

HEBRON NEWS

Honoring our past, moving toward the future

FROM OUR PRESIDENT



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Welcome, autumn! This is most definitely a favorite time of year with all the colors of the harvest beginning to bloom into another of nature's beautiful bouquets.

As promised, we have an update on our Senior Services Grant request and it's good news! The Community Development Division has made a recommendation to fund our request for a Senior Services Grant in the amount of \$5,040. The recommendations will now move forward to three Committees (Public Health and Community Services on 09/28/2017 at 8.15 am and Finance and Audit Committee on 10/05/2017 at 8:15 am) and will be presented to the McHenry County Board at its Committee of the Whole on 10/12/2017 at 9:00 am before being voted on at the McHenry County Board meeting at 7:00 pm on 10/17/2017. Watch the Village website for another update after October 17th.

Speaking of the Village website, have you visited lately? As of September 1st, it is up and running! Please take a peek and let us know your thoughts.

Coffee with the President has been moved to the first Thursday of every Month with our next coffee on Thursday, October 5th. Please join us from 9:30 am to 11:00 am for coffee, chit chat and a light snack.

Our Village will also have its first Employee Manual as we move into this fourth quarter of 2017. Upon its passage, the manual will spell out rules, regulations and policies for all Village Staff. This has been put together in conjunction with our Counsel and will further protect the Village.

Hebron is also expanding its borders. We have begun property annexation to widen our borders for the benefit of the Village now and security thereof for Hebron's future.

As promised and as requested by our residents, we will be expanding the hours of our Police Department, offering residents within the Village more coverage. I am also happy and proud to report the many compliments we receive on a daily basis about our officers and their rapport within the community, efficient response times and results of our proactive policing in keeping our residents and Village community safe.

Jim Lange, Village Events Chairman and Trustee Susan Ritzert are diligently working on and planning upcoming events for Hebron which include "Holly Days" in December, "Spring into Summer Fest" in May/June and a Farmers Market in town on Saturdays from 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm from May through October. All events will take place down Prairie Avenue, from Rt. 47 to the Village Hall. Stay tuned for more information on the Village website and in the next Quarterly Newsletter which comes out just after the first of the New Year.

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This newsletter will cover many holidays including Halloween, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas and the New Year, to name a few. If you can, please fly your flags proudly on Veterans Day as thanks and remembrance to our service men and women who have sacrificed and served so we may live free in these United States.

We will once again offer our residents a Holiday Decorating contest. A variety of judges from various departments including, Administration, Village Board, Police, Fire and Public Works, to name a few, will be driving around the Village after dark on December 15th and 16th to pool their votes. Winners will be announced at the Monday, December 18th Village Board Meeting. Additionally, there will be a separate Business Window Decorating contest as well, happening in conjunction with the residential contest. We are looking forward to seeing all the beautiful lights and decorations. Good Luck to all!

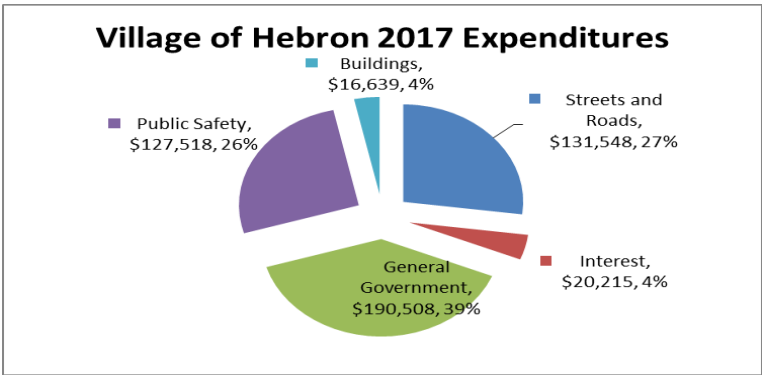
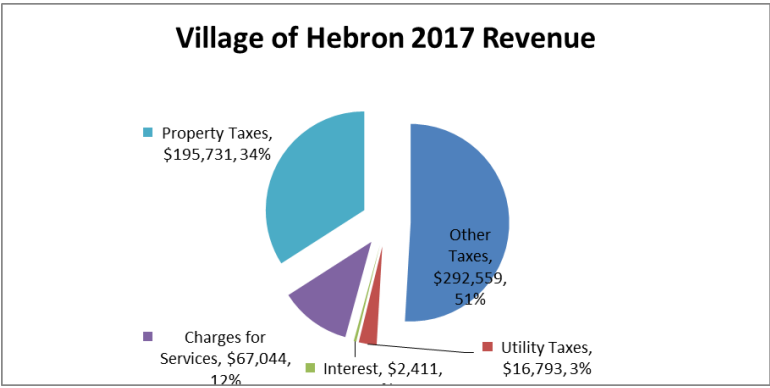
We have some very interesting columns this quarter, including Halloween Safety by Officer Liace, Dollars & Sense by Treasurer Pat Syens, the Clerk's column by Rose Smith-Miller, Police and Public Works updates by Chief Donlea and Superintendent Nelson as well as some information about the Senior Care Volunteer Network by Sarah Schrempf.

As always, we hope you enjoy the season and our amazing community as we move into the future one step at a time, together. I look forward to seeing you at our Village Meetings on the first and third Mondays of the month at Village Hall beginning at 7:00 pm!

Sincerely, Kimmy

From your Treasurer

Two commonly heard questions about a village's finances are where do the dollars available for spending come from and how are these dollars spent. Below are two charts that show how revenues and expenditures were budgeted for this fiscal year for Hebron. The fiscal year is from May 1, 2017 to April 30, 2018.



Dollars and Sense

FROM OUR PD

Welcome Officer Bruce Biancalana to Hebron PD. Bruce has been a long time police officer for Kirkland police. Bruce is an avid auto restoration specialist of antique police vehicles.

Welcome Officer Chris Robert to Hebron PD Chris is a South Suburban FD

Hebron police remains active in our schools with officers walking through at lunch providing a open line of communication with the students.



The first ever citizen police academy will be announced soon. Sign up and registration will be available October 16th. Also check the website for the new crime tip link.

The Village of Hebron Halloween hours will be from 3pm to 7pm on October 31. Here are a few safety tips from Officer Liace:

HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS

For Homeowners

- Keep outdoor lights on
- Keep walkways clear from tripping hazards
- Make sure hand railings are not loose and stairs are in good condition
- Use led lights or glow sticks inside carved pumpkins instead of candles
- Keep pets secured inside

For Trick-or-Treaters

- Always use the sidewalk when possible and walk in groups walk don't run house to house
- Wear light/reflective clothing and avoid long clothing that could be a tripping hazard
- Use face paint if possible over masks which can obstruct your vision and if wearing a mask, make sure masks are labeled flame resistant
- Wear comfortable shoes
- Don't visit unlit, dark houses
- Never accept rides from strangers
- Have your parents or an adult inspect your candy before eating it
- And always, if you see something , say something

Notes from public works:

STREETS:

There has been a new addition to our Public Works Department. Welcome Tim Hinterberg. If you see Tim driving by give him a friendly wave.

The Village of Hebron Public Works department will be picking up brush the 1st and the 3rd Mondays in October. Please do not leave brush on the side of the streets until these days. Leaf pick up will be October until first snow. Do not mix leaves with brush. The Village does not pick up yard waste such as clippings and weeds. Prairie Land disposal picks up on Thursdays. You can purchase bags and stickers at Hebron Lumber Company. To contact Prairie Land please call 1-847-381-9300.

Happy Fall !

The brush pick up is being provided for larger branches generated from tree trimming or storm damage and is not intended for disposal of whole trees that have been removed



WATER/SEWER DEPARTMENT

The Water Dept. has been working diligently for the last year trying to get our residents switched over to auto read meters. The purpose of this is so we can move into monthly billing, which we did in August. The Billing Dept. would like to take this time to apologize for any inconvenience or confusion the switch to

monthly billing has caused. There are some residents that we have been not able to change and we ask if you have not had your meter changed to please call us at 815-403-7594 or 815-355-2190 to make arrangements.

With the new monthly billing system, the bills will now be consistent. They will go out on the first of each month and be due on the 28th of every month.

The Water Dept. will be doing some select hydrant flushing mid-October during the day between 9 and 12.

If anyone ever has any questions about their bill please call the Billing Dept. at 815-648-2353 Ext. 20, we are here to help and the Billing Office is open Mon.-Thur. 1pm-3pm. We are located at the back of the Village Hall.



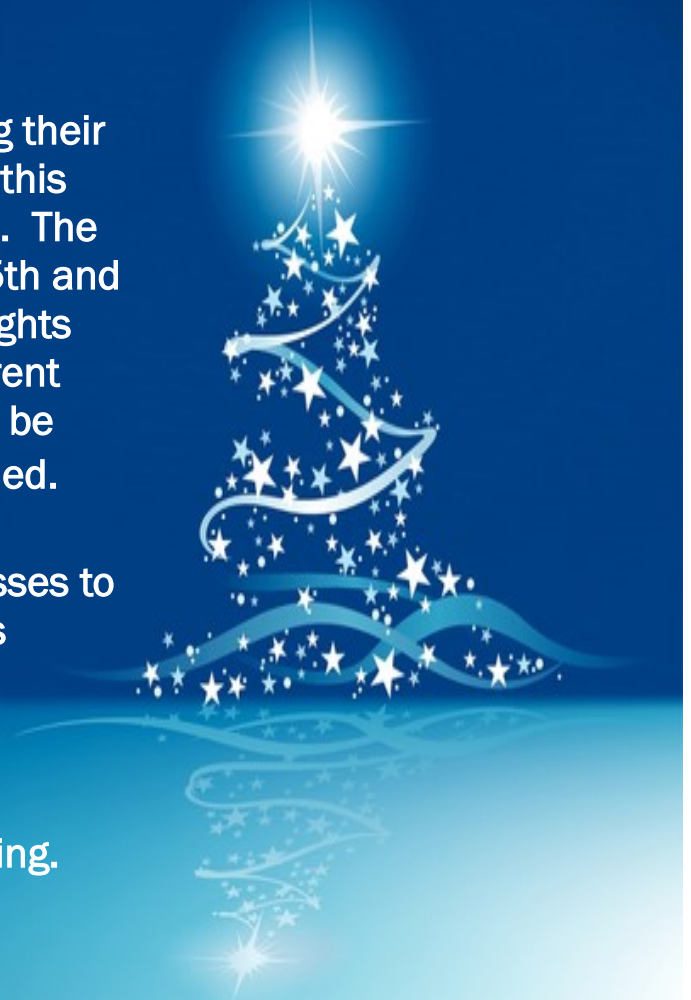
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CHRISTMAS DECORATION CONTEST

The Village of Hebron will be holding their Christmas decoration contest again this year. All are welcome to participate. The judging will take place December 15th and 16th. Please be sure to have your lights on. The judges will be from all different facets of the community. There will be 1st, 2nd and 3rd place prizes awarded.

This year we are also asking businesses to participate and a 1st place business award will be given.

All winners will be announced at the December 18th Village Board meeting.



FROM THE VILLAGE CLERK

I just would like to remind everyone that we will now be holding 2 Village Board Meetings a month. They will be held on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month at the Village Hall located at 12007 Prairie Ave at 7pm.

Please be sure to sign the sign in sheet if you choose to say something during public comments sections of the meeting. Agendas are posted on the website.

The new Village website is up and running. I really feel it is more user friendly and last but not least, the Village Ordinances are now available to you online. HOORAY!



Senior Care Volunteer Network (SCVN) exists to address the challenges faced by McHenry County seniors. The SCVN mission provides assistance and allows seniors, age 60 and above, to age and remain independent at home for as long and as safely as possible. We are able to accomplish this mission by providing services at no-cost to seniors with the support of over 300 volunteers.

Volunteer drivers provide to-the-door, door-through-door, and stay-at-the-destination transportation services to seniors needing to get to both life-sustaining and life-enriching activities. Other services offered include: friendly visits and phone calls, minor home repairs, shopping and errands, seasonal yard work assistance, respite support for the caregiver, incontinence product distribution and durable medical equipment loans to those in need.

The 65+ senior population in McHenry County is expected to increase 157% by 2030 with the 85+ senior population increasing 127% during this same time period (NE IL Area Agency on Aging & U.S. Census Bureau).

As our county residents continue to age, demand for SCVN services will inevitably increase. We expect to serve 1,500 unduplicated seniors in this coming year. Strategically, we are positioning ourselves accordingly. An increase in volunteers will allow us to continue to provide services and meet this monumental endeavor. There is a great need, and our low-income clients have a very difficult, if not impossible task, of paying for services. That is why SCVN volunteers are so vital to our program, the community and the seniors they serve.

To learn more about our services or to volunteer, please contact:

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