

# HUNTLEY'S Village Journal

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## Downtown Parking Update

The Woodstock and Church Street Parking Lots are now open! Thank you for your patience as the Village continues to improve and enhance the downtown area. This summer, three new parking areas have been under construction. The new downtown Woodstock Street and Church Street parking lots have officially opened! The Woodstock Street lot, adjacent to the downtown Huntley Post Office, includes 21 public parking spots, 2 public ADA parking spots and 17 private residential parking spots for use by the Coral Street Firehouse Apartment residents. This new parking lot includes the following improvements: landscaping and fencing with an emphasis on buffering the neighboring properties to the north, west, and south; parking lot lighting and a dumpster enclosure to service the residential units and restaurant to the south.

The new downtown Church Street parking lot offers 83 public parking spots and 4 public ADA parking spots. Due to ongoing construction in the vicinity, this parking lot can currently only be accessed from Main Street, please see the map on the Village website indicating access points. The entrances from Church and Mill Streets will be accessible after construction has concluded.

Stay tuned for more information on the downtown improvements and opening date of the Cornell lot.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- AUGUST 26**  
FARMERS MARKET | CHAMBER DAY & GARDEN SALSA COMPETITION
- SEPTEMBER 1**  
1ST FRIDAY NIGHTS: MOVIE IN THE SQUARE  
FERRIS BUELLER'S DAY OFF
- SEPTEMBER 9**  
HOOTENANNY GLOW 5K
- SEPTEMBER 24**  
HUNTLEY KITE FEST
- OCTOBER 6**  
1ST FRIDAY NIGHTS: DRIVE-IN MOVIE  
THE MASK AT SEW HOP'D/UNION SPECIAL
- OCTOBER 14**  
FARMERS MARKET | FAMILY FUN DAY
- OCTOBER 21**  
FREE DOCUMENT SHRED DAY

## Upcoming Events

### HUNTLEY FARMERS MARKET

Support local farmers and businesses while shopping homegrown and homemade items on Saturdays from 8am-1pm in the Town Square and on Coral and Woodstock Streets.

#### 1st FRIDAY NIGHTS

This fun evening event is a great date night or adult night out on the town. Join us on the 1st Friday evening of the month through October for entertaining events.

Sept 1: **Movie: Ferris Bueller's Day Off in the Town Square**

Oct 6: **Drive In Movie: The Mask at Sew Hop'd/Union Special**

### HOOTENANNY GLOW 5K - SEPT. 9

Join us for an evening of glow-in-the-dark fun at the annual 5k run/walk in downtown Huntley (sponsored by the Village of Huntley and the D158 Education Foundation). Register early to secure your spot, no on-site registration. [runreg.com/hootenanny](http://runreg.com/hootenanny)

### HUNTLEY KITE FEST - SEPT. 24

Be entertained by gigantic kites! Professional kite flyers will perform choreographed musical routines to fill the skies. Bring your kite to fly too (in the marked areas). Deicke Warrington Park from 11am-3pm.

### CURBSIDE TREE BRANCH PICKUP

The Public Works and Engineering Department semi-annual curbside tree branch pickup for Village of Huntley residents is scheduled as follows:

#### Branch Pick Up Schedule

**Homes North of Kreutzer: Week of Sept. 18**

**Homes in Sun City: Week of Sept. 25**

- Branches must be placed on the parkway the Sunday before collection begins in each area.
- Please stack branches along the curb line so that the trunks (larger end of branch) are all facing the same direction, either towards the roadway or with traffic.
- Branch collection crews will make only one pass in each neighborhood.
- Branches put out after crews have passed will not be collected.
- Crews will not go on private property to pick up the branches.

Residents that miss the curbside pickup can make arrangements with their waste hauler or landscaping service. In addition, a one-time only drop off is scheduled for Saturday, September 30, at the Public Works facility (located on Donald Drive) from 8am-12pm. Questions? Contact the Public Works and Engineering Department at 847-515-5222.

**2023 STREET IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

The 2023 Street Improvement Program construction is nearly complete in Del Webb Sun City which includes approximately eight (8) centerline miles of roadway. This program is funded in part by Motor Fuel Taxes and the Rebuild Illinois program received by the Village of Huntley from the State of Illinois. These funds are distributed on a per capita basis. The street improvement project included pavement rehabilitation work consisting of full depth and partial depth pavement removal and replacement. The project also included full depth asphalt patching as needed; spot repair sidewalk, curb and gutter repair; as well as the removal and replacement of sidewalk corners with detectable warning panels to meet current ADA standards. The anticipated completion date for this project is mid-August.

**ONLINE PERMIT SUBMITTAL**

Did you know that 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 can pay online and receive the permit card via email. Visit [www.huntley.il.us](http://www.huntley.il.us), click 'HOW DO I?', then 'Apply for Online Permits' to learn more.

**FALL 2023 RESIDENTIAL PARKWAY TREE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM**

If you wish to plant a parkway tree, you may be eligible for the Village's Fall 2023 Residential Tree Replacement Program. Orders will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis until funds are depleted. The order deadline is September 20. Weather permitting, trees will be planted in October. The location of the tree to be planted is solely at the discretion of the Village of Huntley. Watering and maintenance will be the responsibility of the home owner. To learn more about the Residential Parkway Tree Replacement Program, visit [www.huntley.il.us](http://www.huntley.il.us). The order form is available online or at Village Hall. Orders will be accepted in person, in the Village of Huntley payment drop box or via mail (10987 Main Street, Huntley, IL 60142).

**ANNUAL MOSQUITO CONTROL**

The Village of Huntley's annual mosquito control program is underway through the Village's mosquito abatement contractor, Clarke. Clarke provides services that prevent mosquito breeding and suppress mosquito populations, including those that carry mosquito-borne disease. Prior to registering any product, including the Duet product used by Clarke, the EPA evaluates the product thoroughly. Duet has passed rigorous tests required by the EPA and has been approved for public health mosquito control and registered for use by the U.S. EPA in 1995. Duet is applied at extremely low dosage rates – less than an ounce per acre – during the overnight hours. The spray (mist) dissipates quickly through the treatment area within 5 to 30 minutes, depending on weather conditions. Duet is applied in small droplets, which break down quickly in the environment. Since the product must hit a mosquito while it is in flight to have an effect, it is sprayed at night when mosquitoes are actively flying. To sign up for text/email notifications about spraying in your neighborhood, visit Clarke Environmental at [www.clarkeportal.com/hotline](http://www.clarkeportal.com/hotline). You can help fight the mosquito population by eliminating standing water on your property.

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE**

**Share your thoughts, we want to hear from you!** The Village of Huntley is updating its Comprehensive Plan. Your participation is key in the creation of the Plan - and in shaping the vision, priorities and roadmap for growth for the Huntley community over the next 20 years!

**Complete the Community Questionnaire:** The questionnaire contains questions about important issues and opportunities that the Plan should address. Residents, business owners/operators, property owners, developers and community stakeholders of Huntley are encouraged to participate. For more information and to complete the questionnaire, scan the QR code or visit [www.huntley.il.us](http://www.huntley.il.us).



**PATHWAYS AND SIDEWALKS**

The Village has 27 miles of beautiful and accessible walking/biking paths! To view a map, visit [huntley.il.us/residents/recreation.php](http://huntley.il.us/residents/recreation.php). Did you know that the Village has 188 miles of residential sidewalk and has been recognized with an Environmental/Community Impact Award of Excellence for the pedestrian access route program? To learn more, visit the Public Works page at [www.huntley.il.us](http://www.huntley.il.us). It is always a great time to explore Huntley!



**FROM THE HUNTLEY POLICE DEPARTMENT - BACK TO SCHOOL DRIVING SAFETY**

Huntley District 158 schools are back in session effective August 16. Please take some time to refresh yourself and the others in your household on the rules of the road and other travel safety tips.

**Stop for School Bus Stop Arms |** When a school bus is stopped with red flashing lights activated and stop signal arm extended, vehicles traveling in all directions are required to come to a complete stop until the red flashing lights stop and the stop signal arm is no longer extended. This statute applies on and off the roadway in areas such as private roads, school property or parking lots. When a school bus is stopped on a four-lane roadway with two lanes allowing opposite direction of travel, oncoming traffic is not required to stop for school buses loading and unloading. Any violator convicted under this statute will face a mandatory three month suspension of their driver's license.

**School Zones |** School Zones are in effect on normal school days from 7am to 4pm and when children are present. The speed limit in a School Zone is 20 mph. Outside of the designated provisions above, the normal speed limit of the roadway applies. There is no passing in School Zones. Use of any electronic communication device (such as a cell phone), even in hands-free mode, is prohibited in a School Zone. Additionally, drivers must always yield to pedestrians at crosswalks and should be cognizant of kids and additional traffic in the neighborhoods.

**Watch for Pedestrians |** Drivers should expect more pedestrian traffic around schools and bus stops. Additionally, pedestrians must remain alert to vehicle traffic. Be sure to only cross roadways at designated crosswalks and corners and to obey all traffic signals/signs.

**Drop the Distractions |** Leave time in the morning to eat and groom before entering your vehicle and stay off the phone while driving. As a reminder, Illinois bans the use of all hand-held devices while driving in Illinois as well as texting while driving.

**Allow Extra Time |** Plan ahead and leave home earlier than normal to allow enough time to reach your destination without rushing. Consider carpooling to help eliminate additional traffic at the schools during drop off and pick up times.

**Remember |** While the return to school may result in a slightly longer morning commute, it is a small inconvenience for the safety of our kids or the risk of a moving violation.