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Greetings, Neighbors

DATELINE DEER PARK SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2009

TEMPORARY PHONE NUMBER 847-550-1275 THROUGH 4/25

There are plenty of excitement going around this village; in fact, in the three-plus years we've been in business, we have never seen this village so involved—and so connected—to each other. Thank you for the kind comments about the services we provided during this campaign. You, are readers, are our reason. And YOU, THE VOTERS, have the responsibility for the outcome. Please stay involved! DPN will be on a brief break.

VILLAGE OFFERS A COMMUNITY CALENDAR

The Village of Deer Park now has an online calendar of events; you can even download the data! Look on the right side, under the calendar graphic, for a pull-down of interest groups, including all the village committees, Barn events, Vehe events and sports. We don't see an "add your event" button, but you can reach our Village clerk, Susan Meyle, deerparkclerk@comcast.net

Link to the calendar from the front page of the Village site, or Bookmark:

[http://www.mychurchevents.com/calendar/calendar.aspx?
ci=L6F0J4K5O9H2O9L6I3](http://www.mychurchevents.com/calendar/calendar.aspx?ci=L6F0J4K5O9H2O9L6I3)

MEETING, Monday, April 20, 7pm, the Barn. Watch the Deer Park Village web site for the meeting agenda. This meeting will include deliberations on the budget for 2009-10. Some of you have asked about the budget year. Deer Park's year ends 4/30, which is typical for many municipalities, while others are transitioning to a calendar year budget—to avoid "lame duck budgeting."

<http://www.village.deer-park.il.us/default.htm>

AN OPEN LETTER FROM THE KELLERMANN SLATE

“April 8, 2009

Dear Neighbors:

Thank you for your support in the recently completed election. By now you have heard that the Kellermann / Olson / Sands team garnered the most votes! Bob Kellermann was elected Village President, while Keith Olson and Dale Sands will serve as Trustees for the Village of Deer Park. Joyce Trost Beattie was elected to fill the third Trustee position. Bob and the Village Board will appoint a person to serve the two years remaining of Bob’s term as Trustee. The newly elected will serve you for four years.” Full text:

http://deerparkneighbors.com/sources/2009_Election/DeerParkDPNPostElection.pdf

TIME FOR ROAD CREW!

Deer Park Neighbors, Ltd., is the proud sponsor of Long Grove Road between Rand and Deerpath. DPN just received a nice Certificate of Appreciation from Lake County for your efforts over the last year. We know you’ve seen the signs marking our territory—see a photo on our home page.

Please join us, Sat., May 17, 10am near Barnes and Noble for Road Crew. It’s a gentle stroll, a little over the mile, wearing safety vests, removing the litter that builds up over the winter and in these windy Spring days. NO, you don’t have to touch dead animals or remove large limbs; the County does that for us. After we’re done, you’ll be ferried back to the Town Center, where those who’d like to continue the gathering can pick up lunch. Weather permitting, we can eat outside. We promise, we have a lot of fun, and you’ll take a special pride in Deer Park, especially when you turn west on Long Grove to enter town—right there as a welcome is our sign!

Please RSVP to this email—and to those who have already promised, we know who you are!

DON’T WAIT FOR AN OPEN FORUM

Perhaps the most consistent response to last week’s election was the request to be notified the next time there’s an Open Forum. Well, neighbors, there is an

open forum every 3rd Monday of each month. It's called the Board of Trustees Meeting, starting at 7pm at the Barn.

The upcoming meeting is very important. It's an opportunity to acknowledge the efforts of Trustees Joel Rotter, Patricia Plautz and Howard Thrun, who will be leaving the Board. This is also the meeting that will complete the consideration of the budget. Link from our home page to the DRAFT Budget, as revised at the special meeting on 3/23/09 or here:

http://deerparkneighbors.com/sources/VODPsources/DRAFTBudget_VODP09-10.pdf

This budget runs through April 30, 2010. The proposed budget includes some interesting line items:

- a projected \$75,000 income from the red light cameras
- \$60,000 income from hotel tax
- the last installment of debt on Town Center Park
- close to \$270,000 for the remaining Ferndale, Circle Drive and Redwing projects

SECOND MOST POPULAR RESPONSE

This past election has you all thinking a lot about great uses for the Barn. If we cannot make a year-around deal with Concord Banquets (of course, it would be nice to start there with a conversation and an offer), we think that there are many local enterprises and non-profits who would use the Barn to administer their own programs. They could be charged by the head or they could give the Village a percentage of their proceeds. Or some other, long-term arrangement.

So we're listing some starting ideas here, and please send along more. Here are some ideas already developed:

- After-school homework center, 3-6pm (could be run by a tutoring company, we have 24 internet connections)
- Day care/respite care for adults and seniors (could be run by a hospital)
- Weekly farmer's market, April-October (the vendors organized themselves)
- Weekly plant sales, May-Sept (could be run by wholesalers or local nurseries)
- Spring and Fall motor cycle rallies (run by bike club, fee/cycle, local restaurants could sell food)
- Art Festivals (Ela Art Fair needs a home, and many other arts organizations and the schools)
- Antique/vintage flea markets
- Monthly music concert all year long (could be run by an entertainment

- booking company)
- Jr. and Sr. High Rock Band Contest
 - Sunday Kite Club
 - Weekly duplicate bridge club and/or lessons (run by a bridge teacher)
 - Speakers' Bureau, opportunity to develop your verbal presentation skills (could be run by local Chambers of Commerce)
 - Amateur/Professional Theatricals
 - Family Movie Night (could be run by the Barrington or Ela library)
 - Chamber Music Concerts (that was the idea of the project architect)
 - Business Expos (Chamber or guilds); set up booths indoors to showcase local enterprises
 - "Taste of Deer Park" or "Taste of Ela Township": (the chefs from all the restaurants contest for "best of" prizes")
 - Pancake Breakfast (see below)
 - Bring-a-Dish community supper
 - Deer Park Community Seder
 - Bake Sales (run by scout troops or schools)
 - Dance Clubs (square, ballroom, tap—run by dance instructors or park district)
 - Family Game Night—checkers, backgammon, board games (run by village)

We'll publish all your ideas and let our Issue Captains pick the best. **One winner will get a Deer Park Town Center gift card!**

FLAMING FLAPJACKS

Rita Finley tells us this is a great family event:

Flaming Flapjacks Pancake Breakfast, April 18, 2009

8:30 AM to Noon, \$6 person & under 3 free

Location: Long Grove Fire Protection District, 1165 Old McHenry Road, Long Grove Illinois.

Speaking of families, DPN has added some interesting content to the kid's page we have posted. There is an online Dictionary as well as a News column. And there is a bug on the page—a missing link—so let's let our young detectives report it as soon as they find it. Just REPLY to this email. As always, parents should monitor the sites their children visit. <http://deerparkneighbors.com/pages/kids.html>

EARTH DAY—April 22, 2009

What better time to review the many opportunities to REDUCE/REUSE/RECYCLE. Lake County has a web page that links to a wide variety of disposal options. If you cannot find

the information you need, please call:
SWALCO office at 847.336.9340

Did you know there is an Environment Kids Club online?
<http://www.epa.gov/kids/>

Residential waste in the Village of Deer Park is handled by Groot. They offer an online recycling guide. We urge you to print this out and keep it in your garage or on the inside of a kitchen cabinet door. It takes only a few moment to break down all that packaging from consumer products. It's a great project for the kids, and you'll notice with just one week of effort, how much less "garbage" you throw out. Let's help make Deer Park earth friendly all the time.

DO NOT:

- Do not put your recyclables in plastic bags.
- Do not recycle window glass, ceramic materials, porcelain or any other glass which is not from a jar or drinking container.
- Do not leave residue on any items.

SEE THE GUIDE: <http://www.groot.com/RecycleGuide.php>

Learn More about the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County:
<http://swalco.org>

If you want to post local Earth Day events you know of, visit the Earth Day Network:
<http://earthday.net/> and email those events to us, as well. Thanks

The Lake County Earth Flag Program was created by the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO) in 1993. Over 130 schools have participated in the program since then. The Program is designed to educate students, teachers, administration and parents about the need to rethink trash habits and the impact waste reduction, reuse and recycling have on the environment. Schools enrolled in the Program agree to complete five criteria over the course of a school year. Students learn through classroom lessons, hands-on activities and presentations that they can have a direct impact on the earth and its natural resources by finding alternatives to throwing it all away.

<http://www.lakecountyiil.gov/swalco/Programs/SchoolEducationCorner/EarthFlag.htm>

LIBERTYVILLE – The Lake County Audubon Society will host "Give Back to the Earth Day" at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 22, at Old School Forest Preserve near Libertyville. Details:

<http://www.lakecountyjournals.com/articles/2009/04/10/82301875/>

index.xml

Many of you will be interested in the Earth Tire Foundation:

12-6pm, Port Clinton Square, Highland Park, Free Admission, Exhibit of Discarded Tire Art. There is ample free parking, as well. Map:
<http://www.lakecountyjournals.com/articles/2009/04/10/82301875/index.xml>

AROUND THE TOWN

According to the Deer Park Town Center web site, everything is 25%-50% OFF at Bailey Banks & Biddle. Call for details or drop by. 847-726-4450. BBB is in the center of the center, west of the Gazebo.

At Caribou Coffee, the unofficial place for DPN kaffe klatches, 847-438-8396, there's always a special. Now, buy any large beverage, and get one pastry for \$1. The cinnamon scones are out of this world. And any Monday, a medium cup of Caribou Blend is just \$1. Al and Deb won't be able to attend the Monday night DPN chat for a couple of weeks—we'll announce the next one—but what better place to get together for coffee and conversation.

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