IMPORTANT CENSUS 2020 DATES
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Why is the Census Important to Deer Park?
Getting an accurate count is extremely important to you as a resident of Deer Park and to us as a local community. Accurate counts will ensure we have enough Federal and State resources to cover the following:

1. Enough representatives to support our Village in Springfield and Washington DC.
2. Funds to pay for police officers and firemen to protect our Village.
3. Funds to support all residents if a large disaster or emergency hits our Village.
4. Money to help families pay for counseling, job coaching, emergency utility payments, basic medical needs, etc.
5. Funds to help build and maintain quality schools for enough children.
6. Resources help businesses open up their stores in the Village.
7. Funds to help our seniors and people with disabilities.
8. Money to fix roads and sewers, provide snow removal and maintain local parks.

An accurate count of Illinois’ population is essential to ensure that the State receives the funding it needs to properly care for its residents and provide critical services and programs. In 2015, Illinois received $19,738,866,367, or approximately $1,535 per capita, in federal assistance for sixteen programs. The failure to count every Illinois resident would have devastating effects on Illinois’ ability to meet the needs of its residents. Even a one-percent undercount would result in the State losing $19,557,435 per year for a decade, resulting in a total loss of $195,574,350.

Please call the Village office with any questions or concerns. We will be happy to assist your ability to reply to the US Census and have devices available for residents to respond online if needed. The Village office is open Monday – Friday 8–4.

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Dear Neighbors:

Deer Park is using about 16,118,000 kilowatt-hours of renewable energy (green power) annually, which is enough energy to meet more than two thirds of Deer Park’s electricity use! This is one of the quotes included in the first Deer Park Sustainability Report which is now available on the Village Website.

The Village Board and staff have also been busy completing the Strategic Plan 2025. This plan in conjunction with the Comprehensive Plan and Sustainability Plan, form the blueprint for the Village future.

The Village was featured on the front page of the Daily Herald on January 15th with a positive article about the new office building which is under construction. This 4,100 square foot facility will house the Village staff and has a meeting room for resident and village use. This building is LEED certified which as well reinforces the Village commitment in being a sustainable community. The project is on schedule, within budget and scheduled for completion by the end of May. An Open House for the community will be planned for a grand opening and dedication later this summer.

Improvements have also been made to the Vehe Barn: the chronic flooding issue on the first floor has been addressed, and six new doors have been installed replacing the six well-worn original doors.

Competitive bids have been received (1/21/20) for the street improvement and drainage improvement programs scheduled for this summer. The bids were very competitive, and we are looking forward to continued improvements to our streets and stormwater drainage this summer.

The Village will be updating our emergency contact system, replacing the CTY system with Code Red system. Further details are forthcoming. Another very important activity coming is the 2020 Census—this is a once in a decade activity and has great importance for the Village and our residents. Further information is provided in this newsletter.

Lastly, I am pleased to report that sales tax revenues, which largely fund Village activities, are running 5% ahead of plan for the year. Deer Park is one of the very few Villages in Lake County that does not receive any compensation from property taxes, which keeps our property taxes lower than surrounding villages. And given the strong retail presence in the Village, we have been fortunate to have the resources to resurface 97% of our streets in the last 10 years, renovate 8 of our 12 parks, and implement a five-year stormwater management program.

In closing, I encourage you to review the Sustainability Report 2018–2019 and the Strategic Plan 2025 which may be found on the Village website.

Respectfully,

Dale Sands
President, The Village of Deer Park
Happy New Year!
Time to gather the family and pets and take a brisk walk in one of our neighborhood parks or Forest Preserve trails...get out of the house and experience mother nature’s greatest creation...walk among the trees and along our ponds.

Winter walking can help relieve “cabin fever” and gives new meaning to “a breath of fresh air.”
The Village is fortunate to have most of our parks sprinkled with park benches in which folks can walk a little and rest a little...in order to soak up the winter weather. If you are looking for a longer walk, we have a wonderful urban trail system which runs along the “triangle” portion of the Town Center area. Park your car at the parking lot next to our ball field on Field Parkway and enjoy the paths which encompass The Crossings, Solana, Continental and the Town Center areas.

Deer Park is fortunate to have several “longer” trails to explore...so close to home.
If you’re looking for a real nature hike, look no further than Cuba Marsh, the Lake County Forest Preserve has a wonderful groomed trail system which can be accessed from either Cuba Road/Ela Road or from Long Grove Road/Ela Road. The paths meander for several miles into Citizens Park in Barrington. It’s a great way to spend an afternoon. And we cannot overlook Deer Grove Forest Preserve in Palatine. Access the Forest Preserve off of Quentin Road, just north of Dundee. The Forest Preserve has miles and miles of wooded trails spanning south from Hicks Road running along Dundee to the north end at Ela/Northwest Highway.

Don’t despair, in the next 90 days, we will see our parks embrace Spring, the trees will begin to blossom and the bushes will show signs of buds. Our courts will begin to show tennis, pickleball and basketball activity, and children will show off their new bikes on the park paths.

The Village is finalizing plans for new events for our families for 2020...which will include our first Easter Egg Hunt and another Family Bike Ride. Our Village calendar of Events will be published soon, so visit our Village Website for details. (www.villageofdeerpark.com)

Finally, our Residents Recognition Program is still open to new applications. We have had numerous inquiries regarding “commemorating a family name with either a park bench or a park tree with a family plaque.” If interested in placing an order, call the Village for information and 2020 pricing. 847-726-1648
The Village of Deer Park took proactive steps in 2018 to assess its sustainability status. Sustainability is defined, as per the United Nations World Commission on the Environment and Development, as “development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs”. A sustainability plan was prepared in 2018 following the Board of Trustee’s approval to endorse The Greenest Region Compact Opportunities and Impact (GRC) as developed by the Metropolitan Mayors’ Caucus for the Village of Deer Park.

The first “Village of Deer Park Sustainability Report” was prepared and then approved by the Village Board at the January Board meeting and is now posted on the Village Website. This first report summarizes activities taken in 2018-2019 and outlines plans for 2020. The Sustainability report highlights Village activities across ten GRC categories: Climate & Resilience, Economic Development, Land Use & Maintenance, Leadership, Mobility, Municipal Operations, Energy Use/Renewable Energy Initiatives, Community Engagement, Water Management and Waste Management & Recycling.

Highlights from the report include the following activities and accolades for the Village:

• Lake County Stormwater Management Commission “Community of the Year” in 2018
• SolSmart ‘Silver’ designation by US Department of Energy
• US Environmental Protection Agency Green Power Partner Community
• Recipient of Stormwater Infrastructure Grant from State of Illinois ($268,000)
• Tree City USA Community
• Resurfaced 97% of the village streets in last ten years
• First Village office to be constructed according to “Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) framework and
• Renovation of 8 of the 12 community and neighborhood parks.

For a copy of the full report, please go to the Village Website. Also, the Village is planning to create a Sustainability Committee with Village volunteers. Please contact Village Administrator, Beth McAndrews if you would like to volunteer for this Committee.
The Illinois General Primary Election will be held March 17, 2020.

Some important dates to be aware of to make sure you are ready to vote:

Register to Vote No Later than March 1, 2020
You can register to vote at the Village Hall during normal business hours.

Apply to Vote by Mail No Later than March 12, 2020
To vote by mail, you must fill out a short application to request a ballot. Applications must be received by the Lake County Clerk’s office no later than noon on March 12. They will then mail you a ballot, which must be postmarked or returned no later than Election Day. Call 847-377-2406 to have application sent to you or visit website to request ballot by mail: https://www.lakecountyil.gov/551/Voter-Power-for-Registered-Voters

Early Voting Begins February 6, 2020

February 6 to February 28
Monday – Friday, 9am to 5pm
Lake County Clerk’s Office, 18 N. County St., Waukegan

March 2 to March 16
Monday – Friday, 9am to 5pm,
Saturday, 9am to 2pm
Sunday Closed
Ela Township Office 1155 E. Route 22, Lake Zurich 847-458-7825

Election Day Voting is March 17, 2020
Polls are open 6am to 7pm
Vehe Barn 25570 W. Cuba, Deer Park, IL 60010

RESIDENT news

The Village investigated notification systems available and have decided to switch from Blackboard Connect/CTY notification system to CodeRED with Onsolve on March 1st.

Onsolve will provide training to village staff and upload resident contact information database. Using CodeRED, government agencies of all types can easily deliver geo-targeted, time-sensitive information to any individual opting into the service, using voice, email, SMS, IPAWS, and more. Residents will have the opportunity to opt out of the new notification system.

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The Village of Deer Park is proud to celebrate another year as a Tree City USA community. Please join us at Vehe Farm on April 24th at 10:00am as we read a proclamation and plant a commemorative Tuliptree. Tuliptree seedlings will be available for the first 50 residents to come to Vehe Farm on April 24th.

The Tuliptree is a member of the magnolia family. The leaves are tulip-shaped, alternate, and simple. The leaf is smooth on both surfaces, dark green and lustrous above, pale and often with a slight whitish bloom beneath. But this large tree, which is pyramidal when young and oval at maturity, maintains its beauty throughout the year. Summer leaves are shimmering green, fall foliage is bright gold, and wildlife-attracting fruit remains on the tree long into the winter.
RESIDENT news

Be Salt Smart This Winter

Protecting the quality of the area's groundwater is an important goal of the Barrington Area Council of Governments (BACOG). The groundwater supply in the BACOG area is recharged (replenished) locally, which means what you put on the ground today could be in the water you drink tomorrow. Increasing chloride levels from salting threaten our only source of drinking water as well as our natural environment, a defining characteristic of the BACOG region.

Salt (sodium chloride) is among the earth's most abundant and essential minerals. But too much of it can have negative impacts. Once in surface waters or groundwater, the chloride from dissolved salt is not removed by any natural chemical process. Therefore, once chloride is in the water, it remains there.

Road and pavement salting during the winter months is the primary way chloride enters the environment. Rock salt dissolves quickly on roads and driveways, and its chloride flows with stormwater into nearby lakes, streams and wetlands where it builds up and puts aquatic life and ecosystems at risk. Chloride also impacts residents directly by rusting vehicles and pitting home driveways and sidewalks. Through percolation and the recharge process, chloride also contaminates our groundwater -- the source of private well and municipal water in the BACOG communities.

Did you know it only takes 1 teaspoon of salt to permanently pollute 5 gallons of water?

Homeowners, businesses, schools and others use rock salt to melt ice and snow on parking lots and walkways. This helps reduce accidents, slips and falls. But the application rate of these products is often excessive and results in water contamination.

Salt products can also be hazardous to pets and animals. The salt can irritate their paws and cause health problems if ingested. Did you know that birds can confuse road salt for food? Consuming only two particles of rock salt can be fatal.

You can help reduce the amount of chloride entering our drinking water and the environment with a few simple steps this winter:

Shovel or plow instead of salting. Clear driveways, walkways and other areas early before snow turns to ice.

Stop over-salting. Read instructions on your salting product to ensure proper application rates. A 12-ounce coffee mug full of salt is enough to treat a 20-foot driveway. (See image below for proper salt application.) Sweep up and re-use excess salt.

Switch products. When pavement temperatures drop below 15 Fº, rock salt doesn't work. Use a different ice melter designed for lower temperatures such as magnesium chloride or calcium chloride. Switch to sand for traction.

Lower expectations. Road and parking lot managers have the challenge of meeting the expectations of drivers, property managers and customers while balancing the environmental effects of salting. Remember, the purpose of salting is to reduce the adherence of snow and ice to the pavement in order to make it easier to remove. It is not intended to keep the roads and walkways completely clean and dry. Support your government's efforts to reduce salt use.

Speak up. Look for proper salt use at the stores and businesses you visit. If they are using the right amount of salt, thank them! If there is an excessive application of salt, speak up and refer them to www.wisaltwise.com for additional information.

Share your salt smarts. Talk to your neighbors about proper salting and the importance of protecting the environment and our drinking water. Make sure your snowplow contractor is using the proper amount of salt. Click here for questions to ask your contractor.

For more information about the environmental impacts of salt and how to reduce salt pollution, go to www.BACOG.org and www.wisaltwise.com.
Fire Safety during Winter Storms

Winter storms can happen almost anywhere. They can cause us problems. Know what to do before, during and after a storm. This will help keep you and your family safe from a winter fire.

- Test all smoke alarms. Do this at least once a month. This way you will know they are working. Install carbon monoxide alarms in your home. Test the alarms.
- Plan two ways out of the home in case of an emergency. Clear driveway and front walk of ice and snow. This will provide easy access to your home.
- Make sure your house number can be seen from the street. If you need help, firefighters will be able to find you.
- Be ready in case the power goes out. Have flashlights on hand. Also have battery-powered lighting and fresh batteries. Never use candles.
- Stay aware of winter weather. Listen to the television or radio for updates. Watch for bulletins online.
- Check on neighbors. Check on others who may need help.
- Generators should be used outdoors. Keep them away from windows and doors. Do not run a generator inside your garage, even if the door is open.
- Stay away from downed wires. Report any downed wires to authorities.
- Be ready if the heat stops working. Use extra layers of clothes and blankets to stay warm. If you use an emergency heat source, keep anything that can burn at least 3 feet away.
- Turn portable heaters off when you leave the room. Turn them off when you go to bed.

IMPORTANT REMINDER

There are more home fires in winter than in any other season. Half of all home heating fires happen in December, January and February.

As you stay cozy and warm this winter season, be fire smart!

Fact
Nearly half of all space heater fires involve electric space heaters.
**RESIDENT news**

**Is Calling J.U.L.I.E. to Locate Underground Lines Actually Free?**
by Dave Littwin, Village Treasurer

For Deer Park residences and businesses, the answer is yes. However, like the old adage goes, “nothing is actually free” and the ultimate cost for anything free must be absorbed by someone or some entity. In the case of J.U.L.I.E. (Joint Utility Locating Information for Excavators) calls, which are then communicated to and performed by U.S.I.C. (United States Infrastructure Corporation), the Village of Deer Park pays the cost to USIC for its locating services performed. The cost is based on all actual logged calls by JULIE communicated to USIC to perform. The Village pays for this cost with its monthly Telecommunication Excise Tax and Utility Tax revenues received. Additional monies are part of the Village’s General Operating Fund used to provide services to the residents and businesses of Deer Park.

Last year, the Village experienced a sharp increase in the cost to USIC. While most of the cost was for increased activity including Utility Company upgrades, approximately 20% of the cost for the peak period from April through August was attributable to “3rd” or “4th” calls for the same location logged by JULIE and communicated to USIC.

In an effort to reduce this redundant cost and keep the related Revenues generated in Deer Park for its residences and businesses, we ask that you please **BE READY TO DIG** when first calling JULIE. USIC is required to perform locating services within 2 business days after receiving the information from JULIE and Illinois State law requires your digging project to begin within 14 days of the issuance of your reference (JULIE Dig Number).

If after 2 business days your project is not marked, please promptly call JULIE again referencing your Dig Number. If after the second call, and the locating service has again not occurred after 2 business days, we ask that you please notify the Village promptly before calling a third time. The Village will investigate with both JULIE and USIC to resolve. The phone number to contact JULIE for locating services is 811 or 800-892-0123. You may also request locating services on-line via JULIE’s website at www.illinois1call.com. Thanks in advance to everyone for your efforts in this matter.

**Snowplowing**

Ela Township Highway Department is snow plowing for the Village of Deer Park again. Here are a few things to keep in mind to help maintain safe snow removal and travel throughout Deer Park.

- When snow occurs on trash days, please put your trash cans on your driveway, not in the roadway. The Township Highway Department will not be responsible for damaged trash cans.
- Per Village Ordinance #72.02 (A) It shall be unlawful for any person to park any vehicle on a Snow Emergency Route in the Village within 24 hours of a snowfall of two (2) inches or more of accumulation. (B) It shall be unlawful for any person to park any vehicle in such a manner as to impede snow or ice clearing efforts by the Village of Deer Park or its authorized agents.
- Please make sure your mailbox can withstand heavy snows. If your mailbox or ROW is damaged due to snow removal please report a complaint and concern on the Village website. Staff will work with Ela Township Highway Department to determine causes and resolve issues.
- During heavy snowfall Ela Township will pre-plow and salt for rush hour to aid residents to get to school and work. The drivers will go back out to Village streets once rush hour is over to clean up and finish the plowing and salting.
- Make sure sump pumps do not drain into ROW to cause ice buildup on the streets.

**Avoid the “Second Shovel”**

After a snowstorm, how many times have you shoveled your driveway only to have it plowed in when your local snowplow comes through? Clearing an area to the right of your driveway (as seen in the diagram below), giving the snow on the plow a place to go other than your driveway, should keep you from having to do the same job twice.
Meet Your Neighbors

The Village of Deer Park

invites residents to join the Easter Bunny in our first Village egg hunt.

Saturday, April 4th
10:00am
Vehe Farm - 23570 W. Cuba Road

Rain Date: Saturday, April 11th
Please register online at villageofdeerpark.com

Sponsored by Michael Kurowski with Jameson Sotheby's International Realty

Village of Deer Park

Annual Community Bike Event

Where: Town Center Park
21880 Field Parkway

Date: Saturday, June 20th

Time: 8-10am

Come enjoy the first day of summer and enjoy a ride with your family on the paths around the park (1/4 - 1/2 mile). Lake County Deputies will be on hand giving bike safety and maintenance talks. Bike safety lights for the first 50 children.

Refreshments will be available.
Register online and come out to enjoy a bike ride with your family.

In the case of rain the event will be canceled
Check Village website for cancellation
The 2020 Census is accessible for everyone.

We’re making sure that **however you choose to respond**—online, by phone, or by mail—that **the census is accessible**. You’ll receive an invitation to respond **beginning in mid-March**. You choose how you want to respond.

- You can respond **online** in English or in 12 additional languages. The online questionnaire is accessible, following the latest web accessibility guidelines. We’ll also have a video in **American Sign Language** available to guide you through responding online.

- You can respond by **phone** in English or in 12 additional languages. You can also respond in English by **TDD** at 844-467-2020.

- By mid-April, we’ll mail a **paper questionnaire** to every household that hasn’t already responded. (Some households will receive a paper questionnaire along with the first invitation in March.) We’ll have **braille and large print guides** available online to assist you with completing the paper questionnaire.

- If necessary, you can respond **in person** beginning in mid-May. Census takers will visit all households that have not yet responded. We’ll have census takers available who can communicate in **American Sign Language** and additional languages. When the census taker visits to help you respond, you can request that another census taker who communicates in American Sign Language returns, if you prefer. If you prefer, you may also choose to have another member of your household interact with the census taker.

**Responding is important.** A complete count helps ensure that services like Medicare, Medicaid, social security, and public transportation can support those who need them.

**Responding is safe.** All of the information you share with us is protected by law and cannot be used against you.

**Responding is accessible.** We’re doing everything we can to ensure the ways to respond are accessible for everyone.

Any questions? Please visit [2020census.gov](http://2020census.gov). This website is 508 compliant and accessible to people of all abilities.
What to expect in the mail

When it’s time to respond, most households will receive an invitation in the mail. Every household will have the option of responding online, by phone, or by mail.

Depending on how likely your area is to respond online, you’ll receive either an invitation encouraging you to respond online or an invitation along with a paper questionnaire.

**Letter invitation**

- Most areas of the country are likely to respond online, so most households will receive a letter asking them to go online to complete the census questionnaire.

- We are working with the U.S. Postal Service to stagger the delivery of these invitations over several days. This way we can spread out the number of users responding online, and we’ll be able to serve you better if you need help over the phone.

**Letter invitation and paper questionnaire**

- Areas that are less likely to respond online will receive a paper questionnaire along with their package. The package will also include information about how to respond online or by phone.

We understand that you might miss our initial letter in the mail.

- Every household that hasn’t responded will receive reminders and will eventually receive a paper questionnaire.

- If you don’t respond online, by phone, or by mail, we will follow up in person.

What we will send you in the mail:

- **March 12-20**
  An invitation to respond online to the 2020 Census. (Some households will also receive paper questionnaires.)

- **March 16-24**
  A reminder letter.

- **March 26-April 3**
  A reminder postcard.

- **April 8-16**
  A reminder letter and paper questionnaire.

- **April 20-27**
  A final reminder postcard before we follow up in person.

For more information, visit: 2020CENSUS.GOV
Deer Park Town Center sits on a settlement known as Vandaworker’s Corners. When Deer Park Town Center was being developed in the late 90’s, ten grave shafts were discovered. The remains of four adults and six children whose approximate year of death were between 1840-1880. The remains were identified by The Illinois Historic Preservation Agency as the Vandaworker family, Abraham, Albert, Permelia and seven other pioneers. Developer Poeg & McEwen offered to place a historic plaque identifying where the graves were found, the remains have been re-interred at Fairfield Cemetery. This plaque can be viewed along the Deer Park Town Center path along Long Grove Road just west of Rand Road.
BACOA offering income tax preparation assistance

Barrington, IL—January 30, 2020— It’s tax time – and the Barrington Area Council on Aging is once again partnering with the AARP Foundation Tax-Aide program to offer free income tax preparation assistance to older adults.

Trained AARP volunteers will meet with seniors at the BACOA office, 6000 Garlands Lane, Suite 100, Barrington. Appointments are available on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., from February 6 through April 14.

The assistance is for simple taxes only – no out-of-state taxes, trusts, or rental properties; participants also need to bring last year’s returns. AARP membership is not required to use the service.

Appointments fill quickly, so call BACOA at (847) 381-5030 as early as possible to schedule.

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The Barrington Area Council on Aging promotes vibrant, healthy aging by providing activities, education, and support to older adults, families and caregivers. Established in 1985, BACOA serves approximately 1,400 clients annually in the northwest suburbs of Chicago.

Library Events

SCORE Mentoring Sessions
Tuesdays, March 3, April 7, May 5, 9 AM -12 PM
Get free, confidential advice on every aspect of starting and running a business, from retired small business owners and top industry executives. Meet with experienced mentors the first Tuesday of the month. To schedule a one-hour appointment, you must register via northchicago.score.org/find-mentor. Register. Conference Room.

Selling with Amazon is Easy, Making a Profit is Hard
Monday, April 6, 7 PM
Learn the basics of setting up a presence on Amazon and selling products on the website. Discuss potential costs and how to get enough attention to sell and be profitable. Alan Sipe of SCORE presents. Part of Money Smart Week. Register. Zimmerman Room.

Protecting Your Identity
Tuesday, April 7, 7 PM
Learn what to do in the event of identity theft or fraud and how to create an action plan to reduce risks of identity theft. Barrington Bank & Trust Co. presents. Part of Money Smart Week. Register. Zimmerman Room.

Demystifying SBA Financing
Wednesday, April 8, 7 PM
Small Business Administration (SBA) financing is available for businesses that are starting up, expanding, scaling, and purchasing equipment or other fixed assets. Learn how to access capital via the SBA platform. Arlene Martin of SCORE presents. Part of Money Smart Week. Register. Zimmerman Room.

Basic Budgeting Tools and Techniques
Thursday, April 9, 7 PM
Too much month at the end of your money? Learn to set up a budget to control your finances and make ends meet. Ed Beckstrom of Consumer Credit Counseling presents. Part of Money Smart Week. Register. Zimmerman Room.
**ST. PADDY’S 5K & 10K RUN/WALK**

Saturday, March 14, 2020

The Deer Park St. Paddy’s 5K & 10K features live Irish music to get everyone in the spirit. At the finish enjoy Irish inspired treats.

LUCY PERKS:
Quarter Zip Pullover
Finisher Pint Glass! (first 1,000 registered)
Live Irish Band!
Free Kids Dash open to ages 10 and under

The Lake County Sheriff’s Reserve Deputy Unit will be on-site collecting non-perishable foods items at the event. Please bring non-perishable food items on event day to donate.

MORE DETAILS & REGISTER HERE! https://allcommunityevents.com/deerparkstpaddysrun

**New to Deer Park Town Center & Deer Park!**

**ALTAR’D STATE** *(COMING SOON! Suite 242)*

Altar’d State is an energetic fashion boutique that offers a distinctive shopping experience for women interested in the latest fashion finds, the most anticipated accessories and that next great gift. Whether she is 16 or 60, the common thread is her desire to share her personality through stylish, comfortable, on-trend clothes, shoes and accessories. Altar’d State customers can enjoy supporting an organization that promotes confidence, civic involvement and positivity through its merchandise and involvement. Altar’d State more than a store, it’s a movement.

**HAPPKI** *(NOW OPEN! Suite 600)*

Get excited! Now Open at Deer Park Town Center is Happki, a specialty toy store providing a thoughtful selection of educational toys, games, and books. Learn more about them at www.happki.com

**BATTLE BARS** *(21020 Rand Road, Suite B)*

A product catered to those who accept nothing less than victory, whether it be on the battlefield, in the gym, or in their daily lives. Hand-crafted ingredients with an incredible taste, texture, and never any artificial sweeteners. Protein bars will help build muscle and maintain energy. www.battlebars.com
Lawns
Lawns should be mowed on a regular basis, height should not exceed 8 inches. Tall invasive weeds should be removed. In addition, please take care of your dandelions that pop up throughout the season as a courtesy to your neighbors. They are not only aesthetically unattractive, but also spread into adjacent yards and landscapes.

Yard Waste
If you have limited volumes of yard waste you can purchase a sticker at the Deer Park Village Office or through Groot’s website at www.groot.com. For 2019, the cost of the stickers is $3.15 each.

If you generate a higher volume of yard waste, the subscription program allows up to six bag/34 gallon cans a week. Groot also provides a cart (similar to the regular waste and recycling carts) designated for yard waste. The service is available April 1 thru November 30. Contact Groot Customer Service at (800) 244–1977 for more details or visit www.groot.com.

Refuse
Please do not put garbage or yard waste out before 6:00 p.m. on the day prior to collection. Please remove your garbage carts from the curb as soon as possible after pick up and place out of view from your front yard. Refuse overage stickers are available at the Deer Park Village office for $3.15 each.

A senior discount is available to those 65+ years old. Bring a copy of your driver’s license to the Village Hall Monday–Friday 8:00a.m.–4:00p.m. and staff will coordinate discount with Groot.

Burning Seasons
Spring: April 1–May 31
Fall: October 15–November 30
SATURDAY and SUNDAY ONLY
10:00a.m.–6:00p.m.

Please be a courteous neighbor and avoid excessively smokey fires. Burning suggestions:
• burn small piles
• avoid wet leaves
• mix leaves with brush for a better burn
• do not burn on windy days
Violations will be served in cases of abuse.

Boats, Trailers, Motor Homes, Commercial or Inoperable Vehicles
The above must be kept in a garage, or stored off-site. They may not be parked in the driveway or anywhere else on your property except for loading and unloading.

Building Permits
Most residential building alterations, from new houses and additions to small improvements such as decks, patios, fences, pools, re-roofs, including septic repairs, etc. require a permit. Permits are required for the protection of the property owner, neighbors and Village.

If you have any questions regarding permit application, process, inspections, or requirements, please contact Josie Doniec, Building, Zoning & Development Coordinator at (847) 726-1648 or email at JDoniec@vodp.net.

Septic Systems
All septic systems must be maintained. In addition to the usual pumping required for the tank, homeowners with aerator systems are required to have their aerator inspected every six months. All permitting for septic systems goes through Lake County Health Department. Copy of approval needs to be submitted to Building Department.

Animals
Animals on private property (dead or alive) are the responsibility of the property owner. The Village can provide assistance in removal of unwanted animals through cooperative programs with Lake County and Ela Township. However, property owners will be billed for removal of these animals.

Vehicle Stickers
Vehicle stickers are not required by the Village. However, they are available to residents at the Village office during regular business hours. The cost for each sticker is $5.00 with no expiration date.

Power Outage
In the event of a power outage, residents are urged to contact ComEd directly at (800) 554–7661 with their electrical outage questions.
Important Contact Information

Lake County Sheriff
Police Emergency: 911
Non-emergency Police (24 hour): 847.549.5200
General Information: 847.377.4000

Lake Zurich Fire Department
Emergency: 911
Office: 847.540.5070

Commonwealth Edison
800.334.7661

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888.642.6748