

# Huntley's Village Journal

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## Route 47 Multi-Use Path Construction Planned for 2017

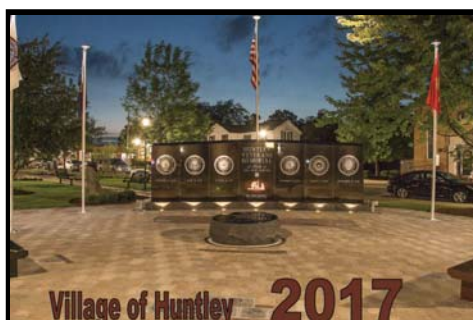
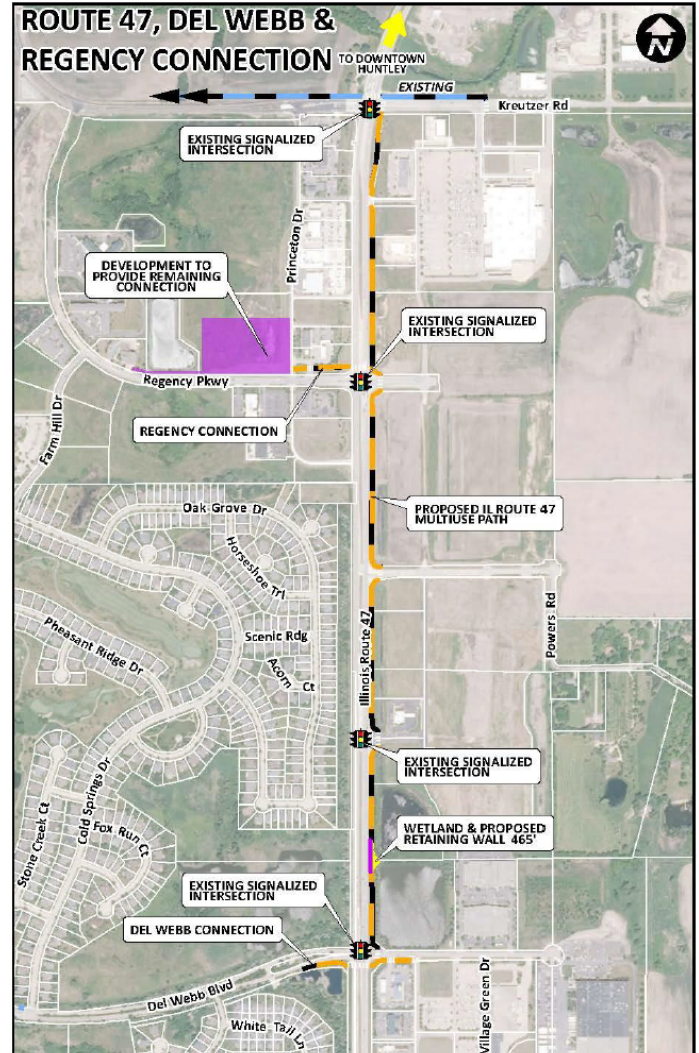
A multi-use (bike/pedestrian) path is planned for construction on Huntley's south side in 2017. This project has been long awaited, and is in direct response from many residents survey comments desiring a safe way for pedestrians and bikers to travel from the south side (predominantly Del Webb's Sun City & Deer Path) and be able to connect with many other multi-use paths throughout the community. This project consists of the extension of a multi-use path on the east side of Route 47 from the north side of Kreutzer Road to the south side of Oak Creek Parkway. Signalized pedestrian crossings will be added to the west side of Illinois Route 47, including crossings at both the south side of Del Webb Boulevard and the north side of Regency Parkway. The multi-use path will provide off-road access to Huntley Grove (Walmart), Huntley Crossings Phases I and II, and Village Green (Jewel-Osco), in addition to the internal sidewalks planned through these developments. The project is funded by the Village (20%) and an Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) grant (80%).

## 2017 Annual Operating and Capital Budget Approved

In accordance with Illinois State Statute and direction received from the Village Board of Trustees, the 2017 Annual Operating and Capital Budget was approved on December 8th. Through the budget preparation and review process, operational and capital projects goals were identified for completion in 2017. Goals were approved in support of the mission, vision, and values statement of the 2016-2020 Strategic Plan.

The FY17 Operating and Capital Budget totals \$27,607,596 in expenditures for all funds. Major projects included in the FY17 budget are regulatory and operations and maintenance (O & M) upgrades of \$2.45 million to both the East and West Wastewater Treatment Facilities upgrades, with the cost spread over two years; construction of a \$1.93 million multi-use pedestrian path (see article above); \$960,000 Annual Street Improvement Program; \$325,000 for water main replacements; and \$212,500, the first year of a two-year process to replace the Financial Management Software

In accordance with Village Financial and Budget Policies, the budget for the General Operating Fund is balanced with \$11,159,393 in revenues and expenditures.



The 2017 Huntley Calendars have been delivered to residents and businesses via US mail. Extra copies are available at Village Hall. Feel free to stop by and pick one up.



### Mark Your Calendars

Jan 16	Martin Luther King Jr Day - Village offices closed
Feb 4	Indoor Farmers Market - Legion Hall
Feb 20	President's Day - Village offices closed
March 4	Chamber Home & Business Expo - Huntley Park Dist.
March 4	Indoor Farmers Market - Legion Hall

## Helpful Winter Weather Tips

- Snow should be cleared from fire hydrants to assist the Fire Protection District.
- Pushing or blowing of snow into Village streets or right-of-way is prohibited.
- Parking on streets is prohibited from 2:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. or after a 2" snowfall for up to eight hours to allow cleaning of streets.
- Snow should be shoveled to the right-hand side of the driveway (as viewed from the house) and along the curb to help reduce the amount of snow pushed back into driveways.
- Fringe snow pushed back into driveways cannot be avoided, as all streets must be snowplowed from curb to curb to allow for proper drainage and mailbox access.
- Boulders, small rocks or other landscape items in the parkway that could become projectiles if hit by a snowplow should be removed.
- Parking vehicles in the driveway approach is prohibited and jeopardizes snowplow operator's safety and could lead to potential vehicle damage.



## Huntley Snow and Ice Removal Plan

The Village of Huntley Snow and Ice Control Plan can be found on the Village website at [www.huntley.il.us](http://www.huntley.il.us). The Snow and Ice Control Plan is a planning document that establishes the framework to foster a high and consistent level of service with concentration on increased safety and mobility in a cost-effective, environmentally conscious manner during the winter season. A goal of the Village of Huntley transportation network is to facilitate the movement of vehicular traffic, persons and goods within the Village in a safe and environmentally acceptable manner. The movement of people takes place primarily via automobile travel and, to a lesser extent bicycle and pedestrian travel within the Village. Throughout the winter season, Village Public Works and Engineering personnel conduct a coordinated effort to provide continuous safe travel by keeping the Village transportation network clear of snow and ice. In that regard, snow and ice removal is considered emergency work in that transportation routes must be cleared at any time of the day or night to provide for the safe transportation of people and goods, especially emergency services such as rescue, police, and fire.

## Please, Watch What You Flush

The Village has been experiencing an alarming number of clogged sewer lines and pumps at the sewer pump station that services many Huntley neighborhoods. This is primarily because of foreign material being flushed down the toilets or poured down the drains. The sewer lines and sewer pump stations are designed to handle water, human waste and toilet paper only.



**Examples of what should NOT be flushed down toilets or poured down drains are as follows:**

- Baby wipes, toilet wipes, towelettes, disinfecting wipes, or cloth wipes of any kind (even if the container indicates that they are "flushable")
- Paper (other than toilet paper/tissue)
- Medications (Prescription, or over-the-counter)
- Feminine hygiene products of any kind
- Beauty products, Q-Tips, dental floss
- Plastics of any kind
- Grease of any kind - especially cooking grease
- Garden supplies (such as pesticides, fertilizers)
- Paint, varnish, paint remover
- Motor oil, gasoline, or any explosive material
- Clothing of any kind

All of the above items mentioned should be thrown out with the trash or disposed of properly. Remember...only water, human waste and toilet paper should be flushed down toilets. Clogged sewer lines and pumps lead to sewer backups into homes, which are expensive to clean and repair.

Please share this information with all members of your household. If you have an outside contractor come in to clean your home, please be sure to pass this information on to them as well. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Steve Zonta, Utilities Superintendent at (847)515-5281; or Adrian Pino, Chief Wastewater Operator at (847)515-5292.

## Make a Resolution for Social Media Safety

Social media has become a major part of our daily lives. It is fun and engaging, but you should take some time to consider safety issues that may be associated with your online habits.

No one would ever post a "not home" sign on their front door - but **posting your location online tells everyone that you are not home**. Certain social media accounts are geared towards "checking in" to a location. Instead of posting live, think about posting in the past tense; such as, "last night we had great food at..." This gives you the opportunity to share your experiences without giving away real time data.

**Never share personal information** such as PIN numbers, social security numbers, cell phone numbers, or even birthdates. Even if you share only your month and date of your birth and not the year, it is easy to figure out the remaining information. You won't get those online birthday wishes but you are less likely to have to deal with identity theft.

**Be sure to update your security and privacy settings within your social media accounts.** With phone applications, a social media update can change the settings. Make sure after an app updates that you check those settings. Also, consider editing your friends list and deleting those you no longer have interest in. This helps to limit the people that have access to your information.

**Stay smart online** - If your kids are on social media, please check out the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children site for important information to keep them safe:  
<http://www.netsmartz.org/InternetSafety>



## Save the Date - March 4th Chamber of Commerce Home & Business Expo

The annual Home and Business Expo sponsored by the Huntley Chamber is an excellent place for residents to visit over 100 local businesses and learn more about what they can do for you. This expo is open to the public and features businesses, services, special events for all ages and includes the Expo Café featuring area restaurants.

The Huntley Chamber extends an invitation to the community to come out from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 4th. The Expo will be held at the Huntley Park District's Rec Center, located at 12015 Mill Street. Admission is free and easy access parking is available. Bring the family as there is something for everyone at this event.