# Huntley's Village Journal

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# Important Village Phone Numbers

Village Hall: 847-515-5200

Water Billing: 847-515-5200

Public Works: 847-515-5222

Development Services: 847-515-5252

Police non-emergency: 847-515-5311

Police emergency dial 911

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# **Huntley Calendar of Events**

March 17 General Primary Election

April 4 Indoor Farmers Market

April 6 MDC weekly yard waste pick up begins
April 10 Spring Holiday - Municipal offices closed

April 24 Arbor Day Tree Planting

## Green & Clean Huntley Day - April 25

Huntley residents can take advantage of the following Green & Clean programs on April 25 from 9 am to 12 pm:

**Electronics Recycling** *Municipal Complex (available from 9-noon OR until dumpsters are full)* - Only residential electronics accepted. Due to space limitations only 1 TV or 1 computer monitor will be accepted per vehicle.

Paper & Document Destruction Municipal Complex - Participants will receive a certificate of destruction for materials taken to be destroyed by AMS Store and Shred.

**ColorCycle Marker Recycling** *Municipal Complex* - Drop off any brand of plastic markers, dry erase markers and highlighters to eliminate tons of spent markers ending up in landfills.

**Lions Club Eyeglass Collection** *Municipal Complex* - All glasses will be donated to lower income communities around the world.

**Medication Takeback** *Municipal Complex* - Only pills will be accepted. Remove from packaging and place in paper or plastic bags.

**Spring Cleaning Drop Off** *Public Works on Donald Drive* - Volunteers will assist in unloading vehicles. Please see <a href="www.huntley.il.us">www.huntley.il.us</a> for restricted items that are not accepted.

**Used Book Drive** *Municipal Complex* - Gently used books for donation to non-profit organizations. No encyclopedias accepted.

Free Mulch Pick Up Public Works on Donald Drive - Please bring your own containers.

The above programs are for Huntley residents only - IDs will be checked. Due to the popularity of this free event, please expect long lines. All traffic to the Municipal Complex must enter Main Street from Haligus Road, for a more expeditious traffic flow. Except for event traffic, Main Street will be closed from Haligus to Ruth Road.

Everyone is invited to join us for these fun activities:

Wastewater Treatment Plant Tours - West Main Street at Kreutzer Road, 9 am - 1 pm. Tours take approximately 1 hour and the last tour begins at noon.

**Culver's Kids Arbor Day Coloring Contest** - Pick up a coloring sheet at Culver's, Huntley Village Hall, Huntley Library or Huntley Park District between April 1 - 25 and bring your best coloring work back to Culver's of Huntley by April 25 to get a free scoop of frozen custard! Participants will have their name entered to win a free tree.

Be sure to check <a href="www.huntley.il.us">www.huntley.il.us</a> for full details and restrictions before the event. Contact Barb at <a href="bread@huntley.il.us">bread@huntley.il.us</a> with any questions.

# **Spring Special Events**

Check www.huntley.il.us for full details.

**Huntley Kite Fest** May 3, 11 am - 4 pm Bring your kite to Warrington Park Soccer Fields at 12209 W Main Street or bring a chair and watch the professionals.

**Ladies Night Out on the Square** May 7, 5 - 8 pm Join us in Downtown Huntley for an evening of pampering, special deals and fun.

**Public Works Open House** May 16, 9 am - 12 pm Stop by the main Public Works facility at 11000 Bakley Street for a touch-a-truck event, equipment displays and demonstrations.

Memorial Day Parade May 25, 11 am
The parade will travel west on Main St from the
Municipal Complex to the Town Square with a
memorial ceremony immediately following.

### **COVID-19 Precautions**

We are closely following the coronavirus outbreak (COVID-19) and urge all residents to stay informed. Information on COVID-19 is best attained through the multiple public health agencies monitoring the situation, such as the World Health Organization (<a href="www.who.int">www.who.int</a>), Centers For Disease Control (<a href="www.cdc.gov">www.cdc.gov</a>), or the state or county Department of Health.

You can also call the Illinois Department of Public Health's COVID-19 24/7 hotline at 1-800-889-3931 or email DPH.SICK@ILLINOIS.GOV to have your coronavirus questions answered.

Stay informed and follow prevention best practices, such as frequently and thoroughly washing your hands, covering your coughs and sneezes with a tissue and throwing it away, avoiding people who are sick, staying home when you are sick, and disinfecting frequently touched objects often.

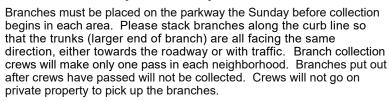


## Curbside Tree Branch Pick Up

The Huntley Public Works and Engineering Department has scheduled its semi-annual curbside tree branch pickup for Village of Huntley residents.

Branch Pick Up Schedule:

Homes North of Kreutzer: Week of May 4 Homes in Sun City: Week of May 11



Residents that miss the curbside pickup can make arrangements with their waste hauler. In addition, a Saturday one time only drop off is scheduled for May 16 at Public Works (located on Donald Drive) from 8 am to 12 pm. If you have additional questions, please contact the **Public Works and Engineering Department at 847-515-5222**.

# More Brewing - Now Open!

The owners (and brothers) of More Brewing, Sunny and Perry Patel, offer their heartfelt thanks to the enthusiastic crowds (totaling nearly 8000) who came out to experience More Huntley in their first week of business. The entire team at More Brewing looks forward to serving great food and award winning beers to the Huntley community for many years to come. The restaurant and brewery



officially opened on February 29th and employs 70. Follow More Brewing on social media to learn about upcoming specials. Private parties and special events are welcome, and a summer outdoor patio is also planned. Ask about their brewery tours.

MORE Brewing Company 13980 Automall Drive, Huntley, IL (847) 310-7530 Hours: 11am-11pm

www.morebrewing.com Instragram: @morebrewing Facebook: @morebrewingco Twitter: @MoreBrewing

#### Social and Senior Service Resources

When an individual or family needs help, sometimes finding the right resources can be overwhelming. Below is information to help residents access the help they need.

## 2-1-1 (McHenry and Kane Counties)

Residents of McHenry and Kane Counties can call 2-1-1 for assistance in accessing a number of social services in their area. 2-1-1 is an easy-to-remember, non-



emergency telephone number that connects people with essential community information and services. 2-1-1 saves time and frustration through specialists who match callers to the right agency based on each caller's need. The 24-hour line makes it easy for the public to navigate the maze of human service providers and help lines. All calls are free, anonymous and confidential.

Callers can get live assistance with needs such as:

- Food and shelter
- Counseling and mental health services
- Income and employment support
- · Help for the elderly and people with disabilities
- · Resources for children and families

#### **McHenry County Resources**

The McHenry County Mental Health Board compiles a Service Directory that covers many topics. You can view the directory on their website at <a href="https://www.mchenrycountyil.gov/county-government/departments-j-z/mental-health-board/service-directory">https://www.mchenrycountyil.gov/county-government/departments-j-z/mental-health-board/service-directory</a>

#### **Kane County Resources**

Kane County offers a list of services for their residents on the county website at www.countyofkane.org/Pages/AZ-Services.aspx.

## **Recreational Cannabis Regulations**

On January 1, 2020, Illinois became the 11<sup>th</sup> state to legalize the recreational use of marijuana (cannabis). The Illinois Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act of 2019 permits anyone 21 years of age or older to purchase marijuana and cannabis infused products from state authorized dispensaries. Before the passing of this legislation, the use of marijuana was only permitted for medicinal purposes.



While recreational cannabis is now legal, residents must remember that many regulations still exist on the lawful use, possession and transportation of these products.

Under the new law, anyone allowed to purchase marijuana or cannabis infused products may have up to 30 grams, or just about one ounce, of cannabis flower. Additionally, users must obey the same restrictions established for the usage of tobacco and tobacco products. This means that like tobacco, persons under the age of 21 cannot purchase, use or possess marijuana or cannabis infused products and no one can use them in any public place (streets or parks).

Additionally, the state has created regulations to help protect young people from these products. **Marijuana or cannabis infused products cannot be used around any person under the age of 21.** 

When transporting marijuana or cannabis infused products purchased from an authorized dispensary, **they must be in a SEALED, ODOR-PROOF and CHILD RESISTANT container.** Cannabis sold by authorized dispensaries will come in these specialized containers. Marijuana and cannabis infused products must not be accessible while in transport.

If you choose to use marijuana or cannabis infused products under the new law in Illinois, please do so responsibly. Be safe, follow the guidelines under the statute and do not drive under the influence of ANY impairing substance.

# Spring into Preparedness

As we approach spring, there is much to look forward to and plan for - including the possibility of severe weather. Severe weather can strike at any time, but we will be particularly vulnerable to tornadoes and storms in the upcoming months. The best way to stay safe during a tornado is to prepare now.

The first thing you will want to consider is how you will receive emergency alerts and warnings. There are multiple warning sirens throughout the Village that are activated in emergency situations such as a tornado warning. Please note that these sirens are designed to warn people who are outside and generally cannot be heard when indoors. Be sure to have other notification options available such as a NOAA all-hazard radio, wireless emergency alerts on your smart phone, Nixle alerts (go to <a href="https://www.nixle.com">www.nixle.com</a> to sign up), or text or app alerts from the National Weather Service.

Next, make a shelter plan and communication plan for your family. If you are indoors, it should be a small, interior, windowless room on the lowest level of the building. Identify the best option in your home and workplace and make sure everyone knows about it. If you are caught in a car or outside during a tornado, cover your head and neck with your arms and cover your body with a coat or blanket if possible. Never try to outrun a tornado in your vehicle.

When making your plans, take into account the supplies you will need in the shelter. Consider medications, food, water, communication devices and any other special needs in your household.

Finally, be sure to discuss these plans with your family. You should review and practice your plans on a regular basis.