The inscription reads as follows:

### **This Mighty Oak Tree**

*Dedicated by the Village of Indian Head Park, in memory of CHIEF PATRICK M. CROWLEY (1958 – 2007), loving husband, proud father, dear friend, and officer's officer.*

*In commemoration and honor of his professionalism, leadership, hard work, and dedicated service to our community and police department as a "Doer, Server, and Protector".*

*May he long be a source of Strength, Endurance, and Protection to all who gaze upon this Mighty Oak Tree.*

*July 11, 2008*

A similar inscription imprinted on a plaque in the shape of an officer's shield was presented to Mrs. Patrick Crowley and her family. On behalf of Mayor Andrews and the Village Board of Trustees, I want to thank the Crowley family for donating a bench to be placed near the tree. This Oak Tree is an appropriate memorial for Chief Patrick Crowley – to remember the strength of a man who stood brave and tall in his life.

For all of us who attended this ceremony, it was both a very thoughtful and amazing evening. It was pouring rain ten minutes before the gathering and then the rain stopped and

the sun appeared. Thirty minutes later a severe storm was fast approaching. I think, as stated in the last line of the inscription, Pat was already "a source of Strength, Endurance and Protection to all who gaze upon this Mighty Oak Tree."

As you drive by the Heritage Center, you probably say to yourself "Why hasn't the Village painted this house?" I hope to provide an answer to your question. On April 22nd, our building inspector reviewed the maintenance condition of the building, including both the exterior and interior and then submitted a report. His recommendations were then prioritized. Before any exterior painting can be done, there has to be (1) replacement of the existing roof covering; (2) replacement of the brick chimney and a metal pre-formex flue enclosure unit; (3) strip and re-paint gutters and downspouts or remove and replace the existing system, if this may be more cost economical. These three items must be addressed before the exterior walls are painted. Hopefully, this work can be completed in 2008-2009 subject to available funding in the budget.

In Chicago, residents are often urged during extreme heat and cold weather conditions to be aware of neighbors that might need help. Regardless of weather, we need to be aware right here in Indian Head Park. If you notice that a garage door has been left open for a few days or garbage has not been placed at the curb for weeks, please call your neighbor. If there is no response, call the police. Such an incident did happen in our Village and neighbors called the police. I want to thank Sergeant Curt Novak and Officer John Mudra who responded to the call and, due to their compassion and determination, were able to locate and contact relatives to assist

this resident who was in extreme need of help. A tragedy was avoided!

Lastly, I want to caution dog owners to never leave their pets unattended in their yards. Coyotes are present in the area and dog-napping is on the rise around the country. The American Kennel Club reports that incidents include taking pets from yards, pet stores and even cars in parking lots.

Respectfully submitted, Trustee Anne Bermier



## Scheduled Meeting Dates

**Village Board of Trustees 7:30 p.m.:**

Thursday, August 14, 2008

Thursday, September 11, 2008

**Planning and Zoning Commission 7:30 p.m.:**

Tuesday, August 5, 2008

**E-911 Board 6:30 p.m.:**

No meeting scheduled at this time.

All meetings are held at the Municipal Facility at 201 Acacia Drive. All residents are welcomed!

Mayor Rich Andrews and the Village Board of Trustees offer their deepest sympathy to the family of Sally Beauford, former Trustee of Indian Head Park, who passed away on July 28th. Sally is survived by her husband David, son Geoffrey and two sisters. Sally was elected to serve as Trustee on the Village Board for many years and also served on our Zoning Board. Sally spent many hours developing a plan for the beautification of Sacajawea Park. Sally originated the Village tradition of sponsoring the annual Easter Egg Hunt and Halloween Party and introduced some of the new games for the children. Sally will be greatly missed.

- Trustee Anne Bermier

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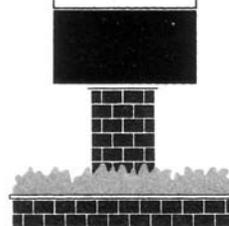
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**Deadline date for the next issue is August 13, 2008.**

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#### **VILLAGE OF INDIAN HEAD PARK**

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## Bicycling on the Illinois Prairie Path

The Illinois Prairie Path stretches 62 miles of trail connecting the communities of Maywood, Wheaton, Aurora, Batavia, Elgin and Geneva. If you are familiar with these towns, you might shake your head and say "How can that be?" The main stem connects Maywood and Wheaton. From Wheaton there is a branch to Aurora. Off that branch is a spur to Batavia. Another branch from Wheaton goes to Elgin, and off that branch is a spur to Geneva. Both branches and both spurs connect to the Fox River Trail. Almost all of the trail surface is crushed limestone, some of it is paved.



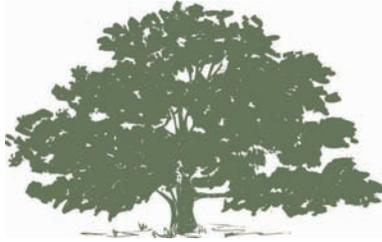
What better way to spend the day than enjoying a bicycle ride away from traffic and through prairie, wetland and wooded areas along the Illinois Prairie Path corridor. For further trail information, including the option of ordering a full color map, check out their website at [www.ipp.org](http://www.ipp.org).

## Tree Planting

The ideal time to plant trees and shrubs is during the dormant season in the fall after leaf drop or early spring before budbreak. Weather conditions are cool and allow plants to establish roots in the new location before spring rains and summer heat stimulate new top growth. However, trees properly cared for in the nursery or garden center, and given the appropriate care during transport to prevent damage, can be planted throughout the growing season. Proper handling during planting is essential to ensure a healthy future for new trees and shrubs. Before you begin planting your tree, be sure you have had all underground utilities located prior to digging.

If the tree you are planting is balled or bare root, it is important to understand that its root system has been reduced by 90 to 95 percent of its original size during transplanting. As a result of the trauma caused by the digging process, trees commonly exhibit what is known as transplant shock. Containerized trees may also experience transplant shock, particularly if they have circling roots that must be cut. Transplant shock is indicated by slow growth and reduced vigor following transplanting. Proper site preparation before and during planting coupled with good follow-up care reduces the amount of time the plant experiences transplant shock and allows the tree to quickly establish in its new location.

Carefully follow nine simple steps, and you can significantly reduce the stress placed on the plant at the time of planting. Dig a shallow, broad planting hole. Make the hole wide, as much as three times the diameter of the root ball but only as deep as the root ball. It is important to make the hole wide because the roots on the newly establishing tree must push through surrounding soil in order to establish. On most planting sites in new developments, the existing soils have been compacted and are unsuitable for healthy root growth.



Breaking up the soil in a large area around the tree provides the newly emerging roots room to expand into loose soil to hasten establishment. Identify the trunk flare. The trunk flare is where the roots spread at the base of the tree. This point should be partially visible after the tree has been planted. If the trunk flare is not partially visible, you may have to remove some soil from the top of the root ball. Find it so you can determine how deep the hole needs to be for proper planting.

Remove tree container for containerized trees. Carefully cutting down the sides of the container may make this easier. Inspect the root ball for circling roots and cut or remove them. Expose the trunk flare, if necessary. Place the tree at the proper height. Before placing the tree in the hole, check to see that the hole has been dug to the proper depth. The majority of the roots on the newly planted tree will develop in the top 12 inches of soil. If the tree is planted too deeply, new roots will have difficulty developing because of a lack of oxygen. It is better to plant the tree a little high, 2 to 3 inches above the base of the trunk flare, than to plant it at or below the original growing level. This planting level will allow for some settling. To avoid damage when setting the tree in the hole, always lift the tree by the root ball and never by the trunk. Straighten the tree in the hole. Before you begin backfilling, have someone view the tree from several directions to confirm that the tree is straight. Once you begin backfilling, it is difficult to reposition the tree.

Fill the hole gently but firmly. Fill the hole about one-third full and gently but firmly pack the soil around the base of the root ball. Then, if the root ball is wrapped, cut and remove any fabric, plastic, string, and wire from around the trunk and root ball to facilitate growth. Be careful not to damage the trunk or roots in the process.

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## Student News:

We applaud the following students for their excellent academic achievements:

Congratulations to Lauren Trifilio who received a Masters in Liberal Studies, with honors, from **Concordia University** on May 3rd. She was cheered on by her husband Chris, daughters Katherine and Megan, and proud parents Lori and Tom Davis.

**Nazareth Academy -- LaGrange Park** – Nora O'Connell, Anthony Bartucci, Joseph Pellegrino and Colleen McCollom who were named to the honor roll at Nazareth Academy.

**Benet Academy – Lisle** – Lauren Baker was named to the honor roll at Benet Academy.

**Fenwick High School - Oak Park** – Katherine Bailey was named to the honor roll at Fenwick High School.

**Aurora University - Illinois** – James Unger received a Bachelor's Degree at Aurora University.

**Grinnell College - Iowa** – David D'Angelo earned a Bachelor's Degree with honors in music and computer science.

## Heritage Center Library

The Indian Head Park Heritage Center Library located at 6250 South Wolf Road is open to the public on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Sundays from 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m. Please note the library will be closed on Saturdays and Sundays during holidays. If you wish to make a donation of books to the Heritage Center, please contact the Village Offices at (708) 246-3137. Volunteer docents are needed to help with the library. Donations of audio CD books and other CD's and DVD's are also appreciated. Details regarding the annual book sale will appear in the next issue of *Smoke Signals*.



Congratulations to Rachel Pellegrino who earned 2 bronze medals in Kata and Kumite at the National Karate Championships held in Houston, Texas on July 18th. Over 1,300 contestants competed at all age and belt levels with 5,000 people in attendance at the Brown Convention Center.

Congratulations to Michael Pellegrino who was selected for Law Review at the University of Illinois College of Law.

Congratulations to Daniel Pellegrino who earned Dean's List status for the fall and spring semesters at the University of Illinois.

We extend our condolences to the families and friends of the following who passed away: Marian Andel, age 76, who was active in the Women's Auxiliary of the American Legion, Robert Coulter Post #1941. Ronald Berg, age 86, who served as a naval aviator during World War II and was a draftsman for Zenith Radio for 25 years, president of the Independent Radionic Workers of America and the employee relations director for Chicago Reed Hospital.

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