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Greetings, Neighbors

DATELINE DEER PARK, THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2011

**NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY PRESENTATION—PLEASE ATTEND TONIGHT  
CALL ONE NEIGHBOR TO YOUR LEFT, YOUR RIGHT, AND ACROSS THE STREET**

**Thursday, May 19, 2011, 7:00 PM**

**Main Space, Vehe Barn, 23570 W. Cuba Road**

**Kildeer Police Department will share information on protecting homes and vehicles, and trends in door-to-door scams.**

DPN wants to remind you that Chief Rossi asks you to call 911 at any time you see something that alarms you or seems out of place, and certainly the moment you realize something has happened to your home or a neighbor's. While we're all reluctant to cry "wolf," the dispatchers are well trained to set priorities. Your reports can help police detect a pattern in the area and catch the perpetrators. If you can, note details like clothing, hair color, height and/or descriptions of vehicles. Use your cell phone camera.

- Non-emergency number: 847-438-6010
- Officer Justin Rundall, the Crime Prevention Officer, alarms, home safety inspections (we strongly recommend this free service to all), etc.
- Police Administration: 847-438-6644.
- To place your home on vacation house watch: 847-438-6010.

**WHY YOU MUST REGISTER FOR CTY**

Notices, both emergencies and community-wide interest, are shared via the CTY system. You can sign up for notice to any phone line, email, cell phone or text. At any time, you can revise your options. But if you don't sign up, you can't be reached.

<http://villageofdeerpark.com/index.aspx?page=78>

**YES, A NEW WEB ADDRESS YOU CAN REMEMBER <http://villageofdeerpark.com/>**

A great deal of hard work has gone into this site, and there is still a lot of content to come. But please, bookmark the new. Trustee Keith Olson, who has led this project, says: "We've activated the new site a little earlier than we had planned, and will be finishing off some finer points going forward, but the new one is much better than the old one, which has essentially died of old age."

## NEWLY SWORN TRUSTEES, ASSIGNMENTS

This list was published in Monday's agenda packet. We hope future listings will include email addresses (if the official agrees). DPN reminds citizens that your trustees are eager to hear from you, but if you are calling them at home, please consider the hour. We cannot speak for the trustees, but we welcome calls at our home 9am-9pm

### Board Appointments (Liaisons)

- Planning, Development & Zoning, Alan Czarnik, (h) 847-438-9750, (m) 847-657-4430
- Roads & Drainage, Dale Sands, (m) 847-922-2716, (h) 847-381-8353
- Parks & Recreation, Joel Thomason, (h) 847-382-9270
- Vehe Farm, Keith Olson, (h) 847-438-2274, © 708-822-1427
- Health, Sanitation & Public Utilities, Rita Finley, (h) 847-438-4978, © 920-615-6146
- Finance/Public Safety, Jim Denny, (h) 847-381-5946

## SING! STILL TIME TO ENTER

NEW! SOLOISTS WELCOME TO ENTER! Soloists and groups will compete in their own category.

May 31—entries closed

June 1—online voting begins

<http://2011sing.com/how-to-enter>

or call Marcy Somenek, 847-726-7755,

MSomenek@ddr.com

Sing! is a national vocal talent competition designed to shine the spotlight on choirs, choruses, gospel singers, glee clubs and vocal groups around the country. The contest will begin by online vote and culminate in live performances at 13 Developers Diversified Realty shopping centers throughout the U.S. and Puerto Rico.

[2011sing.com](http://2011sing.com)

## GOOD NEIGHBOR DISCOUNT

Did you know... You and the people who visit you here in Deer Park are entitled to a Good Neighbor Rate. Ask for it when you book locally or online. The meeting room there was used recently by the village's Tourism Committee. General Manager Steven Amburgey showed off one of the beautiful, immaculate, 100% non-smoking rooms. Hampton Inn takes great pride in the fact that linens and duvets are washed fresh for every guest. The hotel has a pool and fitness room, AV equipment rental, and many additional services. You may have seen their mini van around the area, an extra service for their guests—a majority of whom arrive here without a car of their own.

Lisa Landwer - Director of Sales, 847-726-0500

[dos.chidp@jhmhotels.com](mailto:dos.chidp@jhmhotels.com)

## IT STARTS WITH ONE VOICE...

Deer Park Neighbors would like to acknowledge the remarkable leadership of Neighbor Marlene Smetana for her communications and organizations in the matter of Beelow's Steakhouse outdoor expansion. What she and her family accomplished in a very short time,

here and in a neighboring village, was simply remarkable. Hundreds of homeowners were made aware of a project that could impact their own homes. In less than a week, she obtained almost 120 signatures from Deer Park and Lake Zurich residents who asked to slow the process and hear their concerns. She continues to lead. An astounding piece of community action, as good as anything we've seen.

No matter what you feel about outdoor seating, entertainment and bar service, if this were happening in, literally, your own back yard, you would want to be aware. This has been a cordial dialogue, despite obviously emotional issues on all sides. DPN believes that a reasoned compromise is not only possible, it's in everyone's best interests.

Deer Park can learn a lot from this episode, however it's resolved, and DPN hopes that our elected officials will move immediately to review the noise ordinances and develop 21st century standards, fines, enforcement and wider notice of public hearings where matters like sound and smoke can travel far and wide. Here in Deer Park we have a 500-foot perimeter notice to nearby properties; Lake Zurich's is only 250 feet.

#### BEELow'S STEAKHOUSE IN THE NEWS

Patch.com, May 18, 2011, "Lake Zurich village officials may soon schedule a meeting with the owner of Beelow's Steakhouse and the restaurant's attorney in an effort to see if a compromise can be reached regarding the board's recent decision to allow the construction of an outdoor seating area at the restaurant." Full story and opportunity to comment

<http://lakezurich.patch.com/articles/village-officials-to-see-happy-medium-on-noise-concerns>

DailyHerald.com, May 17, 2011 "Village Administrator Bob Vitas offered to make himself and staff members available for a meeting between restaurant owner Dan Beelow and his attorney, and Elmhurst attorney Mark Daniel and his clients within two weeks before construction on the area is scheduled to start." Full story and opportunity to comment.

<http://www.dailyherald.com/article/20110517/news/705179833/>

#### BEELow'S—COVERGE OF APPROVAL

<http://www.dailyherald.com/article/20110503/news/705039949/>

<http://www.dailyherald.com/article/20110503/news/705039949/>

<http://lakezurich.patch.com/articles/beelows-gets-outdoor-seating-no-musical-accompaniment>

<http://lakezurich.suntimes.com/news/5160001-418/despite-noise-concerns-beelows-gets-outdoor-seating-permit.html>

#### HERONS, HERONS, HERONS

DailyHerald.com, 5/16/11 "Citizens for Conservation and Audubon invite residents to join the celebration of Baker's Lake Saturday, May 21, as an Important Bird Area. The event, which begins at 2 p.m. at Baker's Lake in Barrington, will include talks by Barrington Village President Karen Darch; Forest Preserve of Cook County Superintendent Arnold Randall; a representative from Audubon and others." Full story:

<http://www.dailyherald.com/article/20110516/news/705169957/>

## GARDENS GALORE:

DailyHerald.com, 5/15/11 “Wetzel’s garden, named Park Place, will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, May 22, to benefit the Garden Conservancy. Four other gardens in Inverness and Bartlett and two in West Chicago will be open at the same time. Admission to each garden is \$5, and more will be open on different days throughout the summer. A schedule is at [gardenconservancy.org](http://gardenconservancy.org).” Full story and ticket information.

<http://www.dailyherald.com/article/20110515/news/705159999/>

## RAIN BARRELS

You’ve got a well, right? So why would you need a rain barrel. Well, every gallon you simply capture from the sky is that much less strain on your well pump and the aquifer. Perhaps our next Parks Chair and Sanitation Chair could partner up to obtain attractive barrels at attractive prices for residents. Let’s make Deer Park the Rain Barrel Capital of the Northwest Suburbs.

Here’s a story on the subject:

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/classified/realestate/home/sc-home-0418-rain-barrel-20110421,0,4175728.story>

## TAKING FLIGHT?

Want to simplify your car service? Try Chicago Private Car Service; where you ride for a flat rate, and there’s no extra charge for passengers. You can open a corporate account and from Deer Park to O’Hare is only \$59; Midway \$79 and to the Loop is \$82. They’ll even drive you from the loop to the Cubs, Sox, Bears and Bulls for only \$35. 24-hour Executive Sedans. (DPN publishes this as a public service, and would appreciate your mentioning “Deer Park Neighbors” when you call.)

888-227-7187

<http://chicagoprivatecars.com>

## FACEBOOK? YOU BET

The news moves too fast, and we move around too much to be tied to long emails. And you all hate our long email, don’t ya!

But you love the news.

Beginning July 1, 2011, we will blast via Facebook. Later in the year, we’ll add Twitter. We know that some people will not use social networking, but if you don’t now, you will soon.

What do we gain? Dialogue. And video. And photos. And questions and surveys and lots more. A Facebook account is FREE; you simply sign in with your email address and set a password. We recommended using the most restricted privacy, but to date, we have never had a problem with our Facebook pages, personal, business or DPN. Ask to be a friend, if we know you, of course! We will certainly grant all requests from people we know and—free, all this year—we’ll talk you through setting up Facebook if you don’t know how. (Or you can ask your children or grandchildren).

<http://facebook.com/deerparkneighbors>

If we build it you will come!

Remember, together, we are stronger!

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