

# HUNTLEY'S

OCTOBER 2021

# 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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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### OCTOBER 24

Trick or Treat 5k for Special Olympics  
& Fall Harvest Fest (Town Square)

### OCTOBER 31

Trick-or-Treating 3-8pm

### NOVEMBER 7

Daylight Savings Time Ends

### NOVEMBER 11

Municipal offices closed  
Veterans Day

### NOVEMBER 13

Indoor/Outdoor Farmers Market

### NOVEMBER 14

Honoring our Veterans Collection  
Event & Veterans Day Ceremony

## FALL FUN IN HUNTLEY

### FALL HARVEST FEST ON THE SQUARE - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24

Stop by for a quick visit or spend the afternoon - enjoy this fun way to spend a fall day!

- 11am** Trick or Treat 5K Trot: Get your costumes and running shoes on and join us for a fun run (or walk) around downtown Huntley to raise money and awareness for the Illinois Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics Illinois. For information and to register visit [soill.donordrive.com/event/TrickandTrot](http://soill.donordrive.com/event/TrickandTrot)
- 11am-4pm:** Open Air Market featuring food, crafters and more
- 12am-4pm:** Party with DJ Don! Enjoy the free petting zoo, face painting and family games
- 12:30pm:** Family Costume Parade around the Square
- 1pm-2pm:** Trunk or Treat on Church Street

Sponsored in part by The Alden Network, Trinity Lutheran Church and American Community Bank. We thank you for your support.

### HALLOWEEN - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31

The designated Village of Huntley Trick-or-Treating hours are 3pm - 8pm on Sunday, October 31. For your safety, as well as the safety of trick-or-treaters and treat providers, please:

- Turn on your outdoor light if you choose to provide treats.
- Leave your porch light off if you choose not to participate. The Village has posted a printable sign on the Special Events page that may be hung on your door indicating that you are a Trick-or-Treating free zone. Signs may also be picked up at Village Hall.
- We encourage everyone to practice social distancing, to carry hand sanitizer and to consider wearing a mask (not the Halloween variety) when interacting closely with others.

### 2021 HUNTLEY FARMERS MARKET

The weather is turning cooler and the Farmers Market is moving indoors. Join us on the second Saturday of each month through May from 9am-1pm in the Legion Hall. Visit Facebook [@huntleyfarmersmarket](https://www.facebook.com/huntleyfarmersmarket) or [huntley.il.us](http://huntley.il.us) for upcoming dates and vendor details.

For the full event calendar and additional details, visit [www.huntley.il.us](http://www.huntley.il.us).

All Special Event schedules are tentative. IDPH recommendations in effect on the event date will be followed.

### HUNTLEY CEMETERY MAINTENANCE

Please remove all gravesite decorations from your loved ones gravesite area prior to October 29. Clean up and seasonal maintenance will take place beginning Monday, November 1 in the Huntley Cemetery. Decorations that remain in place after November 1 will be removed by the Village.

Winter decorations may be placed on or in line with headstones starting November 15 and must not cause an obstruction for maintenance. Winter decorations must be removed by March 15 for spring clean up maintenance taking place the first week in April 2022.

Decorations on and around gravesites have become excessive and many are in violation of the Village of Huntley Code of Ordinances regarding [Cemetery and Columbarium rules](#).

Thank you for your assistance in clearing the Huntley Cemetery in preparation for the winter clean up. If you have any questions or concerns about the removal of the decorations or shepherd hooks, please contact Rita McMahon at [mcmahon@huntley.il.us](mailto:mcmahon@huntley.il.us) or 847-515-5261.

## UPCOMING EVENTS IN HUNTLEY

## OCTOBER

**Oct 24:** Fall Harvest Fest (Town Square)  
**Oct 31:** Halloween Trick or Treating 3-8pm

## NOVEMBER

**Nov 14:** Honoring our Veterans Collection  
 Event & Veterans Day Ceremony

## DECEMBER

**Dec 4:** A Very Merry Huntley  
**Dec 9:** Ladies Night Out on the Square  
**Dec 18:** Wreaths Across America Event



## VERY MERRY HUNTLEY DECORATING CONTEST

The 2nd annual Very Merry Huntley Decorating Contest is back! Enter between 11/1 and 12/1 to join in this fun, festive community contest! Judging will occur between December 3-12. For details and the entry form for the holiday home and business decorating contest visit the Village's [Special Events](#) page.



## WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA HUNTLEY CEMETERY



The Huntley Cemetery is honored to be chosen by the Huntley Rotary Club and Legion Post 673 to sponsor Wreaths Across America 2021. On December 18, a local and nationwide ceremony will take place as fresh wreaths are laid on the graves of our veterans. Help every veteran have a wreath at their grave with a \$15 sponsorship (donate through November). Information is available on the Village of Huntley [Cemetery page](#).

## WE CAN ALL HELP TO PROTECT HUNTLEY'S WATER RESOURCES

Polluted stormwater runoff may have adverse effects on plants, fish, animals, and people. Stormwater runoff occurs when precipitation from rain or snowmelt flows over the ground. Impervious surfaces like driveways, sidewalks and streets prevent stormwater from naturally soaking into the ground. 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. Anything that enters a storm sewer system is discharged untreated into the waterbodies used for swimming, fishing and providing drinking water. Learn more about the impacts of polluted runoff and what we can do to protect our water resources on the Public Works [Stormwater Management page](#).

## HUNTLEY POLICE TAKE A STAND AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

It is estimated that 35% of women and 29% of men have been victims of some form of physical violence by an intimate partner. Domestic violence isn't just physical - it can be emotional, verbal or financial. Domestic violence can affect anyone, regardless of age, race, gender, ethnicity or social/economic status. If you or someone you know is affected by domestic violence, here are some things to consider:

**Always call 9-1-1 if you feel unsafe.** You do not need to wait until physical abuse occurs to call the police. A law enforcement presence can help de-escalate the situation and officers can recommend resources for both the victim and perpetrator that may help break the cycle of domestic violence in the relationship. If that is not an option, the police can help you to leave the situation and find a safe place.

Create a **personalized safety plan** for yourself and your family. Practice multiple ways to leave the house, have necessary items ready to go, make a plan for your kids and pets, and know who you can trust to help you. The police or an advocate can help you create a detailed plan.

**Document the abuse** by keeping a journal, filing police reports, saving emails/texts/social media posts, taking pictures of injuries/damage caused by the abuser. Documentation will also help if you consider obtaining an **order of protection**, which can restrict access to the victim, residences and other family members (including children). Turning Point has advocates that can help you through this legal process.

There are many **resources available** for those affected by domestic violence. We can help you find the appropriate resources, beyond law enforcement remedies, to help your family physically, medically and emotionally. Resources are also available for children of domestic violence survivors. Children who witness domestic violence are more likely to repeat the cycle in their adult relationships. Early intervention can help break this cycle.

Most importantly, know that **you are not alone and help is here**. The men and women of the Huntley Police Department are dedicated to take a stand for you. Please reach out to us or another agency so we can assist you and your family.



## LOCAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING RESOURCES

**For urgent matters, always call 9-1-1.**

**Mental Health Emergency?** Call McHenry County Crisis Line: 800-892-8900 or Northern Kane County Crisis Line: 847-697-2380

**United Way 211** is available 24 hours a day to make referrals to social service agencies - for mental health and counseling, mortgage, rent, utility, food and other assistance including substance abuse, recovery and grief counseling. Just dial 2-1-1 or visit [211.org](http://211.org)

**McHelp** is a free anonymous app that allows you to confidentially text or talk to a licensed mental health counselor. 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Reach out to get a text within minutes if you or a friend are struggling with any of the following or just need to talk: Depression, Anxiety, Alcohol or Drug Use, Relationship problems, Exams or School. Download the app on the Apple Store or Google Play.

**Call4Calm Text Line** is a text line created by the state as a direct response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Text TALK to 552020 (or HABLAR for Spanish), you will get a text back asking for the town where you live, followed by a call back from a local counselor.

**Need help with Utility Bills?** The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) helps eligible households pay for home energy services (primarily heating during winter months). Please see the following resources based on the County in which you reside.

McHenry County: 815-308-6057 or visit [www.mchenrycountyhousing.org/housing-programs/energy-assistance/](http://www.mchenrycountyhousing.org/housing-programs/energy-assistance/)

Kane County: 847-697-4400 or visit <https://cci-hci.org/affordable-housing-low-income-home-energy-assistance-program/>

Expanded energy assistance may also be available through the Help Illinois Families (HIF) initiative, created to help reach families who have fallen behind on bills due to the pandemic. For more information, visit: [helpillinoisfamilies.com](http://helpillinoisfamilies.com)

**Grafton Food Pantry** provides food items and education on nutrition and smart shopping, serving Huntley and Lakewood, and portions of Lake in the Hills, Crystal Lake and Algonquin. Dial 847-495-0922 or visit [www.graftonfoodpantry.org](http://www.graftonfoodpantry.org)

**Senior Services** provides access to social services that sustain and improve quality of life for those aged 60 plus, the disabled and caregivers. [www.seniorservicesassoc.org](http://www.seniorservicesassoc.org) Emergency Hotline: 800-942-1724 McHenry County: 815-356-7457 Kane County: 847-741-0404

**Turning Point** offers a wide variety of programs and services for individuals and families impacted by domestic violence, including crisis services, abuse intervention, emergency shelter, legal advocacy and trauma recovery. Dial 815-338-8081 or visit [www.turnpt.org](http://www.turnpt.org)

**McHenry County Substance Abuse Coalition** provides drug and alcohol education and resources for individuals, families, businesses, schools and community groups. They also provide referrals to those struggling with addiction. [www.mchenrycountysac.org](http://www.mchenrycountysac.org)

**The National Domestic Violence Hotline** provides essential tools and support to help survivors of domestic violence so they can live their lives free of abuse. Highly-trained, expert advocates offer free, confidential and compassionate support, crisis intervention information, education and referral services in over 200 languages, 24/7. Dial 800-799-SAFE(7233) or visit [www.thehotline.org](http://www.thehotline.org)

**Community Crisis Center** in Elgin provides safety, hope, advocacy, respite and education for those impacted by crisis and violence in the Fox Valley Region of Illinois. [www.crisiscenter.org](http://www.crisiscenter.org) Crisis Hotline: 847-697-2380 Office: 847-742-4088