

SMOKE SIGNALS

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Administration's Message

Dear Residents:

On behalf of the Village of Indian Head Park, I would like to thank those citizens who volunteered as election judges this past year. It is truly a "thankless job". They clearly did not do so for the amount of money paid by the Board of Elections. Rather, it is a job done out of a sense of civic pride and a desire to serve the community. For most of us, honoring our judges of election is a "thankful" job. Much has been said of the election problems this past year, but those problems are due to the new electronic machines that the Board of Elections is now using. So remember when you vote this year, to thank those civic minded individuals who gave up their time to serve our community.

This year there will be a consolidated election on April 17, 2007 for our Village officials. Please check with our office if you are not sure where your polling place is located.

The last day for voter registration is Tuesday, March 20, 2007. Registration may be done at our Village Hall for your convenience. To register, you must be at least eighteen years old, a resident of the precinct you live in for at least thirty days prior to the election and you must provide two forms of identification, one of which must contain your present address.

Grace period registration will be conducted at the Board of Elections which is located at 69 West Washington Street in Chicago from March 24th through April 14th.

Early voting will once again be conducted from March 26th through April 12, 2007 at the Lyons Township Hall. Early voting is done in person and you need not give any excuse for voting early. Requests for absentee ballots, which do require certain conditions, such as being out of town on election day, that must be met, may be requested from our Village Administration Offices.

Please do not hesitate to stop by the Village Hall with any questions you may have. Our staff is eager to serve and assist you in all matters, including voting, zoning, dog registration and vehicle stickers. I cannot say enough about the job our administrative team does on a daily basis. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to be of further assistance to you.

Thank you for allowing me the privilege of serving as your Village Clerk.

Respectfully,
Clerk Joseph V. Consolo

Aging Well to Host "Senior Benefits" Seminar

Aging Well Community Action Teams exist in many communities in greater Lyons Township. These teams are composed of volunteers who work together to address the needs of older adults in their communities.

*Future presentations and programs:

February 15th, March 1st & 15th - Senior Scene's Theatre Program

In partnership with the Theatre of Western Springs.

March 8th - Stress Management and Relaxation Techniques

Guest speaker from RML Hospital.

April 12th - Services for Seniors in Lyons Township

Speakers from Lyons Township, SWSCOA, & Grand Avenue Drop-In Center.

May 10th - Housing Options for Older Adults

Presented by Cindy Nissen - Senior LIFEsteps.

Unless noted, all presentations and programs begin at 1:00pm and are held at Senior Drop-In Center, 2nd floor of Grand Avenue Community Center, 4211 Grand Avenue in Western Springs. For more information, call Mike Doepke at (708)783-1220. Refreshments served.

Projects vary and include health fairs, distribution of the File of Life and cell phones for 911 emergency use, community health clinics, community forums, and more. For more information on this forum or about how you can participate on the Aging Well Community Action Team of Western Springs/Indian Head Park please contact team leader Mike Doepke at (708) 783-1220.

Aging Well is supported by The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation through its Community Partnerships for Older Adults (CPFOA) national initiative. CPFOA seeks to foster community partnerships that are improving long-term care and supportive services systems to meet the current and future needs of older adults. A project of Suburban Area Agency on Aging, now AgeOptions, Aging Well is supported locally by Community Memorial Foundation and the Township of Lyons.



Scheduled Meeting Dates

Village Board of Trustees 7:30 p.m.:
Thursday, February 8, 2007

Planning and Zoning Commission 7:30 p.m.:
No meeting scheduled for this month.

Police Commission 7:00 p.m.:
Thursday, March 1, 2007

E-911 Board 6:30 p.m.:
Thursday, March 15, 2007

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

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Smoke Signals is published by the Village of Indian Head Park to inform its residents of present activities in the village and the ever-growing plans for the future in the pursuit of better government and good citizenship.

Teepee Topics news items should be submitted to the Newsletter Coordinator at the Municipal Offices.

Full page advertisements - \$200.00, 1/2 page advertisements - \$125.00, 3 1/2" x 3 1/2" size advertisements - \$75.00, business card size advertisements - \$45.00, trading post advertisements - \$20.00 (no commercial advertisements - the advertisement will run two times at no cost, then a \$20.00 charge).

Extra copies and back issues (up to one year) of *Smoke Signals* can be obtained at the Village Hall.

Deadline date for the next issue is February 19, 2007.

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Heritage Center Library

The new driveway configuration is completed at the Heritage Center. There are many books available for children of all ages as well as adults. The hours will be: Saturdays 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Sundays from 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m. Story time will take place on Saturday mornings for children under eight years of age. If you would like to help or have any suggestions, please contact Jane Kuhn at (708) 246-0293.

HERITAGE CENTER BOOK SALE

Saturday, March 24, 2007 — 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
At the Heritage Center, 6250 Wolf Road

VILLAGE OF INDIAN HEAD PARK

201 Acacia Drive, Indian Head Park, IL 60525
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Office Hours

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Administrator: Frank Alonzo, Jr.

Chief of Police: Patrick Crowley

Police Dept. Non-Emergency 246-4534
Emergency 9-1-1

Fire Dept. Non-Emergency 352-9229
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Police Department Briefing . . .

Neighborhood Safety

A watch group is an important tool families can use to protect their neighborhood against burglars and other criminal intruders. A watch group is simply a number of neighbors joining together to keep an eye open for suspicious persons and activities. Neighbors can work together to protect their homes through vigilance. For example, those persons who are home during the day know that something may be wrong if they see people around a home when family members are usually absent, or if one family will be gone on business or for a weekend, they can ask one of the others to pick up their newspapers and their mail to give their house a lived-in appearance. By cooperation in the area of security, neighbors have a no-cost device to help protect their homes and property from criminals.

At the first sign of anything out of the ordinary, the police should be called. Some common situations that could mean trouble include:

- A stranger entering your neighbor's house when it is unoccupied.
- Anyone removing car accessories, license plates or gasoline.
- Anyone peering into parked cars.
- Apparent business transactions conducted from a vehicle.
- Anyone loitering around schools, parks, secluded areas or on the street.
- Any vehicle moving slowly and without lights.
- Vehicles containing one or more persons parked at unusual hours.
- Vehicles being loaded with valuables in front of an unoccupied house.
- The sound of breaking glass or loud explosive noise.
- Persons being forced into vehicles.
- Someone going door-to-door who test the door to see if they are locked or who goes around to the side or to the back of the house.
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Indian Head Park Woman's Club Upcoming Events...

The Indian Head Park Woman's Club will be meeting on March 20th, at the Municipal Facility located at 201 Acacia Drive. The speaker for the evening will be Wayne Guccione, a noted Exercise Physiologist. He specializes in individual training for strength and fitness. The benefits include balance, flexibility, weight control, muscular strength and endurance and sports performance. Beginners of all levels of fitness are welcomed to start at any time. Each group meets three times per week for one hour. Wayne is located in the Professional Office Building on the Adventist La Grange Memorial Hospital Campus. For more information you can call at (708) 246 7960 or email him at wayne.guccione@ahss.org

The February Meeting will be held on Feb. 20, 2007 at the Municipal Facility at 201 Acacia Drive and the meeting will begin at 6:45 p.m. The speaker will be Alice Latham who will speak about the history of the Robert Vial House which was built in 1866. There will be a brief slide presentation showing the move of the Vial House to its present location at Walker Park in Burr Ridge.

Be sure to mark your calendar for April 21st for the date of our largest fund raiser of the year. This year the program will be at the La Grange Country Club.

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Student News....

We applaud all of the students on their academic achievements:

University of Illinois, Springfield

Congratulations to Daniel Pellegrino, who was named to the Capital Scholar's Dean's List.

Western Illinois University, Macomb

Congratulations to Daniel Douglas of Indian Head Park who was named to the dean's list at Western Illinois University.

Illinois State University, Normal

Congratulations to Michael Callan and Jeannine Stupka of Indian Head Park who were named to the dean's list at Illinois State University.

Montini High School – Lombard, Illinois

Congratulations to Jillian Sullivan who received high honors at Montini High School in Lombard.

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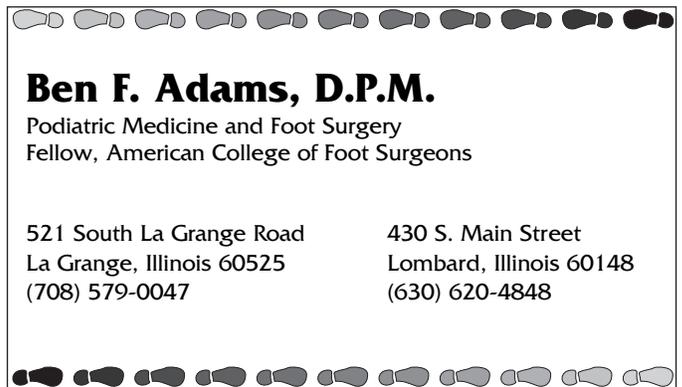


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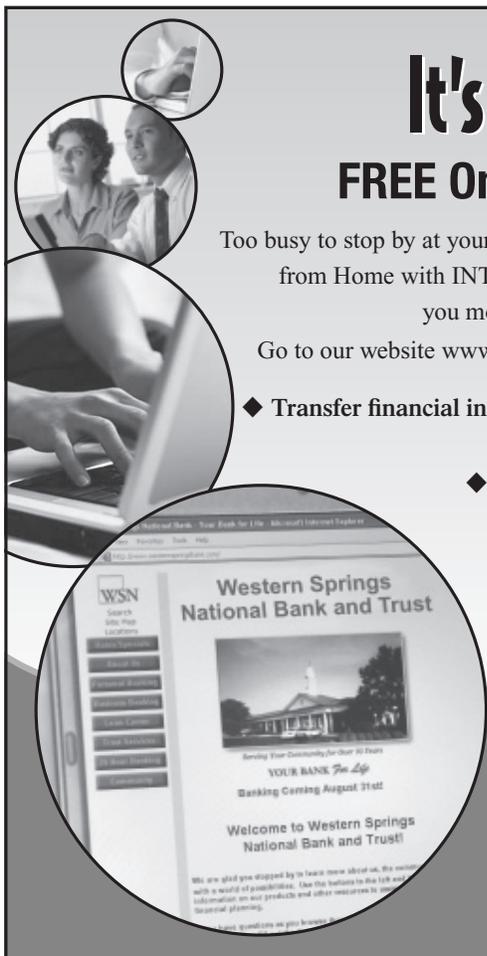
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TEEPEE TOPICS

Our condolences to the families and friends of the following residents of Indian Head Park who recently passed away: Mary Peters-Mavros, who was a resident of Indian Head Park for many years.

Frances "Frank" Lawrence Lusson, age 83, who was a retired manager of a manufacturing company. He also served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II and he volunteered at Adventist Hinsdale Hospital for 15 years. Elizabeth Blanck, age 82, who was a long time resident of Indian Head Park.

Heritage Center book donation protocol— anyone who is interested in donating books to the Indian Head Park Heritage Center, please do so at the Municipal Facility at 201 Acacia Drive. Please do not leave any book donations at the Heritage Center property unless a docent is present to accept the books.

The LaGrange Highlands School District will be hosting free classes in Microsoft Word for seniors (age 60 plus), who reside within the district. Classes will be held on Mondays from 3:45 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. on the following dates: February 5, 12 & 26 or March 5, 12 & 19. To register, please call (708) 485-3447.

The Carbon Monoxide Alarm Detector Act, which took effect on January 1, 2007, requires homes to have an approved, operating carbon monoxide detector installed within 15 feet of any sleeping area. The law applies to residences that use fossil fuels, such as natural gas, propane, coal, oil, gasoline or wood, for heating or cooking, as well as homes that have an attached garage. Carbon monoxide is often called "the silent killer" because it is odorless, tasteless and invisible, and victims of carbon monoxide poisoning are

often sickened or killed while sleeping. Each year in the U.S., about 200 people die and thousands more are sickened by accidental exposure to carbon monoxide gas. Symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning, which include dizziness, nausea, headache, coughing, irregular heartbeat, and pale skin with cherry red lips and ear tips, are often confused with those of influenza, food poisoning or other illnesses. For that reason, victims may delay seeking treatment or leaving the home, increasing their exposure to the poisonous gas. A carbon monoxide detector will sound when levels of the gas are elevated, alerting residents that they need to leave the home. The lives saved by carbon monoxide detectors in homes are well worth the purchase price. We encourage everyone to make their homes safer by installing and maintaining carbon monoxide detectors. Failure to comply, is a Class B Misdemeanor.

Applications for admission to the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy (grades 10-12) class of 2010, which will enroll next fall, are now available on at www.imsa.edu/admissions/applyonline/. Talented Illinois students enrolled in the equivalent of a ninth grade program are eligible for consideration. Tuition and most room and board expenses are provided by state funds. A written application must be completed and returned to IMSA, postmarked no later than March 1, 2007.

Students may also contact their high school guidance counselor or IMSA's Office of Admissions at (630) 907-5028 or 1-800-500-IMSA to receive an application. The Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy is an internationally recognized pioneering educational institution created by the State of Illinois to develop talent and leadership in mathematics, science and technology.

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