



VILLAGE OF DEERFIELD

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Harvest Fest Returns September 9 on Park Avenue

Deerfield's Harvest Fest is back September 9 on Park Avenue with fun community events for everyone.



Start the day at the Deerfield Farmers Market between 7 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., featuring a touch-a-truck event. RC Juggles will also be at the market from 9 a.m. to noon creating free, custom-made balloon art and filling Jewett Park with giant bubbles.

Visit Deerfield Road and Park Avenue Saturday afternoon for music, food and fun. Gates open at 5 p.m. for events including a live concert, food vendors, a beer tent and a bags tournament.

The event will have live music from West End 40 from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. followed by 7th Heaven from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Get ready for the annual Harvest Fest bags tournament. Participants are encouraged to register early on the Village's website. Food vendors include Rosebud-Deerfield, Caldwell's Grille, The Wild Roaster, Nothing Bundt Cakes, Serna's Grill, Mario's Cart, Da Pizza Dude and La Humita. Bring a chair and enjoy the show!

Harvest Fest is hosted by the Village of Deerfield and the DBR Chamber of Commerce. Thank you to our sponsors, Parkway Bank, KGH Autism Services and Lakeshore Recycling.

For more information please visit deerfield.il.us

7th

year for Harvest Fest

8

food vendors

1,000+

estimated 2022 attendance

44

bags tournament teams in 2022



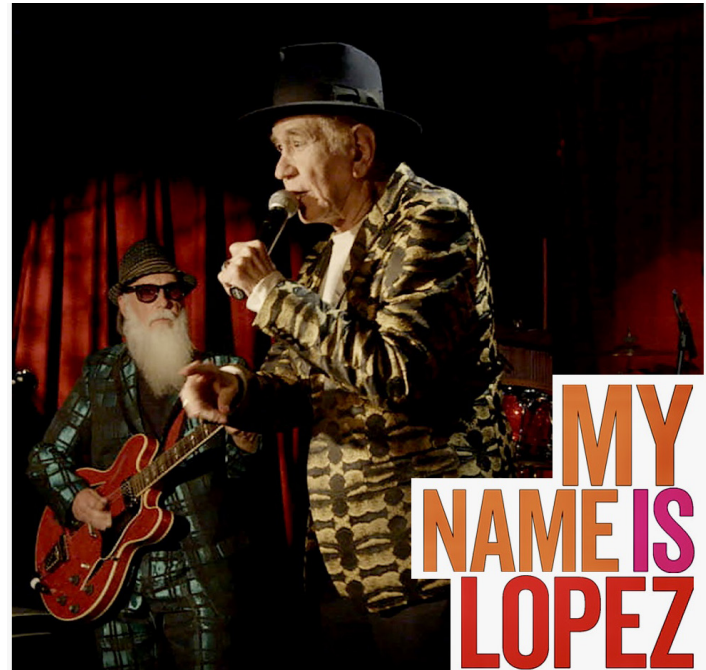
Sign up for the Solar Tour

Do you want to learn more about the benefits of solar energy or sing the praises of your own solar panels? Save the date and mark your calendars for September 30!

The Village of Deerfield is partnering with the Illinois Solar Education Association (ISEA) to spread the word about solar right here in Deerfield!

The Solar Tour is an annual, free event that offers the public the opportunity to view innovative green homes and buildings and see how solar energy can be used efficiently. The Tour is a chance for everyone to view affordable and practical technologies in their own neighborhood that benefit the environment and are part of the solution to our nation's energy issues.

Register to attend the 2023 Solar Tour at illinoissolar.org



My Name is Lopez: Viewing & Discussion

Thursday, September 28, 6:00-8:30 p.m.
Deerfield Public Library

Guitarist/singer Trini Lopez was born of undocumented Mexican immigrants and overcame all odds in 1960s America to become a true American rock and roll legend, and one of the first Latino rock stars. Co-producer, and former Deerfield resident, Gary Gand will discuss the 2021 documentary following the screening.

Presented in partnership with the Deerfield Community Relations Commission in recognition of National Hispanic Heritage Month.



PUT THE 'DEAR' IN DEERFIELD

Every act of kindness, large or small, spontaneous or planned, defines the spirit of our community. The Deerfield Community Relations Commission seeks to shine a light on acts of kindness that make Deerfield a special place to live and work. The Commission invites you to share a story of a person or group that illuminates the "Dear in Deerfield."

Visit deerfield.il.us or use the QR Code to share your story. Watch this space for updates.

Board Report

For complete sets of minutes for Village Board meetings or to watch meetings on demand, please visit deerfield.il.us.

VILLAGE BOARD ACTION

- Approved a Resolution to award contract for an ADA Transition Plan
- Approved a Resolution authorizing purchase of two new Police administrative vehicles
- Approved an Ordinance authorizing an Amendment to the Deerfield Park District special use to permit Phase 2 renovations to Jewett Park
- Approved an Ordinance authorizing Amendments to the Deerfield Zoning Ordinance to create a new entertainment and limited retail business zoning district south of Lake Cook Road
- Approved a Resolution approving an agreement for Police peer support and mental health network participation with Velan Solutions, LLC
- Approved an Ordinance authorizing an Amendment to the Tennaqua special use to allow changes to the Tennaqua Master Plan and renovations to the Tennaqua Club at One Tennaqua Lane
- Approved a Resolution amending the annual fee resolution of the Village of Deerfield regarding construction fees for patios/walkways/ other miscellaneous slabs and solar permits



HONORS AND RECOGNITIONS

- Recognized Mason Tepper with Worry Free Wednesdays (above)
- Recognized Lisa Dunn for service to Appearance Review Commission
- Appointed Sherry Flores to Chair of Appearance Review Commission
- Appointed Amy Charlson to Appearance Review Commission
- Appointed Dustin Goffron to Appearance Review Commission
- Recognized Alex Shvartsman, USA Judo Youth National Champion Intermediate Male Over 42kg
- Proclaimed June 19 as Juneteenth in the Village of Deerfield

Community Calendar

Deerfield Park District

For more information or to register for Park District programs, call 847.945.0650 or visit deerfieldparks.org.

Apply Online for Jobs
Join our AMAZING team! We have a job to fit your schedule. After school & before school counselors, lifeguards, fitness floor attendants, driving range attendants, special recreation inclusion and more, at deerfieldparks.org/jobs.

Patty Turner Center's 20th Anniversary
Wednesday, September 27, 5:30 p.m. Reception, 6:15 p.m. Dinner, 7:30 p.m. Concert Celebrate the Patty Turner Center's 20th Anniversary in grand style! Indulge

in a delicious buffet from the Italian Kitchen of Deerfield, savor sparkling champagne and delight in an evening of music.

Deerfield Golf Club Championship
September 30 and October 1. Tournament open to all Public Play with a valid 2023 CDGA or USGA Handicap. Weekend tournament with, 18 Hole round with cart (shared), hole contests, medium range balls and tee gift, putting championship contest following Round 1.

Halloween Hoopla Family Fun Fest
Saturday, October 21, 2-4:30 p.m. Join us for an afternoon of Halloween fun featuring

kid's games, a hayride, inflatables, Trick or Treat Trail, costumed characters, balloon twisters, a magician, face painting, entertainment and more!

Deerfield Library
All Library programs are free and open to the public. Register in advance by phone at 847.945.3311, online at deerfieldlibrary.org, or in person at 920 Waukegan Rd. Online program description notes program platform (online, in-person, or hybrid).

Memory Cafe
September 6 & October 4, 10:30-11:45 a.m.
A place for persons experiencing memory changes and their care partners to gather for connection and

conversation while enjoying themed activities. To register, contact Judy Hoffman at 847.580.8954 or jhoffman@deerfieldlibrary.org.

Morris, the Magic Man
September 9, 10-11 p.m., Ages 8-12
Prepare to be amazed by Morris the Magician in this show filled with magic, puppets, and fun.

Super Stolie Bilingual Show
September 13, 4-5 p.m., Kids & Families
Join us for a fun and educational show where you'll sing, dance, and learn some Spanish.

Let's Draw: Hilarious Hiking
September 22, 4-5 p.m., Grades K-6

Let's go on a cartoon hike where you decide where we go, who we meet, and what happens next!

Take a Minute for Medicare
October 11, 6:30-8 p.m.
We will help you prepare for the Medicare annual enrollment, and provide key information if you are coming to Medicare for the first time.

Haunted Library (After Hours)
October 13, 5-8 p.m., Kids & Families
You are cordially invited to come in costume (no weapons, masks, or clowns) for a bone-chilling event with a variety of spooky and not-so-spooky activities.

Public Works Update

PUBLIC WORKS BY THE NUMBERS

66 lane miles
of roadway

7,763 cubic
yards
of leaves collected in
2022

6,108 cubic
yards
of leaves collected
in 2021

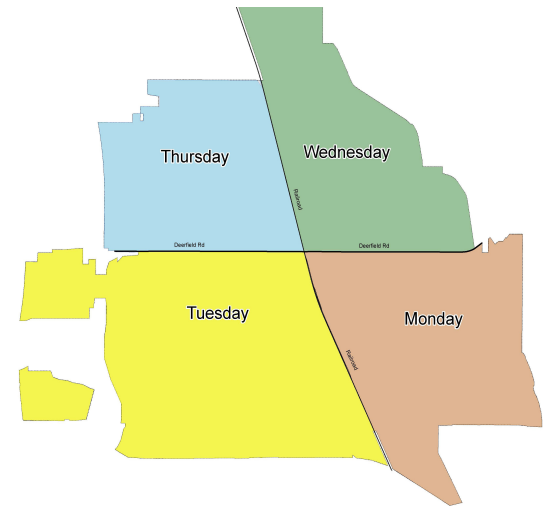
Leaf Collection Starts October 30

The Village's annual leaf collection program provides residents with an alternate way to dispose of their leaves. Residents who do not mulch or bag their leaves may rake them to the curb or carriage walk line the night before their scheduled pickup.

Beginning the week of October 30 and continuing through December 1, Public Works Department crews will make one pass by each house in the Village every week during the five-week program.

See the following guidelines and reminders for leaf pickup:

- Rake leaves into piles no greater than five feet in width.
- Do not rake leaves into the streets, sidewalks or carriage walks.
- Do not put out leaves more than one day prior to pickup day.
- Do not park on the street the day of your pickup.
- Do not rake grass clippings, sticks, rocks, branches or mud to the curb with your leaves.
- Try to put leaves out each week.
- Inclement weather may delay pickups, but crews will make at least five trips through each neighborhood.
- Direct landscapers to abide by the Village's guidelines for leaf collection.



Public Works collecting leaves.

Help Burst Those Flood Insurance Myths

An important component of promoting flood insurance is dispelling the myths that persist about it. Below are a few of the most salient misunderstandings about flood insurance and some straightforward explanations of what is really true.

MYTH: My homeowner's insurance covers flooding

Almost no homeowner's insurance policies cover flood damage. That is why the federal government

created the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). Flood insurance is sold as a separate policy. *To find an agent, contact the NFIP call center at 800-427-4661 or www.FloodSmart.gov.*

MYTH: I don't need flood insurance because I'm not in a high-risk zone

It can flood almost anywhere, and it doesn't take much water to cause expensive damage. About 1/3 of all flood disaster assistance goes to people outside the high-risk zone. With a changing climate, extreme weather events will be more likely in the future

MYTH: I can't get flood insurance, because I'm not in a high-risk zone

Virtually anyone who lives in or owns property in an NFIP-participating community can buy flood insurance for a residential building, business, condo, or apartment, and the contents can be insured as well.

MYTH: Even if my house floods, it wouldn't be much

There may not be very much water, but that doesn't mean there won't be much damage. Only one inch of water in an average home can cause more than \$25,000 in damage.

MYTH: I don't need flood insurance because FEMA gives disaster assistance

FEMA can only provide disaster assistance when the President issues a disaster declaration—this happens for less than half of all floods.

If you need more information on floods, please visit the [Additional Flood Information page on the Village website](#).

Waukegan Road Water Main Project

The Waukegan Road Water Main Project began in early April and is expected to be completed by mid-September.

The contract includes the full replacement of all water main items within Waukegan Road from Deerfield Road to North Avenue and requires traffic to be reduced to one lane in each direction. Construction is sequenced in a way to reduce impacts to the downtown area as well as the high school.

Updates on the project are being shared via the Village website and interested parties can sign up to receive email and/or text message updates on the project at by clicking on "Notify Me" at deerfield.il.us.

For more information, contact the Engineering Department at 847.317.2490.

Police Department News

Illinois School Bus Stop Law

With school back in session, all drivers should take a minute to familiarize themselves with the laws in Illinois as they relate to stopping for school buses. It is illegal to pass a stopped school bus in either direction while the bus stop arm is out and children are loading or unloading. If you are convicted of improperly passing a school bus, the Secretary of State can suspend your license.

The law states that a driver shall stop before meeting or overtaking, from either direction, any school bus stopped on a highway, roadway, private road, parking lot, school property or anywhere else. When the school bus displays the visual stop arm, a driver must come to a full and complete stop prior to reaching the bus and must remain stopped until one of the following occur: the school bus resumes motion, the bus driver gives a signal for the driver to proceed, or the school bus stop signals are no longer actuated.

A driver is not required to stop on a highway having four or more lanes that has at least 2 lanes of traffic in each direction provided the driver is traveling in the opposite direction as the school bus. The driver will be required to stop on a highway if he is traveling in the same direction as the school bus.

Catalytic Converter Thefts

Catalytic converter theft continues to be an issue throughout Deerfield and neighboring communities. Catalytic converters are exhaust emission control devices that reduce toxic gases and pollutants in exhaust gas and are valuable because of the metals they contain, such as copper, nickel and platinum.

Those stealing catalytic converters typically steal them by using a small portable reciprocating saw to cut the device off quickly from the underside of the vehicle. It can cost close to \$2,000 to replace a missing catalytic converter, and it is illegal to drive a car without one.

To avoid theft, it is recommend to park in a garage when possible, using or adding a motion-sensing light in driveways and parking in well-lit areas when parking in public. Residents are also encouraged to call 9-1-1 to report suspicious activity immediately.



Pink Patch Patrol

The Deerfield Police Department has once again partnered with the Cancer Wellness Center of Northbrook for the Pink Patch Patrol fundraiser. Throughout the month of October you may see Deerfield Police employees wearing uniforms with pink patches to raise awareness and show their support for the cause. Pink Deerfield Police patches are available to the public for a minimum of \$10 donation to the Cancer Wellness Center.

The Cancer Wellness Center provides education, wellness services and psychosocial support to those impacted by cancer and their loved ones. In 2022 the Deerfield Police Department raised \$2,000 through the Pink Patch Patrol.

9PM Routine

The 9PM Routine is designed to help you prevent burglaries and thefts from your home, cars or personal property. Too often these are crimes of opportunity perpetrated by criminals looking for an easy target. An unlocked car with valuables easily visible is an irresistible temptation for some thieves. Similarly, a residence with poor exterior lighting or an open garage door might entice a burglar to take a closer look at your property.

Every night at 9 p.m., we encourage the community to: BRING IN valuables from your car, yard, and patio; LOCK UP your car, house, windows, garage, gates and shed; TURN ON exterior lights and alarm systems.

In 2022, the Deerfield Police Department raised \$17,775 for charities and non-profit organizations.

\$4,500

Special Olympics Illinois Cop On A Rooftop

\$2,375

Special Olympics Illinois Law Enforcement Torch Run

\$2,000

Cancer Wellness Center of Northbrook Pink Patch Patrol

\$8,900

The Cure Starts Now Beard It Up Campaign



WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY

Since 1956, the Village of Deerfield has owned and operated a wastewater treatment plant known as the Water Reclamation Facility (WRF), or the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The plant is located at 1045 Hackberry Road, and an innovative reconstruction of the facility was completed in 2013. The facility is designed to meet water quality requirements determined by the Illinois EPA.

Over the years, the equipment, staff and regulations have changed, but the results are the same – turning waste into a resource. Each day, regardless of conditions, the WRF treats approximately three million gallons of wastewater.

The WRF by the numbers in 2022:

880 million gallons
of wastewater cleaned

98%
of all pollutants cleaned

61.5 acres
of farmland fertilized with biosolids

WRF 101



Treatment Process

The process begins with the collection of wastewater from each home or business in the Village.

This is done via underground pipes and manholes that direct all of the flow to the WRF. The raw wastewater is pumped up into our headworks building where it is screened and de-gritted.

The fine screens act as strainers, letting the liquid go through and pulling out plastics and paper products (mostly wet wipes, or “flushable wipes,” which should, in fact, never be flushed).

Next, the grit or heavy inorganic material such

as sand, egg shells, coffee grounds, etc. are settled out and removed. The wastewater then flows to aeration tanks where it is mixed in with millions and billions and trillions of bacteria and other micro-organisms that consume the organic material and turn it from dirty to clean.

This soup of microorganism-filled water flows to the secondary clarifiers, where the microorganisms settle to the bottom and the clear water comes off the top. This treated water flows down to the UV disinfection channels where any remaining bacteria and viruses are destroyed by UV lights that are in the water, like an underwater tanning bed. Finally, this screened, de-gritted, biologically treated,

clarified and disinfected water is discharged to the West Fork of the North Branch of the Chicago River, which runs along the west side of the WRF.

The microorganisms and solids that settled in the clarifiers are constantly pumped back into the aeration tanks so that we have a steady supply of microorganisms. A portion of these solids need to be removed from the treatment process to keep the WRF ecosystem healthy. This portion of the solids is sent to digesters where it is mixed and aerated to further break down, or digest, the material. After a number of weeks, the solids are dewatered in a centrifuge and stock piled in the WRF’s storage barn. This material is similar to the consistency of potting soil and is removed to fields or landfills.



Farmers Market - Food, Friends and Fun



The Farmers Market season is underway with lots of food, friends and fun! Come join us at our new permanent location on Park Avenue between Jewett Park Drive and Hazel Avenue every Saturday morning through October 14 from 7 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. We have a lot of fun activities, entertainment and events planned to make this our best season yet! Please note that to ensure the safety of visitors, no bikes are allowed inside the market and dogs are to be leashed on a 6-foot lead or less. We are excited to celebrate this season with our dedicated market vendors and patrons and welcome any newcomers interested in joining us! We hope to see you at the market on Saturday mornings.

For more information, visit deerfield.il.us/Farmers-Market.

IL SOS Skip-the-Line

The Skip-the-Line program is a customer service initiative launched by Secretary of State Giannoulias to eliminate the unpredictability of wait times at Illinois DMVs. The program begins September 1, 2023.

The Skip-the-Line program includes:

- Simplified Online Services – Customers are encouraged to take advantage of the many services offered online, including renewing their driver's license or ID card and license plate sticker online.



- Appointment Scheduling – Customers will be required to make appointments for in-person visits at 44 of the busiest DMVs

including all Chicago and suburban locations and some central and downstate DMVs for those seeking REAL ID, driver's license and ID

card services, and in-car driving tests.

- New Extended Hours of Operation – All DMVs statewide will extend hours of operation, with 16 facilities open six days a week – Monday through Saturday.
- All DMVs will change their days and hours of operation from Tues-Sat to Mon-Fri, 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
- 16 DMVs will also be open on Saturday, 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m., including the Deerfield Secretary of State location at 405 Lake Cook Road.



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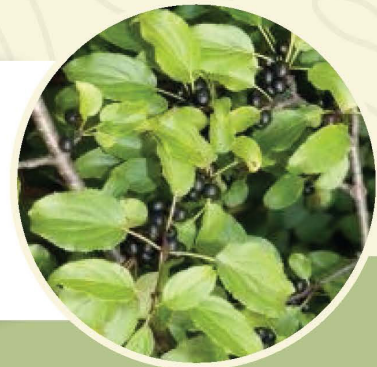
Public Works and Engineering

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BUCKTHORN REMOVAL AND HEALTHY HEDGES

SATURDAY, OCT. 14TH

10:00AM TO 11:00AM
DEERFIELD VILLAGE HALL
850 WAUKEGAN ROAD, DEERFIELD
COUNCIL CHAMBERS



JOIN THE SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION FOR AN INFORMATIVE PRESENTATION BY THE LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVES MANAGER OF RESTORATION ECOLOGY, MATT UELTZEN. DISCOVER EFFECTIVE TECHNIQUES FOR TACKLING INVASIVE BUCKTHORN AND EXPLORE NATIVE ALTERNATIVES AT THIS EVENT.

MEETING SCHEDULE

For a complete list of meetings, please visit deerfield.il.us. *Times/dates subject to change.*

September

Board of Trustees
September 5 & 18, 7:30 p.m.
Community Relations Commission
September 12, 6:30 p.m.
Plan Commission
September 14 & 28, 7:30 p.m.
Appearance Review Commission
September 18, 7:30 p.m.

October

Board of Trustees
October 2 & 16, 7:30 p.m.
Community Relations Commission
October 10, 6:30 p.m.
Plan Commission
October 12 & 26, 7:30 p.m.
Appearance Review Commission
October 23, 7:30 p.m.