

HUNTLEY'S

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Warm weather has arrived—have fun at the many events planned in Huntley this summer - there is something for everyone! We can all do our part to make Huntley a great place to live and work. Be smart about outdoor water usage and maintain properties to meet or exceed Village standards. This newsletter includes helpful tips and reminders for outdoor watering, home projects and more.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY 1

1ST FRIDAY NIGHT MONTHLY
SUMMER SERIES BEGINS

JULY 4 - INDEPENDENCE DAY

VILLAGE OFFICES CLOSED
GARBAGE PICKUP DELAYED ONE DAY
FIREWORKS SHOW

JULY 5

WEEKLY CONCERTS IN THE
SQUARE SERIES BEGINS

JULY 22

MOVIE IN THE PARK
WILLY WONKA & THE CHOCOLATE
FACTORY (PARISEK PARK)

SUMMER FUN IN HUNTLEY!!!

JULY 4 INDEPENDENCE DAY FIREWORKS

The annual celebration takes place in Deicke/Warrington Park. Party in the Park starts at 7pm with music and family fun, followed by the fireworks show at approximately 9:30pm.

JULY 22 MOVIE IN THE PARK

Enjoy a night of family movie watching under the stars at Parisek Park (next to the library)! *Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory* will be playing on the big screen. Join us, along with the Huntley Area Library, starting at 7pm for games, photo ops, food & more. The movie will start at sunset. Visit www.huntley.il.us for more information.

JUL 31- AUG 6 ENJOY HUNTLEY WEEK

Stay tuned for details about this week filled with family fun throughout the community!

JULY 31 BIKE HUNTLEY

Bike with the Huntley Police Department along the Huntley path system (some streets) and check out the Village parks. The community ride is 8-9 miles and will take about an hour to complete. Afterwards, bikers gather for a picnic at the Town Square to meet members of our Police Department and visit with neighbors. Join us!

Register at www.huntley.il.us



EVERY SATURDAY WEEKLY FARMERS MARKET THROUGH OCTOBER 1

Visit the Farmers Market every Saturday from 8am-1pm through October 1 on Coral Street and in the Huntley Square. All summer long, shop your local favorites featuring homegrown and handmade items. For details and vendor information, visit www.huntley.il.us or Facebook: [@huntleyfarmersmarket](https://www.facebook.com/huntleyfarmersmarket)

FARMERS MARKET SPECIAL THEME DAYS

- June 25 Helen Keller Day sponsored by Huntley Lion's Club Vision Testing & more
- July 2 Family Fun Day - Entertainment, free kid games, food, Ice Cream Social for Special Olympics & more
- July 16 Public Works Day - Touch a Truck & more
- July 23 Christmas in July - Free kids games & more Special Guest (Santa) from 10am-12pm



1ST FRIDAY NIGHTS

This fun evening event is a great date night or adult night out on the town. Featuring a different theme on the first Friday evening of July-October, First Friday Nights is held in the Huntley Town Square from 7-10pm (unless otherwise noted).

July 1 90's Dance Party with Boy Band Review

Aug 5 Cruise Night (5-8pm) & Live Band Karaoke (7-10pm). Event Sponsor: American Community Bank & Trust

Sep 2 Cruise Night (5-8pm) & Grease the movie

Oct 7 Drive-In Movie at Sew Hop'd Brewery & Union Special featuring the seasonal hit *Ghostbusters: Afterlife*

CONCERTS IN THE SQUARE

This weekly summer concert series features a variety of musical acts and promises fun for all on Tuesdays from 7-8:30pm in downtown Huntley. Bring your chairs or blankets and enjoy the tunes!

July 5 The Blooze Brothers Event Sponsor: FNBO Huntley

July 12 The Jolly Ringwalds

July 19 7th Heaven Event Sponsor: Huntley Realty

July 26 The Hair Band Nights

Aug 2 Bella Cain

Aug 9 Johnny Russler & the Beach Bum Band

Event Sponsor: DeFiore Funeral & Cremation

Aug 16 The Four C Notes Event Sponsor: Legion Post 673

VISIT THE SPECIAL EVENTS PAGE ON HUNTLEY.IL.US FOR DETAILS ON THESE EVENTS AND MORE!

WATERING AND MAINTENANCE



Watering Reminder: Help the Village preserve potable water supplies with good water conservation practices! The current watering restriction is Yellow. Condition Yellow shall allow the outside use of the Village's potable water supply for lawn watering only on alternate days (odd/even based on your address) between the hours of 6am-9am and 6pm-9pm. Current conditions are subject to change. Signs are posted throughout the Village displaying the color and water restriction conditions. Current conditions are also posted on the Village's Public Works water page at www.huntley.il.us.

Property Maintenance Reminder: Residential properties within the Village shall be maintained free from weeds and plant growth in excess of 8 inches. Complete information on these regulations can be found on the Village website at www.huntley.il.us.

WATER EFFICIENCY OUTDOORS

Do you consider yourself efficient when using water outdoors? Water efficiency is the smart use of water resources by practicing water saving measures. By following a few techniques and taking simple steps, we can help ensure reliable water supplies today and for future generations. Here are a few things to consider:

- Adjust sprinklers so they are not spraying water on paved surfaces. If a sprinkler system is used, make sure it is properly set-up and maintained.
- Water only when needed, or soak areas once a week, rather than on a schedule. *Tip: If the grass springs back when you step on it, there is no need to water.*
- If watering with a hose, make sure it has a shut-off nozzle.
- Sweep outdoor surfaces with a broom instead of using a hose.

For more water efficiency tips, visit www.huntley.il.us.

ONLINE BUILDING PERMIT SUBMITTALS

The Development Services Department is able to accept online building permit submittals through the Permit Portal link on the Village's website. Residents, design professionals and contractors can submit most building permit applications online as well as upload permit documents and plans. When your permit is approved, you will be able to pay for the permit online and Development Services staff will email you the permit card. To learn more and get started, visit www.huntley.il.us, click on 'HOW DO I?' then 'Apply for Online Permits'. Questions? Contact the Development Services Department at 847-515-5252.

VEHICLE/TRUCK WEIGHT ROADWAY RESTRICTIONS ORDINANCE

On April 28, the Village Board approved an Ordinance to amend the Vehicle and Truck Weight restrictions on roadways within the Village. Village roadways may have 12,000 pound or 26,000 pound restrictions, or they may be undesignated and therefore not subject to weight restrictions. The Village will be posting signage at entryways to subdivisions regarding the restrictions. Thank you for adhering to the modifications and for keeping our roadways safe and efficient for pedestrians and motorists. The complete Ordinance Amending Gross Vehicle Weight Rating Restrictions for Traffic on Certain Huntley Roadways (0)2022-04.21 and a map showing the restrictions are available on the Village [website](http://www.huntley.il.us).

FROM THE HUNTLEY POLICE DEPARTMENT - PETS IN VEHICLES, IT IS TOO HOT!



The hot days of summer are here and we all must take care of ourselves and our friends during this heat - that includes our furry friends as well. Remember that on a warm day, leaving your pet in the car while you run errands can turn dangerous in a matter of minutes. When a dog is exposed to temperatures of 105 degrees, heat stroke can set in and the dog's organs can quickly begin to fail. When the temperature outside is 80 degrees, it takes just 20 minutes to reach over 105 degrees in the car. On a 90 degree day, it is less than 10 minutes.

In the State of Illinois, it is a Class A misdemeanor to leave your pet in a life threatening situation for a prolonged period of time in extreme heat or cold conditions that results in injury to the animal. Any subsequent conviction is a Class 4 felony.

If you see an animal in a car, we ask you to follow these steps:

- 1) Record information about the vehicle - note the make, model, color, and license plate number
- 2) Alert management of the business - they may be able to find the owner and help the animal
- 3) Call the police or animal control
- 4) Stay with the animal until help arrives

People may be inclined to take action to free the animal themselves, but be aware that Illinois does not have a "Good Samaritan" law for pets. There has been talk in Springfield for years to pass legislation that allows a citizen to break a car window to rescue a hot animal and avoid criminal liability but it has never passed. Currently, it is best to leave this to a first responder.

BE SAFE - LEAVE THE FIREWORKS TO THE PROFESSIONALS AND AVOID A FINE

As July 4th approaches, Huntley Police generally see an increase in firework complaints and related calls. Before you head to Wisconsin or Indiana to purchase consumer or commercial grade fireworks to celebrate, it's important to remember that Illinois State Law and the Village of Huntley Code of Ordinances prohibit the possession of fireworks. Any individual caught using and/or possessing illegal fireworks may be ticketed under the Village of Huntley General Offences 130.23 FIREWORKS. Fireworks fines range from \$50 to \$500 for each and every offense.

Fireworks are loosely defined as any explosive compound, or any tablets or other device containing any explosive substance, or containing combustible substances producing visual effect; including handheld fireworks, bottle rockets, firecrackers, torpedoes, skyrockets, roman candles, chasers, buzz bombs, helicopters, missiles, pin wheels, planes. They are all illegal. (Note: novelty items including snakes or glow worms; smoke devices; trick noisemakers known as party poppers, booby traps, snappers; and sparklers are legal in the Village of Huntley.)

Fireworks are a significant nuisance to the majority of our residents and they can be extremely dangerous. Fireworks cause emotional distress to many of our residents particularly veterans, the elderly and very young children, as well as those suffering from PTSD, autism and other developmental disabilities. They can also be very distressing for pets. Many of our residents have reported they resort to administering prescription sedatives to themselves or their pets to help them cope with fireworks.

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Don't get burned by a fireworks fine this year. Do yourself and your neighbors a favor and leave the fireworks displays to the professionals. The Village of Huntley will host an Independence Day Fireworks Show on July 4 at 9:30 pm in Deicke Park. Visit the [Village of Huntley Special Events page](#) for additional details.

BE SAFE - LEAVE THE FIREWORKS TO THE PROFESSIONALS AND AVOID A FINE (continued)

Fireworks also present a physical danger to our residents and community. According to the [Consumer Product Safety Commission 2020 Fireworks Annual Report](#), 18 people died and over 15,600 were injured badly enough to require medical treatment after fireworks-related incidents. Of these, 18% of the injuries were to children under age 15. Over two-thirds (67%) of injuries took place from June 16 to July 16. This represents a 50% increase in deaths and injuries due to fireworks compared to 2019. And while the majority of these incidents were due to amateurs attempting to use professional-grade, homemade or other illegal fireworks or explosives, an estimated 2,500 injuries were from less powerful devices like small firecrackers and sparklers. Additionally, fireworks start an average of 18,500 fires each year, including 1,300 structure fires, 300 vehicle fires and nearly 17,000 other fires.

Due to the above noted safety and quality of life issues, the Huntley Police Department is committed to strenuous enforcement of the fireworks ordinance. If someone is found to be in violation, the fireworks will be confiscated and the individual may be cited accordingly with fines up to \$500. This enforcement applies to both adults and minors. In preparation for the upcoming fireworks enforcement effort, the Department will be positioning message trailers throughout the Village to display information reminding residents that fireworks are illegal and informing them of the fines. This message will also be communicated via the Village website, newsletters and social media channels.

In order to keep our community as safe as possible, the department is planning aggressive fireworks enforcement efforts over the July 4th weekend that may include the use of marked squad, unmarked squad, bicycle and foot patrols. Areas of the Village with the most reported fireworks activity in past years will have additional directed patrols in an effort to curb violations this year. While it is often very difficult for officers to catch fireworks violators, each year the Huntley Police Department prioritizes patrol and community engagement efforts with the goal of reducing illegal fireworks activity in our community.

For more information:



Village Ordinance 130.23: <https://bit.ly/3gT04PH>

Illinois State Fire Marshal Approved and Prohibited Consumer Fireworks: <https://bit.ly/3gNOsi5>

State of IL Pyrotechnic Use Act: <https://bit.ly/3xGbugo>



TO REPORT THE ILLEGAL USE OF FIREWORKS IN THE VILLAGE

- Call 847-515-5311 - Use for reporting fireworks activity in progress. Please recognize that fireworks calls are prioritized based on other calls for service pending throughout the village.
- Text TIP HUNTLEY followed by your message to 888777 - Please provide specific information regarding locations, days and times.