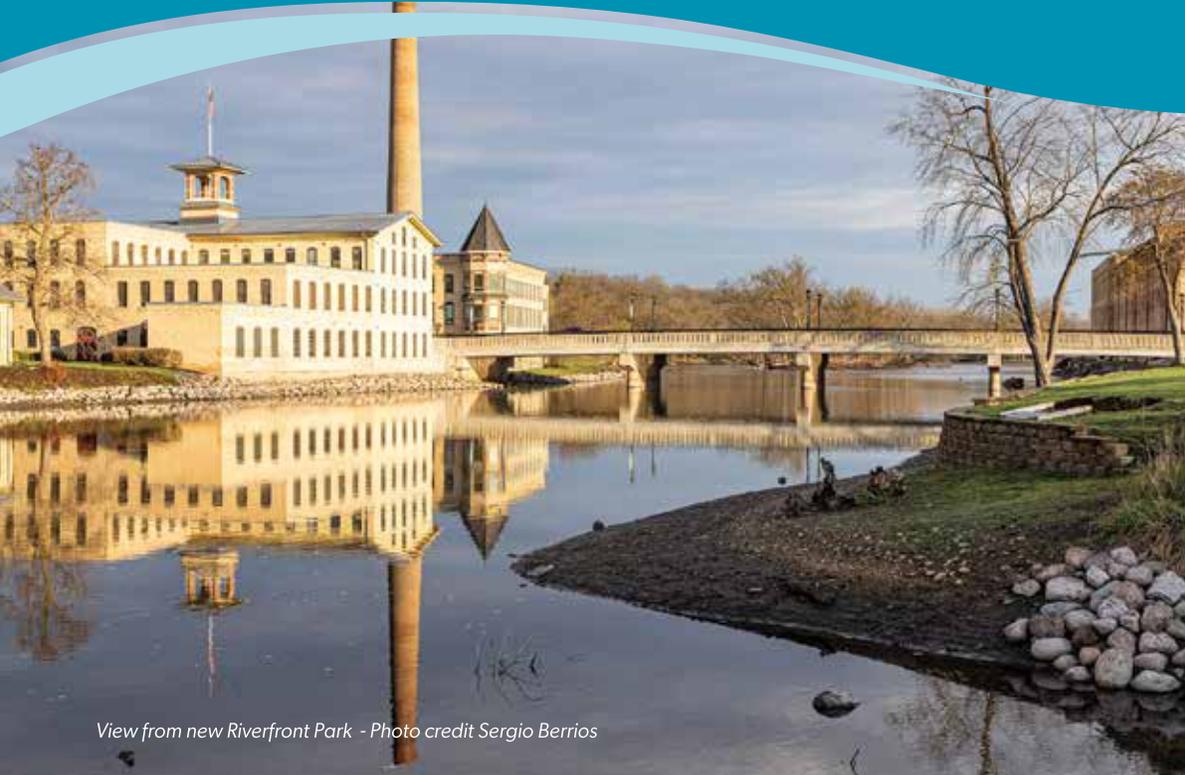


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View from new Riverfront Park - Photo credit Sergio Berrios

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## Letter from the President

Dear Neighbors,

As we step into another beautiful summer here in Carpentersville, I want to thank you for the continued trust and support you've placed in me. It is truly an honor to serve once again as your Village President.

This summer promises to be an exciting one. We're thrilled to share that the riverfront park project continues to make great progress. With every phase, we move closer to transforming our riverfront into a vibrant, welcoming space for families, friends, and neighbors to enjoy. It's more than just a park—it's a symbol of our commitment to revitalization, connection, and community pride.

I encourage everyone to take full advantage of the many events and activities planned throughout the season. Whether it's enjoying a concert in the park, attending a festival, or simply taking a walk along the river, there's something for everyone to enjoy. These moments of connection are what make Carpentersville such a special place to call home.

Let's make this summer one to remember—full of fun, progress, and community spirit. I hope to see you out and about!

**John Skillman**  
Village President



# Meet Your Newly Elected Village Trustees



*Pictured Left to right: Dickie Abbott, Jim Malone, Humberto Garcia, John Skillman, Jo Maniscalco, Sam Gupta, Jeff Frost*



## Re-Elected Village President: **John Skillman**



## Re-Elected Village Trustee: **Jim Malone**



## Meet Newly-elected Trustee: **Jo Maniscalco**

I'm honored and excited to introduce myself as one of your newly elected Village Trustees.

First and foremost, I want to thank the residents of our village for placing your trust in me. It's a privilege to serve a community I care so deeply about, and I'm committed to listening, learning, and working hard on your behalf.

As Trustee, my focus will be on fostering strong community bonds, supporting local programs, and ensuring that residents are heard. I believe in collaborative leadership and open communication, and I'm here to represent your voices and help move our village forward—together.

I look forward to working alongside my fellow trustees, village staff, and all of you to build on our strengths and tackle the challenges ahead with integrity and purpose.

Thank you again for this opportunity—I'm ready to get to work!



## Meet Newly-elected Trustee: **Sam Gupta**

I have been a resident of Carpentersville for approximately two decades. I have served as an active Board Member with the Carpentersville Police Pension Board and previously held the position of Commissioner with the Villages Business Development Commission.

I have a Master's degree in Business Administration and hold a Bachelor's degree in Electrical and Electronics engineering. I am an entrepreneur with diverse interests, including real estate development and investment, hotelier, restaurateur, and event management. I am a proud father and husband. I am fully committed to building a stronger and more united Carpentersville, where every voice is heard and every dream has the opportunity to flourish.

# Community Development Information

## Exciting News: Construction Begins on Riverfront Park!

The Village of Carpentersville is thrilled to announce that construction has officially begun on the highly anticipated Riverfront Park. Located along the beautiful Fox River at 155 S. Washington Street, Riverfront Park will highlight the town's scenic riverfront while offering accessible recreational areas for all to enjoy. Construction is progressing smoothly, and we're excited to share that we expect the park to be completed in 2026.

Stay tuned for updates as we continue to work toward bringing new community space to life!

## Home Repair Programs

The Village offers several programs to support homeowners in making essential code-correcting renovations and repairs to their properties. We understand that maintaining a home can be challenging, especially for those facing financial constraints, and we are committed to providing assistance that enhances the quality of life for our residents.

For more information and instructions on how to apply for these programs, please visit: [cville.org/583/Housing-Repair-Programs](http://cville.org/583/Housing-Repair-Programs)



Photo Provided by Sergio Berrios

## Press Start on Your Summer Adventure – Sign Up Today for the Summer Reading Challenge!

Join us at Fox River Valley Public Library for an epic Summer Reading Challenge where YOU are the main character! Early access unlocks May 1 – **The challenge officially begins June 1!**

Will you grind through thrilling stories, complete side quests in our programs, or explore hidden treasure troves of digital resources? However you play, our GAME BOARD-style format makes tracking your progress a breeze—log your progress through Beanstack or pick up a paper quest log at any library branch.

**Game Over: July 31** – Make sure to log all your reading levels before time runs out to claim your well-earned loot! Ready to press start? Join the adventure today!



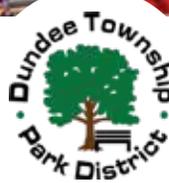
## Fox River Valley Libraries Dundee Library • Randall Oaks Library

**Press Start for an Epic Summer!** Join us for a Kick-Off Picnic to launch the Summer Reading Challenge on **Monday, June 2, from 6-8 pm** at Randall Oaks Park Front Shelter (by the zoo), 1180 N Randall Rd., West Dundee, IL.

Gamers, book lovers, and adventure seekers of all ages—get ready to begin your reading quest with an evening packed with bonus content, including:

- Music to set the perfect game soundtrack
- Craft Stations for creative side quests
- Kona Ice to help you recharge
- Raffle Prizes for lucky winners to score epic loot

Level up your imagination, conquer reading quests, and unlock rewards along the way. Are you ready to join the game? Let the journey begin! For more info, visit [www.frvpld.info](http://www.frvpld.info)



# Upcoming Events

## JUNE

### Concert in the Park\*

June 3rd, 7:00–8:30 pm  
Featuring: Fortunate Sons  
Carpenter Park

### Family Fun Night\*

June 11th, 6:00–7:30 pm  
Huffman Park | FREE

### Father's Day at the Zoo\*

June 15th, 9:00 am–5:00 pm  
Randall Oaks Zoo  
Fathers get in free with the purchase of a child's ticket.

### Flag Day

June 14th  
Location TBA

### Duke's Blues Festival\*\*

June 27th–28th  
Carpenter Park

### Independence Day Parade

June 28th

### Independence Day Fireworks

June 28th, 6:00–9:00 pm Community Event and Fireworks Show at 9:30 pm  
Meadowdale Park

### Happy Birthday America Car Show\*\*

June 29th  
Carpenter Park

## JULY

### Pollinatorpalooza\*

July 12th, 9:00 am–5:00 pm  
Randall Oaks Zoo

### Blind Flight

July 12th  
Carpenter Park

### Family Fun Night\*

July 16, 6:00–7:30 pm  
Lions Park | FREE EVENT

\* Events held by the Dundee Township Park District are subject to change. For more information, visit [www.dtpd.org](http://www.dtpd.org).

\*\* Other events subject to change

### Antique Car Club of America Car Show\*\*

July 20th  
Carpenter Park

### Concert in the Park\*

June 22th, 7:00–8:30 pm  
Featuring: Illinois Brass Band  
Carpenter Park

## AUGUST

### National Night Out

August 5th  
Carpenter Park

### Nutty for Nocturnals\*

August 8th, 5:00–8:00 pm  
Randall Oaks Zoo  
Enjoy special zookeeper chats and learn about the zoo's nocturnal animals.

### Family Fishing Day\*

August 23th, 9:00–11:00 am  
Aldis Park | Pre-registration is required.

## New Business Spotlight

The Village of Carpentersville welcomed many new businesses since our last issue, including:

### Aguilera & Son Cartage, Inc.

Trucking  
6 Lake Marian Rd.  
847-456-8324

### Boost Mobile

Cell Phone Services  
653 IL Route 68  
224-800-2688

### Carpentersville Signarama

Sign Production  
58 East Main St.  
847-783-4870 | [signarama-carpentersville.com](http://signarama-carpentersville.com)

### Clippers N Scissor Inc.

Barber and Beauty Salon  
52 East Main St.  
224-802-2080

### Compass Staffing Solutions

Staffing Company  
2305 Randall Rd.  
779-399-0064 | [compassstaffingsolutions.com](http://compassstaffingsolutions.com)

### DM Massage and Wellness

44 North Western Ave. Suite A  
224-484-0066 | [dnmassageandwellness.com](http://dnmassageandwellness.com)

### Hair by Jordan

Salon Services  
2255 Randall Rd. Suite 14  
847-894-06787

### Jamboree Liquor & Wine Inc.

Liquor Store  
306 West Main St.  
224-625-0367

### JH Transport Inc (Home Business)

Gravel Hauling and Delivery Service  
847-812-1915

### Nails by Caro

Nail Technician  
12 North Wisconsin St.  
331-335-8792 | [nailsbycaroglossgenius.com](http://nailsbycaroglossgenius.com)

### NeuraSEO (Home Business)

Online Search Engine Optimization  
630-549-5252 | [Neuraseo.org](http://Neuraseo.org)

### Professional Cemetery Services

Cemetery Management  
156 Williams St.  
847-434-4836 | [Procemeteryservices.com](http://Procemeteryservices.com)

### Rico's Concrete Service Inc (Home Business)

847-848-7885

### Sol Tax Service

Tax Preparation  
12 North Wisconsin St.  
224-209-2409

# Public Works Notices

## 2025 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 (APWA) in 1960, NPWW calls attention to the importance of public works in the life of the community. The dedicated week, observed each year during the third week of May, is meant to focus and recognize on the prestige of the often-unsung heroes of our society who service the public every day with quiet dedication. This year's theme, "People, Purpose, Presence," highlights three cornerstone ideals that motivate public works professionals to serve their communities every day.

Please join us in thanking all the Public Works Employees for their hard work and dedication to the Village of Carpentersville.



## Public Works Receives American Council of Engineering Companies of Illinois Honor Award

Congratulations, to our residents of Carpentersville! Because of the support and due diligence of Old Town Residents, the Village had entered the new year of 2025 as a lead-free water service line community!

As a result of the Village's perseverance, the Carpentersville Lead Water Service Line Replacement Project has been recognized with an Honor Award from ACEC Illinois! This prestigious accolade represents our Village's unwavering commitment to ensuring public health and safety for all residents. Additionally, the success of this project reflects the dedication and teamwork of our Village leadership, including President Skillman and Director of Public Works and Engineering, Kevin Gray, who proudly represented Carpentersville at the awards ceremony. Their collaborative efforts, along with the expertise of Engineering Enterprises Inc, played a crucial role in the swift execution of this important initiative.

For more information on the ACEC Illinois awards, please visit [www.acecil.org/home](http://www.acecil.org/home).



# 2025 Construction Projects



## MFT Sidewalk Replacement and MFT Sidewalk Cutting Programs

Each year, the Village’s sidewalks are inspected and graded through The Sidewalk Replacement and Cutting Programs. Sections of sidewalks found in failing conditions and posing as trip hazards are replaced or cut to level at the joint. Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) funds have been budgeted in the amount of \$125,000 for FY2024. Although select neighborhoods have yet to be determined, the Sidewalk Cutting Program is scheduled to begin in the Spring of 2025.

## L.W. Besinger Drive Improvement Project with HR Green

This project is possible in part with federal grant funds through the Kane-Kendall Council of Mayors – Surface Transportation Program, which will cover approximately 70% of the construction costs. With the final design complete, the project is scheduled for bidding in August, 2025. The proposed work generally consists of roadway resurfacing from Lake Marian Road to Ball Avenue, and roadway reconstruction, which includes new curb and gutter, driveway aprons, pedestrian upgrades, storm sewer improvements, and street lighting, from Ball Avenue to Illinois Route 25. Additionally, L.W. Besinger Drive at Illinois Route 25 proposes a dedicated right turn lane with signal modifications.

## Old Town Area 1A Improvement Project

Construction has begun for the Old Town Area 1A reconstruction project. The reconstruction consists of pavement upgrades, proposed sidewalk, new lighting, storm sewer, water main, and sanitary sewer improvements. The project’s estimated cost is \$4.9M and Phase III Construction has a tentative completion date in early June of 2025.

## 2025 Community Development Block Grant Roadway Project

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Roadway Projects are reimbursement federal grants funded by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. The 2025 CDBG Roadway Project location is expected to take place on Amarillo Drive. The work will consist of the removal of carriage walks and replacing them with curb, gutter, and sidewalks. Additionally, work will include structure adjustments, 2-inch pavement removal, patching, resurfacing, and thermoplastic striping. The project is anticipated to commence in late-summer/early-fall and will complete by the end of 2025.

## 2025 MFT Roadway Resurfacing Program

Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) funds are state funds distributed to municipalities in support of local road construction projects and this year’s program is budgeted in the amount of \$1.3M. The work will consist of 2-inch hot-mix asphalt surface removal and replacement, select base repairs, select sidewalk replacement, select curb and gutter replacements, pedestrian and ADA compliant upgrades, minor structure maintenance, pavement markings, and restorations. The roadways scheduled for resurfacing are as follows:

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| <b>Cottage Avenue</b>                           | <b>Grove Street</b> (north of Maple Avenue) |
| <b>Wisconsin Street</b>                         | <b>Green Street</b> (north of Maple Avenue) |
| <b>Spruce Drive</b>                             | <b>Charles Street</b> (west of Lord Avenue) |
| <b>Springhill Road</b>                          | <b>Elm Avenue</b> (south of Main Street)    |
| <b>Carpenter Street</b>                         | <b>Bill Aldis Avenue</b>                    |
| <b>Maple Avenue</b> (west of Washington Street) |   |
| <b>Valentine Street</b> (west of Lord Avenue)   |   |

## 2025 Village Roadway Resurfacing Program

The Village’s Roadway Resurfacing Program focuses on resurfacing local roadways using Village Capital funds. This year’s project is budgeted in the amount of \$1.5M. Similar to the MFT Roadway Resurfacing Program, the work will consist of 2-inch hot-mix asphalt surface removal and replacement, select/full base repairs, select/full sidewalk replacement, select curb and gutter replacements, pedestrian and ADA compliant upgrades, minor structure maintenance, pavement markings, and restorations. The roadways scheduled for resurfacing are as follows:

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| <b>Tacoma Street</b>                            | <b>Jefferson Street</b> |
| <b>Tomahawk Court</b>                           | <b>Birch Street</b>     |
| <b>Apache Avenue</b>                            | <b>Wilson Avenue</b>    |
| <b>Rosewood Drive</b> (south of Maple Avenue)   |                         |
| <b>Washington Street</b> (north of Main Street) |                         |

# Public Safety Announcements



Anonymous  
Crime Tip  
Hotline  
847-551-3488

## Kane County Health Department to Launch 988 Lifeline Awareness Campaign

The Kane County Health Department, in collaboration with our 988 Lifeline partners – the Association for Individual Development, Ecker Center for Behavioral Health, and Family Service Association of Greater Elgin – is excited to announce the upcoming launch of a county-wide 988 Lifeline Awareness Campaign.

A recent survey revealed that up to 70% of Kane County residents are unaware of 988 or how it can assist during a crisis. Our goal is to change that and ensure the community is aware of this vital resource for mental health support.

As part of this initiative, our Fire Department will have 988 materials available at no cost in both English and Spanish, which will be available for pickup. We are seeking your help in placing them in highly visible locations around the county. Here's how you can get involved:

- Yard Signs: Place them in a visible area on your property.
- Bumper Stickers: Affix them to your organization's vehicles.
- Window Clings: Display them on your entry doors or windows.

Your support is crucial in helping spread the word about the 988 Lifeline, ensuring that everyone in our community knows where to turn in times of crisis. Thank you for being a part of this important effort!



## Police Department Promotions

At the March 4th board meeting, we celebrated the well-earned promotions of Al Webb to Commander and Don Wells to Sergeant. These promotions are a testament to their exceptional leadership, hard work, and contributions to the department. Al Webb's new role as Commander will further enhance the department's operational effectiveness, while Don Wells' promotion to Sergeant will provide an even greater opportunity for mentorship and leadership within the force.

This significant event not only highlights the dedication and professionalism of our officers but also reflects our ongoing commitment to maintaining a safe and secure environment for all residents. We are confident that these changes will further strengthen our department, improve community relations, and ensure that we continue to meet the evolving needs of our community.

## Save the Date - Tuesday, August 5th



**YOU MATTER**  
Text. Call. Chat.  
**988 SUICIDE & CRISIS LIFELINE**

## Village of Carpentersville

1200 L.W. Besinger Drive  
Carpentersville, IL 60110  
cville.org

PRSRT STD  
U.S. POSTAGE  
**PAID**  
PERMIT 745  
ROCKFORD, IL

### Important phone numbers

*Main*  
(847) 426-3439

*Police and Fire*  
911

*Police Administration*  
(847) 551-3481

*Fire Administration*  
(847) 426-2131

*Public Works*  
(847) 836-2464

*Anonymous Crime Tip Hotline*  
847-551-3488

### Municipal facilities

*Village Hall*  
1200 L.W. Besinger Drive

*Police Department*  
1200 L.W. Besinger Drive

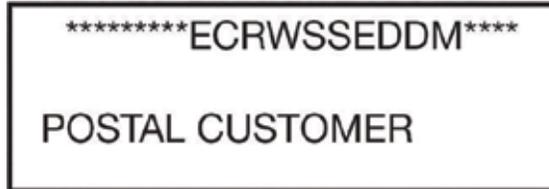
*Fire Administration*  
213 Spring Street

*Fire Station 91*  
213 Spring Street

*Fire Station 92*  
305 Lake Marian Road

*Fire Station 93*  
5000 Sleepy Hollow Road

*Public Works*  
1075 Tamarac Drive



## Hydrant Flushing Schedule

Beginning late Spring, the Construction Maintenance Division of the Public Works Department will begin flushing 1,653 fire hydrants throughout the Village. Hydrant flushing will occur in two stages. Stage one will begin on May 19th and continue through May 23rd on all hydrants located east of Route 31 to Village limits. Stage two will begin on June 2nd and continue through June 6th on all hydrants located west of Route 31 to Village Limits. These dates are dependent on weather conditions at the time of flushing.

Annual fire hydrant flushing cleans out the Village's water distribution system and allows the Construction Maintenance Division to inspect fire hydrants throughout the Village to ensure they are operating properly. During flushing, you may notice the water in your home become slightly discolored. This is due to material being removed from the water mains. The water is safe to drink, but may stain clothes that are being washed during the flushing. If possible, residents should refrain from washing clothes during the flushing to avoid the risk of discoloring clothing.

Hydrants in the areas listed below will be flushed in accordance to the following schedule:

- Phase 1:** All hydrants east of Route 31 to Village limits beginning May 19th through May 23rd
- Phase 2:** All hydrants west of Route 31 to Village limits beginning June 2nd through June 6th

