

SMOKE SIGNALS

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Administration's Message

Dear Residents:

Although Summer doesn't officially end until September 21st, most people feel Summer is over when schools open for the fall semester. The schools in our area all start before Labor Day. Let's remember to observe the 20mph school zone speed limit in effect during school hours when children are present. Parents, please remind your children of the following: to mind all traffic signals and/or the crossing guard; never cross the street against a light, even if you don't see any traffic coming; walk your bike through intersections; and walk with a buddy.

If you haven't already done so, mark your calendars for September 9, 2006. The West Suburban Concert Band will be performing from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in Blackhawk Park. At 8:00 p.m. there will be cartoons followed by the movie "Nanny McPhee". Also, the Indian Head Park's Woman's Club will be having a Bake Sale and a White Elephant sale.

Congratulations to the newly elected Indian Head Park Woman's Club officers – President Irene Macke, Co 1st Vice-Presidents Liz Gohdes & Adrienne Ingebrigtsen, 2nd Vice-President Dorothy Johnson, Secretary Stefania Jacyno and Treasurer Judy Solomon. The Club is a service and philanthropic organization consisting of dedicated women of all ages that donate both their time (reading program at Highlands School, Heritage Center, Hines Hospital, Brookfield Zoo) and money (IHP Police Dept., Heritage Center, Lyons Township H.S. Scholarship Fund, food pantries) to local organizations. Their major fund raiser is in the planning stages for April 2007. Look for updates in Smoke Signals.

Our Public Works Superintendent Ed Santen is in ongoing communications with both the Cook County Highway Department and Dartmoor Homes.

Weather permitting, Cook County anticipates meeting the original completion date of October 1st for their Wolf Road project. We understand that Dartmoor has prioritized their Plainfield Road improvements in terms of a completion date.

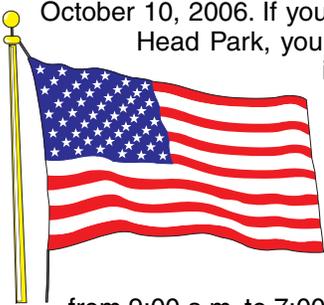
The pedestrian pathway along the south side of Plainfield Road is still "a work in progress". Look for additional information in upcoming editions of Smoke Signals.

Many, many thanks to Township Supervisor Pat Rogers and the Lyons Township Board for the Township's grant of \$7,500 to help with the paving and collateral enhancements to IHP's Heritage Center parking lot.

Thank you for the honor and privilege of serving as one of your Village Trustees.

Trustee Carol A. Coleman

For the November 7, 2006 General Election:



Voter registration for the upcoming election ends on October 10, 2006. If you recently moved to Indian Head Park, you may register to vote during regular office hours at the Municipal Facility Administration Office located at 201 Acacia Drive (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.). Please provide two forms of identification reflecting your current address. You may also check your voting eligibility on-line by visiting the Cook County Clerk's Office Website at www.voterinfo.com or by contacting the County Clerk's Office at (312) 603-0906. At the Cook County Clerk's downtown Chicago office, located at 69 West Washington St., Room 500, grace period registration will be taking place October 11th through October 24, 2006.

Scheduled Meeting Dates

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

Thursday, September 14, 2006
Thursday, October 12, 2006

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

Tuesday, September 5, 2006
Tuesday, October 3, 2006

Police Commission 7:00 p.m.:

Thursday, September 7, 2006

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

Thursday, September 21, 2006

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Advertising . . . If you are interested in placing a business advertisement in Smoke Signals, please contact Kathy Leach @ (708) 246-7099, ext. 101.

Smoke Signals

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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 September 25, 2006.

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Student News . . .

University of Illinois – Urbana-Champaign

Congratulations to Thomas Carlson of Indian Head Park who is the 2006 winner of the Charles E. Taylor Scholarship sponsored by the department of theoretical and applied mechanics at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Thomas is majoring in engineering mechanics and he is the son of Phil and Suzanne Carlson of Indian Head Park.

Congratulations to Michael Pellegrino who was named to the dean's list at the University of Illinois – Urbana-Champaign. Michael also received the designation as a James Scholar for his third consecutive year and his parents are very proud of his accomplishments.

Northwestern University Congratulations to Alison Valenta of Indian Head Park who was named to the spring semester dean's list at Northwestern University. Alison is a student in the School of Music at the university.

Elizabethtown College -- Pennsylvania Congratulations to Victoria Hult of Indian Head Park who was named to the dean's list for the spring semester at Elizabethtown College in Pennsylvania.

College of DuPage We congratulate the following students from Indian Head Park for their academic honors for the spring semester at the College of DuPage: Dennis Buskohl, Andrew Curin, Ann Pokusa, Venessa Rodriguiz, Joshua Teune, Elizabeth Wallace and Jamie Weyforth.

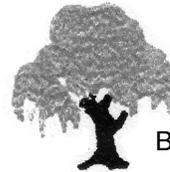
Heritage Center Library

6250 South Wolf Road



The Heritage Center Library is open to the public on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and on Sundays from 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m. If you have time to devote to the library, please contact Jane Kuhn at (708) 246-0293.

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Tree Care

Insects and diseases can threaten tree health. As soon as you notice any abnormality in the appearance of your tree, you should begin a careful examination of the problem. By identifying the specific symptoms of damage and understanding their causes, you may be able to diagnose the problem and select an appropriate treatment.

Stress

Basic elements that influence plant health include sufficient water and light, and a proper balance of nutrients. Too much or too little of any of these environmental conditions may cause plant stress. Environmental stress weakens plants and makes them more susceptible to insect and disease attack. Trees deal with environmental stresses, such as shading and competition for water and nutrients in their native environment, by adjusting their growth and development patterns to reflect the availability of the resources. Although trees are adapted to living in stressful conditions in nature, many times the stresses they experience in the land-

scape are more than they can handle and may make them more susceptible to insects and diseases.

Diagnosis

Correct diagnosis of plant health problems requires a careful examination of the situation.

1. Accurately identify the plant. Because many insects and diseases are plant-specific, this information can quickly limit the number of suspected diseases and disorders.
2. Look for a pattern of abnormality. It may be helpful to compare the affected plant with other plants on the site, especially those of the same species. Differences in color or growth may present clues as to the source of the problem. Non-uniform damage patterns may indicate insects or diseases. Uniform damage over a large area (perhaps several plant species) usually indicates disorders caused by such factors as physical injury, poor drainage, or weather.
4. Examine the roots. Note their color: brown or black roots may signal problems. Brown roots often indicate dry soil conditions or the presence of toxic chemicals. Black roots usually reflect overly wet soil or the presence of root-rotting organisms.
5. Check the trunk and branches. Examine the trunk thoroughly for wounds because they provide entrances for pathogens and wood-rotting organisms.
6. Note the position and appearance of affected leaves. Dead leaves at the top of the tree are usually the result of environmental or mechanical root stress. Twisted or curled leaves may indicate viral infection, insect feeding, or exposure to herbicides.

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Diseases

Three things are required for a disease to develop:

- the presence of a pathogen (the disease-causing agent)
- plant susceptibility to that particular pathogen
- an environment suitable for disease development

Plants vary in susceptibility to pathogens. Many disease-prevention programs focus on the use of pathogen-resistant plant varieties. Even if the pathogen is present and a susceptible plant host is available, the proper environmental conditions must be present over the correct period of time for the pathogen to infect the plant.

Diseases can be classified into two broad categories: those caused by infectious or living agents (diseases) and those caused by noninfectious or nonliving agents (disorders).

Examples of infectious agents include fungi, viruses, and bacteria. Noninfectious diseases, which account for 70 to 90 percent of all plant problems in urban areas, can be caused by such factors as nutrient deficiencies, temperature extremes, vandalism, pollutants, and fluctuations in moisture. Noninfectious disorders often produce symptoms similar to those caused by infectious diseases; therefore, it is essential to distinguish between the two in order to give proper treatment.



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TEEPEE TOPICS

Our condolences to the City of Countryside Police Department on the loss of their German Shepard service dog that was injured while providing assistance to a neighboring community. This amazing animal assisted many local police departments, including Indian Head Park, as well as the Major Case Assistance Team (MCAT) and he will be missed.

Do you play bridge? Want to join an evening of fellowship at the bridge table? The Lyonsville Bridge Group will begin its 14th year on Monday, September 11th at 7:00 p.m. at the Lyonsville Congregational Church located at 6871 Joliet Road, in Indian Head Park. The group meets on the second Monday of each month, September through May. If you do not have a partner, no problem. Those interested are asked to call Jane Kuhn at (708) 246-0293 for further details. Join a wonderful group of men and women.

Our condolences to the families and friends of the following residents of Indian Head Park who recently passed away:

Rosalie Bajor, a long time resident of Wilshire Green, who passed away on her 89th birthday, Irvin J. Olson, also a

long time resident of Wilshire Green and beloved husband of Gloria Olson.

Vincent "Juni" Paluzzi, who passed away at the age of 54, who worked at the Helping Hand Workshop in Countryside and the Garden Center in Burbank. John Hulbert, age 87, who was a retired optometrist and vice-president of production at Airguide Instruments. Mary J. Kemmer, age 56, who was an office manager for an insurance company.

Indian Head Park Woman's Club

The first meeting of the year for the Indian Head Park Woman's Club is due to convene on Tuesday, September 19th at 6:30 p.m. at the Municipal Facility in the conference room at 201 Acacia Drive. If you would like to join the Woman's Club, please attend this meeting. The next meeting of the Woman's Club will be held on October 19th.

Congratulations to Edward J. Jaeky of Indian Head Park who was elected to serve as President of the Lyons Township Mental Health Commission and also to Dr. Arnold Morof of Indian Head Park who was elected to serve as Secretary on the Lyons Township Board Mental Health Commission.

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