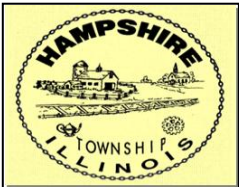


HAMPSHIRE HAPPENINGS

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FROM THE TOWNSHIP

Supervisor – Jody Remakel

What a WONDERFUL turn out we had at our “**Know the 10**

Signs” early detection of Dementia workshop in December. Thank you for those that attended! For those that were unable to attend, we are in the process of creating a support group for the caregivers. If you are interested in learning more about when they will be meeting or what kinds of programs they have, please send us an email at hampshiretownsupervisor@gmail.com or call us at (847)683-9464.

Since the workshop was so well received, we are going to continue to offer other programs. We hosted a “Live Dementia Workshop” on the 14th of January and on February 22, we will have an attorney from Strohschein Law Group come in and provide some advice on proactive measures a family should take if they are caring for a loved one with dementia. On April 8th we will be hosting another program titled “Understanding and Responding to Dementia Related Behaviors”.

While this workshop will also be free, we do we ask that you call and make a reservation so we can plan for the proper number of attendees. The number to call to make a reservation or for more information is (847)683-9464.

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If you would like to receive the township newsletter “HAMPSHIRE HAPPENINGS” via email, please send an email to: townshipnewsletter@gmail.com.

HAMPSHIRE FIRE DEPARTMENT



The Hampshire Fire Protection District would like to thank the residents of Hampshire for their continued support and kindness. Your generosity and thoughtfulness help us continue the work we do to provide the best service to all Hampshire residents and visitors. Your appreciation makes all the hard work, extensive trainings and education that go into our services well worth it!

While 2016 was slow getting started, it became the busiest year in our department history. We had 1,175 calls for service, which was a 14% increase over 2015. There were 164 times when the department had multiple calls in progress. Since 2007 when we began staffing the fire station 24 hours a day, we have responded to more than 10,200 calls for service.

In 2016, our personnel completed over 5,500 hours of fire and medical training, over 3,000 hours of maintenance, housekeeping, projects, and physical fitness, over 275 fire inspection hours, and over 220 public education hours.

We request that the residents get involved whenever possible. We created an Adopt-A-Hydrant program a couple of years ago and continue to promote it and receive adoptive families for our program. We have over 750 hydrants throughout the village that we may need to use at the spur of the moment. By having

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families adopt the hydrants closest to their homes, we have a much better chance the hydrants will be in good working condition and free from snow and other obstructions. If you are interested in adopting one of the village hydrants, please feel free to contact the department at (847) 683-2629 for more information.



Hampshire Fire Protection District’s ISO (Insurance Service Organization) review has been completed and we are proud to announce that we have improved our rural area rating from a 6 to a 4! This could potentially reduce insurance rates for commercial and residential insurance by as much as 10%! The ISO rating is based on our department training, response staffing and operations, water supply, radio communications, equipment and public education and fire prevention inspection programs.

Aside from our Adopt-A-Hydrant program, we offer CPR and First Aid for the general public and healthcare providers. For a nominal fee (covers the books and certification), we can educate those interested in becoming CPR or first aid certified. With a 4 hour educational, hands-on program, you can become certified for a period of two years. This life-saving class is available two times a month and requires registration to attend.

We also offer “free” blood pressure checks. You can stop by anytime to have your blood pressure taken, whether it is for your own information, or your doctor has requested you monitor it due to a change in your medication. We also have a Knox box lending program for those who may need to have us enter their home, when you can’t due to an illness or injury. If there is a time that you or a family member are ill or injured and may have the need for this service, please contact us so that we may tell you about our program and give you some peace of mind!

Did you say you wanted to learn how to use your home or work fire extinguisher? If so, we are also able to provide a home or work safety program including fire

extinguisher training. Make 2017 a super safe year, check your smoke detectors monthly and replace the batteries two times a year. Make sure you have Carbon Monoxide detectors and add them to your battery routine to keep them up to date.

Should you have any questions about our programs, please contact the fire station at (847) 683-2629 or stop by and we will be happy to help you. Follow us on our website (www.hampshirefire.org) or on Face book (Hampshire Fire Protection District). Look for our 2016 annual report that will be out in the weeks ahead.

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BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND – The Township Clerk is sponsoring a FREE shredding event for residents of the Township on April 1, 2017 from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. Bring any documents you would like shredded to the Township at 170 Mill Ave. during these hours. There is no cost, but proof of residency should be provided. Also, at this time the Highway Commissioner will be collecting electronic items from residents of the Township. The cost of disposing of televisions has become quite costly, so we do ask for a good will donation of \$25-\$35 depending on the size of the television to help offset the Township’s cost. For more information, contact the Township Offices at (847)683-9464.

Our Seniors on the Go OFFERING WEEKLY SHOPPING TRIPS TO WALMART!

Our weekly shopping trip to Huntley has become so popular that we have had to start taking the bus!! As a result, we have changed the date and we now go on Wednesday mornings. Departure time is approximately 8:00 a.m. returning at 10 a.m. Please call Lindsay at (224)828-0303 to let us know where to pick you up!



The “Seniors on the Go” continue to go, go, go. I can’t keep up with their schedule anymore, but I see they have added a luncheon at Jurin Japanese

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Steakhouse on the 26th of the month. Enjoy watching them prepare your lunch Asian style. Meals include soup, salad, and main entrée. Costs vary, but are approximately \$10-\$12.

Lending Closet

Did you know that Hampshire Township operates a lending closet? We have served over 75 people this last year and yet most people don't even know about it. Perhaps your loved one just needs to



borrow a wheelchair while they are in town or they recently had surgery and requires a shower seat, commode, or walker. We loan these items out to our residents free of cost. All we

ask is that you call us ahead of time and let us know what you need. We will arrange a time to meet you and complete that pesky paperwork. This program is available to you based on the generous donations of those in the community. You can either call the office at (847)683-9464 or email us at

HampshireTownMaintenance@gmail.com to learn more.

From the Hwy Commissioner Stan Walker

As I write this column, we have been blessed with little snow activity this winter. As of the December 23rd snowfall, we have had a total of 25 inches of snow and only had to plow 6 times. The salt continues to be delivered and stored in a bin. We are happy to continue to store it!

The Road District did purchase a new snow plow truck this fall. However, due to an error at the manufacturer, the delivery has been delayed. Unfortunately, that means we have been running short one vehicle. So if you have noticed the roads are plowed differently this year, it is due to this

issue. We have been doing our best to keep the same high standards and do hope to have this truck soon.

Once the weather begins to warm up, we will be repairing/reseeding the sod along some of the ditches. Due to the warmer weather, the ground wasn't frozen during the earlier snowfalls, and the use of the wing in clearing the shoulders caused some damages. I will again be examining the roads to determine which ones will need repairs this summer. I should have this information available for the next publication.

We are planning on another electronic recycling event. It will be held on April 1, 2017 at the Township office.

CEMETERY REPORT

It is with a sad heart that we inform you that the Hampshire Township Cemetery Board lost a valued Board member. James O'Connor served on our Cemetery Board and was instrumental in the installation of a well at Doty as well as planting of trees at Harmony Cemetery. He was a wonderful addition to our Board and he will be greatly missed.

VFW Post 8043

Hampshire Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8043 will be celebrating their 71st year in 2017. Their charter was received on July 25, 1946. George Partlo is the Commander of the Post. The Veterans participate in community service, school programs, Memorial and Veteran's Day programs and services for deceased veterans. Poppy Days will be in May 2017. The money raised is used for Veterans' programs.

Meetings are the 2nd Monday of each month at 7p.m. at the Hampshire Township Administration Bldg. at 170 Mill Ave. New or transferred
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members are always welcome. For more information please call (847)683-3443.

VFW Post 8043 Auxiliary

Hampshire Veterans of Foreign Wars to Post #8043 Auxiliary meetings are held the 2nd Monday of each month at the Hampshire Administration Bldg. at 1:30pm. Donna Proffitt is president of the Auxiliary. The Auxiliary recently completed a Veterans Support & Community Service project by sending 13 boxes of miscellaneous articles to Afghanistan, Iraq, Korea & Services personnel in the states. They also collect toiletries and clean men's clothing for Veterans at Transitional Living Services in Hebron, IL and Elgin Mental Health Center. In the near future, the preschoolers will be participating in a coloring contest. The Auxiliary welcomes new or transferred members. For information please call (847)683-3443.

HAMPSHIRE-HENPECK HCE

HAMPSHIRE-HENPECK HCE is a member of Kane County Association for Home and Community Education with a goal of providing its members the opportunity to learn current and relevant information on education for home and community. This year we are looking forward to an exciting new year with Game Day, speakers on Health and Wellness, a day trip to Fireside Theatre and of course, luncheons.

The Extension Office is hosting special workshops on a variety of subjects including: Aging, Everyone is Doing It, and Financial Exploitation. They will also host Fun Day and a Silent Auction. The

Extension Office is located at 535 S. Randall Road, St. Charles, IL. All are invited to attend these free presentations and meetings. For more information,

please contact Geraldine Rizik, (847) 683 -2784 or Barbara Janicak, (847) 946 -4696.

St. Charles Borromeo

St. Charles Borromeo School has several activities planned. Masses led by SCB student council, 5th grade, and kindergarten will take place on the first Friday in February, March, and April at 9 a.m. St. Charles Borromeo School Spring Band Concert will be on March 7, 2017 at 7p.m. at the Elgin Academy. This is a combined band made up of 10 private schools in the area including St. Charles Borromeo from Hampshire. Join us for an evening of fine music played by students from 4th through 8th grade. Free admission.

THE SALVATION ARMY PROGRAM

The Hampshire Township will be hosting their 2nd Alzheimer's presentation on April 8th from 10:30 a.m. -12:00 p.m. The subject will be: "Understanding & Relating to Dementia Related Behaviors". Behavior is a powerful form of communication for dementia patients. Join us to learn how to decode behavioral messages; learn strategies for the most common challenges of Dementia.



The first presentation, "Knowing the 10 Signs" held on December 3rd, was a great success with almost 60 people attending. Based on comments we received, there is a huge need for more information on this horrible disease including a support group for caregivers.

If you would like to register to attend or have any questions, please contact the Hampshire Township at (847)683- 9464.

The Lion's will once again be having their "Rose Sale" in May. Orders will be collected in April. To place an order, or for more information, contact Roger Paddock at 847-683-3071 or any Lion member.

FEBRUARY 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Wal-Mart Shopping	2 Sr. Yoga	3	4
5	6	7	8 Wal-Mart Shopping	9 Sr. Yoga	10	11
12	13 VFW Auxiliary VFW meeting	14	15 Wal-Mart Shopping	16 Sr. Yoga HHS – orchestra concert 7:00p.m.	17	18
19	20 Hampshire Burlington Food Pantry	21 Hampshire Henpeck	22 Wal-Mart Shopping Legal Presentation Choral Festival	23 Sr. Yoga	24 VA Mobile Clinic – Del Webb	25 LuLaRoe Sale Hampshire Burlington Food Pantry
26	27	28				

MARCH 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Wal-Mart Shopping	2 Sr. Yoga	3	4
5	6	7 SCB band concert	8 Wal-Mart Shopping	9 Sr. Yoga	10	11 SCB Dinner Dance
12	13 VFW Auxiliary VFW meeting	14	15 Wal-Mart Shopping	16 Sr. Yoga	17	18
19	20 Hampshire Burlington Food Pantry	21 Hampshire Henpeck	22 Wal-Mart Shopping	23 Sr. Yoga HHS – band concert 7:00 p.m.	24 VA Mobile Clinic Del Webb	25 Hampshire Burlington Food Pantry
26	27	28	29 Wal-Mart Shopping	30 Sr. Yoga Ella Johnson Memorial Library Used Book Sale	31	

APRIL 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Recycling Event
2 Book Sale	3	4	5 Wal-Mart Shopping	6 Sr. Yoga	7	8 Dementia Workshop
9	10 VFW Auxiliary VFW meeting	11	12 Wal-Mart Shopping	13 Sr. Yoga	14	15
16	17 Hampshire Burlington Food Pantry	18 Hampshire Henpeck	19 Wal-Mart Shopping	20 Sr. Yoga	21 VA Mobile Clinic Del Webb	22 Hampshire Burlington Food Pantry
23	24	25	26 Wal-Mart Shopping	27 Sr. Yoga	28	29
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CALENDAR ACTIVITY LOCATIONS:

TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY ROOM

Sr. Yoga – 10:00 a.m.

LuLaRoe Sales Event - 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Understanding and Responding to Dementia – 10:00 a.m.

Shredding and Electronic Recycle - 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Legal Presentation - Getting and Paying for Care When You Need It - 10:30 a.m.

VFW Auxiliary - 1:30 p.m.

VFW Meeting - 7 p.m.

Ella Johnson Memorial Library Book Sale

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Hampshire Burlington Food Pantry – 147 Mill Ave. Hampshire, IL
Monday 8:30 AM – 10:30 AM Saturday 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

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Hampshire Henpeck HCE – Heartland Bank 12:30 p.m.

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VA Mobile Clinic Del Webb – 12860 Del Webb Blvd - 9:30 AM– 1:30 PM

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Fox Valley Choral Concert – All day; Dundee Crown High School

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St. Charles Borromeo Dinner Dance – St. Mary Memorial Hall – Sycamore

SCB Band Concert – Elgin Academy