

## VILLAGE HALL WILL BE CLOSED

Memorial Day .....	Monday, May 26th
Independence Day .....	Friday, July 4th
Labor Day.....	Monday, September 1st
Thanksgiving.....	Thursday/Friday, November 27th & 28th
Christmas .....	Wednesday/Thursday, December 24th & 25th
New Year's Day .....	Thursday, January 1st

## FOCUS NEWSLETTER

Spring 2014

### A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT RITTER

Carpentersville is a member of the Northwest Municipal Conference (NWMC). The Conference represents more than 1,300,000 residents of northwestern suburban villages and cities with services such as group purchasing, auctioning of surplus vehicles and equipment, and training. The NWMC also maintains a presence in Springfield to protect the interests of its various members. The Conference has created an agenda of legislative ideas that will protect the financial interests of our taxpayers. Below is a summary of some of the issues that the NWMC is proposing for this year's legislative session:

- The state should not divert any funds from villages to pay off the debts the state has accumulated.
- The state needs to provide meaningful reforms to public safety pensions.
- The state should not make changes to prevailing wage laws that would eliminate small businesses from bidding on local and state projects.
- The state should end commercial abuses by businesses of the FOIA process.
- The state should look at reasonable changes to current laws that give lifetime benefits (including full health care) to police and firefighters who suffer a minor injury on the job that does not fit any definition of "catastrophic injury".
- The state should reform the Workers' Compensation system to restore reasonable balance between the cause of injuries and the size of awards.

I ask that you join me in contacting Representative Keith Farnham, Representative Michael Tryon, Representative David McSweeney, Senator Dan Duffy, Senator Michael Noland, and Senator Karen McConaughay to express what is best for you, the taxpayer.

Wishing you a welcoming springtime!

**Don't blink, or you will miss something good happening in Carpentersville.**

*Ed Ritter*  
Village President

### WELCOME YOUR NEW COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR



Marc Huber comes to the Village of Carpentersville with 15 years of local government experience serving in building, zoning and executive capacities, including Building Inspector, Zoning Administrator, Building Department Director, Economic Development Coordinator and Village Administrator. He has also served over 20 years as an engineering officer in the United States Army and has 13 years of engineering experience in the federal government. Marc received his undergraduate degree from Iowa State University and a Master's in Public Administration from Illinois Institute of Technology.

### SAFE HAVEN



- Please remember that all three of your Carpentersville Fire Stations are "Safe Havens".
- The Illinois Safe Haven Law was written to provide a safe alternative to abandonment for Illinois parents who feel they cannot cope with a newborn baby.
- Go to: [www.saveabandonedbabies.org](http://www.saveabandonedbabies.org) for more information.

### GAMBLING REVENUE AND YOUR IDEAS

One of the goals of the Village Board is to improve civic and social life within Carpentersville. If you have ever had an idea that you thought would make this community a better place to live, now is your chance to possibly bring that idea to life.

The Village Board has dedicated any revenue generated from video gambling to a special fund aimed at civic improvement. Any citizen can submit ideas to Assistant Manager Joe Wade at 224-293-1640 or email [jwade@vil.carpentersville.il.us](mailto:jwade@vil.carpentersville.il.us). Joe will gather the ideas and submit them to a committee of citizens. The committee will evaluate all ideas, and a list of recommendations will be submitted to the Village Board for funding with available gambling revenue.

Maybe you would like to see a particular piece of playground equipment at one of the parks or think that some area in the Village needs better landscaping. Maybe you would like there to be a Village-wide contest with a prize provided through the fund. All ideas will be considered, so put on your thinking cap and help us make Carpentersville a better place.

### VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE

February 18, 2014 is the last day to register to vote in the March 18, 2014 primary election. You may register with the Village Clerk at Carpentersville Village Hall or at any Kane County facility that offers this service.

## ENGINEERING DIVISION PROJECT INFORMATION

### 2013 COMPLETED IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

#### **MFT & CDBG Resurfacing and Sidewalk Program**

Resurfacing, removal and replacement of sidewalk and curb and gutter on Green Lane, Hook Road and Del Rio Road.

#### **Gleneagle Area Phase II Resurfacing Project**

Resurfacing and select sidewalk replacement on Woodside Drive from 105 feet east of Orchard to Winchester Glen Subdivision.

#### **Carpenter Park Parking Lot Improvements**

Construction of new off-street parking at north end of Carpenter Park.

#### **Tulsa Avenue / Kings Road LAFO Improvement Project**

Resurfacing and select sidewalk replacement of Tulsa Avenue and Kings Road.

#### **Village Hall Parking Lot Improvements**

Resurfacing, new fence installation and parking reconfiguration of existing Village Hall parking lot.

#### **Sidewalk Grinding Program**

Identified and removed various trip hazards at joints along public sidewalks within southeast portion of the Village.

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### 2014 IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

#### **Maple Avenue Reconstruction Project**

Construction of utility improvements along Maple Avenue between Carpenter Boulevard and L.W. Besinger Drive will continue. Roadway improvements for this area are anticipated to begin late spring. This work will be funded with 80% Federal Surface Transportation Program grant funding and 20% Village funds. The Village portion is reduced by the additional grant funding through the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program and the Illinois Truck Access Route Program. Improvements include new roadway with curb and gutter, storm sewer, water main, bike path and lighting.

#### **Route 31 and Huntley Road Reconstruction Project**

The Phase 1 preliminary design was approved by the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT). The Phase II final design agreement has been submitted to IDOT for approval and this work has begun. The Phase II design should be completed in the winter of 2015. Construction is anticipated to begin early 2016. This work will be funded with 75% Congestion Mitigation Air Quality grant funding and 25% Village funds.

#### **Carpenter Creek Floodplain Improvement Project**

Phase II design for floodplain improvements along Carpenter Creek from Maple Avenue to 1300+/- upstream is substantially complete. Two grant applications were submitted that would both increase the stabilization limits and provide for additional water quality. Phase III construction is dependent on permit approvals and a Letter of Map Revision approval from the Federal Emergency Management Agency. These improvements will remove 44 structures from the existing floodplain map.

#### **Sleepy Hollow Road LAFO Improvement Project**

The Village was successful in receiving Surface Transportation Program funding through the Kane Kendall Council of Mayors for improvements to Sleepy Hollow Road between Grandview Drive and the Village limits just south of Parsons Road. Staff will be completing the in-house topographic survey and Phase II design this year for a tentative late 2015 construction. This work will be funded with 80% Federal Surface Transportation Program grant funding and 20% Village funds.

#### **2014 MFT / CDBG Resurfacing and Sidewalk Program**

Improvements are proposed this summer to Papoose Road from Helm Road to Navajo Drive and to Cordova and Granada Roads from Amarillo Drive to Alameda Drive. This work will be funded 50% with Motor Fuel Tax funds and 50% Kane County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. The Village was successful in receiving a grant from the Kane County Office of Community Reinvestment for CDBG funding for the remaining 50%. Improvements include removal and replacement of existing carriageway, Americans with Disabilities Act compliant upgrades, 2" asphalt resurfacing, select base repair and pavement markings.

Questions about these projects should be directed to Ed Szydowski, Engineering Manager, at the Village Community Development Department at 224-293-1637.

## YARD WASTE SEASON

(April 1st - November 30th)

Residents are reminded that yard waste collection for Carpentersville begins Wednesday, April 2 and Thursday, April 3. Yard waste such as grass clippings, leaves, and garden and winter yard debris must be placed in a 33-gallon brown Kraft paper bag. No stickers are needed for proper yard waste bags. Bags should not weigh more than 50 pounds. If you have branches ready for disposal, please be sure that the branches do not exceed four feet in length or four inches in diameter. Branches must be bundled with biodegradable string or twine. Bundles should not exceed 24 inches in diameter.

Residents also have the option to rent a 95-gallon cart for yard waste rather than purchasing yard waste bags. This fee is billed directly on a quarterly basis from April 1 to November 30 each year to the household that uses a yard waste cart. The fee schedule for rental is listed below. If interested, please contact Republic Services at 847-429-7370.

### Fee Schedule for Renting 95-gallon Cart

April 1 to July 31 .....	\$5.51/month
August 1 to November 30 .....	\$5.62/month
Full Season Cost.....	\$44.52
Delivery Fee.....	\$25.00

## 2014 GARBAGE HOLIDAYS

All refuse, recycling and yard waste services scheduled for the collection week that includes the holidays listed below shall be delayed by one day all week if the holiday falls on or before the regular collection day.

### Regular Pick Up Day ..... Delayed Pick Up Day

Memorial Day ..... Monday, May 26  
(Service delayed by one day all week)

Fourth of July ..... No delay this year

Labor Day..... Monday, September 1  
(Service delayed by one day all week)

Thanksgiving..... Thursday, November 27  
(One day delay for Thursday only)

Christmas Day..... Thursday, December 25  
(One day delay for Thursday only)

New Year's Day ..... Thursday, January 1, 2015  
(One day delay for Thursday only)

### Additional Information

For additional garbage and recycling questions, please visit the Refuse Collection section under SERVICES at the Village of Carpentersville website (<http://vil.carpentersville.il.us>), or contact the Village Finance Department at 847-551-3476 or Republic Services at 847-429-7370.

## "ROCK THE FOX MUSIC FESTIVAL" COMING TO CARPENTER PARK

The "Rock the Fox Music Festival" will be held Friday thru Sunday, June 27-29, 2014, at Carpenter Park. The weekend, family-oriented music festival is sponsored by the Carpentersville Odd Fellows Century Lodge #492 and will feature rock, country, jazz and blues music with event coverage and support by radio station 103.9 FM, "The Fox". The event will also feature carnival rides and amusements, food vendors and a beer garden.

### Festival hours:

Friday, June 27th .....	5:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.
Saturday, June 28th.....	1:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.
Sunday, June 29th .....	1:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

For details, please contact Jeremy Soderstrom, Carpentersville Century Lodge #492 at 847-791-0939.

## EMERALD ASH BORER UPDATE

The Village of Carpentersville is continuing its proactive emerald ash borer (EAB) management efforts. The Village's EAB Management Plan, outlined in the Village's Emerald Ash Borer Policy, was recommended by the Department of Public Works and approved by the Village Board of Trustees on November 20, 2012. Since discovering the first signs of the EAB in 2011, the Department of Public Works has inventoried over 2,450 ash trees. To preserve public safety and community aesthetics, the Department of Public Works has removed over 1,050 infested trees. To foster proactive tree replacement efforts, the Village instituted a cost-share program. Village residents and neighborhood groups are now eligible to receive \$50.00 per tree replaced after infested trees are removed by the Department of Public Works. Last year, the Village planted over 625 trees with money received from the Village's General Fund and cost-share program, and through various grants. For more information regarding the EAB and the EAB Management Plan, please visit the Village website or contact the Department of Public Works at 224-293-1613.



## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT EVENING HOURS

In order to accommodate the summer construction and remodeling season, the Community Development Department will be open Thursday evenings until 7:00 p.m., from June 5, 2014 through August 28, 2014. Citizens may inquire about building permits and other regulations at this time. The Community Development Department is located at the Village Hall, 1200 L.W. Besinger Driver.

### Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday .....	8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Thursday, June 5, 2014 through August 28, 2014.....	8:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

### PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENTS INTRODUCE SOCIAL MEDIA TO THE RESIDENTS

On April 19, 2013, the Carpentersville Police and Fire Departments launched a Public Safety Facebook page and Twitter account. These tools are being utilized to communicate road conditions, amber alerts, safety recalls and other important information to our residents. The more people who Like us on Facebook or follow us on Twitter, the greater will be our ability to reach people when important information needs to be disseminated. On December 31, 2013, there was a house fire in Carpentersville that left a family homeless. Our social media pages helped spread the word about this incident. Many of our fine residents stepped up and assisted this family in their time of need. If you wish to follow us on social media, please Like us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/cvillpublicsafety> or follow us on Twitter @cville\_pd.

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### SPRING FIRE SAFETY TIPS

As spring approaches, thoughts turn to cleaning up from the long winter, making repairs around the home and enjoying the outdoors. Keeping a few safety thoughts in mind will help you make your spring experience much more enjoyable.

#### Inside the Home

- Check and clean your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.
- Check your fire extinguishers.
- Check for overloaded or damaged extension cords.
- Prepare for storm-related outages (make sure your flashlights and portable radios have batteries and that other supplies, such as bottled water, are stocked and available).
- Practice exit drills with your family so everyone knows what to do in case of an emergency.
- Properly store household chemicals and never mix cleaning agents.

#### Outside and Around the Yard

- Make sure your address numbers are posted and visible from the street.
- Clean up yard debris. Cut back dead limbs and grasses.
- Maintain a clear "fire zone" of 10' around structures. Clean up leaves and debris and consider using stone or non-combustible mulches.
- Check outdoor electrical outlets and other electrical appliances.
- Get your grill cleaned and serviced. Check all propane tanks and lines for leaks and damage.
- Keep 100' of garden hose with an attached nozzle connected and ready for use.

#### In the Garage or Shed

- Clean up and properly store paints and pool and yard chemicals.
- Check fuel containers for leaks and make sure they are properly stored.
- Have all power equipment cleaned, serviced and readied for use.

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### VILLAGE BOARD VOTES TO DISCONTINUE VEHICLE STICKER PROGRAM

On December 3, 2013, the Village Board passed an ordinance discontinuing the Village's vehicle sticker program. Starting July 1, 2014, no stickers will be required to be purchased by the citizens of Carpentersville. New residents currently have up to 60 days to purchase a vehicle sticker. Therefore, any new residents moving in prior to April 30, 2014, will still be required to purchase a vehicle sticker that will be valid through June 30, 2014.

### CARPENTERSVILLE ENHANCES FIRST RESPONDER CAPABILITIES

Providing exceptional Emergency Medical Services to the community remains among the Village Board's highest priorities. Recently, two new capabilities were provided to our First Responders: Advanced Life Support Fire Engines and Automatic External Defibrillator-equipped squad cars.

Advanced Life Support Fire Engines now allow for all lifesaving equipment that is regularly carried on our ambulances to also be carried on our first-responding fire engines. Immediate lifesaving actions can be initiated by fire crews on the scene while awaiting the arrival of an ambulance.

Frontline police squad cards are now equipped with Automatic External Defibrillators. Oftentimes, police officers on patrol are closer to the scene of an emergency; they can now take immediate action to intervene in the event a resident is experiencing cardiac distress.

These two additions to our Fire and Police Departments reaffirm that when a medical emergency strikes, critical help is only moments away by calling 911.

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### POOL SAFETY

With warmer temperatures just around the corner, families will soon be jumping into the pool for summertime relief. From a safety standpoint, drowning is a major concern. Home Safety Council research shows that drowning is the second leading cause of home injury-related death for children. Even homes with a spa are at increased risk. Here are some recommendations from the Home Safety Council:

- Practice constant adult supervision at all times when children are around any body of water. Adults should always stay within an arm's reach of young children when they are near water.
- Older children should not be left in charge of younger children in the pool area.
- When you have pool parties, formally assign adults to pool supervision duties to ensure the children are watched closely throughout the party.
- Install four-sided fencing that isolates the pool and spa from the home. Four-sided pool fencing has proven to be an effective drowning prevention. Pool fencing should be at least five feet high and have self-locking and self-closing gates.
- Position gate latches out of reach of children and never prop the gate open or disable the latch.
- Clear debris, clutter and pool toys from the pool deck and adjoining pathways to prevent slips and falls.
- Keep a cordless, water-resistant telephone in the pool area and post emergency numbers near the pool area.
- Enroll non-swimmers in swimming lessons taught by a qualified instructor.
- Never swim alone; even experienced swimmers and adults should always swim with a buddy.
- Learn and practice lifesaving techniques, including First Aid and CPR. Require that anyone who cares for your children learn CPR.
- Keep poolside rescue equipment close to the pool area.
- At a public swimming pool, don't rely exclusively on lifeguards to watch your children. Drowning occurs suddenly and silently. The most certain way to prevent a drowning is for parents to stay within arm's reach of their small children at all times around any standing water.
- A building permit is required before installing any pool or spa that hold 24" or more of water.



## SIMPLIFYING YOUR HOME IMPROVEMENT PROCESS

Home improvements will now be easier for thousands of east side residents as a result of a change in the Village's zoning ordinance. The Village Board recently approved rezoning properties in Meadowdale and Lincolnwood Manor neighborhoods to match the zoning ordinance with existing conditions. The Village Board wanted to make it easier and more convenient for residents to improve their properties.

The zoning ordinance has changed significantly since the single-family homes on the east side of Carpentersville were developed in the 1950s and 1960s. These homes typically were constructed on small lots with small setbacks, while in the newer residential zoning districts, on the Village's west side near Randall Road, the homes were developed on larger lots with larger setbacks. If you have any questions about the zoning of your property, please call the Community Development Department at 847-551-3478.

## WOULD YOU LIKE TO REPORT A STREET LIGHT OUTAGE OR POTHOLE?

Try the Village's new webpage for reporting street light outages and potholes. The reporting webpage can be accessed by clicking on the "Report Street Light Outage/Pothole" icon located in the lower left-hand corner of the Village's homepage at vil.carpentersville.il.us.

Report Street Light Outage / Pothole

When you click on the icon, a link will take you to a "fillable" form that can be used to report street light outages or a problem pothole. Simply complete the required information and

hit the "Submit" button at the bottom of the page. Please note that you will still be able to contact the Public Works Department directly at 847-836-2464 to report street light outages and potholes. (Street lights that are mounted to aluminum poles are the responsibility of the Village to repair. Street lights mounted on wooden poles are the responsibility of ComEd to repair).

Having trouble finding a street light pole number? Simply locate the Village's interactive map and select the street light icon that has the problem. Once selected, a pop-up will display the correct pole number. (See below, Example: 17B-26).



## BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR

The Village of Carpentersville Community Development Department wants to help you live in a nice neighborhood, but we need your help.

You can be a Good Neighbor by observing the following simple rules:

- Keep your lawn mowed below eight inches.
- Maintain your property, keeping it clean of debris and in a sanitary manner.
- Park only on approved surfaces, not on your lawn.
- Vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating over 10,000 lbs. are prohibited from parking in residential districts.
- Trailers, boats and campers cannot be parked in front yards, including driveways. Call the Community Development Department for approved trailer parking locations.
- Inoperable motor vehicles are prohibited on public or private property.
- Make minor vehicle repairs in an appropriate area - no major work on residential property or in the street.
- Keep trash bins stored in an approved location - in a garage, shed or a side or rear yard.
- Put trash out after 4:00 p.m. the day before pickup and remove bins by 7:00 p.m. the day of trash pickup.
- Keep the noise down - be considerate of your neighbors.
- Report graffiti immediately and remove graffiti within 48 hours.
- Do not place garage sale signs on utility poles or in parkways or other public property.
- Limit garage sales to two a year.
- Remove holiday lights and decorations promptly. There is a 60-day limit each year to display decorations and lights.
- Trim tree branches and shrubbery so they do not obstruct pedestrian or vehicle traffic and sightlines.
- Be sure your swimming pool is not accessible to unsupervised children. Permits are required for pools 24" deep or more.
- Post your address number in a location on the house that can be easily read from the street. Numbers should be a four inches high and in a color that contrasts with the house.
- Clean up after your dog/cat and do not let them run loose. No more than two adult dogs are allowed in a dwelling unit.
- Firewood should only be stored in rear yards, away from structures.
- Home-based businesses cannot disrupt the neighbor. Call our department for information on allowable businesses.
- Rental properties must be registered and inspected. Attendance at a Crime Free Housing Seminar is mandatory.
- Before buying or renting a dwelling unit, call our department to determine how many people are allowed to live in the unit.
- Use working smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.
- Basements generally cannot be occupied as sleeping quarters.

Requirements for basement rooms such as ceiling height, light, ventilation and exits are strictly enforced. Check with Community Development Department if you are considering such usage. These are all items in the Carpentersville Municipal Code to help our Village continue to be a wonderful place to live, work and play. Call 847-551-3478 with questions or for further information.

## COMMUNITY GARDEN

The Village Board has endorsed the Community Garden to be located next door to the Village Hall.

This is for the benefit of Village residents who are unable to have a garden in their own yards. They might be in a multi-family unit or have their whole backyard shaded so there is no land or adequate daylight to grow fruits and vegetables.

The soil was tested for nutrients and potential heavy metals so that participants will know what balance of fertilizers may be needed. Water for gardening will be available from the Village Hall building.

Plots will be \$10 per season and sign up is first come - first served at the Community Development Department.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO CARPENTERSVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT STAFF AND COMMAND GRADUATES!

The Carpentersville Police Department is pleased to announce the recent graduation of Sergeants Thomas Heitkamp and Paul Brandt from the School of Police Staff and Command at Northwestern University Center for Public Safety.

The School of Police Staff and Command is a 10-week program that provides upper-level college instruction. The major topics of study include: Leadership, Human Resources, Employee Relations, Organizational Behavior, Applied Statistics, Planning and Policy Development, Budgeting and Resource Allocation.

Sergeant Heitkamp has been serving the Carpentersville Community for over 23 years. Sergeant Brandt has been serving for over 10 years. Our congratulations go out to both Sergeants Heitkamp and Brandt.

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### FIREARM CONCEALED CARRY ACT

On July 9, 2013, Public Act 98-63, the Firearm Concealed Act, became an Illinois law (430 ILCS 66). You may view the full text of the law at: <http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/98/PDF/098-0063.pdf>.

The Illinois State Police and Carpentersville Police will enforce this law. Citizens cannot lawfully carry concealed weapons without a valid Illinois Concealed Carry License. Citizens who carry firearms without a Concealed Carry License issued by the Illinois State Police will be subject to arrest.

All Illinois residents seeking to obtain a Concealed Carry License must have a valid Firearms Owner Identification (FOID) card. Out-of-state residents are exempt from the FOID card requirement.

The Illinois State Police have made Concealed Carry applications available to the public on their website:

<https://ccl4illinois.com/ccw/public/home.aspx>

### CITIZEN'S POLICE ACADEMY

During the fall of 2013, the Carpentersville Police Department hosted a Citizen's Police Academy (CPA). The main goal of the CPA is to improve relations between the community and the Police Department. Sixteen residents took advantage of this opportunity to gain insight into what police officers do in their day-to-day operations.

The hiring process and new personnel attending the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy were two of the many topics. Other topics were defensive tactics, traffic stops, DUI and crime-scene processing. The program was conducted one day a week for 10 weeks.

By the end of the course, participants were able to understand what it takes to be a police officer. A CPA class will be held during the fall of 2014. If you live or work in Carpentersville and are interested, please send an e-mail with your name and phone number to Officer Joe Pilarski at [jpilarski@vil.carpentersville.il.us](mailto:jpilarski@vil.carpentersville.il.us).

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### SHOP WITH A COP

The Dundee Township Shop With A Cop group made this Christmas season a little brighter for 96 kids from 40 families on December 14, 2013. The children and their parents ate breakfast at St. Monica's Church Hall before heading off to the East Dundee Wal-Mart to shop for Christmas presents. Donations were received from the following businesses and organizations within the Carpentersville community: Moose Lodge, Otto Engineering and Vanity Tattoo. The Dundee Lions Club sponsored the breakfast, with St. Monica's Church donating the space to hold the event. Shop With A Cop also provides a mobile food pantry from the Northern Illinois Food Bank to families of Dundee Township throughout the year to assist families in need. Shop With A Cop knows it's not just during the holidays that families struggle to provide. Many people work each year to put together a successful event, but a big "Thank You" goes to Griselda Hernandez and Officer Joe Pilarski, the two main organizers behind Shop With A Cop.

#### 9 Pins for Kids: Shop With A Cop Fundraisers

Saturday, April 5th - 2:00 p.m. at Liberty Lanes

• Entry Fee: \$35 • 50/50 raffle on site

• 51" Samsung PDP 4500 series TV is being raffled off • Raffle tickets may be purchased for \$5.00 each or 5/\$20.00

For tickets or additional information, please contact: Ofc. Joe Pilarski ([jpilarski@vil.carpentersville.il.us](mailto:jpilarski@vil.carpentersville.il.us))  
or Griselda Hernandez ([gghernandez@vil.carpentersville.il.us](mailto:gghernandez@vil.carpentersville.il.us))



## FLOOD INSURANCE DISCOUNT

Most residents with flood insurance automatically receive a discount on their insurance premiums. The Village participates in the Community Rating System (CRS), which is a program administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Under the program, residents living in the Special Flood Hazard Area receive a 20% discount on flood insurance premiums and residents not living in the Special Flood Hazard Area receive a 10% discount on flood insurance premiums. Carpentersville participated in a series of floodplain management activities in order to qualify for the CRS discount. The Village has already done everything for you. Your insurance agent is notified through a national database and will automatically deduct the appropriate amount from your flood insurance premium.

As part of the CRS program, the Village offers the following information on request:

- Whether a property is in or out of the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) as shown on the current Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) of the Village.
- Additional flood insurance data for a site, such as the FIRM zone and the base flood elevation or depth, if shown on the FIRM.
- A handout on the flood insurance purchase requirement that can help people who need a mortgage or loan for a property in the SFHA.
- Elevation certificates are available as of January 1, 2005.
- A link to the Fox River elevation gauge is available on the Village website at <http://vil.carpentersville.il.us>.

Direct inquiries should be made to the Community Development Department 847-551-3478 in Village Hall. Please supply the street address and, if available, the subdivision, lot and block number. There is no charge for this service.

There are mandatory flood insurance requirements for development in the floodplain, but for some homeowners flood insurance is an option. Flood insurance is highly recommended because no flood-proofing measure is 100% foolproof. Please take time to contact your insurance carrier and consider flood insurance for your home.

For more information on the Federal Emergency Management Agency and flood safety, please visit the following websites: [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov) • [www.fema.gov/nfip](http://www.fema.gov/nfip)

### Village Phone Numbers

**Police or Fire Emergency**  
911

**Village Hall**  
847-426-3439

**Fire Non-Emergency**  
847-426-2131

**Finance/Water Billing**  
847-551-3476

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

**Anonymous Code Violation Tip Line**  
847-426-9600

**Engineering Division**  
847-551-3480

**Police Non-Emergency**  
847-551-3481

**Anonymous Crime Tip Line**  
847-551-3488

**Public Works**  
(Street Light Outage)  
847-836-2464

**Wastewater Facility**  
847-551-3490

**Water Facility**  
847-551-3492

**Underground Division**  
847-551-3493

**Street Division**  
847-551-3495

**Report Pot Hole Locations**  
847-836-2464

**After hours or weekend sewer backups  
or water problems requiring Village response**  
847-428-8784

## HANDHELD CELL PHONE USE PROHIBITED WHILE DRIVING

**Beginning January 1, 2014**

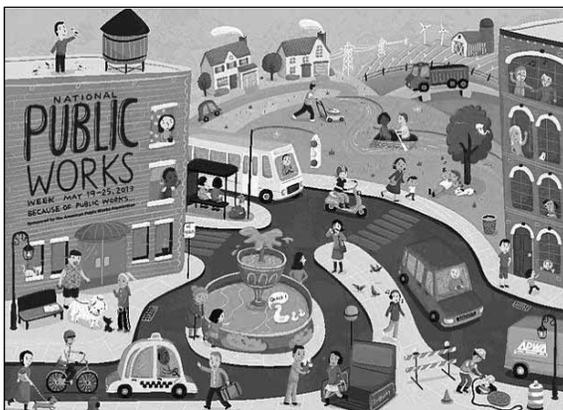
The Carpentersville Police Department wishes to remind motorists that effective January 1, 2014, a person may not operate a motor vehicle on a roadway while using an "electric communication device" to include hand-held wireless telephone.

Motorists operating a vehicle in violation of this statute are subject to fines ranging from \$75.00 to \$150.00 per violation.

To see a full version of Public Act 098-0506, please see the following link:  
<http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/98/PDF/098-0506.pdf>.

## NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK

**May 18th - 24th**



National Public Works Week (NPWW) is a celebration of the tens of thousands of men and women in North America who provide and maintain the infrastructure and services collectively known as Public Works. Instituted as a public education campaign by the American Public Works Association in 1960, NPWW calls attention to the importance of public works in community life and is observed each year during the third full week of May. The week seeks to enhance the prestige of the often-unsung heroes in our society, the professionals who serve the public good every day with quiet dedication. This year's theme, "Building for Today, Planning for Tomorrow", represents the classic idea of stewardship embodied by the profession of Public Works and the professionals that practice it. Focusing on the communities, "Building" points out the day-to-day aspect of public works that is the quality of life, while "Planning" references the sustainable practices that ensure that quality of life for future generations. We would like to thank all Public Works' employees for their hard work and dedication to the Village of Carpentersville.

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**Spring 2014**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### EASTER EGG SCRAMBLE

(Sponsored by H2O Church)

**Saturday, April 19th**

10:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. at Carpenter Park  
Free Community Event

Easter egg hunt and kid's activities, followed by a community cookout.  
Please contact H2O church for further information.  
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### FATHER'S DAY COOKOUT

(Sponsored by H2O Church)

**Saturday, June 14th**

11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at Carpenter Park  
Free neighborhood cookout and kid's activities and games.  
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### FIREMAN APPRECIATION DAY

(Sponsored by H2O Church)

**Sunday, July 6th**

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. at Carpenter Park  
Fill gift bags for the fireman and then deliver them to the area fire houses and return to park for potluck lunch.  
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### MOVIES IN THE PARK

(Sponsored by H2O Church)

Carpenter Park

**Friday, July 11th**

**Saturday, July 26th**

**Friday, August 8th**

**Saturday, August 23rd**

**Friday, September 5th**

Kids' Activities 7:00 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

Movie starts approximately 8:20 p.m.

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### DUNDEE TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT ANNUAL FIREWORKS DISPLAY

**Saturday, June 28th**

Meadowdale Park at Dusk

(Rain Date - June 29th)

### ROCK THE FOX MUSIC FESTIVAL

(Sponsored by the Odd Fellows Century Lodge #492)

Carpenter Park

**Friday, Saturday, Sunday - June 27th, 28th, 29th**

Please contact Jeremy Soderstrom, Carpentersville Century Lodge #492  
for further information at 847-791-0939.

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Village Board Meetings are held the first and third Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at Village Hall.