



InverNews

The Village With A Heritage

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Barrington-Inverness Police Department Offering Emergency Preparedness Training

If you would like to be prepared to help your family, neighbors and community in an emergency situation, you will want to become a CERT volunteer. CERT -- Community Emergency Response Team -- comes under the umbrella of the Federal Emergency Management Agency. It's purpose is to train volunteers in communities throughout the nation in basic emergency response skills. Once training is completed, CERT members are qualified to assist in a variety of ways if a disastrous event overwhelms or delays response by police and firefighters. Many of the skills taught in CERT training can also be used in family emergency situations.



CERT training teaches participants to work as a team to apply basic fire suppression strategies, as well as extinguish burning liquids; apply techniques for opening airways, control bleeding and treat shock; select and set up a treatment area; learn techniques for victim extraction and wound treatment; and more. Call Sgt. Jerry Libit at (847) 304-3315, or email jlibit@barrington-il.gov for information about CERT volunteer training.

Coyotes Are a Fact of Life in Suburbia: Here's What You Need to Know to Protect Your Children and Pets

Do not provide food sources for the coyotes. Keep trash securely contained. Do not leave any outside food for pets. Clear away any brush or wood piles to deter smaller wildlife from residing there. Install motion light sensors.

Animal proof decks and porches to prevent raccoons, opossum, skunks and other small wildlife from residing there. Such small animals are like a buffet table for the coyote, encouraging it to return to your yard over and over again.

Teach your children to respect wildlife. Do not leave small children unattended. A child may perceive the coyote as a dog and may try to pet it.

Never leave smaller pets unattended. Larger dogs may be perceived by the coyote as a threat. Always have a responsible person walk your leashed dog. If a coyote does approach, act aggressively, make loud noises, throw rocks, spray with a hose, etc. A small portable air horn (used in boating) is a good thing to carry on your nightly walks. Although the response may not be immediate, the coyote will leave. If the coyote does approach, it is out of curiosity.



July 1 is Deadline for Vehicle Stickers, Dog Licenses

July 1 is the deadline for purchasing and displaying your 2007-08 Village of Inverness vehicle sticker. Stickers can be purchased at the Village Hall for \$10 each after June 1. A word to the wise: if you haven't purchased your sticker yet, move it to the top of your to-do list. The fee doubles on September 2nd.

Fido needs a new license by the July 1 deadline as well. Dog licenses are \$5 each, and available at the Village Hall.

If you have a residential alarm, you are required to have a permit. You do not need to file a new form with the Village unless pertinent information, such as keyholders' names or telephone numbers, has changed.

Questions? Call the Village Hall at (847) 358-7740.

Village of Inverness Calendar of Events

June

- 12 Village Board
- 18 Zoning Board
- 19 Plan Commission

July

- 10 Village Board
- 16 Zoning Board
- 17 Plan Commission

August

- 14 Village Board
- 20 Zoning Board
- 21 Plan Commission

Jack Tatooles



Dear Residents,

I am pleased to report that ground has been broken on the much-anticipated Inverness Veterans Memorial. Crews have the concrete footings in place, and in the very near future the Memorial will start to rise above ground level and take on its final, graceful form.

The extended family of Inverness resident Peter J. Giannopoulos, who was killed in Iraq on November 11, 2004, joined Village officials and Veterans

Memorial Committee members at a groundbreaking ceremony on May 14. It was a momentous and long-awaited occasion for all of us. To our knowledge, Peter is the only Inverness resident killed in action since the Village was incorporated. The new Inverness Veterans Memorial will be dedicated to Peter, and will honor all service men and service women of each of the branches of the armed forces, past, present and future.

The Memorial, located just east of the Village Hall, features a five-pointed stone wall with a circular stone seating area in front of the wall. Each of the points will represent a branch of the military. The circular seating area is designed to provide a quiet place to reflect on the sacrifices made by those who have served our country. Work on the Memorial is expected to be complete by the end of summer.

Thanks go to our Veterans Memorial Committee -- Chair John Willis and members Timothy W. Tiedje, Bill Spaletto, Joette Brown, Ken Rogers, Kent Venema, and Rob Brumbaugh. They have been instrumental in the creation of the Inverness Veterans Memorial. All of us can feel a great deal of pride in this new timeless Inverness landmark.

Sincerely,

A blue ink signature of Jack Tatooles, written in a cursive style.

Jack Tatooles, Mayor



Mayor Tatooles displays a model of the Memorial to grandparents Peter and Helen Giannopoulos.

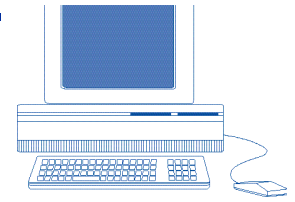


Mayor Tatooles and the Giannopoulos family participate in the May 14 groundbreaking ceremony.



The Veterans Memorial Committee, the Giannopoulos family, Inverness resident Gerald Forsythe, and Russell Scurto of Triumph Development attend the event.

Important News & Views You Can Use!



Mosquito season is just around the corner:

The sounds of summer will soon include the buzzing of mosquitoes. Although we dislike them as much as you do, the Village does not spray for mosquitoes. That job belongs to the Northwest Mosquito Abatement District, a separate taxing body that monitors mosquito levels throughout the suburbs. The District provides larviciding in places where mosquitoes are most likely to breed, such as ponds, catch basins, and other bodies of shallow water. For information about mosquito abatement, spraying or other related issues, call the Northwest Mosquito Abatement District at (847) 537-2306, or visit their website at www.nwmadil.com. You will also find updated information on the West Nile Virus on this website.

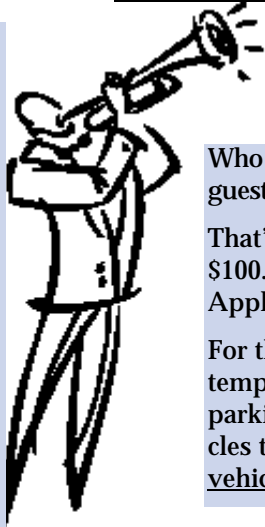
Home pickup of computers & electronics:

The Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC) is offering a convenient way to recycle old computers and electronics. The new At Home Computer/Electronics Program offers the option of having these items

picked up from your front steps rather than driving to a drop-off location. Pick-ups will be scheduled from now through August 31, 2007. Residents will pay \$25 via credit or debit card to offset program costs, and can recycle up to 6 items per pick up, with no item weighing more than 50 pounds. Contact SWANCC at athome@swancc.org or (847) 724-9205 to arrange for a pick-up.

A word about culverts and drain tiles:

Inverness relies on a ditch and culvert system for storm water drainage. Remember that property owners are responsible for making sure the ditch and driveway culvert is free of obstructions so that storm water can flow through the ditches rather than flooding your property or your neighbor's front yard. You should also be aware of drain tiles on your property and maintain them in good working order. Be proactive and get in the habit of making regular visual inspections so that spring and summer rains will produce beautiful flowers, not neighborhood flooding.



Hosting a Party at Your House This Summer? If Music is Part of the Mix, You May Need a Permit

Who doesn't love a party? Well, occasionally your neighbors. Sometimes what is music to you and your guests is quite an annoyance to your neighbors.

That's why the Village requires a permit whenever amplified music is part of the party. The fee is \$100. A DJ, band, or stereo with speakers all qualify as "amplified music" and require a permit. Apply in person at the Village Hall one week in advance of your party.

For those hosting parties where a number of vehicles will need a place to park, the Village offers temporary "No Parking" signs. Remember that due to the somewhat narrow streets in Inverness, parking is permitted on only one side of the street to assure that there is room for emergency vehicles to safely pass parked vehicles. Police will ticket and tow if parked cars prevent emergency vehicles from getting down the street. And please remind your guests to lock their cars.

Do You Have an Interest In Community Service? Become a Fire Corps Volunteer!

The Palatine Rural Fire Department has established a Fire Corps program and is seeking volunteers from the community to participate.

The Fire Corps, a component of the Department of Homeland Security's Citizen Corps program, is a national grassroots effort to increase the use of community volunteers 16 years of age and older in non-emergency roles such as creating websites, photographing fire scenes, promoting life safety education, administrative assistance, and more.

For more information on becoming a Fire Corps volunteer, go to www.prfpd.org; or call the Palatine Rural Fire Department at 847-991-8700.

Septic Tanks: What to Put In, What to Keep Out

Here are some friendly pointers to help prevent overtaxing your septic field.

- ▲ Put all wastewater from your home into the septic tank. This includes all sink, bath, shower, washing machine and dishwasher wastewaters, and toilet flushings.
- ▲ Keep roof drains, basement sump pump drains, and other rain water or surface water drainage systems away from the absorption field.
- ▲ Do not use caustic drain openers for a clogged drain. Instead use boiling water or a drain snake to open clogs.
- ▲ Use potentially system-damaging commercial bathroom cleaners in moderation. Consider cleaning toilets, sinks, showers, and tubs with a mild detergent or baking soda.
- ▲ NEVER put grease, disposable diapers, plastics, latex paint, pesticides, solvents, oven cleaners, degreasers, or any hazardous chemicals into your system.

The Cicadas Are Coming!

Something not seen since 1990 is now underway: the 17-year periodical cicadas are making another appearance in northern Illinois.



Full-grown brown, 3/4 inch-long periodical cicada nymphs emerged in late May. Adults cicadas are 1-1/2 inch long, black insects with protruding red eyes. Their main purpose is reproduction. Their clear wings have bright orange veins. About a week after emergence, the males will congregate and start singing loudly during the sunny part of the day to attract females. The mating period lasts for two weeks, the males die, and the singing ends. The females will lay eggs for three to four weeks. Heavy egg laying in newly planted trees can cause twigs to break with leaves dying. Mature trees, even when covered with cicadas, will show little damage.

The eggs will usually hatch in mid-summer about six to 10 weeks after egg laying. After hatching, the new nymphs will drop from trees and shrubs and dig underground to find roots for feeding for another 17 years.

Even though periodical cicadas look strange, they are not dangerous to humans or pets.

Protect Yourself From Identity Theft: Dispose of Old Files at Document Destruction Events

Prevent identity theft while cleaning out your closets, drawers and files. The Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC) is hosting several document destruction events this summer. Disposing of your documents is easy, secure, and free. Simply drive your vehicle to the document destruction site and workers will unload your papers into toter carts. The paper is then loaded into a truck and cross-shredded on site within minutes.

Upcoming document destruction dates and locations are:

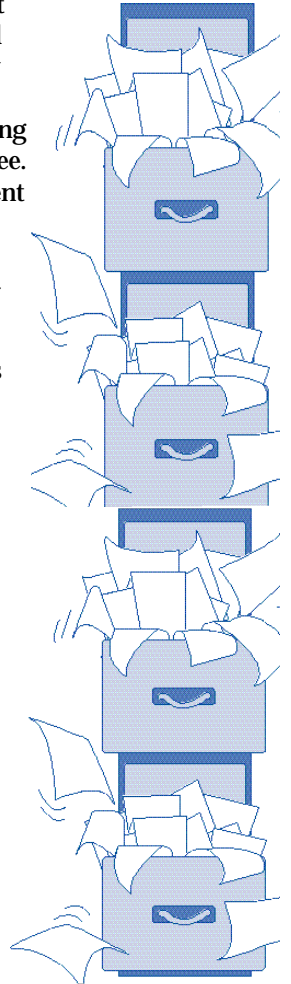
Saturday, June 9: 9:00-11:00 a.m.
Palatine Public Works facility,
148 W. Illinois Ave.

Saturday, June 23: 9:00-11:00 a.m.
Elk Grove High School,
500 W. Elk Grove Blvd.

Saturday, July 21: 9:00-11:00 a.m.
Sears Centre/Hoffman Estates,
Prairie Stone Business Park

Staples and paper clips do not need to be removed, but please remove binders. Documents that you may wish to have shredded include: ▲ bank statements ▲ medical forms ▲ personal files ▲ tax forms ▲ receipts

For further information, call SWANCC at 847) 724-9205 or visit www.swancc.org.



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