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A LETTER FROM VILLAGE PRESIDENT HOEFT

Spring is finally here in the Village of Huntley! As the weather gets nicer by the day, it's the season when our town's special events come to life.

As we approach Memorial Day on May 27, I extend my heartfelt greetings to all Huntley residents, particularly our veterans. As we gather to pay tribute and commemorate the brave individuals who gave their lives for our nation, please remember this as a day of significance and reflection.

On behalf of American Legion Post 673, I invite you to please join us as we pay tribute to our fallen heroes in a solemn and dignified manner.

The Memorial Day Parade will commence at 11 am from the Huntley Municipal Complex (10987 Main Street). As the parade proceeds west on Main Street to Town Square, let us carry with us the memories and legacies of those who gave their lives in service to our nation. Following the parade, American Legion Post 673 will host a Memorial Day Ceremony in the Town Square. It's an opportunity for us, as a community, to pay tribute to our veterans. Our community holds deep appreciation for the sacrifices our veterans have made, and we are honored to commemorate their service.

The Veterans Memorial at Huntley Town Square that was unveiled on July 2, 2016, serves as a lasting symbol of our gratitude. I fondly remember the Village Board's dedication to honoring our veterans in 2016 when I was a Village Board Trustee. The partnership between the Village and the Huntley Area Veterans Foundation, approved by the Village Board, has ensured the memorial's upkeep. Thanks to this partnership and generous donors, the memorial stands as a place for reflection and remembrance, dedicated "In honor of all who served." The front of the wall proudly showcases emblems of the five branches of the Armed Forces and the National Guard, while the back features a mural portraying scenes from all military branches. Being part of this project is a source of pride for me, with many family members serving in our armed forces. It's rewarding to witness intergenerational conversations around the memorial, knowing our community has a space to emphasize the importance of honoring those who bravely defended our freedom.

Let us honor the memory of our fallen heroes with reverence, respect, and gratitude. May their sacrifices never be forgotten.

With utmost respect,

Timothy J. Hoeft
Village President of Huntley



WEEKLY FARMERS MARKETS RETURN MAY 25TH!

The Village is pleased to announce the return of our weekly Farmers Market, which will take place from 8am-1pm on Saturdays from May 25 through October 12 in Town Square.

This year, shoppers can expect to see a variety of offerings from new and returning vendors. Additional farmers market details and a complete list of vendors can be found on the Village website.



MEMORIAL DAY PARADE - MAY 27

Join us on Monday, May 27, in honoring those who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom. The 2024 Memorial Day Parade kicks off from the Municipal Complex at 11am and travels west on Main Street to the Town Square for a brief ceremony.



To be a part of this year's parade, please complete an application and return it to the American Legion Hall. Applications are available on the village website. Parade registration will be accepted until 5pm on May 22nd, 2024.

PUBLIC WORKS DAY AT THE FARMERS MARKET

The Village of Huntley Public Works & Engineering Department will host a Touch-A-Truck Event downtown Huntley in coordination with the Farmers Market on July 13th from 8am-1pm. The event will offer a behind-the-scenes look at the skills, tools and equipment required to maintain the Village. Staff will be available to answer any questions on the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) NPDES Phase II program.

STORMWATER RUNOFF & POLLUTION PREVENTION

Stormwater runoff occurs when precipitation from rain or snowmelt flows over the ground. During this time, stormwater can pick up debris, chemicals, dirt, and other pollutants and flow into a storm sewer system or directly to a lake, stream, river, wetland, or coastal water. The Village encourages residents to help by following these tips:

- Use pesticides/fertilizers very sparingly.
- Don't overwater your lawn.
- Consider collecting rainwater for reuse with a rain barrel.
- Install a native plant rain garden on your property.
- Keep yard waste out of the street, storm drain, and ditch.
- Pick up pet waste and properly dispose of it.
- Put litter in the trash and not on the ground.

PREPAREDNESS TIPS FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Disabilities can impact a person in a variety of ways—both visible and invisible. For people with disabilities and their families, it is important to consider individual circumstances and needs to effectively prepare for emergencies and disasters.

Planning tips for people with disabilities include:

- Plan ahead for accessible transportation that you may need for evacuation or getting around during or after a disaster.
- If you are on dialysis or other life-sustaining medical treatment know the location and availability of more than one facility that can help you.
- If you use medical equipment in your home that requires electricity, talk to your doctor or health care provider about what you may be able to do to keep it running during a power outage. You can also ask your power provider to put you on a list for priority power restoration.
- Organize and protect your prescriptions, over-the-counter drugs, and vitamins to prepare for an emergency.
- Wear medical alert tags or bracelets. Also add pertinent medical information to your electronic devices.
- If you have a communication disability, consider carrying printed cards or storing information on your devices to inform first responders and others how to communicate with you.
- If you use assistive technologies, plan how you will evacuate with the devices or how you will replace equipment if lost or destroyed.

BE SCAM AWARE

While scammers are relentless, there are some consistent red flags you can look for.

Here are five signs that it might be a scam:

1. Scammers often pretend to be contacting you on behalf of the government or a business you know. They might use a real name or make up a name that sounds official. They also use technology to change phone numbers and use AI to mimic voices.
2. They might say you're in trouble with the government, you owe money, someone in your family had an emergency, there's a virus on your computer, there's a problem with your accounts, or you've won the lottery.
3. If you're on the phone, they might tell you not to hang up. They might threaten to arrest you, sue you, take away your driver's or business license, or deport you.
4. They will insist that you not tell anyone about this interaction and often insist you stay on the phone with them until payment is made.
5. They insist you pay by using cryptocurrency, wiring money, a payment app, or a gift card. Some will send you a fake check, tell you to deposit it and to send them the money.

Now that you know the signs, here's how to avoid a scam: Block unwanted calls and text messages. Don't give your personal or financial information in response to a request that you didn't expect. Resist the pressure to act immediately. Know how scammers tell you to pay. Never pay someone who insists that you can only pay with cryptocurrency, a wire transfer, a payment app, or a gift card. Never deposit a check and send money back to someone.

HUNTLEY HISTORY

This year marks Sun City's 25-year anniversary! Del Webb broke ground on June 30, 1998 and the first homes were sold in the spring of 1999. Del Webb's Sun City is now one of the largest subdivisions in the Chicago area with nearly 10,000 residents spread out among 42 neighborhoods. The community has played a major role in sending Huntley's population soaring from 3,500 in 1999 to more than 28,000.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 17: Cop on Top

May 25: Weekly Farmers Markets Begin

May 27: Memorial Day Parade

June 15: Legion's Vet Fest

June 25: Concerts on the Square Begin

June 29: Family Fun Day at the Farmers Market

July 4: Independence Day Fireworks

July 6: Tip a Cop at Culvers

