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**CARPENTERSVILLE**  
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Spring 2005

## Special Census Coming to New Carpentersville Areas in Mid-June; Census Workers Needed

Every resident in Carpentersville counts. That's why residents in new subdivisions in the Village that were not included in the 2000 population count will be included in a Special Census.

These subdivisions include:

Aragon	Kimball Farms Units 7 & 8	Shenandoah
Silver Stone Lake	Spring Point Town Homes	
Spring Hill Acres Units 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6		

Beginning in mid-June, the Village of Carpentersville will conduct a Special Census of these neighborhoods to ensure that all Village residents are included in our population count. This Special Census is important to all residents because Carpentersville is reimbursed funds collected by the State of Illinois for State Income Tax, Motor Fuel Tax, and State Local Use Tax based on the number of people who live in Carpentersville. For each person included in our population, the Village is reimbursed \$90 to \$100.

### Census Workers to be Hired

The Village will soon begin recruiting census workers. If you are over 18 years old, available to work days, evenings, and Saturdays, when necessary, and are interested in working for 6-8 weeks, please call Debora at 847-551-3478 with your name, address and phone number and an application will be sent to you shortly.

Let's keep Carpentersville's fair share of State funds. Be counted so we have an accurate Special Census.

## Elliott Becker Joins Village Staff as New Finance Director

Elliott F. Becker has accepted the position of Finance Director with the Village of Carpentersville, effective March 7, 2005. Becker is a licensed Certified Public Accountant, with significant management experience as an administrator and chief financial officer. He graduated with honors with a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from the University of Illinois and is an active member of the national and state Government Finance Officers Association, and the American and Illinois Institute of CPA's. His professional career of 20 years also includes non-profit organization as well as governmental sector experience.



In his new position, Becker will oversee a staff of eight. The Finance Department team is responsible for the preparation and distribution of the Village's annual budget, financial statements, water/sewer billings, and the sale and processing of vehicle stickers and licenses.

Prior to joining the Village's staff, Becker was employed with the Village of Franklin Park. While there, he designed and implemented the Village's investment strategy, served as Chief Fiscal Officer for the \$40 million Grand Avenue Railroad Project, and assisted in the implementation of fiscal and internal controls particularly related to salary structure.

## Election Day is Tuesday, April 5 -- Be Sure to Vote!

Carpentersville residents will vote for a Village President and three Trustees during the April 5 Consolidated Election. Numerous other school, park and library officials will also be elected.

Polls will be open from 6:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Election Day. Please check your voter registration card for your polling place, or call (847) 426-3439, ext. 292 if you have questions.

In-person absentee voting is available at the Village Hall from now through April 4th. You may cast an absentee ballot Monday through Friday between 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. This service is available for those registered voters who are disabled or will be out of town on April 5th.



## Water System Improvements Now In Progress Will Result in Non-Softened Water Until Fall

With the increased demand on our water system due to population growth, major improvements have been made to our water distribution system in recent years to assure there is an adequate water supply to meet high demand periods. The most recent improvement is the addition of two water softeners which will increase our treatment capacity to approximately 7.5 million gallons per day.

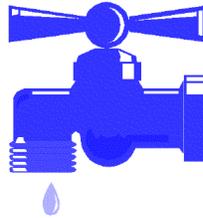
Although there are several phases to the project, one in particular is affecting the quality of the water. On February 1 it was necessary for the Village to bypass the softening process. The softeners will be by-passed for approximately six months. During this time you may experience calcium deposits on plumbing fixtures and dishes, and you might notice a slight change in taste. Although not softened, the water is safe to drink.

### Here's How to Keep Dishes Clean While Using Hard Water

Following are suggestions for automatic dishwashers for non softened water:

1. Mix 1 cup Borax with 1/2 cup Baking Soda, store in a dry container. Use one tsp. in dishwasher along with dishwashing detergent.
2. Use a solid form of rinse aid in your dishwasher.
3. Use the recommended amount of dishwasher detergent per manufacturer's instructions.
4. Do not use a gel type dishwasher detergent.
5. Do not use additional heat settings during the wash or dry cycle.
6. Glassware that has become cloudy from calcium deposits can be cleaned in one part vinegar and three parts warm water.
7. Glassware can also be cleaned with a product called CLR. Follow manufacturer's instructions.

For detailed information, check our website, [vil.carpentersville.il.us](http://vil.carpentersville.il.us)



## Sidewalks on Eight Village Streets Scheduled for Improvements This Spring

The Engineering Department inspects sidewalks in the Village each year and makes recommendations as to which are most in need of repair and should be included in the current year's sidewalk improvement program.

When this program was created, Carpentersville was divided into six sections. One of the six sections is inspected and sidewalks in that section that are most in need of repair are selected for improvements each year. No section is chosen for improvements more than once in a six year period. This method ensures that all areas of the Village are inspected on a regular basis.

Sidewalks selected for improvements in the spring of 2005 include:

- Adams Court
- Garfield Court
- Golfview Court
- Hoover Drive
- Jackson Avenue
- Jefferson Avenue
- Madison Court
- Polk Avenue

Weather permitting, the work will begin in mid-April, take two to three weeks to complete, and should be done by mid-May. Residents affected by the work will be notified two weeks before work begins.

## The End is in Sight -- Lake Marian Road Construction to be Completed by June 30

Construction on the final portion of the Lake Marian Road project will take place on Williams Road from Lord Avenue to Washington Street. Construction is slated to begin in mid-April or early May, depending on weather conditions. Work is expected to be completed by June 30, 2005, weather permitting.



Williams Road from Lord Avenue to Washington Street is the final phase of the Lake Marian Road reconstruction project.

### Gypsy Moth Spraying Program To be Discussed at March 31 Meeting

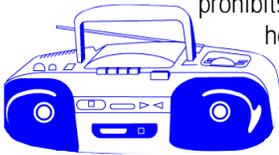
Jim Cavanaugh of the Illinois Department of Agriculture will host a public meeting at the Carpentersville Village Hall on March 31st at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the ongoing problem with gypsy moths in the area, their spraying program that will take place late June/ early July and to answer any questions.

Approximately 7,700 acres will be sprayed including Carpentersville, Sleepy Hollow, West Dundee and the southern portion of Algonquin. As with last year's spraying, the planes will be low flying and could be quite loud.

## From the Police Department A Few Friendly Reminders . . .

**❑ Sidewalks and vehicles:** Please be considerate of others in your neighborhood and park your vehicle so it does not block the public sidewalk.

**❑ Keep the noise down:** Village ordinance prohibits noise loud enough to be heard more than 50 feet from the property line where the noise is originating. Not everyone has the same taste in music -- please respect the rights of your neighbors.



**❑ Only licensed and registered vehicles may be driven on public property:** No motorized vehicle (electric or gas) may be driven on any Village street or sidewalk without the proper license and registration.

Mini-bikes, pocket bikes, go-carts, etc., are not eligible for registration and therefore cannot be driven on public property.



**❑ Overnight parking ban:** No vehicle may be parked on any Village street between the hours of 2:00 AM-6:00 AM throughout the year.

**❑ Loud noise from vehicles:** Village ordinance and state law prohibit noise coming from a vehicle which can be heard from more than 75 feet away.

Your cooperation will enhance the quality of life for everyone who calls Carpentersville home!

## New Village Finance Commission to Review Budget, Accounting Procedures

A new commission has been formed to advise and assist the Village President and Board of Trustees with respect to the fiscal welfare of the Village of Carpentersville. The Finance Commission is composed of three Trustees (Jim Frost, Paul Humpfer, and Judy Sigwalt) and two members of the general public (Virginia Gregg and Patricia Schultz). Trustee Humpfer is the Chairperson, Trustee Sigwalt is the Vice-Chairperson, and Ms. Schultz is the Secretary.

The Finance Commission has responsibility to review the proposed annual budget of the Village, the capital improvement program, and accounting policies and procedures, and to make recommendations to the Village Board as a whole. The Commission will also review investments and expenditures, examine revenue and long-term financing alternatives, budget enhancements, and other financial matters.

The next meeting of the Finance Commission is scheduled for Thursday, April 21, 2005, at 6:30 p.m. at the Village Hall, 1200 L.W. Besinger Drive. All meetings of the Commission are open to the public.

### Meet Renzo!

The Police Department's newest recruit weighs 85 pounds and is just under two years of age. Of course we're talking about Renzo, the new Carpentersville police dog.

Although Renzo is still growing into his ears, he is a beautiful German Shepherd who makes friends easily, but also understands his work as a police dog. He lives with his handler, Officer Jose Mendez, and his family.

## Low Cost, Non-Invasive Tests for Stroke, Bone Density Offered on June 16

Trinity United Methodist Church, located at 1647 Ravine Lane, Carpentersville, will be hosting a health screening open to the community on Thursday, June 16, 2005.

The screenings offered are of the carotid arteries in the neck to determine if you are at risk for stroke; arteries in the legs to check for peripheral artery disease, and aneurysms in the aortic vessel of the abdomen. Also being offered is a bone density screening to test for early detection of osteoporosis.

These non-invasive, completely painless, ultrasound screenings take about 10 minutes each. The cost for each of the three screening is \$45.00, the Osteoporosis screening is \$35. The cost for all three screenings is \$109 and for all four is \$129. Pre-registration is required. For an appointment or more information call 800-324-1851.



## Important Phone Numbers:

**Village Hall:**  
(847) 426-3439

**Community Development (Code Enforcement or Building Department):**  
(847) 551-3478

**Engineering Division:**  
(847) 551-3480

**Public Works:**  
(847) 836-2464

**Water Facility:**  
(847) 551-3492

**Sewer Facility:**  
(847) 551-3490

**Underground Division:**  
(847) 551-3493

**Street Division:**  
(847) 551-3494

**Finance/Water Billing:**  
(847) 551-3476

**Police or Fire Emergency: 9-1-1**

**Police Non-Emergency:**  
(847) 551-3481

**Fire Non-Emergency:**  
(847) 426-2131

**AFTER HOURS OR WEEKEND SEWER BACKUPS OR WATER PROBLEMS REQUIRING VILLAGE RESPONSE:**  
(847) 428-8784

# INFORMACION PARA NUEVOS RESIDENTES

## ¡El día de las elecciones es el Martes, Abril 5 No se le olvidé votar!

Los residentes de Carpentersville votarán para un Presidente de la Aldea y tres comisarios durante la Elección Consolidada en abril 5. Funcionarios de escuela, funcionarios de parque y biblioteca serán elegidos también.

Los casillas de votar estarán abiertas de 6:00 de la mañana hasta 7:00 de la tarde en el día de las elecciones. Verifique por favor su tarjeta de matrícula de votante para su lugar de la votación, o llamar al (847) 426-3439, ext. 292. si usted tiene preguntas.

Voto de ausente de en persona está disponible en el Vestíbulo de la Aldea de ahora hasta el 4 de abril. Usted puede adquirir un voto ausente de lunes a viernes entre 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 de la tarde. Este servicio está disponible para esos votante registrados que son incapacitados o que estará fuera de la ciudad el 5 de Abril



## La Venida Especial del Censo al Área Nueva de Carpentersville a Mediados de Junio; Se Necesitan Trabajadores para el Censo

Cada residente en Carpentersville cuenta. Por eso residentes de las nuevas subdivisiones en la Aldea que no fueron incluidas en la cuenta de población 2000, serán incluidos en un Censo Especial. Las subdivisiones incluyen:

Kimball Farms Units 7 & 8	Shenandoah
Spring Point Town Homes	Aragon
Spring Hill Acres Units 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6	Silver Stone Lake

Al principio de mediados de junio, la Aldea de Carpentersville realizará un Censo Especial de estos vecindarios para asegurar que todos residentes de la Aldea sean incluidos en nuestra cuenta de población. Este Censo Especial es importante a todos residentes porque Carpentersville es reembolsado los fondos colectados por el Estado de Illinois para el Impuesto de renta del Estado, El Impuesto del Combustible, Impuesto Local del Uso basado en el número de personas que viven en Carpentersville. Para cada persona incluida en nuestra población, la Aldea es reembolsada \$90 a \$100.

### Trabajador del Censo para Ser Empleado

La Aldea pronto empezará a emplear trabajadores de censo. Si usted está sobre los 18 años de edad, disponible a trabajar de día, las tardes, y los sábados, cuándo necesario, y es interesado a trabajar por 6-8 semanas, por favor llamar a Débora al 847-551-3478 con su nombre, dirección y número de teléfono y una aplicación será mandada a usted en breve.

Mantengamos la acción justa de Carpentersville de fondos del Estado. Sea contado para que tengamos un Censo Especial exacto.

### La Polilla Gitana El Programa Rocía Será Discutida en la Reunión de marzo 31

Jim Cavanaugh del Departamento de Illinois de la Agricultura hablara con el público durante la reunión el 31 de marzo a las 7:00 de la tarde en el Vestíbulo de la Aldea que encuentra en Carpentersville para discutir el problema progresivo con polilla gitana en el área, su programa se llevara acabo en los finales de junio y los principios de julio y también para contestar cualquier pregunta. Aproximadamente 7.700 acres se rociarán inclusive Carpentersville, Sleepy Hollow, West Dundee, y la porción Sur de Algonquin. Al igual que el año pasado los aviones estarán volando bajo para rociar y el ruido podría ser bastante fuerte.

## Las Aceras en Ocho Calles de la Aldea Están Planificadas para Mejoras Esta Primavera

El Departamento de la Ingeniería inspecciona las aceras en la Aldea cada año y hace las recomendaciones en cuanto a que acera es la mas necesitada para reparación y debe ser incluida en el programa actual de la mejora de la acera del año.

Cuándo este programa se creó, Carpentersville se dividió en seis secciones. Una de las seis secciones es inspeccionada y las aceras en esta sección que son muy necesitadas de la reparación son escogidas para mejoras cada año. Ninguna sección se escoge para mejoras más de una vez en un período de seis-año. Este método asegura que todas las áreas de la Aldea se inspeccionen en una base regular.

Las aceras escogieron para mejoras en la primavera de 2005 incluyen:

Adams Court	Garfield Court
Golfview Court	Hoover Drive
Jackson Avenue	Madison Court
Polk Avenue	Jefferson Avenue

Si el temporal lo permite, el trabajo empezará a mediados de Abril, toma dos a tres semanas para completar, y será terminado a mediados de mayo. Los residentes afectados por el trabajo serán notificados dos semanas antes del comienzo del trabajo.

### "Fechas para Recordar"

La oficina de Aldea estar cerrada Lunes, 30 de mayo en honor commemorativo.

Favor de recordar que la basura va ser recejida un dia tarde la semana 30 de mayo.

Letrenos engomados de vehículo de la Aldea estan de venta 1 de mayo y deben de ser mostrado en su vehículo 1 de Julio 2005.

# INFORMACION PARA NUEVOS RESIDENTES

## Aproveche El Buen Tiempo para Cerciorarse su Instalación de Buzón es Invierno-Digno

Este invierno pasado, nosotros recibimos numerosas llamadas de buzones dañados por arados de nieve de la Aldea. En un caso unos pocos buzones fueron golpeados realmente por un arado, pero en la mayoría de los casos el peso de la nieve dañó el poste o empujó el buzón al piso.

Las tripulaciones de la aldea han hecho cada esfuerzo de reparar todos los buzones dañados. El Servicio Postal de los Estados Unidos ha proporcionado la Aldea con estándares de instalación para buzones de entrega. El Departamento del servicio Público, a pedido que todas instalaciones se conforman con los estándares. En el futuro, la reparación de buzones que no sean de conforma con los EE.UU. Los estándares postales de la instalación del Servicio serán la responsabilidad del propietario

### Las instrucciones para instalar buzones cerca de la calle

1. Compre un buzón tipo aprobado con la regulación rural del gobierno.
2. Coloque su número de la casa en ambos lados. Si dos o más buzones se colocan juntos, usted debe colocar también su número en el frente.
3. Coloque el buzón en un poste firme. La cima del buzón debe ser 52" encima del nivel del suelo en que el vehículo del correo viaja. El frente del buzón se debe colocar 12" del borde de la calle, para que el vehículo del correo pueda alcanzar el buzón sin salir del vehículo.
4. Es su responsabilidad de mantener el enfoque a su buzón para que el vehículo de correo pueda tener acceso en cualquier temporal. El fracaso de hacer lo indicado puede tener como resultado la detención de correo en la Oficina de correos para usted recoger.

Si usted tiene cualquier pregunta, llamar por favor al Administrador de correos al 847/426-6724.

## El Costo Bajo, la Prueba No-Invasivo para el Derrame Cerebral, la Densidad de Hueso Ofreció el 16 de junio

La Iglesia metodista, Trinity United, localizado en 1647 Senda de Barranco, Carpentersville, estará ofreciendo exámenes de la salud para la comunidad el jueves, 16 de junio de 2005.

Los exámenes ofrecidos son de las arterias aórticas en el cuello de determinar si usted está en el riesgo para el infarto, las arterias en las piernas para verificar la enfermedad periférica de arteria, y para los aneurismas en las naves aórticas del abdomen. Se ofrece también examen de la densidad de hueso para probar el descubrimiento temprano de osteoporosis.

El no-invasivo, completamente sin dolor, exámenes de ultrasonido toman acerca de 10 minutos cada uno. El costo de cada uno de los tres exámenes es \$45, la Osteoporosis es \$35. El costo de tres exámenes es \$109 y para cuatro pruebas es \$129. Se requiere que se inscriba temprano. Para una cita o más formación llame al 800-324-1851.



## Las Mejoras del Sistema del Agua Ahora en el Progreso Tendrán como resultado Agua No-Ablandada Hasta el Otoño

Con la demanda aumentada en nuestro sistema de agua debido al crecimiento demográfico, las mejoras mayores han sido hechas a nuestro sistema de la distribución del agua en años recientes, para asegurar que haga un abastecimiento de agua adecuado de acuerdo con los períodos altos de la demanda. La mejora más reciente es la adición de dos descalcificadores, que aumentará nuestra capacidad del tratamiento aproximadamente 7.5 millones de galones por día.



Aunque hay varias fases al proyecto, uno en particular, afectará la calidad del agua. El 1 de Febrero será necesario que la Aldea evite el proceso que ablanda el agua. Los suavizadores serán evitados por aproximadamente seis meses. Durante esta vez usted puede experimentar los depósitos de calcio en instalaciones de cañerías y platos, y usted quizás advierta un cambio leve en el sabor. Aunque el agua no este ablandada es segura para beber.

### Cómo Mantener Platos Limpios al Utilizar Agua Dura

Siga las sugerencias para lavaplatos automáticos para el agua no-ablandado:

1. Combine 1 copa de Bórax con \_ copa de Bicarbonato de soda, manténgalo en un lugar seco. Utilice una cucharita en el lavaplatos junto con el detergente dishwashing.
2. Utilice una forma sólida de la ayuda del aclarado en su lavaplatos.
3. Utilice la cantidad recomendada de detergente de lavaplatos de acuerdo a las instrucciones del fabricante.
4. No utilice un detergente de tipo gel de lavaplatos.
5. No utilice los escenarios adicionales del calor durante el lavado o en el ciclo de secar.
6. La cristalería que ha llegado a ser nublada de depósitos de calcio puede ser limpiada en una parte de vinagre y tres partes de agua tibia.
7. La cristalería se puede limpiar también con un producto llamado CLR. Siga las instrucciones del fabricante. Para la información detallada, verifique con nuestro sitio web, al [vil.Carpentersville.il.us](http://vil.Carpentersville.il.us)

## Dates to Remember

**Monday,  
May 30th**

The Village Hall will be closed in honor of Memorial Day

### Trash collection one day later than usual

Please remember that trash will be collected one day later than usual the week of May 30 due to the Memorial Day holiday

### A FRIENDLY REMINDER:

Village vehicle stickers go on sale May 1, and must be displayed no later than July 1.



**Daylight Savings  
Time returns at  
2:00 a.m. on  
Sunday, April 3.**

**Remember to  
change the batteries  
in your smoke  
detector when you  
change your clock!**

## Take Advantage of the Good Weather to Make Sure Your Mailbox Installation is Winter-Worthy

This past winter, we received numerous calls about mailboxes damaged by Village snow plows. In a few instances mailboxes were actually hit by a plow, but in most cases the weight of the snow damaged the post or pushed the mail box over.

Village crews have made every effort to repair all damaged mailboxes. The United States Postal Service has provided the Village with installation standards for curb delivery mailboxes. The Public Works Department requests that all installations comply with the standards. In the future, repair of mailboxes that do not conform to the U.S. Postal Service installation standards will be the responsibility of the homeowner.

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR INSTALLING CURBSIDE MAILBOXES

1. Purchase a regulation government approved rural type mailbox.
2. Place your house number on both sides. If two or more boxes are placed together, you should also place your number on the front.



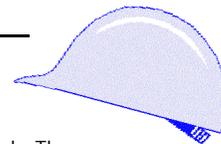
3. Place the box on a sturdy post. The top of the box should be 52" above ground level at which the carrier's vehicle travels. The front of the box should be placed 12" from the curbline, in order for the carrier to service the box without leaving the vehicle.

4. It is your responsibility to maintain the approach to your mailbox for the carrier to service it in any type of weather.

Failure to do so may result in mail being held at the Post Office for you to pick up.

If you have any questions, please contact the Postmaster at 847/426-6724.

## We're Celebrating Building Safety Week!



During the week of May 8-14, Carpentersville's Community Development Department will be a part of the worldwide celebration of Building Safety Week. The purpose of Building Safety Week is to raise public awareness of building safety to promote the use, enforcement and understanding of building safety and fire prevention codes that protect lives and property. Part of this awareness is recognition of the professionals who make sure the buildings in our community are safe.

Safe buildings don't happen by chance. Building code enforcement is the job of inspectors who work in the Community Development and Fire Departments. Building codes address all aspects of construction including structural integrity, electrical, mechanical, and plumbing systems.

By enforcing property maintenance codes, reviewing plans, issuing permits and inspecting buildings during and after construction, the Community Development Department helps to ensure that buildings in the community are safe places to live, work, and play.

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