

# Vernon Hills Village Voice

People Planning with Pride

The Official Newsletter of the Village of Vernon Hills

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For all the latest info on summer special events...

**Vernon Hills Events Hotline**

**367-3725**

or

[www.vernonhills.org/events](http://www.vernonhills.org/events)



The silo at the western entrance to the Village on Route 60 will soon have a new view. Crews are beginning construction of Aspen Pointe, located directly east of this landmark.

## Board OKs 2005/2006 Budget

by Larry Nakrin, Village Finance Director/Treasurer

On April 17, the Village passed its fiscal year 2005/06 budget totalling \$25,581,006. Of that, \$21,164,622 is budgeted for expenses and the remainder is earmarked for transfers, contingencies, and most significantly, reserves for future equipment replacement. This budget anticipates \$20,443,073 in projected revenues, which come primarily from local sales tax receipts. (Vernon Hills is one of the few municipalities that does not collect a tax, but rather funds primarily through local sales tax.)

This budget as presented does show a \$721,549 deficit, which is considered reasonable based on the ever-improving revenue stream and nature of budgeted expenses (explained below). This deficit includes a robust \$3,395,000 capital program, which is a one-time expense. Other expenses include \$15,977,622 for operations and \$1,492,000 for debt service.

### Conservative Budget Planning as Revenues Improve

I'm pleased to report that while the Village's revenue picture (that is, local sales tax revenue) has not yet recovered to the more halcyon eras of 2000 and 2001, the economy has improved from the huge revenue drop experienced in fiscal year 2002/03.

In addition to a more robust retail economy, the Village will also benefit from the additional funds that will be generated by such projects as the redevelopment of Marketplace, the expansion of Target, and the proposed expansion of Westfield Shoppingtown Hawthorn. Another key to the budget process is the fact that the Village has worked hard to reduce costs, including a 10 percent reduction in full-time positions, resulting in about \$1 million in savings each year.

### Funding Put Back into This Year's Capital Plan

As you may recall, concerns about weak revenue prompted a bare-bones 2004/05 capital plan, which provided only about \$1 million for all road repairs, facility maintenance programs, and general infrastructure upkeep efforts for the Village. Experience proves that delaying maintenance projects is a short-term solution — an anemic capital program will actually increase costs in the long run as roads, sidewalks, and other infrastructure deteriorates. The need to maintain our current infrastructure called for this year's more aggressive capital program. The plan includes an extensive road rehabilitation program, repairing and extending sidewalks and paths, more lighting in Sullivan Woods, improvements to the Vernon Hills Athletic Complex, and projects at Lake Harvey and the Seavey Ditch.

The combination of improving revenues and reduced costs makes running a deficit for a beefed-up capital program more feasible. Additionally, our long-term planning model demonstrates that the Village will likely eliminate its deficit while maintaining a healthy fund balance over a five- or six-year horizon.

A copy of the budget is available for review at the Village Hall. The budget will also be posted at [www.vernonhills.org](http://www.vernonhills.org) by mid-June. You can also watch for a discussion of the budget on an upcoming Cable 4 show. For further information, contact Larry Nakrin at [LarryN@vhills.org](mailto:LarryN@vhills.org).

## From the Mayor...

Recently, I was sworn in for my fourth term as Village President. I appreciate the confidence you have shown in me, and join with all elected officials and staff in pledging to work hard on your behalf.

Most of you know that I am among the Village's biggest cheerleaders. I invite you to take a moment to read through this newsletter to learn about things like the planning initiative in Gregg's Landing (*lower right*), the road rehabilitation program (*page 3*), and more.

Here are a few more items I'm proud to share:

- The Village is **financially healthy**. We will continue to plan carefully and budget prudently to ensure that we can provide key services and benefits to our residents — all without collecting a Village property tax.

- We can be very proud of all the improvements in our Village. One result of those improvements is **increasing property value**. In fact, property values in Vernon Hills increased 8.2% in this past year.

- Vernon Hills was recently rated a community offering the **"highest opportunity"** by the Leadership Council for Metropolitan Open Communities. The rank was based on factors such as wealth, schools, and home appreciation.

- We're served by highly trained **police, fire, and emergency services personnel**. In fact, Countryside Fire was the first fire protection district in the nation to earn national accreditation, and has maintained that designation since 1998. Our Police Department has been accredited since 1995.

- Our community boasts **exceptional schools**, including the expanding South Lake campus of College of Lake County. Our local high schools continue to shine in academics, athletics, and other extra curricular activities. And I'm sure you've joined me in watching progress on Hawthorn's new Townline School.

- Finally, it wouldn't be summer without lots of **family-friendly activities**, such as Summer Celebration, Arbortheater Concerts, and our Independence Day events. Thank you to all of our Cultural Partners and the hundreds of volunteers who make all of this possible. When it gets down to it, it's this spirit of cooperation and neighborliness that really makes us a community. *Enjoy your summer!*

*Roger L. Byrme*

## Special Census Shows +3233

Thanks to the special census, Vernon Hills is now officially home to 23,353 residents — a gain of 3233 residents. From a funding standpoint, the new higher count results in approximately \$342,698 in additional revenue for the Village.

This year, the Village is on target to receive \$106 per person from three per capita state taxes (income, use, and motor fuel taxes). While the allocation per person fluctuates a bit each year, a similar allocation can be expected each year until the next general census in 2010.

The Village undertook the special census in neighborhoods that experienced significant growth since the 2000 general census. Beginning in February,

trained census takers went door-to-door in areas including Gregg's Landing, The Park, Sanctuary Point, and Sarah's Glen.

As an example of the census' impact, the 2000 count showed only seven residents in The Park, then known as Maravilla. Since then, the facility completed construction and filled to the point where that location is now home to more than 250 residents.

### One Closure to Go

Good news — only one more railroad crossing closure to go! By now, you know the drill — expect delays and plan for detours.

**Butterfield Road  
railroad crossing closed  
June 1 to 22**

## From the Boardroom...

### Gregg's Parkway, Aspen Land & More

The Village is preparing to hold meetings with residents of Gregg's Landing (and any other interested residents) to review landscaping and screening options regarding potential use of the 70 acres of open **commercial property along Milwaukee Avenue** near Gregg's Parkway. As part of this effort, the Village has hired Rolf Campbell and Associates, a Lake Bluff-based planning organization, to help conduct workshops with residents and make recommendations for viable landscape options.

While there have yet to be any detailed discussions with developers, Bradford Real Estate has talked about subdividing the property, with potential uses being a fitness center. The land is zoned for commercial use, with potential tenants being anything from banks and small retailers to big box stores or car dealerships.

The Village will work vigorously to maintain open dialogue with residents and developers to ensure a quality site plan for this prime location. Meetings are expected to begin in July.

### In Other News...

Here are some other topics during recent Village Board meetings. Meetings are the first and third Tuesday each month, and rebroadcast on Cable Channel 4. The cable schedule is posted at [www.vernonhills.org/communityinformation/cable](http://www.vernonhills.org/communityinformation/cable).

- The board authorized Village staff to explore the purchase of a vacant parcel of **land along Aspen Drive**, north of the Sullivan Center. Known as the Rosen parcel, the initial thought in acquiring this land would be to have it available for a local library. The parcel's proximity to both park district and school facilities opens many opportunities for shared use.

- Previously, the Village agreed to negotiate a settlement regarding a **two-acre parcel** at Route 60 and Aspen Drive in the planned Aspen Pointe development. The land, which had been reserved for a potential Cook Library site, is slated to generate \$960,000. The Village will continue to work to acquire other property for a potential future library site.

- Village trustees are watching the advancement of **Senate Bill 847** introduced by State Senator Terry Link and brought to the House by Rep. Kathy Ryg. The proposal would allow library districts to reorganize.

# IN BUSINESS...

The Community Development Department has been busy processing commercial and retail permits, with lots of business openings anticipated as the summer and fall progress. Here are a few businesses that are now open. Remember, it's always a great idea to shop in town – a percent of all sales tax collected from local businesses stays here to support Village services.

- **Allstate Insurance**, 536 Atrium
- **Ashley Furniture**, Marketplace
- **Broadspire Services**, 300 E. Center
- **Department of Defense**, 850 N. Milwaukee
- **Garage Store & More**, Rivertree Court
- **Hapkido Martial Arts**, 215 N. Butterfield
- **Lollicup**, 129 Townline
- **Majestic Mortgage**, 945 Lakeview
- **Miracle Medical Supply**, 175 Milwaukee
- **Mitsubishi Digital Elec.**, 1000 N. Butterfield
- **Pump It Up**, 500 N. Fairway
- **Tandem Oral Care**, 50 Lakeview

### At Westfield Shoppingtown Hawthorn:

- **Flash Digital Portraits**, 119 Hawthorn Ctr
- **Ms. Baubles**, 703 Hawthorn Center
- **Torrid**, 620 Hawthorn Center
- **Tut Hut**, 115 Hawthorn Center

### New carts and kiosks at Westfield Shoppingtown:

- |                |                  |
|----------------|------------------|
| Bling Bling    | Renaissance Spa  |
| Personalize It | Virtual TV Games |
| Pick Your Pet  |                  |

### And watch for progress to continue at these businesses:

- **Old Navy**, expected to open July 15 in Market Place.
- **Aspen Pointe** (corner of Route 60 and Aspen Drive), site improvements underway. The parcel will contain townhomes, a new Walgreens, and more.
- **Tsukasa of Tokyo**, new location under construction in Market Place.
- **Jared Jewelers**, preparing to build along Rt. 60 at site of former Chili's restaurant.
- **Walter E. Smithe**, expecting to begin construction in late summer at Milwaukee and N. Woodbine.

# Construction Update: Fairway Drive, Road Rehab, Arbortheater

**Route 45/Fairway Drive:** Work continues on Route 45 at what will be a new intersection with Fairway Drive. Utilities have been relocated, and temporary traffic signals installed and activated. Expect lane shifts and intermittent lane closures through this fall.

This project also incorporates the redirection of Buffalo Grove and Port Clinton Roads just south of Prairie Road. Crews are working to construct a new curve for Port Clinton Road, feeding it directly up to the Route 45 intersection. Note that to facilitate this project, the eastern section of Port Clinton between Route 45 and the Buffalo Grove realignment will be closed through the end of June. Intermittent closures of Prairie Road are also anticipated.

Updates will be posted at [www.lakegov.info](http://www.lakegov.info) and at [www.vernonhills.org](http://www.vernonhills.org). Information is also available by calling Public Works Director Ed Laudenslager at 847-680-2260.

**Road Rehab Project:** June marks the start of this year's road rehabilitation project, which will focus on roads in **Grosse Pointe Village, Carriages of Grosse Pointe, and Court of Shorewood**. Work will include curb, gutter, and sidewalk repairs; drainage improvements; and new

pavement. Check the Construction Hotline at 847-918-3575 for updates.

**Metra Station:** Metra contractors have moved in heavy equipment to construct an additional 452 parking spaces directly east of the existing lot. The lot will be complete this fall. The platform and tracks through Vernon Hills are essentially complete.

**Parks and Green Spaces:** In late May, landscape contractors began working in the new portion of **Memorial Arbortheater**, which extends south into the Vernon Hills Athletic Complex. The project includes lights, benches, and other features.

This fall, work will begin to restore the **Seavey Ditch** from the Arbortheater to Route 45. This project will be funded by an EPA Stormwater Management grant for \$138,632. Also receiving grant support is an effort to improve **Harvey Lake**. The Army Corps has committed \$260,000 to mitigate shoreline erosion, remove invasive plants, reintroduce beneficial native plants, and enhance water quality. Staff will meet with area residents in June with that project expected to start in October.

For information on the Metra Station, Arbortheater and grants, check online at [www.vernonhills.org](http://www.vernonhills.org) or call Village Engineer Dave Brown, 847-918-3544.



*Top left: The north end of Fairway Drive is ready to roll. In the upper right of the photo is a small plane that used the area for an emergency landing.*



*Lower left: Hawthorn's new Townline School will be ready for students this fall.*

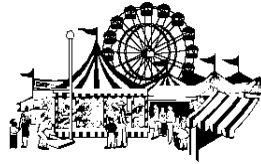
# Summer Celebration Rolls July 14 to 17

Old-fashioned midway rides and games...

Lots of food and refreshments...

A fireworks show...

And fantastic **FREE** concerts!



Join the Summer Celebration fun at Century Park, two blocks north of Route 60 at Lakeview Parkway. You'll enjoy **carnival rides** by Salerno's Windy City Amusement, American Legion **Bingo**, children's **art projects**, **Food Fest** featuring many of our fine local eateries, and a **Beer Garden**. The highlight — **FREE concerts** by *Molly*



## Summer Celebration

### Thursday, July 14

Midway Opens . . . . .6 p.m.  
DeLuxury . . . . .7 p.m.  
Fireworks . . . . .9:15 p.m.  
Grounds Close . . . . .10 p.m.

### Friday, July 15

Midway Opens . . . . .6 p.m.  
Person to Person . . . . .7 p.m.  
Molly Hatchet . . . . .9 p.m.  
Grounds Close . . . . .12 a.m.

### Saturday, July 16

Midway Opens . . . . .1 p.m.  
89 Mojo . . . . .7 p.m.  
Grand Funk Railroad . . . . .9 p.m.  
Grounds Close . . . . .12 a.m.

### Sunday, July 17

Midway Opens . . . . .1 p.m.  
Classic Rock Allstars . . . . .8 p.m.  
Grounds Close . . . . .10 p.m.

*Hatchet, Grand Funk Railroad* and more. (Now *that's* rock and roll!) Ashuttle will run from the upper Westfield Shoppingtown lot near Marshall Field's. For updates, check [www.vernonhills.org](http://www.vernonhills.org) or call the hotline at 847-367-3725. *Volunteers are crucial for this event. If you would like to lend a hand, call the Village Hall at 847-367-3700.*

Entertainment subject to change without notice. No alcohol, food or other beverages may be brought into the park. Please, no dogs or other pets on the grounds.



## Arbortheater Concerts:

### A Reason to Look Forward to Thursdays

Concerts begin at 7 p.m.

The movie will begin at dusk.

Grab your lawn chair, picnic basket, and dancing shoes... Arbortheater Concerts are back — and as always, they're free and open to the public. These Village-sponsored events are held on select Thursdays at the outdoor Memorial Arbortheater, 50 N. Fairway Drive, just past the intersection of Lakeview and Fairway Drive. In case of inclement weather, concerts will move to the Park District Sullivan Center, 635 N. Aspen Drive. *If your local non-profit group is interested in selling concessions during the concerts, please call 847-816-3208.*

- June 23 .....**The Renditions** (60s & 70s Rock)
- June 30 .....**Guss Stagg & John Walsh and The Tuff Enuff Band** (R&B & Rock)
- July 7 .....**Saturday June Band** (Pop & Classic Rock)
- July 21 .....**White Saddle Band** (Country)
- July 28 .....**Hladish & Brown** (New Country & Rock)
- August 4 .....**Jazz Spectrum** (Vocal & Instrumental Jazz)
- August 11 .....**Gravity Down** (Alternative Rock)
- August 18 .....**Movie Night: Shrek II** (Shown on a giant screen; rated PG)

# THANK YOU, CULTURAL PARTNERS

Cultural Partners support our community by helping fund such special events as Arborthheater Concerts, fireworks displays, and Summer Celebration. For more information or to become a Cultural Partner, please contact Lisa Fischbach at 847-918-3562. Thank you to the following Cultural Partners:

AMLI @ Museum Gardens

American Hotel Register

CDW

Bradford Real Estate Services

Washington Mutual

Westfield Shoppingtown Hawthorn

Civiltech Engineering

HSBC Bank USA

Walter E. Smithe Furniture

## Junior Golf Program Offers Fundamentals

The Vernon Hills Golf Course will again offer the Junior Golf Program. This series of *free* clinics is for young residents age 9 to 15 who are interested in learning the fundamentals of course rules and play. Sessions are held on Tuesday (July 5 – August 2) or Thursday nights (July 7 – August 4), from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Space is limited for this extremely popular program. Sign up is first come, first served at the Clubhouse beginning at **7 a.m. on Wednesday, June 15**. To be fair to all, you may only sign up your own children — “neighborhood” registrations will not be accepted. You may be asked to provide proof of residency. For details, call the Clubhouse at 847-680-9310 or visit the Pro Shop at 291 Evergreen Drive.

**Volunteers are desperately needed!** Minimal golf experience required. Call the clubhouse if you can help.



# 4th of July Festivities

**Note: The north half of Deerpath Dr. will be closed from 8:30 a.m. to about 11 a.m. on Monday, July 4.**

**BIKE DECORATING CONTEST — 8 A.M.** Girls and boys ages 4 to 12 — show your creativity by decorating your bike, trike or wagon! Two first-place winners earn a trophy and ribbon, and all entrants get a ribbon and gift certificate. Kids may ride in the parade, if accompanied by an adult. **Contest location:** Corner of Deerpath and Atrium Drives near the Countryside Fire station.

**PARADE — 9 A.M.** This wonderful tradition winds through the Deerpath subdivision, starting at Deerpath and Atrium Drives, moving south to Sullivan, west to Aspen, north to Hawthorn Elementary South. And don't forget your candy-catching bags and parade etiquette—Veterans ask that we stand, remove hats, and acknowledge the opening color guard. (If you'd like to be in the parade, register at [www.vernonhills.org](http://www.vernonhills.org).)

**EVENING ENTERTAINMENT — 6:30 TO 9:30 P.M.** Free concert by JP and the Cats at Century Park, two blocks north of Route 60 at Lakeview Parkway. Reminder: No alcohol is permitted in the park.

**FIREWORKS — 9:30 P.M.** The closest view is from Century Park, north of Route 60 at Lakeview Parkway.

## ITEMS OF INTEREST...

### Family Aquatic Center

635 N. Aspen Drive  
Open May 28 through  
September 5, weather permitting.  
Contact the Park District for hours,  
rates and events — 847-996-6800 or  
[www.vhparkdistrict.org](http://www.vhparkdistrict.org).



### Summer Splash

at the Family Aquatic Center  
Friday, August 5, 5:30 to 9 p.m.  
Residents only. Tickets are \$1, purchased in  
advance at the Sullivan or Laschen Centers

### Evergreen Interim Library

Village Hall, Lower Level

Monday . . . .2 pm-8:30 pm  
Tuesday . . . .10 am-8:30 pm  
Wednesday .10 am-8:30 pm  
Thursday . . .2 pm-8:30 pm  
Friday . . . .10 am-5 pm  
Saturday . . .10 am-5 pm



### NUMBERS TO NOTE

Vernon Hills Golf Course  
847-680-9310 or [www.vernonhillsgolf.com](http://www.vernonhillsgolf.com)

Vernon Hills Park District  
847-996-6800 or [www.vhparkdistrict.org](http://www.vhparkdistrict.org).

Central Lake YMCA  
847-367-6797 or [www.centrallakeymca.org](http://www.centrallakeymca.org)

Cuneo Museum & Gardens  
847-362-3042 or [www.cuneomuseum.org](http://www.cuneomuseum.org)

Cook Memorial Library  
847-362-2330 or [www.cooklib.org](http://www.cooklib.org)

Lake County Forest Preserves  
847-367-6640 or [www.lcfpd.org](http://www.lcfpd.org)

## Vernon Hills Pageant

Miss Vernon Hills Lillian Yanni,  
Junior Miss Amanda Baittie, and  
Little Miss Jordyn Cotton  
invite you to attend the  
2005 Vernon Hills Pageant...

**When:** Friday, June 17 at 7 p.m.

**Where:** Vernon Hills High School,  
145 N. Lakeview Parkway

*Best wishes to all participants!*

## Thinking Sparklers? Please Don't!

Even though the purchase of some types of fireworks may be legal in some neighboring states, they are still illegal to use and even possess in Illinois. Remember, the laws in Illinois do not change over the July 4 holiday. Fireworks are no more legal now than they are at other times of the year. This includes the possession or use of fireworks that are purchased out of state.

The Vernon Hills Police Department investigates all fireworks complaints. If some-

one is found to be in violation, the items in question will be confiscated and the people involved will be arrested and charged when appropriate. Adults as well as minors are subject to all enforcement action.

The term "fireworks" includes firecrackers, cherry bombs, skyrockets, bottle rockets, roman candles, M-80s, and sparklers. Yes, sparklers are also prohibited by ordinance. (Did you know that sparklers burn at 1,800 degrees? Enough said!)

## That's a Lot of Years...

In April, the Vernon Hills Police Department recognized three officers who reached the same impressive milestone — a quarter century with the department. Shown here holding their 25-year awards are (from left to right) **Sergeant Mark Chandler**, **Commander Rick Davies**, and **Commander Drew McPhee**. Congratulations guys — and thank you!



## Speaking of a Lot of Years...

With heartfelt thanks we wish **Officer Kim Christenson** a happy retirement. Officer Christenson has been a highly visible member of the Vernon Hills Police Department since signing on in 1977. In 1983, Kim and two other officers started the Officer Friendly program in the Hawthorn schools. He was the force's first full-time Crime Prevention Officer and a D.A.R.E. educator. More recently, he's known for his efforts as Public Information Officer, starting the "Cop Topics" show, the Citizen's Police Academy, Hook-a-Kid On Golf program, and more.

On June 10, Kim will retire after 28 years of dedicated service. When asked what he was most proud of over his career, Kim stated, "I'm most proud of being accepted by the teachers and staff in the school district as 'one of them,' the relations I've built with members of the media on the Department's behalf, and the respect I've gained from my co-workers." Thank you, Kim — and best wishes!



Officer  
Kim Christenson

## Skate for a Great Cause

The Vernon Hills Community Alliance Project (CAP) is sponsoring its second Family Skate fundraising event on **Friday, June 17**, from 7 to 9 p.m. at Glacier Ice Arena. For only \$5 per person you can enjoy two hours of open skating and skate rental. CAP is a coalition of business and community leaders formed to network, sponsor, and coordinate youth and family programs in our area. The money raised at this event will help fund local programs. You can learn more about CAP at [www.vernonhills.org](http://www.vernonhills.org).



## Pet Microchip Clinic is June 18

On **Saturday, June 18**, the Vernon Hills Police Department will host a pet microchip clinic. The event will be held at the police station, 754 Lakeview Parkway, from 9 a.m. to noon.

During the clinic, representatives from Lake County Animal Control will inject cats and dogs (at least four months old) with an American Veterinary Identification Device (AVID). The fee is \$10 per animal. No reservations needed. Dogs must be leashed and cats must be in a carrier. For information call 847-362-4449.

Vacation House  
Watch  
847-362-4449

## Volleyball, Anyone? Night Out is Aug. 2

Since 1984, the first Tuesday in August has been designated as National Night Out (NNO). The event, sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch, is designed to heighten anti-crime efforts, strengthen neighborhood spirit, and enhance police-community partnerships.

In 2004, we took NNO to a new level as members of the VHPD took on six community volleyball teams. The "tournament" was great fun for everyone who participated. Players and spectators alike were treated to hot dogs, hamburgers, and snow cones. (By the way, we won 4 of 6 matches!) The event was such a great success that we're planning to do it again this year on **Tuesday, August 2**.

We're looking for some new volleyball teams that want to take us on. Get your players lined up and prepare to have a good time. Act now. Last year we had to turn teams away. (Besides, you'll need time to practice.) Call Officer Jim Levicki at 847-247-4888.

## Farmers Market Update

The Village has postponed the Community Harvest Farmers Market for 2005 due to a lack of vendors.

## Grand Marshall Nominations

The 4th of July Parade Committee is accepting nominations for July 4th Parade Marshall. To offer your nomination, complete the Comment & Suggestion form at [www.vernonhills.org](http://www.vernonhills.org).

## Yard Waste Stickers

A quick reminder that Yard Waste Stickers are available at Village Hall, Sullivan Center, the local Dominick's and Home Depot. Cost is \$1.80 per sticker. You can also order stickers and learn more by contacting Onyx Waste Services at 847-623-3870.

## Property Tax Schedule

Reminder: The first installment to the Lake County Collector is due **June 6**. The second is due **September 6**.

## Cuneo Hosts Children's Arts Fair

Visit Cuneo Museum & Gardens on Sunday, **July 10** for the Children's Arts Fair. The event runs from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and features lots of projects, information, and entertainment. All summer long, enjoy the beautiful gardens for only \$5 per car. For information on house tours, facility rental, or volunteer opportunities, call 847-362-3042 or check online at [www.cuneomuseum.org](http://www.cuneomuseum.org).

# Get on the List at Garage Sale Central

It's garage sale season — and the Village will help you advertise! Garage sales require a Village permit, which is free. Simply contact the Village Hall at least 72 hours before your event to complete your paperwork. In fact, you can now request and receive your permit online at [www.vernonhills.org](http://www.vernonhills.org). The specifics for signage, hours of operation, etc., are posted online. Most importantly, you can view a listing of all the week's sales. Whether you're selling, or organizing your weekend of bargain hunting, check Garage Sale Central at [www.vernonhills.org](http://www.vernonhills.org).



## Legion Collects Worn Flags

American Legion Post 1247 urges you to bring your unservicable flags to the Village Hall. Legion members will then properly dispose of them. Veterans thank you for flying the flag proudly.

## Free CareCoach Visits

The Lake Forest Hospital CareCoach will visit Village Hall from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. on **June 16, July 14** and **August 11**. No appointments are needed for this free wellness service. See [www.lakeforeshospital.com](http://www.lakeforeshospital.com) or call the Village Hall, 847-367-3700.

## Park District Particulars

For details on pool passes, summer fitness memberships, birthday parties, picnic shelters and more, call the Park District at 847-996-6800 or check [www.vhparkdistrict.org](http://www.vhparkdistrict.org). For information on weather-related program changes, check the Park District **weather hotline** — 847-996-6616.

## Relay Reminder

The American Cancer Society Relay for Life of GLMV will be held at Mundelein High School on **June 4 and 5**. For details, call Kathy Stein at 847-317-0025 or log on at [acsevents.org/relay/il/glmv](http://acsevents.org/relay/il/glmv).

## Brain Tumor Golf Outing

On **August 6**, the Vernon Hills Golf Course will host a golf scramble to benefit the American Brain Tumor Association. Call the clubhouse at 847-680-9310.

## Take Your Party to the Clubhouse

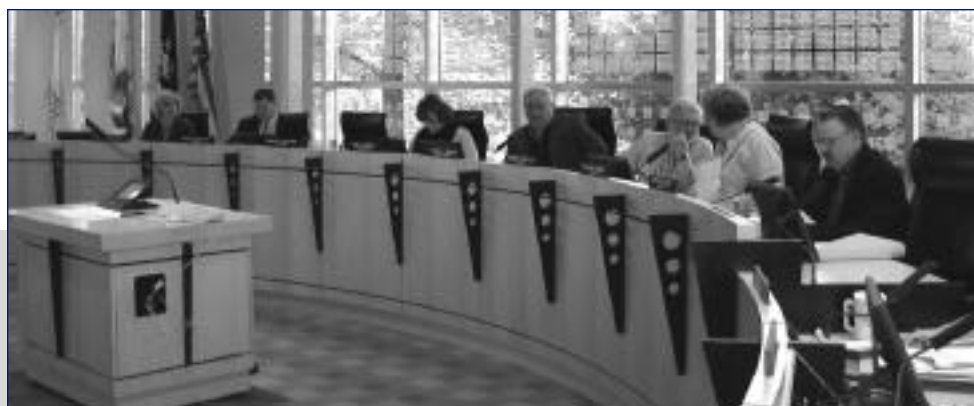
Consider the Vernon Hills Golf Course Clubhouse for your next class reunion, family gathering, or neighborhood outings. For details, call 847-680-9310.

## Passport Apps at Village Hall

The Village Hall is a designated passport application point. Assistance is available by appointment Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Applicants must fill out an application (which can be downloaded from [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov) and completed ahead of time), as well as provide identification and photos. Information is available from the US State Department at [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov), or by calling the Village Hall at 847-367-3700. It takes about six weeks to receive your passport.

## Project Tips

If you're involved in a home or yard project, check [www.vernonhills.org](http://www.vernonhills.org) (click "Download Forms"). For building questions, call 847-367-3704. Remember to dial before you dig — call JULIE at 800-892-0123 for free (and required) marking of underground utilities.



## Village Officers and Board of Trustees

During the May 3 meeting of the Village Board, trustees and officers were sworn in. Pictured from left to right are Jeanne Schwartz, Michael Marquardt, Clerk Holly Udesky, Village President Roger Byrne, Thom Koch, Cindy Hebda, and James Schultz. Not pictured is Trustee Barbara Williams.

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### Elected Officials

President Roger Byrne  
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### PW Open House was Loads of Fun



Residents of all ages enjoyed the Public Works Open House, held May 22. Kids enjoyed aerial bucket rides, digging in the dirt, and making crafts on Bubba the Art Bus.