



The Legend Village of Sleepy Hollow

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Sleepy Hollow Service Club Easter Egg Hunt



Date: Saturday, April 23, 2011

Time: 12:00 Noon (New time)

Location: Sabatino Park



Visit with the *Easter Bunny* and get pictures.

SIX CATEGORIES

- 3 Year old and under
- Pre-school and kindergarten
- 1st and 2nd graders
- 3rd and 4th graders
- 5th to 8th graders
- Special needs

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RESIDENTS PLANTING COMMUNITY GARDEN FOR CHARITY

A group of green thumbs in Sleepy Hollow is looking for other gardening enthusiasts to join them in creating a community vegetable garden to supply area food pantries with fresh produce during the growing season.

The group, headed by Dennis Maxwell, began meeting earlier this year to draw up plans for the project. The Village of Sleepy Hollow has agreed to provide use of land located near the salt barn for the garden.

This year's goal is to establish a 50'x50' garden plot. Work began earlier this month to prepare the soil, and planting will begin in May. Throughout the growing season the group will need volunteers to help with weeding, watering, harvesting and food



pantry distribution.

The goal is to share and encourage healthy environmental gardening practices and to increase community pride. Future plans may also include providing garden plots for residents who may not have the space to garden in their yards.

With help, the community garden can become a strong center for community involvement, a great asset to area food pantries and an opportunity to volunteer and serve. If you are interested, please contact Dennis Maxwell at 847-426-8972 or shgar-

den@sbcglobal.net. Information about the project is also available on the village's website at <http://www.sleepy-hollow.il.us/>

_____ Materials (plants, mulch, garden tools, etc.)	_____ Services (soil prep, tilling, etc.)
_____ Maintenance Committee (watering, weeding, etc.)	_____ Fundraising Committee
_____ Planting, Harvesting and Distribution	_____ Event Planning/Set-up
_____ Volunteer Coordination	_____ Publicity/Networking/Photos

Name: _____ **Phone:** _____ **Email:** _____

_____ DONATIONS *Payable to:* Sleepy Hollow Community Garden,, One Thorobred Lane, Sleepy Hollow, IL

PLANT SALES, FARMERS MARKETS MEAN SPRING HAS SPRUNG

Spring has been holding out on us this year, but its arrival will be imminent with the opening of the Dundee Farmers Market and the annual Backyard Garden Club plant sale. This year Friends of the Fox River are getting into the 'spring' of things and offering a plant sale of their own.



DUNDEE FARMERS MARKET

May 7 marks the opening of the Dundee Farmers Market in the park along River St. in East Dundee. The market will be open from 8 am to 2 pm every Saturday through October. Vendors sell locally grown veggies, honey, flowers and bedding plants plus soaps, antiques and collectibles. New vendors are welcome. Call 847-426-4307 for booth information.

FRIENDS OF FOX NATIVE PLANT SALE

Friends of the Fox River (FOFR) is marking a first and a last event this year. On May 7, the organization will hold its first annual native plant sale at the Schweitzer Environmental Center, just north of Route 72 on Sleepy Hollow Road in West Dundee. For sale will be several species of native plants, in addition to information as to why you should in-

clude native species in your landscape plans. The sale will be held from 9 am to 2 pm at the Schweitzer property, 16N690 Sleepy Hollow Road, West Dundee.

Then on Mother's Day, May 8, FOFR will hold its last annual Monitor with Your Mother event from 10 am to 2 pm at the Fox River Shore Forest Preserve on Williams Road in Carpentersville. Gary Swick, environmental educator at Dundee Crown High School, has held this event for several years to increase awareness of the river environment among families. Swick's retirement this year marks the end of this annual event, and all DCHS students--past, present and future—are invited to attend this tribute to the Fox River.

BACKYARD GARDEN CLUB PLANT SALE

The Backyard Garden Club will hold its annual plant sale on May 14 from 9 to 11 am at Grafleman Park in West Dundee. The proceeds fund an annual \$1,500 scholarship to a student residing in District 300 who is pursuing a career in horticulture, landscape design, environmental studies or related fields.

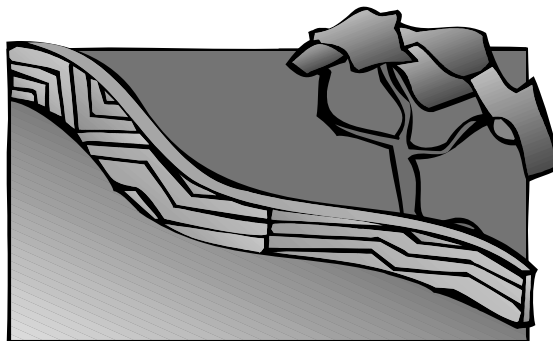
GROUP UNITES TO PROMOTE RANDALL BARRIER

With Kane county planning to widen Randall Road to six lanes between Big Timber Road and Illinois Route 72, a group of Sleepy Hollow residents has joined forces to explore opportunities to develop an environmental barrier between the highway and homes that back to Randall Road.

Sleepy Hollow is the only community with residential frontage on Randall from Big Timber Road north to beyond the McHenry county line.

In 1995, Kane County used eminent domain proceedings to purchase right-of-way from property owners to expand Randall Road from a two-lane to a four-lane highway. During public hearings before property acquisition, residents backing to the highway requested a barrier, but the county refused the request.

At that time, however, Randall Road did not have a full



tollway interchange and daily traffic counts were less than 18,000 vehicles per day. Development along the road since then had increased traffic to 52,000 vehicles per day in 2008, the last year in which figures are available. A new vehicle count study will be conducted this year.

The residents plan to explore types of barriers that could be constructed, potential costs, and partnerships with businesses and governments to get the barrier built. Meetings will be held on the second and fourth Mondays of the month. Among the items being researched are wall types and costs, possible funding sources, traffic counts and interaction with the county, village and other interested parties.

For more information call Amy Foote at 847-602-9979 or email amy.foote@hotmail.com.

FREE SHREDDING ON APRIL 30

Sleepy Hollow is helping residents with their spring cleaning this year by holding another day of free document shredding. Use this opportunity to rid your house of all those old receipts, bank statements, etc.

The village has contracted with Beaver Shredding, to hold another document shredding day on Saturday, April 30th from 9 am to noon in the village hall parking lot. There is no cost for this service.

The company works rain or shine, as their equipment is sheltered in a truck. The removal of small staples or paper clips is not required. All of the shredded material is recycled. For more information on the service you can visit their website at www.beavershred.com.



VILLAGE STICKERS DUE APR 30

Stickers for vehicles and animal tags are now available for purchase at the Village Hall. The cost of stickers will remain the same this year.

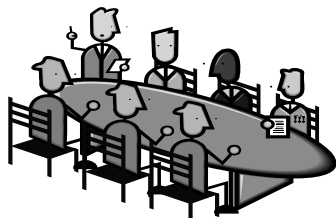
You should have already received separate postcards for each vehicle, motorcycle or pet at your home. **These postcards must accompany payments.** Please review the information on the cards, make any corrections and fill in any blank areas *before* purchasing the tags and stickers.

Stickers must be purchased no later than Saturday, April 30, or you will incur late fees. Village hall will be open from 8 am to 1 pm that day for the convenience of village residents.

LANDSCAPE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Due to budget cuts, the village entrances are no longer maintained by a landscape company.

The village is looking for residents who would be willing to assist with clean up and maintenance of the entryways where village signs are or could be located. Materials necessary to revitalize these spaces will be provided. To volunteer, call the village hall at 847-426-6700.



BOARD MEMBERS RE-ELECTED

Local elections were held on Tuesday, April 5. Trustees Scott Finney and Dennis Fudala ran unopposed and will serve for another 4 years. It is the third term for Scott and second term for Dennis.

Our thanks to Steve Wind, who stepped down after eight years serving the village, most recently as the police trustee. Thanks, Steve!

WE WANT YOUR EMAIL ADDRESSES!

To save on printing expenses, Sleepy Hollow's newsletter will eventually be distributed to most residents via email.

The folks at village hall are beginning the process of gathering all residents' email addresses. **PLEASE MAKE SURE WE'VE GOT YOURS!** Give it to Wendy at the front desk when you pick up your villages stickers, include it with your water bill or submit it via the village website. Thanks!

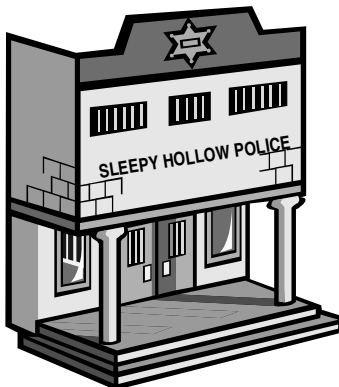
SLEEPY HOLLOW PASSES ON COMBINED POLICE FORCE

Sleepy Hollow will not be sharing a police force with neighboring villages because to do so, according to a study of the proposal, would end up costing the village twice as much as residents currently pay for their own police coverage.

Last May Sleepy Hollow agreed to participate in an initial feasibility study concerning regional cooperation in providing police services among West Dundee, East Dundee and Sleepy Hollow. Investigation into the matter was undertaken by WRB, LLC, a special consultant. The consultant reviewed the current populations to be served and the manpower and structure of each police department in considering the feasibility of merging the forces.

In January the consultant presented its initial review at a public meeting. The report noted that the Sleepy Hollow Police Department already has the lowest cost per resident of the participating communities.

The report suggested utilizing the West Dundee Public



Safety Building on IL 31 as a main station, and bringing all personnel under control of management there. It suggested that current personnel remain under separate employ of each village, but be committed to the combined service under appropriate inter-governmental agreements among the parties.

In particular, the reported noted that "Sleepy Hollow will be challenged to save money....(and) would experience an annual increase in costs." A projection of costs in the report called for an estimated annual contribution of \$1.3 million from the village, as opposed to the \$870,000 currently expended for police services.

In light of these projections, the Board of Trustees concluded that participation in further study or discussions was not in the best interests of the village. Sleepy Hollow plans to continue funding its own police department, which currently consists of five full-time and six part-time officers under Chief of Police James Montalbano and assisted by Sgt. Susan Wilson.



ODDS 'N ENDS

- Rain barrels are available for purchase at the village hall for \$65 each. Conserve, recycle and save dollars using rainwater for all your garden watering. Fill watering cans or attach your garden hose. Both terra cotta and black barrels are available.
- Burning is permitted only between 9 am and 5 pm on the second and fourth weekends of the month. It is not allowed within 35' of any structure, within any public road or in any drainage swale. All burn piles must be supervised and a garden hose kept nearby. Leaf burning is only permitted during September, October and November.
- Free yard waste pickup continues through November. Use paper yard waste bags or 32-gallon containers marked "yard waste only." Branches and brush must be bundled in 3' lengths weighing no more than 50 lbs.
- "No parking" signs are available from the police to control parking during garage sales, parties, etc. Signs may be picked up Mon-Fri, 7 am-3:30 pm from the police department. A \$5 cash deposit per sign is required.
- The village prohibits parking and storing many items on one's property, including RVs, commercial vehicles, etc. For a full list of restrictions, view the village code, title 8 - zoning, Sec. 8-3A-5, prohibited uses, which is located on the village website: www.sleepy-hollow.il.us
- The 2011 Memorial Day Parade will be held Sun., May 29 at 2 pm. The parade route will begin at Immanuel Lutheran Church along Rt. 72 into West Dundee and end at Grafleman Park. To participate call Ken Andresen from the VFW

STATE REVENUES WILL DECREASE DUE TO REDUCED POPULATION

Sleepy Hollow's population has decreased over the past 10 years, according to the official 2010 U.S. Census. As a result, revenues due to the village from the state will decrease as well.

The 2010 census indicated that the population of Sleepy Hollow decreased by approximately 7% during the past decade. This decrease will affect both income tax sharing and motor fuel tax funds, as they are distributed by the state to municipalities on a per capita basis.

The village's finance committee has estimated that the annual decreases to Sleepy Hollow will total approximately \$23,000 for state income tax and \$7,000 for motor fuel tax. The village board will need to factor this loss of revenue into the proposed budget for the May 1, 2011 - April 30, 2012 fiscal year.

The proposed budget under review for 2012 projects a deficit of \$57,000. It will be necessary to utilize and reduce reserve funds to cover the projected deficit for the year.

The budget is under consideration by the Board of Trustees at this time and must be finalized no later than June 30.

at 847-649-8233.

- The DNR has concluded its project to take 20 deer from the village deer population to test for chronic wasting disease. Deer were also taken from local forest preserves and township open spaces. Test results are expected in June.



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ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

The following recently-enacted ordinances and resolutions may be viewed in full in the Village Hall lobby:

ORDINANCES

- Ordinance No. 2010-13 Describing Certain Types of Maintenance Work to be Performed on Private Properties in the Village and Establishing a Lien, and a Priority Lien, for Such Work
- Ordinance No. 2010-14, Tax Levy Ordinance
- Ordinance No. 2010-15, Establishing a Weight Limitation for Trucks on Boncosky Road
- Ordinance No. 2010-16, Amending the Village Liquor Regulations to Allow Late Hours on New Year's Eve
- Ordinance No. 2010-17, Amending the Village Code, Section 6-3-9B.1, Title-Village Water and Sewer of the Village of Sleepy Hollow
- Ordinance No. 2011-1, Establishing Temporary 60-Day Vehicle Weight Limits for all Vehicles Traveling on or using any Streets or Roads Within the Village of Sleepy Hollow
- Ordinance No. 2011-2, Amending Title 2: Police Regulations Section 4-3-7 Re Hunting of Animals in the Village
- Ordinance No. 2011-3, Making Supplemental Appropriation Transfers for Corporate Purposes for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2010 and Ending April 30, 2011

RESOLUTIONS

- Resolution No. 420, Adopting the Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan for the Village of Sleepy Hollow
- Resolution No. 421, Establishing Dates of Regular Meetings of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Sleepy Hollow for Calendar Year 2011
- Resolution No. 422, Accepting a Plat of Easement and Easement Abrogation (2008 Sleepy Hollow Road)
- Resolution No. 423, Exercising an Option to Renew an Intergovernmental Agreement with the County of Kane for Animal Control Services



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

All Village Board meetings are conducted at the Sleepy Hollow Village Hall, One Thorobred Lane, and are open to the public unless otherwise noted.

Apr. 23: Easter Egg Hunt
12:00 - Sabatino Park

Apr. 30: Free Document Shredding
9 am-Noon - Village Hall parking lot

Apr. 30: Village Sticker Fees Due

May 5: Village Board Meeting
7:30 pm - Village Hall

May 7: Friends of the Fox Native Plant Sale
9 am-2 pm - Schweitzer Environmental Ctr.

May 6: Service Club Meeting
8 pm - Emmett's

May 14: Backyard Garden Club Plant Sale
9-11 am - Grafleman Park, West Dundee

May 19: Village Board Meeting
7:30 pm - Village Hall

June 2: Village Board Meeting
7:30 pm - Village Hall

June 3: Service Club Meeting
8 pm - Emmett's

June 16: Village Board Meeting
7:30 pm - Village Hall

June 30: Village Board Meeting
7:30 pm - Village Hall



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