



HEBRON NEWS

Honoring our past, moving toward the future



FROM OUR PRESIDENT

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Spring has arrived, and our community is preparing for the planting season. We have exciting happenings in store for Hebron, so come on out with the family and enjoy your downtown, shop our stores, dine in our establishments and create terrific memories!

Mark your calendars for *Saturday, May 5th*! Our first annual *Spring into Summerfest* debuts from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm. Come join us for a Bounce House, Fish ponds, Barrel Train Rides and Carriage Rides. Play, shop & enjoy!

May 5th also marks the start of our new *Farmer's Market* which will run *Saturdays through October 27th* from Noon to 3:00 pm on Prairie Avenue at Main Street. Come on out and join us!

The annual *Antique Motorcycle Show* will be on *Sunday, May 20th* from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm on Main Street beginning at Third Avenue and running north. Free admission and all makes/models welcome. Come out, browse the bikes, stop for lunch and shop our stores afterwards. We look forward to seeing everyone!

The Village Board recently voted on an engineer, Strand Associates, to work with us on much needed maintenance of the Water Tower. Our tower will be repaired inside and out requiring removal of all antennae's and set-up of a temporary tank to keep our water service running. Our Public Works staff, along with our Engineer will make this a seamless process. If you have any questions, call the source, Public Works. We are here to answer any questions. Please be aware that for those who may utilize either of the two carriers which provide internet service, both have been contacted and given two alternative options to utilize during the tower's down-time which should last from two to four weeks depending on the weather. Thank you.

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Nicor Gas is planning on replacing 2,420 linear feet of pipeline. The project area runs along Bigelow Avenue including Meadow Lane, Brigham Trail and Heritage Court. As the Village receives more information, we will pass it along on our website. Please refer to the website for the latest information, maps, etc. As per their protocol, Nicor Gas will notify those directly affected.

John Streit and Bruce Fiegel of Keystone Display offered an invitation to myself and Dick Ackerman, our Building Inspector, to visit and tour their manufacturing facility. It was fascinating to see and learn about the process from start to finish and all the details which go into each display they turn out. Keystone was started in 1952 and is still running strong today, employing 55 workers in a state of the art facility. Thank you gentlemen, we are proud to have you in Hebron as part of our local economy and we look forward to your being part of the community for many years to come.

Wishing you a beautiful Spring!

Sincerely,

Kimmy Martinez



OUR POLICE

The Police Department will provide free gun locks beginning in April.

The locks are available through the Village Clerks office during the posted times of availability.

The Hebron Police will be offering a Citizens Police Academy May 2nd through July 11th. Interested participants can request an application from the Village Clerk. We are requesting that there be a minimum of 10 participants to establish the Academy.

As always we listen to the concerns of our residents and we have obtained a speed trailer from the sheriffs department that will be moved throughout the village to promote reduced speed in addition to our regular patrols.

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Chief R. Donlea
Hebron Police Dept.

Notes from public works:

STREETS:

The street department will be very busy this summer. The Village will be replacing many sections of sidewalk. They also are fixing the railing on Main Street , repairs on Bigelow along with their regular duties. Be sure to say hi or give them a wave when you see them out there.

Just a reminder that brush pick up by the Village is the 1st and 3rd Mondays in May and October and if there is storm damage. Please contact Prairieland or purchase the bags and stickers available at Hebron Lumber for any brush to be removed outside this time frame. The Village does not pick up yard waste. Again, Prairieland can do that for our residents. Prairie Land 847-381-9300.



WATER:

The Village of Hebron will be flushing hydrants in May 2018. During this time some loss of pressure and discoloration of water may occur in homes and business. This does not present any health hazards and will be temporary. Because of this discoloration, residents are urged to check water quality before doing laundry and to avoid doing laundry when hydrants are flushed in their area. There will be signs posted. Flushing will be from 9am to 3pm. Hydrant flushing is a necessary, regular maintenance program of the Village Of Hebron Water Department. For any questions about hydrant flushing, call (815) 403-7594.



WATER/SEWER BILLING

The Water/Sewer Billing Department would like to remind residents that if you are selling or purchasing a home in the Village you need to receive a certification from the Billing Department to take to closing showing that all bills have been paid. We do not forward bills and they must be paid prior to close. Please contact the office and someone will do a final read and let you know what is owed.

The Village bills once a month now and all bills are due by the 28th of each month. For your convenience you can pay your bills online via the Village website, in the drop box at front of the Town Hall, at the billing office or with the Village Clerk. All questions on billing should be directed to the billing office. You can contact the Billing Department at 12007 Prairie Ave. (back entrance), by phone 815-648-2353 ext.20 and by email at wsbilling@villageofhebron.org.

FROM OUR TREASURER

Dollar and Sense



A Call for Your Help!

A major goal of the Village of Hebron is to increase our efforts in obtaining grants for our priority needs here in Hebron. It is exciting to see how grant funds can bring in those much-needed extra dollars. This is a great way to augment our revenue and provide more services for our community without using taxpayer dollars.

We are asking for everyone's help in this endeavor. One of the big obstacles in getting grants is finding out about what grants are available. This is where you can be of assistance. We ask everyone to be on the alert for grants. You may hear about them through other newsletters you get, through the company you work for, on television or in a newspaper article. We have some websites we check with for upcoming grants as well as staying in communication with other governmental units to learn of grants we can apply for. If you hear of a grant, please email us at Treasurer@villageofhebron.org with the details and we will look into it. With this help from everyone, we hope to hear about many more than we would with just three or four of us looking. Please keep it in the back of your mind so when you do hear of a possibility we get a chance to bring more money into our community for much needed services.

We are looking for grants that might help with lighting, playground equipment, infrastructure maintenance of any kind, projects to bring visitors to our town and many other needs as well. Thank you for your help with this. We will keep you informed as we apply for and receive grant funds. The funds are out there but we need to find the ones that are available to us. This in some respect the hardest part of getting a grant. We are always open to your questions and suggestions.



BUILDING DEPARTMENT

With summer on its way the Building Department would like to remind residents that pools 24 inches and over require a permit and also require barriers such as fencing. A copy of the ordinances can be found on our website. Please be sure to contact our building inspector Dick Ackerman at 815-482-4558.

Building permit applications can be picked up at the Village Hall during Clerk hours.

VILLAGE CLERK

Village Hall has new hours and is now open on Fridays. We have available staff so there was every reason to expand our hours to the public as follows:

Monday 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Tuesday 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

Wednesday 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

Thursday 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

Friday 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

We are here for your convenience whether by phone or in person. As a note, water bills can be dropped off with the Village Clerk who will issue a receipt.

