

Grayslake Record



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December 2017

Village Notes

Garbage and Recycle Pick-Up Delayed

Due to the Christmas and New Year's holidays, garbage and recycle service will be delayed by one day on Monday, December 25th and Monday, January 1st.

Please contact the Request for Service system at 847-223-8515 with questions.

Winter Parking Regulations

Pursuant to Village Ordinance, parking is prohibited on Village streets after a snowfall of two or more inches, until snow removal operations are complete. Vehicles found in violation of this ordinance are subject to ticketing and towing. Residents with disabled vehicles should contact the Grayslake Police Department at 847-223-2341.

ENJOY HUGE SAVINGS IF YOU BUY YOUR 2018 POOL MEMBERSHIP TODAY!

2018 Membership Rates (All Customers)

BEST VALUE (VALID THROUGH 12/31/2017)	\$60
GREAT VALUE (VALID THROUGH 4/30/2018)	\$70
REGULAR LOW PRICE (VALID THROUGH 8/31/2018)	\$85

Aquatic Center 2018 pool memberships are now on sale for only **\$60!**

Don't wait and pay more later!

***Register online today at
www.swimgrayslake.com.***

***This limited time offer expires
after December 31, 2017!***

Need help registering? Please contact the Grayslake Aquatic Center by calling 847-223-POOL (7665).

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Reminders

Open Burning Prohibited

Pursuant to Village Ordinance, open burning is prohibited within the corporate limits of the Village. The open burning ban includes leaves, yard waste, garbage and tires. Residents conducting an open burn may be ticketed. For more information please contact Village Hall at 847-223-8515.

Trailers or Recreational Vehicles

Storage of a trailer, recreational vehicle, boat or jet-ski in a driveway or front yard of a residential property is prohibited by Village Code.

Free Textile Recycling!

Help the environment and recycle your textiles for FREE at the Grayslake Public Works facility, 585 Berry Avenue. Hours are Monday - Friday from 7:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. and Saturday from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Some of the textile items accepted include blouses, shirts, coats, jackets, dresses, Halloween costumes, hats, scarves, pants, bedspreads, duvets, comforters, bed sheets and more. About 95% of the materials collected will be repurposed or recycled.

From the Mayor...

Last summer another international company chose Grayslake as a location for their facilities. Okabe, a Japanese manufacturing of fasteners, is building a new office/manufacturing/distribution facility that will add jobs to the Grayslake economy. The new facility (130,000 square feet) is being developed on Peterson Road in the southern portion of the Village.

As new buildings are proposed in our community they are reviewed for compliance with our zoning, building, engineering and architecture/planning codes. Different types of projects can require different processes for the issuance of required development and building permits. The first stage of review is to determine if the proposed land use is in conformance with the zoning covering the development site. Property owners have the right to develop their property as allowed by the zoning on their property so when the use is allowed by the Zoning Ordinance the project only requires the administrative issuance of development/building permits. Of course all of the requirements of the Village's building, engineering and other ordinances must be met. Assuring that this is the case it is done by the Village's Building and Zoning Department team with assistance by our engineering consultants. Once plans are complete and correct permits are issued.

There are times when a proposed project is not allowed by right by our Zoning Ordinance. In those cases a more extensive approval process is utilized including opportunities for public input on proposed projects. As an example, when a property's zoning will not allow a proposed use, a rezone to another zoning classification is required. In these cases public comment is taken at a public hearing in front of the Village's Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals (PC/ZBA). Rezonings alter what can be put on a property which represents a significant change so all property owners within 250 feet of a property seeking rezoning receive a meeting date/time notice by mail and are invited to contact our Zoning Officer

for more information. All PC/ZBA agendas are also posted on our website. After receiving public comments on a proposed rezoning the PC/ZBA makes recommendations to the Village Board of Trustees. These recommendations are first considered by the Village Board when they meet as a Committee of the Whole. The Board committee considers, among many things, the PC/ZBA recommendation and the public hearing record in deciding what to recommend to the Village Board when the Board meets to consider a request. The Village Board then either approves the request, approves the request with conditions or rejects the request.

There are other types requests that follow the PC/ZBA public hearing, Board committee, and final Board action steps including requests for variances from zoning standards and requests for special use permits as required by the Zoning Ordinance. Often variances are sought by Grayslake residents for things like larger garages/sheds or higher fences. Special use permits are required for a few land uses that the Zoning Ordinance allows on some properties but where the Village Board reserves the right to add reasonable special conditions to a development project. Any processes for these types of projects afford opportunities for public comment.

In the case of Okabe a rezoning was required. An administrative review ensures compliance with all Village requirements. It is anticipated that the facility will be operational in 2018.

Sincerely,



Rhett Taylor, Mayor

Garbage and Recycle Can Exchange Program

Beginning January 1, 2018, registration will be open for the 2018 garbage and recycle can exchange programs. Registration for the program is between January 1 and February 15, 2018. Residents opting to exchange their garbage may choose one of three sizes:

90-gallon (\$20.82 / month)

65-gallon (\$18.57 / month)

35-gallon (\$15.48 / month)

Residents may also choose a FREE UPGRADE for their recycle can size from 65-gallon to 96-gallon.

The exchange of the can(s) takes place in March 2018 and the rate change will take effect on April 1st. The exchange is for residents who would like to have either a smaller or larger can size. For more information or to register for the exchange program after January 1st, please contact 847-223-8515 or visit www.villageofgrayslake.com/r4s.

Village Announcements

Portable Basketball Hoops

To ensure all Village streets and sidewalks remain safe for residents this winter season, we ask for residents' cooperation in removing their portable basketball hoop from the parkway. By removing a portable basketball hoop from the parkway, residents are helping snow plow drivers keep the roadways safer for the motoring public.

Mailbox Replacement Policy

Unfortunately, during the Village's snow and ice removal operations, mailboxes may be damaged either from a direct hit from a snow plow or from wet snow from a snow plow. The Village has a mailbox replacement policy for properly placed mailboxes that are damaged as a result of snow and ice removal operations.

For information, please contact the Request for Service System at 847-223-8515.

Snow Removal Operations

The winter season will soon be upon us. Preparations for the snow season have been underway for some weeks. Equipment has been repaired and deicing material has been obtained for the year.

As a result the Village's Public Works Department and its snow removal contractors are ready for this year's snow removal operations. The Village has an on-hand ample supply of salt and beet juice in its inventory.

Holiday Tree Pickup Program

The Holiday Tree Pickup Program will take place on the following dates: Friday, January 5th, Thursday, January 11th and Thursday, January 18th.

Trees should be placed un-bagged at the curb or edge of street the night before the service day. Trees greater than six (6) feet in height must be cut in half prior to being set out for pickup. Waste Management will not pickup trees in plastic bags. Contact the Request for Service system with questions.

Grayslake Arts Alliance

The Grayslake Arts Alliance kicks off the season with their second annual Holiday Fine Arts Show on November 24th, in conjunction with the Tree Lighting Festival and Holiday Market. Featuring a dozen local artists, music and light refreshments, the show will be from 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. on the second floor of Village Hall on Seymour Avenue. This year's show will feature mixed media, painting, photography and pencil drawings and music will be provided by jazz pianist Bill Chapin and students from the Chapin Jazz Studio.

Senior Center

Social activities, regular exercise and proper nutrition are beneficial to maintaining a healthy lifestyle. The Grayslake Senior Center provides exercise classes, congregate lunch, various activities and more to seniors 60 and over. We also offer Tai Chi and Hatha Yoga to help keep fit and active. There is a fitness room available with treadmills, recumbent bikes, elliptical and a weight machine. Please see our monthly calendar of events and programs at www.villageofgrayslake.com or call 847-543-1041.

Holiday Fun at the Grayslake Heritage Center and Museum

Stop by the Grayslake Heritage Center and Museum for a month packed full of family fun. Highlights include:

- **Friday, November 24th - Boughs and Bows:** Get into the holiday spirit with a festive display of holiday wreaths in the Heritage Center courtyard. Each Boughs and Bows wreath was created by a local nonprofit and can be bid on between November 24 and December 10. Proceeds will be split between the creators and the Grayslake Historical Society. Winners will be announced at the Holiday Open House.
- **Sunday, December 10th from 1-4 p.m. - Holiday Open House:** Be sure to visit the museum on Sunday, December 10 from 1-4 p.m. for the Grayslake Historical Society's annual Holiday Open House. Enjoy children's crafts and refreshments. The Warren High School Alumni Choir will perform at 2:00 p.m. and Mr. and Mrs. Claus will be available for photographs in the Historical Society's vintage sleigh from 2-4 p.m.
- **Sunday, December 17th at 7:00 p.m. - Folk Concert:** The Grayslake Heritage Center and Museum hosts a concert by the Lake County Folk Club featuring Tricia Alexander. Tickets: general audience \$18, seniors \$15, Lake County Folk Club members \$13. The museum will be open before and after the show.
- **Looking for something to do with the family? We're open Wednesday - Sunday from 12-4!**

For more information, visit us at www.grayslakeheritagecenter.com, call 847-543-1745, or email Michelle Poe at mpoe@villageofgrayslake.com. For more information on the Grayslake Historical Society, visit www.grayslakehistory.org, call 847-223-7663 or email Charlotte Renehan at charenehan@aol.com.



CLC James Lumber Center for the Performing Arts

Need a holiday gift for the person who has everything? Give tickets to a show!

- Dan Zanes: Holiday Sing-Along: Sunday, December 17th at 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.
- Cirque Zuma Zuma: Saturday, February 17th at 7:00 p.m.
- Animaniacs Live! Sunday, March 4th at 4:00 p.m.
- Rockin' Road to Dublin: Friday, March 16th at 8:00 p.m.

Why wait, purchase your tickets now before they sell out! Call the JLC Box Office at 847-543-2300 or visit www.clcillinois.edu tickets to view this seasons events.

Lake County Fairgrounds Events

- Obenauf Auction on Saturday, December 2 at 9:00 a.m. Visit www.obenaufauctions.com or call 847-546-2095 for more information.
- Zurko Antiques & Flea Market on Saturday, December 9 from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and Sunday, December 10 from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Visit www.zurkopromotions.com or call 715-526-9769 for additional information.
- 95 WIIL Rock 25-Year Anniversary Show on Friday, December 15. Doors open 6:30 p.m., showtime 7:30 p.m.
- Great Train Show on Saturday December 30 from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and Sunday, December 31 from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Visit www.trainshow/grayslake for more info.

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To see our major meeting schedule, please visit www.villageofgrayslake.com.