

# The Village of Hazel Crest Spring **Hazel Crest Community Newsletter**



SATURDAY • APRIL 27, 2019

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** Registration: **FREE** 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. CHAIR MASSAGE Village Hall Senior Room FOR 3000 W. 170th Pl. **VOLUNTEERS!** Open Lands Commission Tree Planting VOLUNTEERS WILL RECEIVE 10:00 a.m. A RAFFLE TICKET WITH A CHANCE TO WIN: 170th & Holmes Free Lawn Care The Clean Up Begins! Service (1 Visit) 10:30 a.m. Free Flowers to the Lunch is served! Home Owners Assn. 12:30 p.m. with 10+ volunteers Join us under the tent for a tasty treat! & Other Prizes TO VOLUNTEER, Celebration CALL 708-335-9600 X201 Let's Cleanup Hazel Crest!

#### VILLAGE BOARD MEETINGS ARE HELD EVERY 2ND & 4TH TUESDAY @ VILLAGE HALL (7:00 PM)

#### **APRIL**

27th – Village-wide Cleanup Day (9:30am) Village Hall (Senior Room)

27th - HC Police Dept Dog Walker Watch Class (3:00pm) Village Hall Board Room

2nd - 30th – Jr. Super Sports (on Thursdays) HC Park District

3rd - Senior Commission hosts First Friday Senior Meeting (11:00am) Village Hall Senior Room

4th – Line Dance Party & Let's Go Fly A Kite HC Park District

11th - Mother & Daughter Tea Party HC Park District

19th – Teddy's Fruit & Meat Market 2nd Anniversary Celebration (4:00pm)17531 Kedzie Avenue, Hazel Crest

20th – Open Lands Commission Trip to Morton Arboretum (9:00am)

24th - Shrine of Christ's Passion Bus

Leaving from HC Park District

#### **IUNE**

2nd – HC Fire Department hosts Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser (8:00am) Fire Station

4th – July 2nd– Youth Creative Crafts (on Tuesdays) HC Park District

5th – July 5th – Summer Camp Session I (available 6:30am to 6:30pm) HC Park District

5th – Mandatory Parent Meeting re: Summer Camp (6:30pm) HC Park District

7th – Senior Commission hosts First Friday Senior Meeting (11:00am) Village Hall Senior Room

9th - Open Lands Commission's Spring Tour (2:00pm) Corner of Holmes & Kaindl (near Village Hall)

10th - Jun. 14th - HC Police Department holds a Youth Academy (10:00am) Village Hall Board Room

12th – Cell Phone Literacy Seminar HC Park District

#### **IUNE Cont'd.**

13th – July 11th – Double Dutch 101 (on Thursdays) **HC Park District** 

15th – Veterans Commission hosts Flag Day Celebration (10:00am) Veterans Park (170th & Park Avenue)

15th – Drivin' the Dixie Celebration (12:00pm) Hazel Crest Family Center

17th – July 15th – Senior Chair Cardio (on Mondays) **HC Park District** 

17th - July 26th - 2019 President's Summer Bridge Program (9:00am weekdays) Hazel Crest Family Center

19th – Harrah's Casino Bus Trip HC Park District

22nd - Summertime Senior BINGO Day **HC** Park District

#### **IULY**

4th - July 4th Fireworks Display (@ Dusk) HC Park District (2600 W. 171st)

> For full event details, visit: www.villageofhazelcrest.com

#### **IMPORTANT VILLAGE ADDRESSES:**

Hazel Crest Village Hall (3000 W. 170th Pl.) | Hazel Crest Family Center (16990 Dixie Highway) HC Fire Station (2903 W. 175th) | Grande Prairie Library (3479 W. 183rd Street) | HC Park District (2600 W. 171st)

SAVE THE DATE: HAZELNUT 2019 Saturday, April 3rd & Sunday, April 4th!

A sure sign of Spring is the annual Village-wide Cleanup Day on Saturday, April 27, 2019. Residents are asked to recruit family members & friends to help clean up around Hazel Crest. Homeowners Associations that have at least ten volunteers participate will receive free plats of flowers to take back and later decorate their residential areas. All volunteers should arrive at 9:30am to the Village Hall (3000 W. 170th Place), have a bite to eat, choose their area to clean, get trash bags/work gloves, then head out the door. Before cleaning begins, members of the Beautification/Open Lands Commission will plant a tree as part of Arbor Day activities. After cleanup, volunteers are invited to return to the Village Hall for lunch, fun and raffled prizes. (Prizes include a free visit from a lawn care service). For more information or to pre-register your team, call (708) 335-9600 ext. 106.



Look for the July Villager for full updates on important information concerning the Village of Hazel Crest!

VILLAGE OFFICIALS VILLAGE PRESIDENT Vernard L. Alsberry Jr.

VILLAGE CLERK Isaac R. Wiseman

TRUSTEES **Mary Grant Kevin Moore Ben Ramsey** Marlon D. Rias Java Rogers Sandra Slayton

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# News You Can Use

#### From The Desk of the President

Hello Hazel Crest residents. I hope everyone enjoyed the beautiful weather we had this past Easter and Passover weekend with family and friends. It looks like spring has finally provided us with a string of great weather. As we enter the spring months, we begin to spruce up our homes, yards and parkways along our community. Please remember to join your community for our annual I Love Hazel Crest Village-Wide



Cleanup and Arbor Day Tree Planting. We will kick off the day at 9:00 am at the Hazel Crest Village Hall with a continental breakfast for all who participate, along with cleaning supplies. We will end the day at 12 noon with lunch at the Village. The Village will provide free flowers to any Homeowners Association that brings 10 or more members. All attendees will be given a free tree to plant. There will be free chair massages for participants, and a raffle for a free lawn cut will be held. We welcome all organizations, friends and neighbors to come out and join Hazel Crest residents and staff for I Love Hazel Crest Village-Wide Cleanup and Arbor Day Tree Planting. I look forward to seeing everyone this Saturday, April 27, 2019, at 9:00 am.

In closing, I would like to congratulate Village Trustees Benjamin Ramsey, Sandra Slayton and Mary Grant on their reelection to the Village of Hazel Crest Village Board I'd also like to congratulate newly elected Grande Prairie Library Trustee, Sondra Vickers!

Lets stay Hazel Crest Proud!

Hazel Crest President Vernard L. Alsberry, Jr.



### Did You Know...

State law requires you to contact JULIE before you start any digging project, no matter how small the ONE-CALL SYSTEM Project or how deep you plan to dig. This includes simple tasks, such as

planting flowers. Visit https://www.illinois1call. com to submit an e-request or dial 811.

Call or click before you dig!



**ONLY BRUSH PROPERLY SET OUT WILL BE PICKED UP** 

Effective April 1, 2019, Homewood

Disposal Service will provide weekly collection of properly bundled branches on your regular scheduled day for collection. The intent of this program is to help residents with disposal of normal yard waste and it's not intended as a tree removal service. As such, please note the following guidelines:

- The branch collection program follows the current yard waste Collection dates of April 1st through November 30th.
- -The branch collection program does NOT require prepaid stickers to be placed oneach bundle.
- -Each bundle should not exceed one foot in diameter, no longer than four feet in length and be tied with string.
- -Please do NOT tie bundles with wire.
- -Individual branches must not exceed three inches (3") in diameter.
- -Bundles should be easy to lift by one person.
- Bundled branches should be placed at the curb in front of residence for collection.

# Township News

Township government is a form of local government that administers property assessments, maintains roadways & bridges, and provides homeowner and voter services. It is the oldest form of government often

providing support to help citizens maintain a quality of life that might otherwise be out of reach.

Hazel Crest is represented by three townships: Bremen, Rich and Thornton. All three townships have common services to support residents, such as:

- · General Assistance provides financial assistance to township residents who are not eligible for federal or state assistance
- Senior Services events & services designed for seniors, including rides around the township.
- Transportation concerns all roads and properties in unincorporated areas within the township boundaries including construction and maintenance of such roads.

# **Programs & More**



## Get Your Yard Ready for the Summer **Beautification Awards!**

The Beautification Commission will tour the village to select winners for the annual recognition.

The Beautification Judging Tour will take place on August 7th, residents are urged to get their yards ready. For your property to qualify for an award, see the following rules & criteria:

- · No obvious artificial flowers
- · Minimal weeds (including along driveways)
- · Avoid overuse of pots
- · Edging in place
- · Shrubs trimmed and maintained
- · Color around the sides of the house/building, as well
- · If different colored rocks are used, the different colored areas should be maintained
- · Grass mowed and in good shape
- · House maintained: no peeling paint, hanging gutters, or vegetation growing out of gutters, etc.
- · Hoses & other tools neatly contained (preferably out-ofsight).

# Recognition

The Hazel Crest Open Lands

Fire Station (2903 W. 175th).

#### Hazel Crest Open Lands Area Receives Level II Accreditation

Area totals 53 acres along Kedzie Avenue between 171st Street to I-80. The Open Lands Commission is evolving to be more than just about the transformation of the Open Lands from an invasive brush infested jungle into an enjoyable woodland. They have added more educational presentations, guest speakers at Commission meetings, embraced other cultures, and experimented with Climate Change Projects with the U.S. Forest Service and Morton Arboretum. (And some would brag with their education sessions and research projects get into the Level III area). Not only has the commission labeled hundreds of trees, they have identified and cataloged different species of trees. They plan to put a catalog of the trees on the Village website. To learn more about trees or to volunteer, the Open Lands Commission meets at 6:30pm on the second Monday of the month, at the Hazel Crest

Sign Your Child(ren) Up Today For The **Hazel Crest Police Department** YOUTH ACADEMY



Monday, June 10, 2019 thru Friday June 14, 2019

**Village Hall Board Room** 3000 W. 170th pl. Hazel Crest, IL For More Information, call (708)335-9640



#### Village of Hazel Crest is Hiring For Youth Summer Job Program

Jobs open to Hazel Crest residents (only), ages 16 to 23, from June 10th -July 26th.

Application available at the Village Hall. Deadline to apply is May 30, 2019.

> Limited Enrollment Available for PRESIDENT ALSBERRY'S

# Summer Bridge Program

Incoming seventh and eighth graders have the opportunity to participate this summer in a program offering academic instruction, enrichment and community involvement. Instructors will provide a rich project-based learning experience. This dynamic program will expose our learners to the various components of STEM based-learning within a supported inclusive environment. Our learners will also attend field trips that will directly correlate with our summer curriculum.

The program runs June 17 through July 26. Classes are held Mondays through Thursdays 9:00am to 3:00pm, and Fridays from 9:00am to noon, at the Hazel Crest Family Center (16990 Dixie Highway). To participate, the student must be a resident of Hazel Crest, parents must arrange transportation to & from class, and must provide a copy of the student's last report card. For more information, call Irma Holloway at 335-9600, ext. 10.

MANDATORY ORIENTATION: JUNE 8, 2019 11A-12:30P @ HAZEL CREST FAMILY CENTER



### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Celebrate the second anniversary of Teddy's Fruit & Meat Market on Sunday, May 19, 2019, from 4:00pm to 8:00pm at the store, 17531 Kedzie Avenue, Hazel Crest. Enjoy free food &