

HUNTLEY'S

Village Journal

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MARCH 18

HUNTLEY AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE EXPO

APRIL 1

DON'T BE FOOLED 5K FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS

APRIL 8

INDOOR FARMERS MARKET

APRIL 28

ARBOR DAY TREE PLANTING

APRIL 29

GREEN & CLEAN HUNTLEY DAY

MAY 4

LADIES NIGHT OUT

MAY 13

HUNTLEY KITE FEST

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN *update*

This spring, the Village begins the process of updating the Comprehensive Land Use Plan. The current plan was adopted in 2002 and has been amended several times since. The Comprehensive Plan will establish a vision for the Huntley community and define policies that will direct future growth and development and improve overall quality of life for current and future residents. A fundamental purpose of this document will be to provide direction regarding the uses, intensity and character the Village envisions for property within its planning jurisdiction for the next 20 years. Through the input of the Village's many stakeholders, the plan looks to detail a long-term vision and a policy agenda for critical issues including: land use, urban design, housing, infrastructure, parks and open space, natural resources and more.

The Village, along with the firm Houseal Lavigne Associates, will hold workshops and public meetings this spring to gather input from the community to be used to draft the plan's vision statement and goals. As part of an extensive public engagement process, additional opportunities will be available throughout the year for the public to provide input for the plan, which is anticipated to be adopted in early 2024. Houseal Lavigne Associates will also host a booth at the Huntley Area Chamber Expo on Saturday, March 18, at the Huntley Park District. Please stop by to learn more about the process and to offer input. Stay tuned for additional information as the planning process moves forward.

CONSOLIDATED GENERAL ELECTION - APRIL 4, 2023

The election of Municipal, Park District, Library District, School District, Fire District and Community College District officials will be held April 4, 2023.

Officials to be elected in the 2023 Consolidated Election include:

- Village of Huntley – 3 Village Trustees, 4 year term
- Park District - Commissioners
- Library - Trustees
- School Board – Board Members
- Community College District – Trustees
- Fire Protection District - Trustees



Please visit your County Clerk website for additional details including early voting and voting day locations, hours, sample ballots and more.

McHenry County Voting Information: www.mchenrycountyil.gov

Kane County Voting Information: www.kanecountyclerk.org/Elections

Residents may register to vote at the Village of Huntley Municipal Complex, 10987 Main Street. You may also contact the McHenry County Clerk (815-334-4242) or the Kane County Clerk (630-232-5950) for voting registration information.

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 1

Homes in Sun City: Week of May 8

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. In addition, a one time only drop off is scheduled for May 13 at Public Works (located on Donald Drive) from 8am-12pm. Questions? Please contact the Public Works and Engineering Department at 847-515-5222.

HUNTLEY CEMETERY SPRING CLEAN UP

Clean up and seasonal maintenance will take place from March 15 through March 31 in the Huntley Cemetery. Please remove all winter decorations from your loved ones gravesite area prior to March 15. **Decorations that remain in place after March 15th will be removed by the Village of Huntley.**

Spring decorations may be placed on the gravesite starting April 1st and must conform to the Code of Ordinances or they will be removed. Thank you for your assistance in clearing the Huntley Cemetery in preparation for the spring clean up.

Questions or concerns about the removal of the decorations? Please contact Rita McMahon at rmcmahon@huntley.il.us or 847-515-5261.

ARBOR DAY TREE PLANTING - APRIL 28

Huntley is proud to be recognized as a Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation. Join us Friday, April 28 at 4:30pm, at the Municipal Complex (10987 Main Street), as we plant trees together in celebration of Arbor Day. Visit huntley.il.us for additional information.

RESIDENTIAL PARKWAY TREE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

To continue the beneficial expansion of a tree canopy within the Village, residents wishing to plant a parkway tree may be eligible to participate in the Village's Residential Parkway Tree Replacement Program. The cost is \$100. Orders will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis until allotted quantities are depleted. Visit the Tree Replacement Program page on the Village website for more information and to place an order.

GREEN & CLEAN HUNTLEY DAY - APRIL 29

It is spring cleaning time in Huntley! Visit the [Special Events page](#) on the Village website for the full list of acceptable items, event times and locations. Events include:

- Electronics Recycling (residential goods only). Only one TV or Monitor accepted per vehicle. Expect long lines for this popular event. (9am-12pm or until dumpsters are full) *
- Printer Cartridge Recycling *
- Paper/Document Destruction *
- Spring Cleaning Drop Off *
- Gently-Used Book Drive *
- Lion's Club Eyeglass Recycling *
- Free Mulch Pickup *
- Wastewater Treatment Plant Tours
- Culver's Kids Coloring Activity

* these events are for Huntley residents (please bring ID for address verification)

**DON'T BE FOOLED 5K - APRIL 1**

Don't be fooled by someone's disability...rather focus on their abilities! Join the Huntley Police Department and Adams Collision Service on Saturday, April 1, at 9am as we trot, stroll and fun run around downtown Huntley to raise money and awareness for Special Olympics Illinois. This event is a FUN run and is perfect for the entire family. For more information and to register, please visit bit.ly/HPD5K2023.



- Before April 1: \$25 (ages 13+) or \$15 (ages 12 and under) and includes foolish treat and t-shirt
- Day of Event Registration: \$30 (ages 13+) or \$20 (ages 12 and under) and includes a foolish treat



- FROM THE HUNTLEY POLICE DEPARTMENT -
MARCH IS SEVERE WEATHER PREPAREDNESS MONTH

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 severe weather is to prepare now.

The first thing to consider is how you 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, or text or app alerts from the National Weather Service. While you are awake you will likely obtain information from your television or social media, but what about in the middle of the night while asleep? A NOAA Weather Radio alerts people with a high-pitched alarm. They can be programmed to alert you with warnings

only for a specific county or area. These radios are inexpensive and can be purchased for \$30 to \$90 from local stores including Ace Hardware and Walmart as well as numerous other area and online retailers.

We encourage residents to prepare for severe weather by reviewing the Emergency Preparedness Guide at www.huntley.il.us (located in the Residents tab). This guide will help you:

- Update your family communications plan
- Make a severe weather preparedness plan
- Build an emergency preparedness kit
- Identify your safe place to meet during a storm
- Know the various weather watches/warnings/advisories

The steps taken to prepare before a disaster can make a dramatic difference in the ability to cope with and recover from a disaster, as well as the ability to protect household family members and family possessions from losses.