

# OAK BROOK

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**Half Marathon  
9/11 Ceremony  
2013 Polo Season**

## 2013 OAK BROOK POLO



September 15th and 22nd (1:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. matches)

### Ticket Information:

For Oak Brook residents, the Village has reduced the General Admission ticket price to \$15 (instead of the normal \$25 pre-event/ \$30 event-day price). Residents must show their drivers license when purchasing in-person or simply enter the access code (VOBPOLO) when purchasing online. VIP tickets are available for \$125 each. Children under the age of 12 receive free general admission with a paid adult. Tickets are available for purchase online at [www.oak-brook.org/polo](http://www.oak-brook.org/polo) or by phone and at the following locations:

- **Village Hall:** Monday – Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- **Oak Brook Public Library:** Monday – Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Saturday 9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
- **Oak Brook Golf Clubhouse:** Monday – Sunday from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. (Tickets may be purchased prior to or during the polo matches at this location.)

Group tickets and special event tickets are available. Please contact Blaine Wing by phone (630) 368-5095 or by email at [bwing@oak-brook.org](mailto:bwing@oak-brook.org) to order.

### General Admission Group Ticket Information:

Roped off & chairs\*:

- 15 tickets = \$225 + 2 free GA tickets
- 25 tickets = \$375 + 4 free GA tickets
- 50 tickets = \$750 + 8 free GA tickets

\* Tables are extra

### VIP Admission Group Ticket Information:

Tented area & chairs\*:

- 15 tickets = \$300 + 2 free GA tickets
- 25 tickets = \$500 + 4 free GA tickets
- 50 tickets = \$1,000 + 8 free GA tickets

\* Tables are extra



### VILLAGE OF OAK BROOK ELECTED OFFICIALS/ BOARD OF TRUSTEES

- Gopal Lalimalani, M.D., M.B.A | President
- Charlotte K. Pruss | Clerk
- Don Adler | Trustee
- John Baar | Trustee
- Michael Manzo | Trustee
- Mark Moy, M.D. | Trustee
- Gerald Wolin | Trustee
- Asif Yusuf | Trustee

### VILLAGE OF OAK BROOK DEPARTMENTS

- Police, Fire, EMS Emergency: 9-1-1
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- Bath & Tennis (630) 368-6400
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### CONNECT WITH THE VILLAGE

- Website | [www.oak-brook.org](http://www.oak-brook.org)
- Facebook | "Village of Oak Brook"
- Twitter | @OakBrookVillage

Regular meetings of the Village Board are held on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 7pm, with the exception of the fourth Tuesday of the months of June, August and December.

Videotaped broadcasts of Village Board meetings air on Comcast Cable Television, Government Access Channel 6 or 110 Mondays at 7pm and online at [www.youtube.com/oakbrooktv](http://www.youtube.com/oakbrooktv)

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



## OAK BROOK ANNOUNCED AS 2013 GOOGLE eCITY

**“Oak Brook is a great place to work, live, play and do business.”**

I am so pleased to report to you some very exciting news. Google recently announced that Oak Brook has been named the 2013 eCity of Illinois! The eCity Award recognizes the strongest online business community in each state--the digital capitals of America. The award emphasizes that Oak Brook businesses are embracing the web to find new customers, connecting with existing clients, and fueling the local economy more than any other community in Illinois.

Some of the other 49 cities include Austin, Texas, Boulder, Colorado, and New York City. What an honor, and what a statement about the strength of our business community! “Oak Brook’s growth and innovation in e-commerce is an example that other cities across the state can strive to replicate,” said Scott Levitan, Director of Small Business Engagement at Google.

“Google is proud to recognize this growing entrepreneurial spirit and the role it plays in creating jobs and sustaining local economies.” Google worked with an independent research firm IPSOS to analyze the online strength of local small businesses in cities in all fifty states and found that Oak Brook is among the ranks of America’s leading cities in the digital economy.



In other news, the polo season this year has been most successful and we are hopeful that you can join us for one or

both of the remaining matches of the season. On September 15 starting at 1pm we will have a match featuring players from England. Our international flare continues the next week on September 22, when players from Argentina will face off in the final match of the year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Board and the Polo Committee for bringing polo back to Oak Brook last year after a few year hiatus. This year’s season thus far has been more festive and better attended than previous years and we hope that 2014 season will be even better.

Included in this newsletter is a report on the 22nd Streetscape Enhancement project. Our profound thanks go to the members of the Commercial Revitalization and Streetscape Committees, ably led by Mr. Jeffrey Kennedy. After having been dormant for some time, these two committees were revived two years ago, and their members have worked tirelessly to make things happen in Oak Brook.

Lastly, please join us for a special September 11 ceremony to be held on the evening of September 10 at 6:30 p.m. at the Village Hall parking lot. Immediately following this ceremony will be our regularly scheduled Village Board meeting. If you have never been to a Village Board meeting, here is a chance to see our Village Board in action. Residents can offer their opinions and insights on issues on the Village Board agenda by signing up with the Village Clerk at the beginning of the meeting.

As always, the Board and I are here to serve you. Kindly feel free to call, write or email if you have any ideas or suggestions as to how we can serve you better.

Respectfully submitted,

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# From the Manager's Desk

BY DAVID NIEMEYER

## LITIGATION MATTERS

We continue to make tremendous progress in reducing the amount of outstanding litigation the Village is involved in. Currently, the Village has 5 outstanding cases. In 2007 the Village was involved in 16 litigation matters and in 2011 we were involved in 11.



## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP

The Economic Development Partnership is a joint project led by the Village of Oak Brook and the Oak Brook Chamber of Commerce. The project is supported by a grant from the Village of Oak Brook and by financial and in-kind investments from the large corporate and hospitality community in Oak Brook.

One of the focuses of the partnership this year has been on attracting international companies to Oak Brook and enabling our local businesses to find opportunities for partnerships and exporting abroad. Two events with outreach to the international community were held in Oak Brook this year. In April, the Partnership hosted 19 trade consuls from the Chicago International Trade Commissioners Association. Countries represented included South Africa, Spain, The Czech Republic, Turkey and Uruguay. In May, the Partnership hosted a panel of experts in international trade. The Partnership's website page has been expanded to include information on international events and trade missions and opportunities for local companies and our international partners to post trade inquiries via the website.



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## STREET STREETScape COMMITTEE

Projects that are part of the Village's streetscape beautification plan are now in progress:

### Median Planter Under Construction at 22nd Street & Jorie Boulevard

The construction of median improvements on 22nd Street from Spring Road to Salt Creek is just wrapping up. The planters will be watered with an irrigation system and include plantings with year round visual impacts. This project is being funded primarily through an Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program grant. Another recently awarded grant will allow extension of the lighting and median improvements to I-294 and north and south on York Road.

### Gateway Signage

The Village is looking at constructing gateway signage at key business entry corridors. We are currently working with the owners of the



Promenade to construct an entry sign on the westerly approach of Butterfield Road, next to the Promenade. The Promenade owners will contribute the majority of the sign costs and it is expected to be constructed in the spring. Also, a new sign will be constructed on the southwest corner of York Road and 22nd Street in the spring. The Committee will also explore other options for key gateway signage including the York Road/ Graue Mill area. Both the York and 22nd St and Graue Mill signs would be funded by the Village's hotel tax.

### Pedestrian Access

Two pedestrian access projects will commence in September. They will address accessibility issues for people walking to the Oakbrook Center from the north and the east. Improvements will include enhanced pedestrian crossing markings, lighted pathway bollards, crosswalk warning lights, countdown crosswalk signals, and pedestrian "refuges" in medians. In coming years additional approaches from the east, north, west and south will be addressed.



Example of enhanced pavement markings and lighted pathway bollards

BY JAMES KRUGER

## TWO YEAR ACCREDITATION PROJECT COMPLETED

The Police Department has recently completed a nearly two-year project to revise all of our policies and seek accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement (CALEA). The Department had previously been accredited for nearly fifteen years from 1997 until 2012. CALEA accreditation places the Oak Brook Police Department in the top tier of law enforcement agencies in Illinois and ensures that our policies and procedures are based upon best practices in our profession. After a lengthy review and rewrite process, the Department then must locate "proofs" to demonstrate to the assessors that we in fact do what we claim in our policies. This stringent peer review process is then forwarded to the Commission for approval and eventual award of accreditation. We underwent this on-site review process in mid-August and anticipate an award of accreditation in November. What this means for our residents and businesses is a measure of assurance that the Oak Brook Police Department is providing the very best law enforcement services to the community. I want to thank the many members of our staff for their hard work and dedication to meet the deadlines and ensure we were ready for this review.

## SAFETY REMINDERS

As a reminder, should you require police response to your home, whether emergency or not, please dial 9-1-1 to reach our telecommunications center, DU-COMM. If you would like to speak with a specific officer, the Records Section, or Police Administration, continue to dial our administrative number (630) 368-8700. I have been told by many residents that they are reluctant to dial 9-1-1 for a non-emergency, but let me assure you that within the suburban communities that do not operate a 3-1-1 system, dialing 9-1-1 is the primary number to have an officer respond to your home. Please do not be reluctant to call us. We would much rather know about a situation as it occurs than after the fact. If you leave a voicemail on the administrative line, it may not be picked up until the next business day. Thank you for helping us keep Oak Brook a safe community.



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**PINSTRIPES**  
BOWLING BOCCE BISTRO

**ANNUAL "PINTASTIC" BOCCE TOURNAMENT!**



**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21**  
QUALIFYING ROUNDS AND EXHIBITION IN NORTHBROOK,  
SOUTH BARRINGTON AND OAKBROOK PINSTRIPES LOCATIONS  
(SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15- QUALIFYING ROUNDS IN EDINA)

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**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22**  
CHAMPIONSHIP ROUNDS AT PINSTRIPES OAKBROOK

**\$27,000 IN PRIZE MONIES!**

1ST PLACE:	\$15,000
2ND PLACE:	\$5,000
3RD PLACE:	\$3,000
4TH PLACE:	\$2,000
5TH - 8TH PLACE:	\$500

**COMPETITION FORMAT**

4-PLAYER TEAMS      MODIFIED USBF OPEN RULES, ROUND ROBIN  
(5TH ALTERNATE ALLOWED)      11-POINT GAME

ALL TEAM ENTRIES MUST BE IN BY SEPTEMBER 9 WITH PAYMENT, WITH A LIMIT OF 100 TEAMS  
COST: \$400 PER TEAM (INCLUDES BREAKFAST AND LUNCH SATURDAY AND/OR SUNDAY)  
PLEASE REGISTER BY CONTACTING SANDIE MONTGOMERY, PINSTRIPES EVENT DIRECTOR, AT  
SANDIE@PINSTRIPES.COM, OR 630/575-8744



SPONSORED BY:



## NATIONAL NIGHT OUT SUCCESS!

On August 6th, the Police Department sponsored its first National Night Out Against Crime in Oak Brook. Several of our residents and elected officials came out in support of the Department and this worthwhile program. National Night Out is a nationwide program sponsored by National Association of Town Watch ([www.natw.org](http://www.natw.org)). A big thank you to Target and our CPA Alumni volunteers for coming out and helping make our first event a wonderful experience. Be on the lookout for NNO next year when we hope to make it even bigger and better for our residents.

BY TOM MCELLIN

## AUTOMOBILE AIRBAG SAFETY

**“Airbags deploy at speeds as high as 200 miles per hour.”**

### BAGS MEAN BELTS:

The first rule for air bag safety requires that all vehicle occupants be properly seated and wearing their seat belts. This means riders should be sitting upright with both feet on the ground. Both the lap belt and shoulder belt should be firmly and properly in place. Airbags can cushion riders from the impact of a crash, but they deploy at speeds as high as 200 miles per hour. For airbags to be effective rather than harmful, riders must be correctly wearing their seat belts at all times.

### KIDS IN THE BACK:

The safest place for a child in a vehicle is in the back seat, fastened in a properly fitted child car seat suited for their weight. Side or so-called curtain airbags are safe for children riding in the back. Parents and caregivers can seek assistance to properly fit and fasten their child seat at free clinics offered by firefighters, law enforcement, or other organizations. Without airbags, the back seat of a vehicle is still the safest place for a child. As vehicles increasingly include frontal airbags, it is more important to remember that children should be in the back seat at all times.

### PROPER POSITION:

Experts also caution drivers and passengers from being too close to the dashboard when the airbags are deployed. Try to keep at least 10 inches or more between your chest and the steering wheel or dashboard. This is especially important for shorter drivers because they are naturally closer and the risk of injury from airbag deployment is greater.

Riders in the passenger seat should also put their seat back as far as possible without disrupting any passengers behind them. This is intended to give the airbag some distance to deploy.

Another important thing to remember, along with good posture and proper seat belt use, is for the driver to generally keep his or her hands at the “10 and 2” positions.



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## NEW LADDER TRUCK

The Village Board approved replacement of Tower 94, which is a 25 year old ladder truck. Due to age, it has passed its useful service expectancy and maintenance cost has risen rapidly within the last few years. The average service life on a ladder truck is slightly less than 18 years. It was originally scheduled for replacement in 2008.

The Fire Department prepared specifications and many features were considered in the search to find a multi-purpose vehicle that will meet the needs of the Village, with limited staff operating the vehicle. These features include:

- Heavy duty engine, parts and manufacturing for long term durability
- Clean, functional and rugged all metal interior
- Advanced suspension affording more maneuverability, improved handling, and better braking performance
- Frontal & Side Roll Protection system, ABS, and multiple airbags for enhanced safety
- Industry leading 45° cramp angle for tight maneuvering
- 500 gallon water tank provides the initial fire attack ability of an engine
- Custom seating and cab are designed around staffing levels where one person can operate both the aerial ladder and the pump panel.
- Unique “H-Style” outriggers allowing access and set-up in reduced clearance areas such as Oak Brook Club, flag lots and some of our commercial districts
- 750 lb ladder tip load allowing for multiple person rescues
- 105’ main ladder for large residential setbacks
- Custom ground ladder compliment

## FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

The theme for Fire Prevention Week which runs from October 6 through the 12th is kitchen safety. The main focus is teaching fire safety in a fun and creative manner which always includes a visit from Sparky, the fire dog. The commercial population focuses on fire drills and building evacuation plans during this time of year. Fire Prevention gets involved with giving building evacuation presentations and observing and critiquing building evacuation drills. To schedule a presentation for your group call Bob Robertson at (630) 368-5224.

BY MICHAEL HULLIHAN

## AUTUMN LEAF PICK-UP

Fall is approaching and with it comes the laborious task of raking fallen leaves. We recommend that you mulch your leaves and return this beneficial material back to your lawn and landscape.

Leaves may be raked to the street pavement edge where they will be collected four times by the Village. In order to have an efficient and effective program, your cooperation is needed in adhering to the following procedures:

- DO NOT bag your leaves if you want the Village to pick them up. The equipment we use can only pick up piles of loose leaves.
- Rake ONLY LEAVES into a pile. NO shrub clippings, sticks, or other debris are permitted - these materials clog our equipment.
- DO NOT pile leaves on the street pavement. Leaves are to be placed behind the curb or edge of pavement.
- Please place the leaves a day or two prior to the dates listed below. Any leaves placed afterwards will not be collected until the next date. Later pickups are subject to weather conditions.

## PICK- UP SCHEDULE

<b>Zone 1</b>	October 14, 22 November 8 December 6	Yorkshire Woods Steeplechase
<b>Zone 2</b>	October 15, 23 November 11 December 9	Forest Glen, Woodside Estates, York Woods
<b>Zone 3</b>	October 16, 25 November 14 December 10	Timber Trails, Merry Lane
<b>Zone 4</b>	October 17, 29 November 19	South of 31st Street and east of Route 83; including Lincoln, Grant, Coolidge
<b>Zone 5</b>	October 18, 31 November 22 December 12	Brook Forest, Briarwood Trinity Lakes
<b>Zone 6</b>	October 21 November 5 December 2, 13	Ginger Creek, Saddle Brook Heritage Oaks, White Oak Lane, Avenue Loire



## FALL PROJECTS

As the weather starts to cool, Public Works and Engineering are preparing for fall and winter activities. Leaf pickup season will soon be upon us. The program, including service areas and schedules, is outlined to the left. After leaf pick-up is complete, Public Works will be doing its Fall tree planting. As tree losses from Emerald Ash Borer increase, the reforestation program will become more and more significant. While we are increasing the amount of resources devoted to this program, there may be some delay between removal of diseased Ash trees and replacement with a more suitable species.

Public Works will also be doing the normal scheduled preventive maintenance on Village facilities. This is a good time for homeowners to do likewise. Ensuring that gutters, downspouts and drains are clear of leaves will avoid water damage during winter freeze thaw cycles. Heating systems and filters should also be checked. Irrigation systems should be serviced and winterized. Should you have any questions on the leaf pickup program, seasonal maintenance, or street/forestry issues, please feel free to call us at 630-368-5270.

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BY ROBERT KALLIEN

## DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Through the first six months of 2013, the Community Development Department continues to see a significant level of large construction projects throughout the Village. In terms of overall number of permits issued, the 2013 activity is running approximately ten (10) percent of 2012 figures. The number of building inspections conducted is up over 29 percent over 2012 figures. In addition, the overall size and scope of the permits received so far this year are for significantly larger construction projects. As an example, the total value of the permits processed in 2013 is in excess of \$40 million which reflects an increase of over 137 percent over the first half of 2012. Because many of our permit fees are based on project value, the amount of permit fees collected to-date is up by more than sixty (60) percent. Also, as the projects get larger in size, the time needed to review and approve the plans and ultimately conduct all of the required inspections increase accordingly.

**Residential Development** – At the present time, there are approximately 30 new homes that are under various stages of construction. During the first six (6) months of 2013, permits have been issued for 11 new homes. Areas of Oak Brook experiencing the most new home construction is York Woods and along south York Road. With recent approvals granted to Templeton Oaks (formerly known as Brittwood Creek) and the Polo Lane Subdivision, additional new home construction is expected to continue.

**Commercial Development** – At the present time, there are over 50 “active” permits in Oakbrook Center. Several of these are very significant renovation/expansion projects including: Nordstrom’s, Neiman Marcus, Apple Store, Fixtures Living, Tommy Bahama, Perry’s Steakhouse, Old Town Pour House, Container Store, Le Meridian Hotel and West Elm. The Red Robin Restaurant is now open for business.

In addition to the many Oakbrook Center projects, a number of other large commercial projects are either under review or are already underway, including: Blistex expansion, Advocate Healthcare renovation and parking deck expansion, Clearwater retail out-building which includes a Chipotle and Roti Mediterranean Grill restaurant, Molina Health Care, Great Lakes Dredge and Dock (\$800,000), and NxStage Medical Care.

“There are over 50 active permits in Oakbrook Center”



## WATER FEATURES

As the seasons change, the Village occasionally gets complaints on the condition of one or more of the water features that are located throughout our community. With regard to this issue, the Village’s Property Maintenance Code states in subsection 302.10: Maintenance of Water Features. All existing private and public water features, including stormwater retention/detention facilities, must be kept clear of garbage and debris, and any such area not occupied by water must be kept mowed in accordance to the provisions of this Code. Facilities designed to hold water on a continuous basis must be maintained so as to prevent such water from becoming a breeding site for mosquitoes or from becoming a nuisance due to odor or stagnation. Whenever any facility in the Village that is designated and approved as a stormwater management facility does not function as was originally designed, either because of damage or because of falling into a state of disrepair, it shall be repaired and brought into compliance with its original design specifications, subject to the approval of the Village Engineer.

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# Sports Core Information & Community Calendar

BY TREY VANDYKE



**Labor Day Half-Marathon**  
Monday, September 2  
7 a.m.

**RACE:**

The half-marathon starts on Kensington Road west of Jorie Boulevard, and finishes in Oak Brook's Central Park.

**REGISTRATION\*:**

Registration until 9/1: \$75  
Race day registration: \$85  
\*Limited to 2,000 registrants.

**PARKING:**

Parking is available at the Ace Hardware corporate parking lot and at The Crossings Center office complex parking lot, directly north of the starting line.

**FOR MORE INFO VISIT:**

[www.oakbrookhalfmarathon.com](http://www.oakbrookhalfmarathon.com)



**9/11 Remembrance**  
Tuesday, September 10  
6:30 p.m.

**LOCATION:**

1200 Oak Brook Road  
@ Village Hall Flagpole

**CEREMONY:**

The Oak Brook Police and Fire Departments will conduct a memorial ceremony in honor of our fellow Americans killed on 9/11. There will be a bell ceremony, & the OBPD Honor Guard will be on hand, as well as an OBFD bag piper and Bugles Across America.

**FOR MORE INFO:**

Contact the OBFD at (630) 368-5200 or [www.oak-brook.org/remembrance](http://www.oak-brook.org/remembrance)



Oak Brook Park District  
Village of Oak Brook



**Oktoberfest**  
Saturday, September 21  
11 a.m. - 8 p.m.

**LOCATION:**

Oak Brook Park District  
1450 Forest Gate Road

**MUSIC:**

New Invaders 1:30-3:30pm  
7th Heaven: 5-7pm

**TOURNAMENTS**

Adult Futbol Tournament:  
Saturday and Sunday

Hittn' For the House Classic Softball  
Tournament: Friday, Saturday &  
Sunday

Home Run Derby:  
Saturday, 6:30pm

**KIDS' ACTIVITIES:**

Face Painting, pumpkin walk, balloon animals, crafts, pony rides, moon jump, Fire Dept. activities, & moon jump.

**FOOD & BEVERAGES:**

Sweet Baby Ray's, Two Brothers Brewery, Ebel Weiss, & Domaine DuPage. Saturday, 11 a.m.-8 p.m.



**Veterans Day Commemoration**  
Monday, November 11  
1 p.m.

**LOCATION:**

1200 Oak Brook Road

**CEREMONY:**

The program will honor all Veterans who live or work in Oak Brook. State Senator Kirk Dillard, State Representative Pattie Bellock and the Oak Brook Police Honor Guard will be among those on hand to honor our Veterans. A reception, with light refreshments, following the ceremony will be held at the Oak Brook Heritage Center located next door to Village Hall.

**DO YOU HAVE A VETERAN IN YOUR FAMILY?**

If so, please send your veteran's information, including photo, to the Oak Brook Historical Society to be included in our Oak Brook Veterans Honor Roll Presentation.

**FOR MORE INFO:**

Pick up a Veterans information Form at the Oak Brook Heritage Center, Village Hall, or the Oak Brook Library, or call Kathy Maher at (630) 325-1314 to have a form emailed directly to you. Deadline for submissions is October 28th.



## CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

For those of you who love changing weather, you got your wish this summer. We have had a little bit of everything this year. I am happy to report that all of our sports venues have remained active during these summer months. At the pool, parent volunteers are essential to operate our swim team. We owe a debt of gratitude to Lisa Griffith, Anne Huber, and all our parent volunteers. Without their efforts, we wouldn't have a swim team. Thank you!

Local golfers hit the links at our Oak Brook Golf Club on August 3, 4 & 5 to determine our club champions. On the women's side, Wendy Youngman achieved a 3-peat as champion with a score of 86. Erana Moroni led the net division with a score of 70. Defending men's champion Jaime Blyth of Hinsdale also achieved a 3-peat performance with his winning score of 149 (72-77). The remaining men's winners are: A Flight - Jeff Bassett, B Flight - Ashok Lakhani, and C Flight - Norm Chiodras. Congratulations to the winners and thank you to everyone who participated.

As always we encourage you to use our beautiful facilities for your next special event. Please contact Tammy Perri at (630) 368-6442 for availability and rates.

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# Library Calendar and Events



BY SUE MADORIN

## FALL CALENDAR

**Saturday, September 7 at 2:00 pm**  
**Terry Andrews: Piano Classics**  
Terry Andrews

Terry Andrews will bring his musical talents to the library with a mix of Jazz, Old Standards, Blues, Ragtime, Dixieland and more. He will be playing in the lobby for the whole library to enjoy. Feel free to make song requests!

**Sunday, September 15 at 2:00 pm**  
**Ready to Wear + Ready to Paint: Fashion & Modernism in Late 19th Century Paris**  
Michelle Paluch-Mishur

This slide lecture looks at late nineteenth century artists such as Cassatt, Tissot, Caillebotte and Renoir and their relationship to exciting developments in the Parisian fashion industry. This theme relates to a special exhibition traveling to New York and Chicago in 2013.

**Saturday, September 21 at 2:00 pm**  
**Improve Your Memory**  
Dr. Burton L. Fischman

Achieve your potential and boost your confidence by learning memory improvement strategies. Discover the magic of mnemonics – methods and systems for improving your memory. Learn techniques to help you retain information more readily – including numbers, names, and faces. Everyone will walk away with several ideas on how a more powerful memory will help them be more effective in achieving their potential in life.

**Sunday, September 29 at 2:00 pm**  
**Victorian Women Watercolorists: Agents of Social Change**  
Dorothy Mikuska

Dorothy Mikuska's presentation will explore how artists like Elizabeth Forbes, Susan Isabel Dacre, Florence Caxton, Helen Allingham, Lillian and Theresa Stannard, Beatrix Potter, and Laura Herford were instrumental in changing Victorian society while creating outstanding watercolor paintings.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING?

September is Library Card Sign-Up Month, a time when the Oak Brook Public Library joins with the National Library Association and public libraries nationwide to make sure that our students have the most important school supply of all – a free library card.

Resources at the Oak Brook Public Library are available to anyone who has a library card. Students can turn to the library for materials, programs, and services that support academic achievement. OBPL keeps copies on-hand of elementary and middle school textbooks and owns a variety of test preparation books for the ACT, SAT, MCAT, LSAT, and much more.

Students can use their library cards from home, too. Our library offers access to important educational resources like EBSCO, Gale Virtual Reference, Academic Search Premier, Kids Search, and Searchasaurus, along with thousands of eBooks and eAudiobooks. The library provides students with exciting and engaging programs that make learning fun and resources that they can access from the library and from home – all with a free library card. It is for this reason that a library card is most important school supply of all.

Throughout September, the library will host a number of activities, including "Improve Your Memory" with Dr. Burton L. Fischman and "Victorian Women Watercolorists: Agents of Social Change" by Dorothy Mikuska. Get a running start on the school year by attending these fun and intelligent programs.

For more information on how to sign up for a library card, please visit the Circulation Desk. For those community members who already have library cards, we would like to issue a special "Thank you" so be sure to visit us soon!

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## COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

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State law requires the Village to prepare a complete set of audited financial statements following the close of each fiscal year in the form of a Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). The CAFR is presented in three main sections. The introductory section includes a financial overview and an organization chart. The financial section includes the Village auditor’s report, management’s discussion and analysis, audited basic financial statements and notes thereto, and the underlying combining and individual fund financial statements and supporting schedules. The statistical section sets forth selected unaudited economic, financial trend and demographic information for the Village on a multi-year basis.

For the past 35 years, the Village has received recognition for its CAFR in the form of a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association. The 2012 CAFR is located on the Village website in the Finance section. Contact the Finance Department at (630) 368-5000 if you have any questions regarding this document management plan. In these difficult financial times, management is pleased that we have been able to end the 2012 fiscal year with an addition to fund balance. The Village’s General Fund revenues exceeded expenditures by \$1.6 million. By the end of 2013, the total cash reserves are projected at \$11.4 million, which is equal to 7.4 months of operating expenses.



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## NEW FISCAL YEAR BUDGET & PROCESS

Budgeting is an essential tool for managing the Village’s revenues and expenditures. The Village of Oak Brook’s process is underway for developing its budget for the next fiscal year, which begins January 1.

- 1** The updated 2012-2015 strategic plan was presented to the Board in late July. The strategic plan outlines and guides the annual budget process.
- 2** The 2013 budget process begins with the department directors submitting their funding requests to the Village Manager and Finance Director by mid-September.
- 3** The Village Manager, Assistant Village Manager and Finance Director consider funding requests as a starting point to develop a draft budget.  
  
In September, there will be numerous meetings with key staff to discuss and evaluate funding requests. Adjustments are made as deemed appropriate and reports are prepared in October. Copies of the finalized draft budget will be posted online and available for viewing at the Village Hall and Library in late October.
- 4** The Village Board will hold budget workshop meetings in November to discuss the 2014 draft budget. Residents are invited to attend these meetings.
- 5** Before the December 10 regularly scheduled Village Board meeting, a public hearing will take place regarding the 2014 Budget. Residents may participate in the public hearing.
- 6** Given the outcome of the public hearing, the adoption of the final budget may occur during the same Board meeting.

More information regarding the exact dates of the budget timeline will be posted in the Finance Department section of the Village website later this fall.



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