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Division of Water Pollution Control ANNUAL FACILITY INSPECTION REPORT

for NPDES Permit for Storm Water Discharges from Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4)

This fillable form may be completed online, a copy saved locally, printed and signed before it is submitted to the Compliance Assurance Section at the above address. Complete each section of this report.

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Report Period: From March, 2019	To March, 2020		Dormit No. 11 D 40 00309
MS4 OPERATOR INFORMATION: (As it a	appears on the current r	ermit)	Permit No. ILR40 00208
Name: Village of Harwood Heights			I ANEL A
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City: Harwood Heights	State: IL Z		County: Cook
Contact Person: George Assimakopoulos (Person responsible for Annual Report)		ip: <u>60706</u> ddress: george444@	Telephone: (708)867-7206 harwoodheights.org
Name(s) of governmental entity(ies) in which	ch MSA in leaster to the	**	
Cook County	in mo4 is located: (As	it appears on the cu	rrent permit)
THE FOLLOWING ITEMS MUST BE ADDRESS		<u> </u>	
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2. Public Participation/Involvement		struction Runoff Cont	II
3. Illicit Discharge Detection & Elimination		Prevention/Good Hou	J
B. Attach the status of compliance with permit of management practices and progress towards MEP, and your identified measurable goals for the Attach assumment of the starm water and it. Attach a summer of the starm water and it.	conditions, an assessme s achieving the statutory or each of the minimum	ent of the appropriater goal of reducing the	ness of your identified best discharge of pollutants to the
Add a summary of the storm water activities	es you plan to undertake	during the next rene	rig the reporting period.
E. Attach notice that you are relying on another	government entity to sa	tisfy some of your pe	rmit obligations (if applicable)
that your	entity has paid for during	a the reporting perior	4
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Owner Signature:	-	6-23-20	30
George Assimakopoulos		Sewer & Water Fore	aman
Printed Name:		Title:	oniun
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or Mail to: ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Part A. Changes to Best Management Practices

Note: X indicates BMPs performed that were proposed in your NPDES permit
✓ indicates changes to BMPs proposed in your NPDES permit

No changes were made to the BMPs described in the MS4's Stormwater Management Program Plan (SMPP) during Year 17.

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					A.2	Speaking Engagement
					A.3	Public Service Announcement
					A.4	Community Event
					A.5	Classroom Education Material
					A.6	Other Public Education
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					B.1	Public Panel
					B.2	Educational Volunteer
					B.3	Stakeholder Meeting
X	X	X	X	X	B.4	Public Hearing
			X	X	B.5	Volunteer Monitoring
					B.6	Program Coordination
					B.7	Other Public Involvement
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C.		Illio	it I	Disc	harge	Detection and Elimination
X					C.1	
X	X	X	X	X	C.2	Regulatory Control Program
X	X	X	X	X	C.3	Detection/Elimination
	L					Prioritization Plan
					C.4	Illicit Discharge Tracing
						Procedures
X	X	X	X	X	C.5	Illicit Source Removal
						Procedures
					C.6	Program Evaluation and
						Assessment
						Visual Dry Weather Screening
					C.8	Pollutant Field Testing
					C.9	Public Notification
					C.10	Other Illicit Discharge Controls
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	MS4									
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X	X	X	X	X	D.2	Erosion and Sediment Control BMPs				
					D.3	Other Waste Control Program				
X	X	X	X	X		Site Plan Review Procedures				
X	X	X	X			Public Information Handling				
-		-				Procedures				
X	X	X	X	X	D.6	Site Inspection/Enforcement				
						Procedures				
					D.7	Other Construction Site Runoff				
						Controls				
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E.	I	Post	t-Co	onsi	truct	ion Runoff Control				
					E.1	Community Control Strategy				
X	X	X	X	X	E.2	Regulatory Control Program				
						Long Term O&M Procedures				
X	X	X	X	X		Pre-Const Review of BMP				
						Designs				
X	X	X	X	X	E.5					
						Construction				
X	X	X	X	X	E.6	Post-Construction Inspections				
					E.7					
						Controls				
F.	I	Poll	utic	n I	Preve	ention/Good Housekeeping				
					F.1					
X	X	X	X		F.2	Inspection and Maintenance				
						Program				
X	X	X	X	X	F.3					
						Water Control				
					F.4	Municipal Operations Waste				
						Disposal				
					F.5	Flood Management/Assess				
		L				Guidelines				
X	X	X	X	X	F.6	Other Municipal Operations				
						Controls				

Part B. Status of Compliance with Permit Conditions

(Provide the status of compliance with permit conditions, an assessment of the appropriateness of your identified best management practices and progress towards achieving the statutory goal of reducing the discharge of pollutants to the maximum extent practicable [MEP], and your identified measurable goals for each of the minimum control measures.)

Stormwater Management Activities: Year 17

The stormwater management activities that the MS4 performed during Year 17, including the MS4's BMPs and measurable goals, are described in detail in the MS4's Stormwater Management Program Plan (SMPP). A brief summary of the status of the MS4's SMPP, as of the end of Year 17, is provided below. The SMPP is provided as reference in this report.

A. Public Education and Outreach

Measurable Goals: Implement BMPs and track progress of BMP implementation, as described in the SMPP.

The Village of Harwood Heights continues to implement the BMPs described in its SMPP adopted February 2019 and to track progress in implementing its stormwater management program.

BMP No. A.1 – Distributed Paper Material

Brief Description of BMP: The Village publishes a monthly letter from the Mayor that regularly includes articles pertaining to and advertisements of various stormwater maintenance activities and improvements throughout the Village including a recently constructed green alley. The letters for this report period are attached.

BMP No. A.4 – Community Event

Brief Description of BMP: The Village hosts a bi-monthly community meeting where stormwater is discussed, and residents are given an opportunity to provide input.

B. Public Participation/Involvement

Measurable Goals: Implement BMPs and track progress of BMP implementation, as described in the SMPP.

The Village performs a variety of activities that meet the requirements of the Public Participation and Involvement minimum control measure. These activities include B.4 and B.5.

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management program.

BMP No. B.4 - Public Hearing

Brief Description of BMP: The Village hosts a bi-monthly community meeting where stormwater is discussed, and residents are given an opportunity to provide input.

BMP No. B.5 – Volunteer Monitoring

Brief Description of BMP: The Village coordinates with local volunteer groups to participate in trash and debris cleanup throughout the Village.

C. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

Measurable Goals: Implement BMPs and track progress of BMP implementation, as described in the SMPP.

The Village of Harwood Heights developed a new storm sewer map for ease of use when performing outfall inspections.

The Village regulary inspects the storm sewer system and will perform dry weather outfall screenings in Year 17.

D. Construction Site Runoff Control

Measurable Goals: Implement BMPs and track progress of BMP implementation, as described in the SMPP.

The Village of Harwood Heights continues to implement the BMPs described in its SMPP adopted February 2019 and to track progress in implementing its stormwater management program. The Village continues to enforce the MWRD WMO.

E. Post-Construction Runoff Control

Measurable Goals: Implement BMPs and track progress of BMP implementation, as described in the SMPP.

The Village of Harwood Heights continues to implement the BMPs described in its SMPP adopted February 2019 and to track progress in implementing its stormwater management program. The Village continues to enforce the WMO.

F. Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping

Measurable Goals: Implement BMPs and track progress of BMP implementation, as described in the SMPP.

The Village constructed a permanent salt containment structure in 2019 at the public works facility to effectively store and prevent salt from mixing with stormwater runoff.

The Village of Harwood Heights continues to implement the BMPs described in its SMPP adopted February 2019 and to track progress in implementing its stormwater management program.

Part C. Information and Data Collection Results

(Provide information and water quality sampling/monitoring data related to illicit discharge detection and elimination collected during the reporting period.)

No information or data was collected during Year 17.

Part D. Summary of Year 18 Stormwater Activities

(Present a summary of the storm water activities you plan to undertake during the next reporting cycle, including an implementation schedule in the sections following the table.)

The table below indicates the stormwater management activities that the MS4 plans to undertake during Year 18. Additional information about the stormwater management activities that the MS4 will perform during Year 18 is provided in the section following the table.

Note: X indicates BMPs committed to for Year 18.

Year 17		
MS4		
A. Pu	blic E	ducation and Outreach
X	A.1	Distributed Paper Material
	A.2	Speaking Engagement
	A.3	Public Service Announcement
	A.4	Community Event
	A.5	Classroom Education Material
	A.6	Other Public Education
B. Pu	blic P	articipation/Involvement
	B.1	Public Panel
	B.2	Educational Volunteer
	B.3	Stakeholder Meeting
X	B.4	Public Hearing
X	B.5	Volunteer Monitoring
	B.6	Program Coordination
	B.7	Other Public Involvement
C. Illi	icit Di	scharge Detection and
Eli	iminat	tion
X	C.1	Storm Sewer Map Preparation
X	C.2	Regulatory Control Program
X	C.3	Detection/Elimination Prioritization
		Plan
		Illicit Discharge Tracing Procedures
X	C.5	Illicit Source Removal Procedures
	C.6	Program Evaluation and Assessment
X	C.7	Visual Dry Weather Screening
	C.8	Pollutant Field Testing
	C.9	Public Notification
	C.10	Other Illicit Discharge Controls

Year 17	
MS4	
	nstruction Site Runoff Control
X	D.1 Regulatory Control Program
X	D.2 Erosion and Sediment Control BMPs
	D.3 Other Waste Control Program
X	D.4 Site Plan Review Procedures
X	D.5 Public Information Handling
21	Procedures
X	D.6 Site Inspection/Enforcement
Λ	Procedures
	D.7 Other Construction Site Runoff
	Controls
E. Pos	t-Construction Runoff Control
	E.1 Community Control Strategy
X	E.2 Regulatory Control Program
X	E.3 Long Term O&M Procedures
X	E.4 Pre-Const Review of BMP Designs
X	E.5 Site Inspections During Construction
X	E.6 Post-Construction Inspections
	E.7 Other Post-Const Runoff Controls
F. Pol	lution Prevention/Good Housekeeping
X	F.1 Employee Training Program
X	F.2 Inspection and Maintenance Program
X	F.3 Municipal Operations Storm Water
	Control
X	F.4 Municipal Operations Waste Disposal
X	F.5 Flood Management/Assess Guidelines
X	F.6 Other Municipal Operations Controls

Stormwater Management Activities: Year 17

During Year 17, the Village of Harwood Heights plans to continue to perform a variety of stormwater management activities, as described in the MS4's SMPP and in brief below. The MS4's SMPP is attached for reference.

A. Public Education and Outreach

The MS4 is committed to implementing the Public Education and Outrach component of its SMPP. The MS4's Public Education and Outreach program includes: the distribution of educational material to the community or conducting equivalent outreach activities about the impacts of stormwater discharges on water bodies and the steps that the public can take to reduce those impacts; supporting classroom education; supporting storm drain stenciling efforts; and supporting SWALCO events.

Measurable Goals: Implement BMPs and track progress of BMP implementation, as described in the SMPP.

B. Public Participation/Involvement

The MS4 is committed to implementing the Public Participation/Involvement component of its SMPP. The MS4's Public Participation/Involvement program includes: maintaining a process for receiving and processing citizen input; attending and publicizing stakeholder meetings; presenting program information at a public meeting at least once annually; and publicizing Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) reporting contact numbers.

Measurable Goals: Implement BMPs and track progress of BMP implementation, as described in the SMPP.

C. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

The MS4 will conduct activities related to the IDDE minimum control measure. According to the IEPA's General NPDES Permit No. ILR40, the MS4's IDDE program must include:

- A storm sewer system map showing the locations of all outfalls and the names and locations of all waters that receive discharges from those outfalls;
- An ordinance or other regulatory mechanism that prohibits all non-stormwater discharges into the storm sewer system and provides the authority for appropriate enforcement procedures and actions;
- A plan to detect and address all non-stormwater discharges, including illegal dumping, into the storm sewer system;
- A program to educate public employees, businesses, and the general public about the hazards associated with illegal discharges and improper disposal of waste; and
- Periodic (annual is recommended) inspection of storm sewer outfalls for detection of non-stormwater discharges and illegal dumping.

Measurable Goals: Implement BMPs and track progress of BMP implementation, as described in the SMPP.

D. Construction Site Runoff Control

Cook County has adopted a countywide Watershed Management Ordinance (WMO) that establishes the minimum stormwater management requirements for development in Cook County. The WMO, which is administered and enforced within the community by the Village, establishes standards for construction site runoff control.

Measurable Goals: Implement BMPs and track progress of BMP implementation, as described in the SMPP. Enforce the WMO.

E. Post-Construction Runoff Control

As described above, the countywide WMO establishes the minimum stormwater management requirements for development in Cook County. The WMO establishes standards for post-construction site runoff control. These standards apply to any new development or redevelopment resulting in over 0.5 acres (21,780 ft²) of new impervious area. The MS4's SMPP also includes inspection procedures for pre-WMO developments, streambanks and shorelines, streambeds, and detention/retention ponds.

Measurable Goals: Implement BMPs and track progress of BMP implementation, as described in the SMPP. Enforce the WMO.

F. Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping

The MS4 is committed to implementing the Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping component of its SMPP. The MS4's Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping program includes: the evaluation and improvement of municipal policies and procedures to reduce the discharge of pollutants from municipal activities and operations; and a training program for municipal employees.

Measurable Goals: Implement BMPs and track progress of BMP implementation, as described in the SMPP.

Part E. Notice of Qualifying Local Program

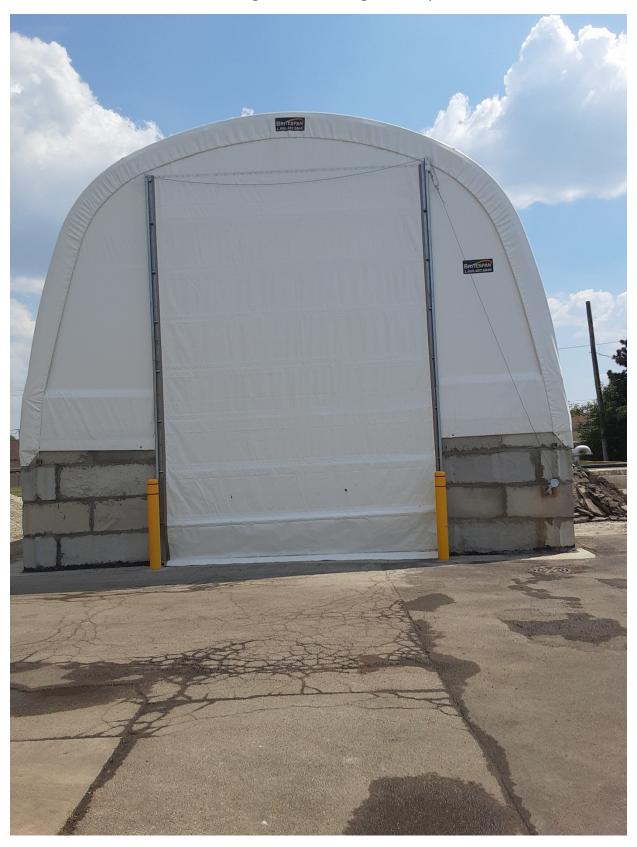
The Village is not relying on any other government entity to satisfy permit obligations.

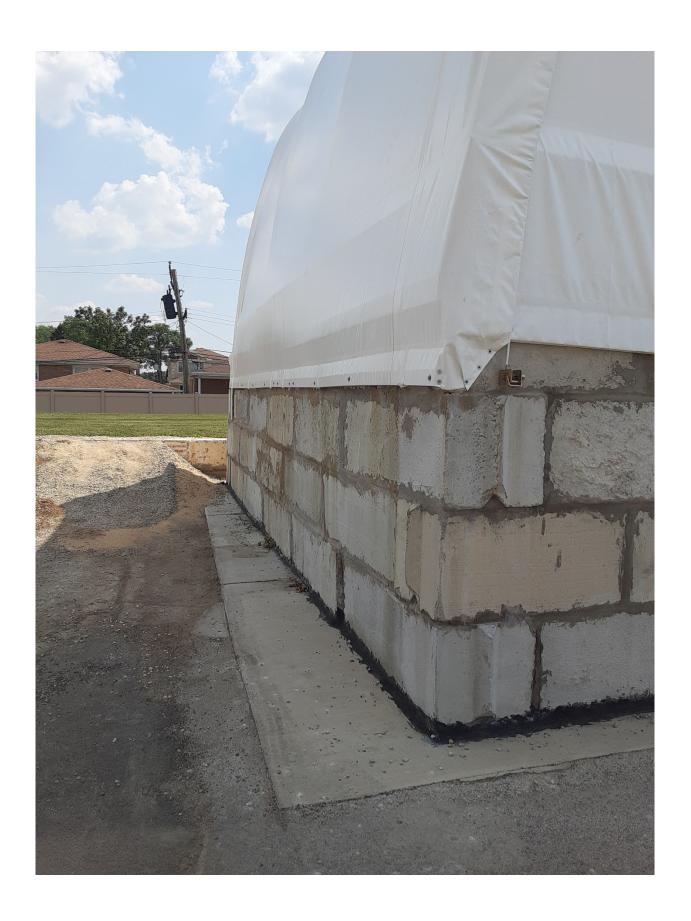
Part F. Construction Projects Conducted During Year 17

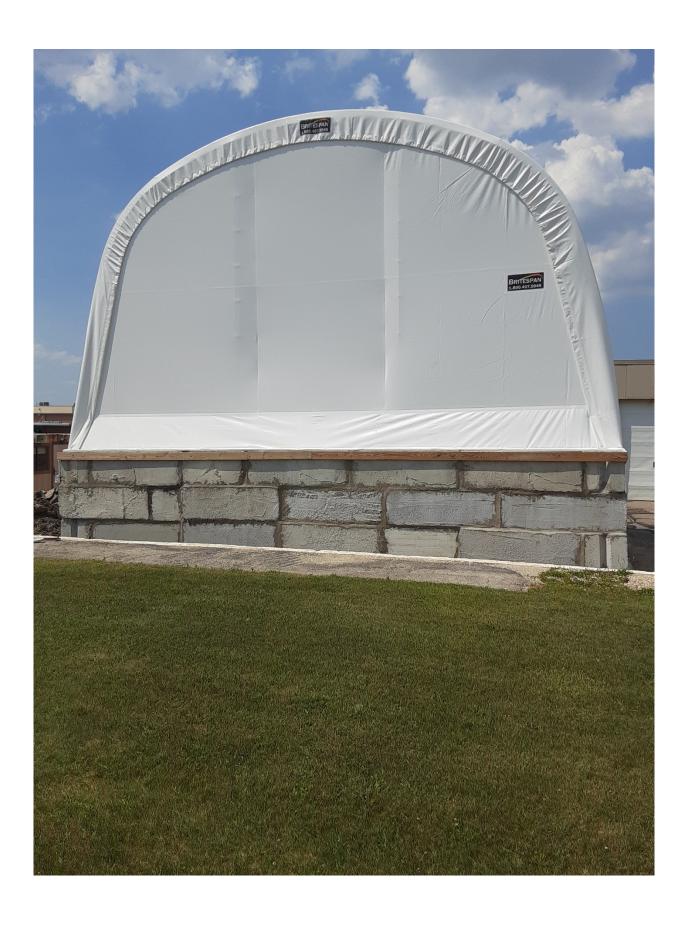
(Provide a list of construction projects your entity has paid for during the reporting period.)

There were no projects funded by the Village during Year 17 over 1 acre.

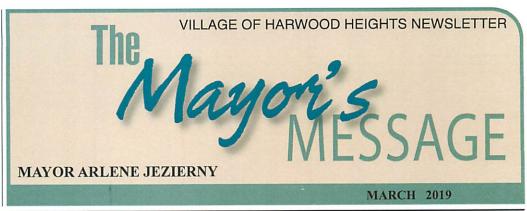
Harwood Heights Salt Storage Facility Photos











Mark your Calendar:

Recreation Center

Hours of Operation:
Mon-Fri: 9:00 am - 9:00pm
Sat: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Closed Sunday
Phone: 708-667-7092
Email:
recdesk@harwoodheights.org

Video Fitness Schedule

The MARCH schedule is posted on our website at: www.harwoodheights.org, as well as at the desk in our Recreation Center.

Note: Some programs may require a Yoga mat.

Crime Prevention Seminars

The next Seminars given by our Deputy Chief and Sergeant are scheduled for Wednesday, March 13 at 1:00 pm and 6:30 pm Please join us to get the latest updates on scams and safety ideas.

Meet with the Board Tuesday, March 19 6:30 pm at the Village Hall

Survey Feedback:

Thank you for your input!

Your feedback showed that over 90% of surveys received gave an overall favorable rating of our services. Although this is good news, your comments provided specific feedback that we can address and work toward improving. We are addressing some of those concerns below and will feature more next month.

Potholes - Each year, especially after winter months, potholes emerge. Weather plays a role when we can make repairs. There are a couple of streets that require full repaving and we are applying for funding for those. In the meantime, we are doing our best until such time when they can be resurfaced. Please follow the street maintenance signs on your block from April 1 - December 1 as this allows Public Works to do work without parked cars in their way.

Garbage - Some residents would like additional recycling pickups. However, this would increase the overall cost. Some would like us to eliminate the garbage fee altogether, but the cost to the Village is already over \$600,000. Currently we do a cost share on the garbage fee. If anyone requires additional recycle pickups, additional recycle cans may be ordered by calling the refuse company directly. There's a nominal monthly charge as opposed to adding a village-wide collection and increasing fees overall.

Snow blocking driveways & garages: This is a common complaint with all villages. We make several passes down the street as snow continues to fall and also to plow all the way to the curb as best as possible. This is important so that water can drain into the sewers when snow melts. Residents are happy that their alleys are plowed. We generally do this when snow reaches higher levels. Unfortunately, that pushes snow toward garages and creates additional work. When snow is over 6" or more, we contract with external contractors to provide buckets to take away as much snow as possible.

Flooding/Alleys/Streets: We continue to apply for funding opportunities to address these issues. We constantly visit with our State & Federal officials and contacts and comply with all the required paperwork when applying for grants. As funding is approved, a process takes place to fulfill all the IDOT and Federal rules including bidding, etc.

More topics on reverse side.

Time Change

Don't forget to move your clocks ahead 1 hour on Sunday, March 10 at 2:00 am. Hopefully that means Spring is just around the corner!

Street Maintenance

April 1st begins Street Maintenance when Public Works can begin repairs and street sweeping. Please follow the posted parking signs on your block.

O'Hare Airport Fly Quiet Plan

Thank you to our residents who attended the workshops hosted by O'Hare and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). After all comments are reviewed and approvals obtained, rotation of runways could commence by November, 2019. This rotation will provide some noise relief during nighttime hours between 10:30 pm - 5:30 am. The proposed plan was presented at these workshops.

Noise?

Bothered by airplane noise? call: 1-800-435-9569
Log on to: www.flychicago.com for the latest developments.

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Cook County Property Assessment

Residents recently received notice of their Tri-annual Assessment from the Assessor's office. Most have seen an increase in their Estimated Fair Market Value. The Tax Assessor's Office is conducting a seminar which will be held at Ridgewood High School on **Thursday, March 14** from 6:00 pm -7:30 pm. Bring your previous tax bills with you.

If you have questions about the notice, appeals or exemptions, you can call the Assessor's Office at 312-443-7550 or go on-line to: www.cookcountyassessor.com/contact. Deadline is March 25th for appeals.

Harwood Heights will also be conducting a seminar, as we do each year, with the Board of Review sometime in the Fall to assist with your appeal.

Recreation Center

MARCH - We are providing t-shirts for anyone signing up for an annual membership. There is a limited supply available so shirts will be distributed on a first-come basis. Shirts are provded by Matrix workout equipment.

Thank you to our residents who APRIL - The first 100 members will each receive a water bottle, compliattended the workshops hosted ments of the Village.

Thanks to our businesses who contributed to our Fitness equipment

SILVER Level **GOLD Level PLATINUM Level** Cucino Biagio A-1 Professional Automotive Parkway Bank Family Palace Accu-Cut Diamond Bandesh Patel Carstens Health Industries Red Speed Cafe DiMaggio Republic Services Culvers Harlem-Foster Mobil Harwood Heights Auto Body Harwood Heights Shell Landmark Pub Lawrence Screw Products **Quality Control** Safe Speed

Village Vehicle Stickers

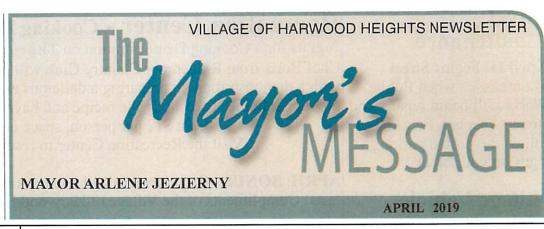
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Vehicle Stickers will go on sale in April and must be adhered to the front passenger window of your vehicle by May 1st. Vehicle applications will be mailed April 1st. Please bring it with you to purchase your sticker.

YOGA for Wellness

West Suburban Special Recreation offers Yoga classes to improve flexibility, balance, breathing, and concentration with gentle stretching. WSSRA's Yoga is taught in a seated position in chairs here at the Village Hall. Next session is: **April 9 - May 14** from 10:00 am-11:15am The fee is \$19.50. Call Kelly to register at 847-455-2100





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Video Fitness Schedule

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Coffee with a Cop

Thursday, April 18th
Family Palace Restaurant
at 9:00 am
Coffee with a Cop is a
community program where
residents can talk directly with
the Chief of Police, Deputy
Chief, the Mayor and other
officers and local officials.

Village Fest

Mark your calendar for Saturday and Sunday, August 17 & 18 for another year of fun-filled festivities with entertainment, food, prizes & more. Details to come.

Addressing Part 2 of Survey Feedback:

Thank you for your input!

Last month we addressed some of the concerns that were submitted on the surveys. Below are additional items we would like to address:

Tree Planting & Care

There is an ordinance the Village has that does not allow the removal of healthy trees on Village property. Only diseased trees or those that cause traffic issues may be removed. Each request is carefully reviewed by the Board and our tree experts. There is a 5-year program in place that trims sections of the Village each year. If you feel your tree needs additional attention, please contact the Village Hall.

If you are interested in our 50/50 program to plant a tree on your parkway, please visit our website or the Village Hall to review the trees that are appropriate for the parkways and available to order.

Street Sweeping - Please follow the street maintenance signs to move your vehicles on your block from April 1 - December 1. This allows Public Works to do their work without parked cars in their way. This includes sewer maintenance and street sweeping. Sweeping is done at least every other week, or more if needed; however there are times when the sweeper is not in service such as when it's in need of repairs or when Public Works has another issue such as a water break, etc. Alleys are swept at least twice a year.

Speeding - We DO NOT tolerate speeding throughout our Village. Learning and following the Rules of the Road is mandatory to obtain a drivers license in Illinois. Stopping at stop signs, following the speed limits, and obeying all laws are just as important. Our Police are patrolling our streets and will issue tickets to violators. This is a huge safety concern for our pedestrians and children - especially in school zones! We have obtained speed monitors and will record the numbers of offenders. Please drive safely through our streets, as well as in other towns, and be considerate of other drivers.

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Recreation Center - Cooking Demonstration!

Join us for a Cooking Demonstration on **Thursday, May 16th at 6:00 pm** Chef Boris from Ridgemoor Country Club will provide instructions, along with a demonstration on preparing a delicious entree that you will learn to prepare at home. Take along the recipe and have a chance to ask questions. Cost \$12 per person, space is limited.

Visit the Recreation Center to reserve your seat.

APRIL BONUS - Each member will receive a water bottle while supply lasts! Compliments of the Village of Harwood Heights.

ComEd - Home Energy Assessment Program

ComEd customers are elibible for a personalized home energy saving assessment. Recommendations along with free and discounted energy-saving products, will help homeowners and renters lower their enery usage and save money. Customers who participate in a free home energy assessment can save more that \$180 per year on average on their utility bills with the free products offered. An energy advisor may install the following free-energy-saving products:

- Energy Star certified LEDs
- Programable thermostats
- WaterSense certified showerheads
- WaterSense faucet aerators for bathrooms and kitchens
- Hot water pipe insulation
- Advanced power strips (free for eligible customers, but not installed)

Customers can schedule a *free* Home Energy Assessment by calling: 855-433-2700. Of course, feel free to call the Police to verify the ComEd representation once they come to your home.

New Website soon to be released

The new Village website will soon have an updated look and will be easier to use. It will feature announcements and programs from each department. One of the newest features is the ability to pay your water bills online! Once the website is activated, we will no longer be accepting payments over the phone. Watch for its new release this month.

www.harwoodheights.org

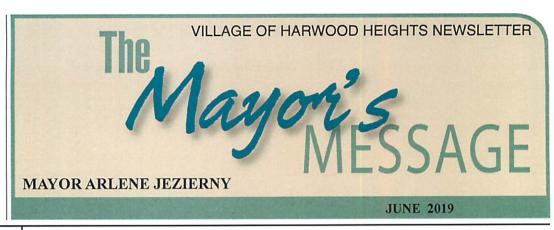
ComEd - Utility Scams - Don't be fooled!

Utility companies are warning customers of scams. A scammer will call you and tell you that your bill is past due and direct you to immediately purchase a debit card and give them the card and PIN number. DO NOT BE FOOLED. Utility companies will never ask you to purchase a debit card. Customers with past due balances will receive multiple shut off notices - never a single notification of an immediate shut-off. To learn more about scams, please attend our Crime Prevention Seminars.

Economic Development

The Old Warsaw property will be torn down later this month to make way for the new PDQ (People Dedicated to Quality), a Tampa, Florida-based restaurant. To learn more about PDQ, visit: www.eatpdq.com.





Mark your Calendar:

Village Fest

Mark your calendar for Saturday and Sunday, August 17 & 18 for another weekend of fun-filled festivities with entertainment, food, prizes & more. Details to come.

Car Show

The Village's 2nd Annual Car show is planned for Sunday, September 8. The rain date is September 22. Last year's cars were amazing that were on display. Be sure to join us.

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Video Fitness Schedule

The JUNE schedule is posted on our website at: www.harwoodheights.org, as well as at the desk in our Recreation Center.

Note: Some programs may require a Yoga mat.

Family Movie Night

In celebration of "School's Out" join us for Family Movie Night on

Wednesday, June 12 5:30 pm (Movie begins at 6:30 pm)

Harwood Heights Recreation Center - 7300 W. Wilson (See enclosed flyer for details)

Recap of Recreation Events

This month's Flower Arrangement Lesson and Cooking Demonstration were a huge hit! We have been asked to do it again later this year. Here's a sampling of what occurred.



Floral Arrangement

Cooking Demonstration



More topics on reverse side.

Pets

Thank you! Thank you!

More and more dog walkers are equipped with bags to pick up after their pets.

Just wanted to say thanks.

It's appreciated!

July 4th Holiday

The Village Hall and
Recreation Center will be
closed on Thursday, July 4th
for Independence Day.
Please drive carefully while
families and children are
outdoors.
Enjoy your holiday and
BE SAFE!

Water Rates

Water rates will increase 1% effective June 1st due to City of Chicago raising their rates.

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Village-wide Garage Sale Weekend

Fri., Sat., Sun. - June 21-23

The Village's annual Garage Sale will take place June 21, 22, and 23. Please register by calling the Village Hall at 708-867-7200 and indicate which day(s) you will hold your sale and whether it will be in your garage or front yard.

Big Garbage Day

Week of June 24

Held the week of June 24 on your normal garbage pick-up day.

Shredding and Recycling For Harwood Heights residents only

Saturday, July 20 - from 9:00 am-Noon

Shredding and Recycling will take place on Saturday, July 20 from 9:00am - Noon at the Village Hall. Bring electronics such as microwaves, toasters, printers, VCRs, stereo, DVD players. No batteries, tires, oil or light bulbs! Limit (1) TV per household. Electronics will be collected until truck is full. Shredding does NOT accept cardboard, plastic bags, books or binders, CDs nor metallic objects. (Staples and paper clips are fine.)

Card Club

If you are interested in joining our Village Card Club, please call our Recreation Center at 708-667-7092 and let us know your preference:

Pinnocle, Rummy, Bridge, Cribbage, Poker, Canasta, Bunco Meet your fellow neighbors. Bring a friend. Learn how to play. Type of games, dates and times will be announced.

Chair Yoga

WSSRA conducts Chair Yoga. Yoga helps improve flexibility, balance, breathing and concentration. The next session is June 11-July 16 and will be held every Tuesday from 10-11:15 at the Village Hall. Cost is \$19.50 Call WSSRA to reserve your seat: 847-455-2100.

Craft Fair is Coming this Fall - October 5 & 6

Get ready to sell your creations in time for the holidays with items for Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. Call our Recreation Center at 708-667-7092 for further details.

Village Projects

The **Green Alley projects** at 7500 Winnemac/Argyle and Sunnyside & Forest Preserve Drive are nearing completion. Any project is an inconvenience and we want to thank everyone for your patience.

Cullom Street from Sayre to Newcastle and an Alley project at the 4600 block between Newland and New England including the T along Leland will be resurfaced. Contractors plan to begin on the Alley mid-June (weather permitting) and Cullom thereafter. Notices will be sent to homeowners prior to construction advising when cars will need to be removed, where they can park, and direction for placement of garbage receptables.





Mark your Calendar:

Daylight Savings Time ends -November 3 Remember to set clocks back 1 hour

Yard Waste pick-up

The last pick-up for Yard Waste is the week of November 25. Leaves should be placed in paper bags or yard waste containers.

Do not rake leaves to the curb or in the street

Street Sweeping

Street Sweeping ends by November 30th. Public Works will focus on sweeping leaves from the curb and sewers. Please DO NOT rake or blow leaves onto the street.

Snow Plowing

Reminder: When snow reaches 2" or more, please follow the signs posted on your block so snow can be removed. The next day the plows will plow the opposite side of the street.

Snow Shovelers

If you are in need of someone to shovel your snow, contact the Village Hall and obtain a list of snow shovelers.

Any payments are settled between the homeowner and shoveler.

Visit our Haunted Heights

By popular demand, the Haunted House returns to Harwood Heights for 3 days: Monday, October 28 - Wednesday, October 30th from 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm. A \$1.00 entry for residents and a \$2.00 entry for non-residents. Cost includes some Trick or Treat delights. Hot Dogs and Pizza will be available for purchase.

Trick or Treaters...

On Halloween, Thursday, October 31st, Trick or Treaters will be out collecting their candy. Please note that there is a curfew of 8:00 pm. That should be sufficient time to go door to door as it gets dark early. And motorists....please be careful of our Trick or Treaters on Halloween during the week and over the weekend as there may be some Halloween parties. Take your time and drive carefully!

Halloween and Christmas Decorating Contests

It's a fun time of the year, when residents can enjoy the decorations of each of these holidays. We congratulate and award the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners of the Halloween and Christmas Decorating Contest with gift certificates to our local establishments.

The Halloween Decorating judging will take place on Saturday, October 26th and the Christmas Decorating judging will take place on Saturday, December 21st. All you need to do is have your lights on between 7:00 pm -8:00 pm for the judging. Good luck!

We thank you for your creative touch, giving us enjoyment for the holidays.

More Creativity comes to our Recreation Center Sign up for Painting Lessons

Tuesday, November 12 6:45 pm -7:45 pm offers a unique Painting Session for Adults to create your own artwork on throw pillow cases. It's your own creativity that you can display and share with others. Cost is \$20 and includes throw pillows.

Tuesday, November 19 4:30 pm-5:30 pm - Children ages 8-16 can design their own tote bags for school or gifts for family & friends. Cost is \$15 and includes tote bags.

Monday, November 25 4:30 pm-5:30 pm - Basic watercolor classes for Ages 8-16. Adults 17 & up from 6:00-7:00 pm. A great personal gift for the holidays! Cost is \$15.

Tuesday, December 3 6:30 pm -7:30 pm- Ages 17 & up. With Christmas just around the corner, create your own Christmas ornaments. Create two for your own tree decorations or gifts for family or friends. Cost is \$20.

Tuesday, December 10 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm - Children ages 8-16 can also make decorative ornaments. Fun for the holidays! Take home two for the tree. Cost is \$15.

Call the Recreation Desk to register for these events.

(More topics on reverse side.)

Cabaret Sunday, November 3 1:00 pm

The Seniors Assistant Center is sponsoring an award-winning Act of Kindness Cabaret - a musical here at our Recreation Center!

Tickets available at the SAC office. Call 708-456-7979.
Advance tickets are \$25; \$30 at the door. Includes Appetizers, Dessert and a cash Wine Bar.

Village Hall & Recreation Center

The Village Hall & Recreation Center will be CLOSED for the following holidays: Thanksgiving - Nov 28 & 29 Christmas - Dec 24 & 25 New Years - Dec 31 & Jan 1

Clean up after Pets!

When walking your dog, be sure to bring along a bag to clean up after your pet. It is not right to burden other residents to clean up after your pet.

Police will issue tickets and the fine may double.

Also, be sure to keep your pets on a leash. It's for their safety and others.

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ABC Classes - now on Tuesdays & Thursdays!! Each session begins October 22 and 24

By popular demand the ABC playschool (Ages 2-4 years) will add another class! Classes will begin October 22 and 24. Both from 10:00am-11:15 am Cost is \$20 for members; \$25 for non-members for a 5-week session.

Call the Recreation Desk to confirm registration and class time.

Small Star Classes Wednesdays - October 23

These fun and energetic classes will give your little one a chance to experience participating in a structured environment with others. Simple drills and games are designed to give each participant a broad overview of the rules and fundamentals of multiple sports.

Each session is 5 weeks. \$12 for members; \$18 for non-members.

Parent Tot - Ages 2-5 (Session II) Oct 23-Nov 20 10:00-10:45 am Biddy - Ages 4-7 (Session II) Oct 23-Nov 20 11:00-11:45 am

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Safety First

Be sure to lock your cars and homes to avoid temptations for potential intruders. An unlocked door invites theft. For other safety tips, be sure to attend our Safety Seminars announced throughout the year.

Prescription Drugs

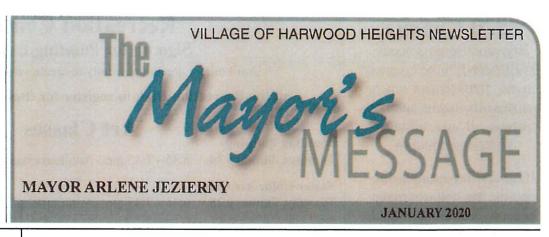
If you have any old or unused medications, DO NOT flush them down the toilet or pour them into the sink. It contaminates our water system. You can properly dispose of your medications at our Police Department. A drop box is located in the lobby. Simple remove your information from the medication container and deposit it in the lock box.

Wildlife

Several residents have reported sightings of skunks, raccoons opossums and stray cats in our neighborhood. There are a number of steps you can take to discourage wildlife from hanging around your home:

- Keep grass short and gardens trimmed of excess growth.
- Keep firewood in a rack at least 12 inches off the ground.
- Eliminate accumulation of junk and debris which provide hiding and nesting places.
- Keep garbage in cans with lids shut tightly.
- Don't leave cat or dog food or bird seed out. It will attract rodents.
- Fill in all open spaces under sheds or next to stairs to avoid nesting.
- Patch openings in garages and sheds to make sure animals don't get in.
- Close off access under your porch or a low lying deck.
- Please keep shrubs trimmed in your yard especially along alleys. Shrubs not maintained serve as a perfect environment to attract rodents.
- Change the water in bird feeders regularly.





Christmas Decor Winners!

Congratulations to our Christmas and Holiday Award Winners!

East Side

1st Place: 6700 block of Senior Place 2nd Place: 4300 block of Newland 2nd Place: 6400 block of Sunnyside 3rd Place: 6400 block of Sunnyside 3rd Place: 6400 block of Forest Pres

West Side

1st Place: 5000 block of Oconto 2nd Place: 7300 block of Leland 2nd Place: 7400 block of Carmen 3rd Place: 7600 block of Ainslie

Snow Removal

When do I move my car?

Effective December 1st, please remember that any snowfall of 2" or more requires removal of your car so plows can clean your side of the street from 8:00 am -4:00 pm. Please adhere to the following rules to avoid ticketing:

On even-numbered dates of the month, no parking on the even side of the street
On odd-numbered dates of the month, no parking on the odd side of the street

If you are uncertain, call the SNOW BAN HOTLINE: 708-867-7605.

Please do not shovel snow onto the street. This defeats the snow plowing efforts.

State of the Village A Look Back in 2019

All Alleys were paved along Gunnison from Nagle to Sayre as a result of Nicor improvements. Sidewalk replacements were also made with these improvements. Many of our main sewer lines were televised and rodded to ensure the safety of the gas mains with properly installed high pressure gas lines.

The Village was selected by MWRD to partially fund Green Alleys in certain areas to reduce storm water from entering our sewer system and reducing drainage issues. Two green alleys were completed by mid-year; one between the 7500 block of Argyle & Winnemac, and the other between the 6400 block of Forest Preserve and Sunnyside alley.

Another alley was reconstructed at the 4600 block of Newland and New England and between Leland and Carl Cassata Sr. Lane.

Street resurfacing occurred on Cullom Avenue from Newcastle to Sayre with new ADA required pavement markings at intersections along with sidewalk improvements.

Fuller Car Wash was completed in January of 2019 and officially opened at the intersection of Nagle and Gunnison.

The Recreation Center now has over 200 members. There are two meeting rooms that continue to be rented for parties. The rental of the Recreation Center is also an option with room rental. There are rooms already rented for 2020.

Our next issue will focus on Projects for 2020

On behalf of our Village Board, Staff, Police and Public Works Departments, we wish each of you a Happy, Safe and Healthy New Year!

2020 Census

Harwood Heights needs EVERYONE to be counted in the 2020 Census which includes all citizens and noncitizens, all ages, all races, adults and children.

It is very important as the census data helps to make decisions regarding projects and improvements for your community. It is also based on funding for these projects, etc.

See flyer enclosed.

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effect November 3 to rotate
runways at night.

Recreation Center Sign up for Painting Lessons

Don't miss a great opportunity to create your personal treasure.

Call the Recreation Desk to register for these events. 708-667-7092

Art Classes

Tote Bag Painting

Tuesday, January 14

6:45 - 7:45 pm - Adult art class 18 & up - \$15.00 pp

Water Color Art Class

Tuesday, January 28

6:45 - 7:45 pm - Adult art class 18 & up - \$15.00 pp

Movie Night

The Recreation Center will host Family Movie night on Thursday, January 30th at 6:30 pm. Pizza slices and soda will be available to purchase.

Join the community for an INDOOR viewing. Viewers can bring blankets and sleeping bags. Chairs provided for adults. The featured Movie is Lion King 2



ABC's and 123's Playschool

Current classes are already filled. However you can sign up for these classes.

Learn and Play. Ages 2-5. Learn your letters, count with numbers. Enhance your child's preschool experience with weekly themes such as Winter, Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's Day, and many others that prompt children to discover fun through stories, unique crafts, & projects. Each session is 5 weeks. Min 5/Max 10.

Parent TotSession IIFeb 25-Mar 24Tues10:00-11:15 amParent TotSession IIFeb 27-Mar 26Thurs10:00-11:15 am

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When Permits are Required

Permits are required but not limited to the following work:

- Electrical
- Plumbing
- Drywall replacement
- Concrete, Pavers or Asphalt work
- · Central Air, Furnace
- Sewer
- Fireplace installation
- Demolition
- Additions rooms and Dormers (Architectural drawings required)
- Structural alterations, Stucco or Brick replacement
- Garages, Sheds, Fences
- Decks, Porches, Stairs, Hand Railings
- Roofing, Siding, Gutters, Soffit and Fascia
- Swimming Pools, Hot tubs, Jacuzzis
- Kitchen and Bathroom remodeling
- Dumpsters

Any contractor performing work must be licensed and bonded and obtain a license from the Village.

Questions? Contact our Building Dept at: 708-867-3701

Projects for 2020

PDQ has left the Chicagoland marketplace. PDQ has closed their restaurants in Orland Park, Wheaton, and Schaumburg. Their PDQ building in Harwood Heights has been torn down and we are working with contractors for redevelopment.

Carsons Ribs plans to return to their orginal site on Harlem. We await their plans and look forward to their opening this year. They plan to begin excavating in May.

A Shell Gas Station, Convenient Store and Car Wash will soon open at the corner of Lawrence and Olcott.

Orangetheory Fitness will be locating to the Holiday Plaza mall at 4747 N. Harlem. An anticipated opening date is in early Spring.

With Office Max closing, management at the Holiday Plaza is seeking other business opportunities.

Mont Clare Apartments continues their remodeling with interior and exterior work including a new parking lot and additional apartment units on the main level.

The Village was recently awarded funds for the street widening and paving of the 7400 and 7500 blocks of Argyle. That is being scheduled for this year.

We are working together with the Water Reclamation District for funding for another Green Alley to help with street and sewer drainage. The alley will allow water to drain through the paver bricks into the ground before draining into other sewers. This location is between the 4700 block of Newcastle and New England.

Union Ridge school will install a green parking lot to help with their drainage.

The Village Hall will undergo some renovations with tuck-pointing and painting including a carport to protect the police cars from the climate elements.

Grants have also been applied for through Cook County Hazard Mitigation and FEMA to expand our detention area at Oriole and the other detention at Leland for storm water expansion.

This Spring we are applying for additional grants through Safe Routes to School for more sidewalk and signage improvements.

This Spring the Village will apply for a grant to resurface Carl Cassata Sr. Lane from Oak Park to Sayre as well as the 7200 and 7300 blocks of Leland.

We are applying for a grant this Spring to widen and resurface the 7400 and 7500 blocks of Ainslie. We hope funding will be approved for next year.

We will be working with our Senator and State Representatives for additional funding for community improvements.

(More topics on reverse side.)

Postal Service

We received complaints that our residents, businesses including our Village Hall have not been getting mail on a regular basis. Harwood Heights and Norridge are both aware of this issue writing letters to the Post Office and making our Congress aware of the situation. We are doing our best to get this resolved.

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Look at the beautiful artwork from our attendees...painting florals on totes!



NEXT CLASSES - Each class begins at 6:45 - 7:45 pm

Tuesday, February 4 Acrylic - Adult art class 18 & up - \$15.00 pp Tuesday, February 11 Watercolor - Adult art class 18 & up - \$15.00 pp Tuesday, February 18 Watercolor - Kids Ages 8-16 - \$15.00

Family Valentine Dinner Dance Saturday, February 8 - 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

The Recreation Center will host a Family Valentine Dinner Dance for our young (Kindergarden to 5th Grade.) Mom's, Dad's Grandparent's are welcome! Enjoy a Spaghetti & Pizza Dinner with Music and Dance. \$25 per couple. Bring your camera! (See flyer enclosed)

Chair YOGA

West Suburban Special Recreation conducts Chair YOGA in our Recreation Center. Classes began Tuesday, January 28 at 10:00 am and will continue for 7 weeks, every Tuesday until March 17. If interested, there is still room to participate. Reduced cost is \$22.70. Simply call Kelly at 847-455-2100 to reserve your spot for the next session on Tuesday, February 4th. The 5-week Spring class begins Tuesday, April 7 until May 12 for \$19.90.

Want to learn how to play CANASTA??

Join us on Tuesday, February 11 at 2:00 pm

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