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Regular meetings of the Village Board are held on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 7pm, except no fourth Tuesday meetings in the months of June, August and December.

Live streaming of Village Board meetings now available. 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

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Warmer weather and longer days are finally here. More and more residents come out to enjoy their yards, walking/bike paths and connecting with their neighbors. The Village has yet another fun summer of events planned with the Annual Taste of Oak Brook on Sunday, July 3, from 4 to 9 pm at the Oak Brook Polo Fields. Some of the Oak Brook area finest restaurants will serve delicious samplings from their menus, children's activities and live entertainment with the day concluding with a spectacular fireworks display that all will enjoy. Come and join us for some food, fun and fireworks!

At a special Village Board meeting in April, the Village Board approved an agreement with Pineoak Partners to run polo for the 2016 season. The Village will monetarily support the 2016 polo program and matches will be held on the Oak Brook polo fields. By outsourcing polo, we still retain the rich tradition of Oak Brook polo, but reduce the amount of fiduciary strain that was placed on the Village in the past. Information on ticket prices, dates and times of Polo matches can be found online at www.oakbrookpoloclub.com.

I am sure many residents have seen that the electric rates offered by Commonwealth Edison have come down over the last few months. Their published rates for the proposed prices-to-compare for this June through November will be 6.195 cents/kWh and from November through May 2017 will be 6.315cents/kWh. These rates are posted prior to any monthly Purchased Energy Adjustment (PEA) that ComEd May offer. As these new rates fall below our contracted rate of 6.754 cents/kWh with Eligo Energy LLC, we will be working with Eligo to make sure they fulfill their contract by either establishing a rate equal to the ComEd pricing for that time period or return both the Village and the Members of our community, who they currently serve, "to the ComEd Default Tariff Service at no cost to the Village or the Members," per the two year agreement that the Village negotiated. Please

remember, that our residents can revert back to ComEd at no cost at any time during the remainder of the contract period. Additionally, in the future, I will ask the Electric Aggregation Committee to convene to review the Village's involvement in an aggregation program moving forward.

Effective June 1, 2016, the sales tax rate in Oak Brook changes from 7.75% to 7.50% due to the DuPage Water Commission rate reducing from .25% to 0%. The Village receives 1.50% of the 7.50%. Here is how the 7.50% rate breaks down:

5.00%	- State of Illinois
1.50%	- Village Share
0.75%	- Regional Transportation Authority
0.25%	- DuPage County
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7.50%	- Total

The Oak Brook Public Library will have an array of programs offered this summer for both children and adults. Further information on the Library programs are included in this newsletter.

As always, the Trustees, the staff, and I are available to you at all times. Feel free to call, email or meet any of us if you have any thoughts and concerns. We are here to serve you. As Dr. Jonas Salk so aptly said, "I feel the greatest reward for doing is the opportunity to do more."

Kind regards,

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From the Manager's Desk

BY RICCARDO F. GINEX



Dear Friends and Residents;

As you know, we recently went through an internal reorganization of our Sports Core operations. Through that reorganization, the Village conducted a search to fill the position of the Bath and Tennis Club Manager. We are pleased to announce that Christopher Thompson was selected to fill the position. Chris most recently worked with the Arlington Heights Park District as their Assistant Club Manager. He holds Bachelor's Degree in Marketing from Northern Illinois University and has an extensive tennis background. He was the recipient of the 2015 Chairman's Award from the Illinois Parks and Recreation Association. We are excited to have Chris as part of our staff and look forward to his contributions to enhance the operations of the Bath and Tennis Facility.

Just as we bring in new staff, other members of our staff leave to take advantage of new opportunities. Kate Andris, our Human Resource Generalist, resigned her position with the Village in April and took the position of Human Resource Director with the Village of Hanover Park. Kate had been with the Village since 2013 and was a great asset to the organization. We wish her well on her new endeavor. We have already conducted interviews and have hired Diana Maciejewski to fill that position. Diana brings extensive experience in both public and private human resources operations. She has served with the Village of Winfield, Hilton Indian Lakes Resort, Bridgestone and most recently as the interim Human Resource Generalist with Oak Park. We are excited to have her as part of our staff

Also, I want to take this opportunity to congratulate another staff member, Kathy Vonachen, who achieved her Certified Payroll Professional Certificate (CPP) this past April. She has been working very diligently over the past several years to obtain this certification. This is just another example of our staff working not only to enhance their abilities but to increase the professionalism of the Village operations.

Finally, the 2016 budget process will begin during the summer months. Staff will be preparing their budget requests to coordinate with the strategic goals that were developed last year. We will continue to maintain our excellent financial status while providing exceptional services.



2016 POLO SEASON

This year, the Village of Oak Brook has approved the privatization of the Oak Brook Polo Club as it begins its 94th season. The Village entered into a private partnership with Pineoak Partners LLC., to conduct polo. It will be an entirely new experience featuring lawn seating, tailgating and exclusive club events. Polo will be held on the following dates:

- Sunday, June 26, 2016
- Sunday, July 10, 2016
- Sunday, July 17, 2016
- Sunday, August 7, 2016
- Sunday, August 21, 2016

Through this partnership, the Village has agreed to contribute a total of \$65,000 for sponsorship of the 2016 Oak Brook Polo Club season. \$20,000 of this contribution will be reimbursed to the Village for the maintenance of the polo field. Tickets are now on sale for the 2016 polo season and you can obtain them by going to www.oakbrookpoloclub.com. Children under the age of 13 are admitted free of charge.

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BY JAMES KRUGER

IN THE NEWS

Just as summer is a busy time for most of you, it is a busy time for the Police Department as well. This year we are preparing for our accreditation on-site inspection. The Oak Brook Police Department is a Commission on Law Enforcement Accreditation, CALEA, accredited police department. We are very proud of that distinction, not just for recognition, but as an indicator to the community that we are dedicated to professionalism and providing the very best law enforcement services. Every four years the Police Department must demonstrate to the Commission that we follow our own rules, and that all of our policies are based on best practices. This year, the on-site assessors will be in Oak Brook to interview staff, residents, and inspect proofs for every policy to determine our worthiness for reaccreditation the last week of July. We welcome your comments and hope that you can take some time for the call-in or in-person interviews by the assessors. We will have a media release with more details as we get closer.



Another large event this summer will be our Second Annual Golf Outing for Special Olympics. Last year, our first golf outing was a tremendous success due to the hard work of our Special Olympics Team and especially because of the generosity of all of you. This year the golf outing will be on August 26th at the Oak Brook Golf Club. Check in will begin at 11:00 AM at the Drake Hotel, with a shotgun start at 12:00 noon. Please call CSO Michael McTighe at 630-706-4080 for a registration form. The cost is \$150 per golfer or the discounted price of \$500 per foursome and includes a

pre-golf lunch, golf, cart, and dinner. Dinner only tickets are also available. All proceeds benefit Special Olympics Illinois through the Law Enforcement Torch Run, the official charity of law enforcement in Illinois. Please come out and support us, you'll have a great time.

While on the subject of Special Olympics, I would like to thank all of you who came out and supported us at our first ever Polar Plunge on March 5th. This was the first official Polar Plunge for Special Olympics in Oak Brook, and the first one held in DuPage County. It was a tremendous success with over 250 plungers, approximately 400 people in attendance, raising nearly \$87,000. Ever present at this event were Oak Brook residents and Citizen Police Academy alumni Russ and Carol Strahan. The Strahans have been stalwart supporters of the Police Department and our efforts for Special Olympics. Because of that, the Strahans were nominated for the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police Outstanding Citizen Award. On April 22nd the Association announced that the Strahans had been selected for this award at the annual installation banquet and awards ceremony and were recognized at the Village Board meeting on May 24th.

Now that school is out, please watch for children walking and riding bikes in the street this Summer. Help us keep Oak Brook safe. Have a great summer.



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Fire Safety & Information

BY BARRY LISS

As we prepare to enjoy the summer months, we wish to remind our residents of the importance of exercising basic safety guidelines and practices to ensure the summer is filled with enjoyment, laughter, leisure, and good times.

Preparation for any emergency begins well before the use of 9-1-1. Prepare your family for potential heat and humidity related medical illnesses especially when working or playing outdoors for extended periods of time. Keep a close eye on ever changing weather conditions, as it can change minute by minute. Refrain from the use of illegal fireworks and join in on the Independence Day celebration by attending the Taste of Oak Brook. When cooking or grilling outdoors, be aware of the surroundings, children and pets may wander close to hot appliances and open flame. July is the peak month for open grill fires according to the National Fire Protection Association. As school quickly approaches summer recess, please be observant to children playing outside as they become more active and present throughout the community.

To better prepare ourselves in providing improved service, we have equipped our fire apparatus with the necessary trained and licensed paramedical personnel along with specialized equipment to render advanced life support care whenever and wherever we are called. This change in service is improving patient outcome and delivery of advanced life support to those in need.

BONFIRES

- A permit is required in Oak Brook for open burning for all fires with the exception of cooking fires and leaf burning.
- The burn site shall be the minimum size for the intended purpose and will never be more than five feet by five feet by five feet (W x L x H).
- The location for any open burning shall not be less than 50 feet from any structure, and provisions should be made to prevent the fire from spreading to within 50 feet of any structure (e.g. garden hose extended within 10 feet of burn site).
- All combustibles must be natural landscape waste. No trash or accelerants (e.g. gasoline) are allowed.
- A competent person must constantly attend the fire until such fire is extinguished.

- The Fire Department must be notified two hours prior to starting the open burn even when a permit has been issued. The number to call is 630-690-8245.
- All open burning shall be extinguished by sunset, with the exception of ceremonial bonfires or cooking fires.
- The Fire Chief and all authorized personnel may prohibit any or all open burns when atmospheric conditions or local circumstances make such fires hazardous, offensive or objectionable.
- Upon receipt of a complaint regarding open burning, fire units will respond to the location of the fire and facilitate extinguishment.
- Contact the Fire Department, Fire Prevention Bureau at 630-368-5220 for additional inquiries.



CPR/AED/First Aid Courses

In conjunction with the Oak Brook Park District the Oak Brook Fire Department offers basic life support programs to teach people how to respond to emergencies at a basic level. Through the American Heart Association we offer CPR, CPR with AED, Healthcare Provider, and First Aid courses. We even offer a SMILE (Saving More Illinois Lives through Education) program. To learn more about the classes we offer, please contact Glen Washington, Public Education Coordinator at (630) 368-5220 or (630) 368-5224.

To schedule a class at the Oak Brook Park District, please contact Lynn Larson (Recreation Supervisor) via phone at 630-645-9516 or online at llarson@obparks.org

The next available courses (scheduled/subject to change) are:

June 15 – 6:30 PM
August 2 – 6:30 PM
October 12 – 6:30 PM

Reminders About Tornadoes

The season for tornadoes is March through August. Remember that tornadoes can develop at any time, moving extremely quickly, in an unpredictable fashion as they can suddenly change directions. Preparation for any emergency begins well before the warning is sounded.

Know the difference between a warning and a watch.

A tornado watch is a National Weather Service alert which identifies that conditions strongly exist for the possibility of a tornado. A tornado warning is issued when an actual tornado has been spotted and is occurring.

Seek Shelter. Once a warning is used, take shelter until the danger has passed. Basement and storm cellars offer the best protection. Or, find a small room in the center of the building, such as a closet or bathroom. Stay clear of the windows to avoid injury from flying glass and debris.

Don't try to outrun a tornado in a car. Tornadoes are capable of traveling at speeds up to 70 mph – it's dangerous to try to outrun them. If you are in a car, stop, get out and seek appropriate shelter.

Keep a radio and flashlight ready. Radio weather reports help you pay close attention to weather developments. Flashlights are helpful if there is a power outage.

Create a tornado plan and practice it with everyone in your family so you will be able to quickly do everything necessary to ensure your safety.

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NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM

COMMUNITY RATING SYSTEM OUTREACH PROJECT

The best time to prepare for a flood is before it happens. Village of Oak Brook residents have experienced flooding from creeks and sewer backups in the past. As homeowners, there are a few things you should know about flood safety, preventing flood damage, flood plain regulation and insurance.

Flood Safety

A number of precautions should be taken in the event of a flood. Electricity and gas should be turned off if your home is being flooded. Walking through flood water should be avoided especially if the flood water is moving rapidly as drowning is the number one cause of flood deaths, mostly during flash floods. Currents can be deceptive; six inches of moving water can knock you off your feet. If you walk in standing water, use a pole or stick to ensure that the ground is still there. Do not drive through a flooded area as more people drown in their cars than anywhere else. Don't drive around road barriers; the road or bridge may be washed out. After exposure to flood water, residents are advised to receive a tetanus shot if they have not received one in a while.

Preventing Flood Damage

The Village provides advice on how to retrofit buildings to prevent flood damage. There are generally five approaches to retrofitting: elevation, barriers, dry flood proofing, wet flood proofing and basement protection. Other property protection measures include grading, ditch cleaning, moving furniture and sandbagging. For information on these and other flood protection issues, please contact the Village of Oak Brook Engineering Department at (630) 368-5130.

Flood Plain Development

Development in or near a flood plain may be allowed only upon application and issuance of the appropriate Village permits. Flood plain map information is available through the Village of Oak Brook Engineering Department at (630) 368-5130. If you are planning to build, fill or otherwise develop in a flood plain, please contact the Village of Oak Brook Engineering Department. If you witness what you believe to be illegal flood plain development, please contact the Engineering Department at (630) 368-5130.

Village Code also states that existing structures shall not be enlarged, replaced or structurally altered unless the changes meet the requirements for development. If the changes constitute substantial improvement to a building in the flood plain, then the entire building will need to meet the requirements for development. Substantial improvement is when the cost of reconstruction, rehabilitation, addition, or other improvements to a building equals or exceeds 50% of the

market value. Substantially damaged buildings must also be brought up to the same standards. Enforcement of this requirement is achieved through the permitting procedure.

Flood Insurance

The Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 helps to ensure that you will be protected from financial losses caused by flooding. Backed by the U.S. Government, flood insurance is available to residents across America that participate in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). It provides coverage that most homeowners insurance does not (e.g. coverage for damage to structures and contents from flooding, flood-related erosion, etc. In all of these communities, you can purchase flood insurance from any licensed property or casualty insurance agent, broker or company.

You must have flood insurance to get secured financing to buy, build, or improve structures in Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHAs). Lending institutions that are federally regulated or insured must determine if the building is in a SFHA and require flood insurance on conventional home mortgage loans, FHA loans, VA loans, second mortgages, home equity loans, home improvement loans, construction loans and commercial loans.

Flood insurance coverage is an asset to you as a borrower. It reimburses you for financial losses from flood damage. With one annual premium you have peace of mind that your losses will be covered. The law protects you from being uninsured and having to rely on a costly federal disaster loan after a flood. This loan is the same as another mortgage that must be paid back with interest.

Flood insurance protects your most important investment. It is considerably less expensive than federal disaster loans and is 100% backed by the U.S. Government. Call toll free the National Flood Insurance Program at 1-800-638-6620 to answer any questions you may have about flood insurance.

For More Information

If you have questions about the information in this article, please feel free to contact the Village's CRS Coordinator at (630) 368-5130. In addition, the Oak Brook Library maintains a selection of publications pertaining to the National Flood Insurance Program including insurance requirements, flood proofing techniques, proper grading, etc. Please take advantage of these resources by visiting the Library at 600 Oak Brook Road. Finally, you may also contact the Federal Emergency Management Agency at www.FEMA.gov

BY ROBERT KALLIEN

As we finally enter the spring season, the Village occasionally gets questions on a specific regulation, requirement or the status of specific projects in the Village.

Section 302.10 (Village's Property Maintenance Code) 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.



Section 302.4 (Village's Property Maintenance Code) Weeds.

1. Weeds And Overgrown Lawns Declared A Nuisance. All weeds and grass exceeding eight inches in height found growing in any lot or tract of land in the village are hereby declared to be a nuisance and it shall be unlawful to permit any such weeds or grass to grow in excess of eight inches.
2. Removal Notice. The Village may serve a notice upon the owner of any premises on which weeds or grass are permitted to grow in violation of the provisions of this section demanding the cutting of such weeds and grass within five (5) days from the date of such notice. The



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notice shall be personally served on, or sent by certified mail to the person who was sent the tax bill for the general taxes on the property for the last preceding year.

3. Costs of Removal. If a person so served does not cut the weeds or grass within ten days of the personal service or mailing of the notice, the Village may proceed to cut the weeds or grass keeping an account of the expense of the cutting and such expense shall be charged to and paid by such owner.
4. Lien. Charges for weed or grass cutting shall be a lien upon the real estate affected, superior to all other liens and encumbrances except tax liens; provided that within 60 days after such cost and expense is incurred, the Village, or the person performing the service by authority of the Village files a notice of lien in the office of the recorder of deeds. The notice shall consist of a sworn statement setting out a description of the real estate sufficient for identification thereof, the amount of money representing the cost and expense incurred or payable for the service, and the date or dates when such cost and expense was incurred by the Village. A notice and copy of the lien shall be personally served on, or sent by certified mail to, the person who was sent the tax bill for the general taxes on the property for the last preceding year.

WHEN IS A BUILDING PERMIT REQUIRED?

Building permits are generally required for all exterior and interior construction projects. For a detailed list of activities that either require or do not require a building permit, please visit the Development Services web pages at www.oak-brook.org.

2016 ROADWAY PROJECT LIST

This year, several street repair and/or resurfacing projects will take place and include:

- 16th Street/Castle Drive (only repair work)
- Acorn Hill Lane, Washington Street and Wood Road
- Avenue Loire
- Bath & Tennis Drive
- Camden Court and Tower Drive Water Reservoir Area
- Camelot Drive and Mockingbird Lane
- Clearwater Drive
- St. Stephens Green
- York Road (near north Village limits) (only repair work)

If you have any questions about any of these projects, please contact Project Engineer Jim Bosma, PE at 630-368-5142.

Information Technology Services

BY JIM FOX

GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS (GIS) WORKSHOPS

In the beginning of 2016, Village staff completed updates to the Geographic Information Systems (GIS) page <http://www.oak-brook.org/93/Maps> on the Village of Oak Brook website. Residents now have 24/7 access to a wider variety of property related information and interactive maps. This summer there will be three opportunities to learn more about these fantastic resources that are available to residents, which include two workshops and demonstrations of the technology at The Taste of Oak Brook.

Community members are invited to attend the Oak Brook GIS Webpage Workshops hosted by the Village of Oak Brook's Geographic Information Systems (GIS) department, which will introduce a suite of powerful village information tools, MapOffice™, Community Portal and Interactive Story Maps, that are available for use by residents. All of these applications are free to use and accessible to everyone through the Village of Oak Brook's website.

Residents will learn how they can utilize MapOffice™, Community Portal and Interactive Story Maps to access a variety of content related to a specific location within the village. This information includes general property information, schedules of local services, school district information, local government contact information, listings of government representatives, zoning information, and more. Please join us at the dates and time listed below to learn more about these powerful information tools! No registration is necessary.

July 3rd, Sunday @ 5pm

Location: The Taste of Oak Brook

August 17, @ 2pm,

August 18, @ 7pm,

Location: Oak Brook Library, 600 Oak Brook Rd

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Warm Weather Encourages Door-to-door Solicitors

The season of door-to-door sales people is upon us. The Village of Oak Brook requires that all Commercial Solicitors must apply for a License from the Village. A background check for local violations is completed for each individual that has requested permission to solicit door-to-door in the Village of Oak Brook with the intent to protect the residents of the Village.

Non-Commercial Solicitors must register with the Village for the purpose of identification.

Federal litigation has specified that religious organizations and political parties are exempt from any Village requirements of licensing or registration. Many religious organizations do cooperate and at least provide us with information and are willing to wear our badges.

The Village does not regulate solicitors distributing handbills as long as they do not participate in personal contact with residents unless the resident pursues contact.

Further information can be found at our Village of Oak Brook website at www.oak-brook.org or you can contact the Village Clerk's office at 630-368-5052.



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"No Solicitors" signs
are available at the
Village Hall and
solicitors must honor
those signs and not
attempt to contact you.

Library Calendar and Events

BY SUE MADORIN

SUMMER CALENDAR

JUNE

Tips for the Lazy Gardener Saturday, June 25 @ 2 pm

Cindy Tyley, owner of "Carriage House Garden Design", addresses how to be the best lazy gardener. She has a certificate in Landscape Design. Registration is requested; please call (630) 368-7725. Sponsored by the Friends of Oak Brook.



JULY

Designing for Your Interior Lifestyle Saturday, July 2 @ 2 pm

Maura Brown discusses how to match your interior to your lifestyle, design trends, and how to calculate your return on investment for your décor projects. Maura is the proud owner of Maura Brown Interior Design based in Riverside, IL. Registration for the presentation is requested; please call (630) 368-7725. Sponsored by the Friends.



Identity Theft 101 Thursday, July 7 @ 7 pm

What is identity theft? How can you prevent it from happening to you? Phillip Boggess from the Society for Financial Awareness (SOFA) will be discussing the details about more. Please bring your questions! Registration is requested; please call (630) 368-7725.



An Afternoon of Music Saturday, July 9 @ 2 pm

Join vocalist Anthony Abbatacola as he runs through an eclectic set of Traditional Pop, Jazz, Country, and Folk. Refusing to be tied down to one style or decade, he'll be putting his own spin on classics as well as reworking some more contemporary tunes. You'll find old standards like "I'm Pulling Through" or "Green Dolphin Street" mixed in next to The Box Tops "The Letter" or Amos Lee's "Arms Of A Woman". Along with playing around the Chicago land area, you can hear him regularly featured on WDCB's 90.9 fm. Registration is requested; please call (630) 368-7725. Sponsored by the Friends.



AUGUST

Family Matters: Kym Frankovelgia Saturday, August 13 @ 2 pm

Celebrating all families everywhere, Kym Frankovelgia is returning to the library to put on a show all about those who matter most. Her unique blend of warmth and humor, along with her large repertoire of music will give you an afternoon you won't easily forget. Registration is requested. Sponsored by the Friends of Oak Brook Public Library.



Ragtime: The American Music of the Early 20th Century Saturday, August 27 @ 2 pm

Young pianist, Daniel Souvigny, enjoys sharing his ragtime passion with an audience and brings plenty of energy and pizzazz to his performances. Come hear him play old-time piano from the ragtime era (1890-1929), and talk about the history of this early American music. You'll hear everything from familiar oldies to Scott Joplin to Jelly Roll Morton, and Fats Waller. Registration is requested. Sponsored by the Friends of Oak Brook Public Library.



Life in a Japanese American Internment Camp Saturday, August 20 @ 2 pm

After the bombing of Pearl Harbor, all Japanese Americans living on the West Coast were forced from their homes and into relocation camps in remote areas of the country. Among the over 120,000 Japanese Americans who were incarcerated, over two-thirds were American-born, many of whom were children. Historian and librarian Sarah Okner, a descendant of internees, shares photos and details of daily life in an internment camp, and the profound effects it had on those living there. Registration is requested. Sponsored by the Friends of Oak Brook Public Library.



SEPTEMBER

Classical Concert: Anatoliy Torchinskiy Sunday, September 18 @ 2 pm

Perennial favorite Anatoliy Torchinskiy comes back to the library to showcase his magnificent talent. A native of Kiev, Mr. Torchinskiy has lived in the U.S. since 1992, earning both bachelors and master's degrees in piano performance. Mr. Torchinskiy has performed in Italy, New York, Michigan and Wisconsin as well as the Chicago area with companies such as da Corneto Opera, and Genesis Opera and has played live on WFMT radio. Registration is requested. Sponsored by the Friends of Oak Brook Public Library.



Music of World War II Saturday, September 10 @ 2 pm

Bandleader, trumpet player and Big Band historian Steve Cooper presents a program of rare films and videos featuring the great music of the World War Two era. You'll see and hear the great singers and big bands performing the music we all remember. Steve will introduce each video clip with a fascinating and humorous "behind the scenes" story as he played with many of the famous bands, musicians and singers. At the end of the show, Steve will play his trumpet on one of the most popular WW2 songs and then play song requests from the audience. Registration is requested. Sponsored by the Friends.



Thanks for Your Memories: An Introduction to Writing Memoir Saturday, September 24 @ 2pm

Writing memoir is a powerful way to stimulate your mind and your memory. It has the added benefit of developing a legacy for your children and grandchildren by which you can give them a look at the past and share your insights about life. Join Dr. Linda Sasser of *Brain and Memory Health* to learn what memoir is, how it differs from autobiography, the benefits of writing memoir, and its various formats and types. You will participate in some simple exercises to help you start writing and be inspired with ideas for continuing on the journey. Registration is requested. Sponsored by the Friends of Oak Brook Public Library.



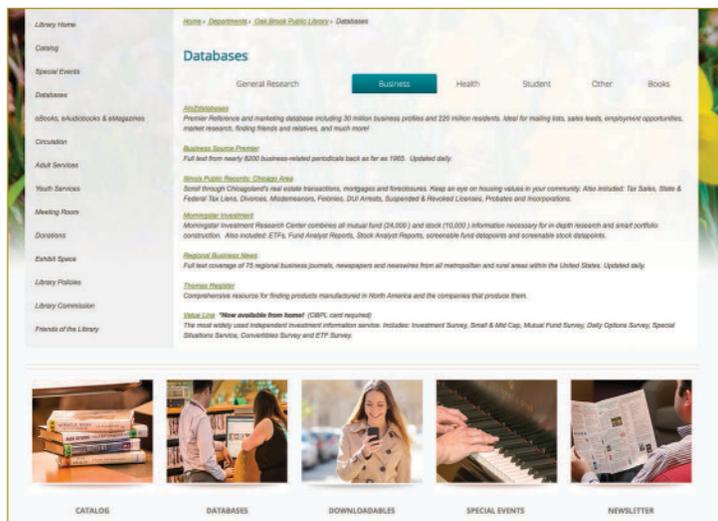
OCTOBER

Lights Out, Everybody: Mystery & Horror During the Golden Age of Radio Sunday, October 2 @ 2 pm

Using sound clips from some the radio's best known mystery and horror programs (including "Escape," "Inner Sanctum", and "Lights Out"), radio personality **Steve Darnall** illustrates how radio could truly be a "Theater of the mind", and use music, voices and sounds to create indelible – and often frightening – "pictures". Registration is requested. Sponsored by the Friends of Oak Brook Public Library.



DATABASES



Do check out the many databases the Library has to offer at www.oak-brook.org/databases.

The opening page gives you the online phone book *AtoZdatabases*, the full access to *Consumer Reports*, downloadable magazines, Zinio, as well as many other research databases. Click on the **Business** tab and you will find *Value Line* and *Morningstar Investment*. Stop by the Reference Desk for a more detailed look at the many services the Library has to offer.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

This year our summer reading programs support the XXXI Olympiad in Rio de Janeiro with the theme Read—For the Win! More than just sports, games and competition, our theme pays tribute to those who aspire to achieve greatness, to set goals and to accomplish them, no matter what obstacles stand in their way.

I was fortunate enough to be numbered among those in attendance at the powerful program presented by Dorothy Mikuska and her colleagues on April 27 at our Library. Dorothy, Marti Seaton and Laura Broderick presented information as to how reading from electronic devices affects our brains differently from book or page reading. Most of us have electronics firmly entrenched in our lives and by no means are we going to give them up. But we should make a concerted effort to read the printed page whenever possible. We hereby challenge readers to the following tasks:

1. Practice slow and critical reading. Reflect on what you have just read.
2. Reach out with your reading. Tackle a more complex text and make what you read truly count.
3. Strive for greater perspective and discuss what you have read with others. Do this by joining a reading group or talking with your friends, spouse or children. Share your thoughts and knowledge.

Some of our residents may wonder why libraries put such emphasis on reading during the time when most children are out of school. National research from Dominican University found that children who spend time reading during the summer score higher on achievement tests at the beginning of the fall term than those who did not. In addition, those children who are read to at home benefit by performing better in school. To encourage children to participate in our Summer Reading Program, incentives are earned along the way. Their progress will help build the Library's own Olympic Rings in the Youth Services area. There will be a variety of fun activities for children including storytimes, Lego® League, Read to a Cat & a Dog, bingo, etc. So let the Games Begin!

Make this summer truly count to prevent "summer slide" and to "build a bridge" for when your children return to school in the fall. Registration for the Library's Summer Reading Programs for both adults and children begins June 1.

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2016 OAK BROOK POLO SEASON EVENT SCHEDULE

CHICAGO POLO CUP

Sunday, June 26, 2016

The 2016 Oak Brook Polo Season kicks off with the Chicago Polo Cup! A celebration of Oak Brook's 94th Season and Chicago's deep and storied polo history. The Club's opening Sunday will feature a DuPage rivalry in the making, pitting the Oak Brook Polo Team, Captained by James Drury, against the Arranmore Polo Team, Captained by John Greene. This 6-chukker match will give the winning team bragging rights as the best team in "The Prairie State" until they meet again on Sunday, August 28th, 2016 at Arranmore Polo Club.

THE COMMANDER'S CUP

Sunday, July 10, 2016

Polo in the United States Armed Forces can be traced back to 1892. The sport was used as a way to enhance officer horsemanship skills and helped give rise to the sport's popularity in the late 1800's and early 1900's. Polo's Armed Forces roots in Chicago dates back to 1949 when the Illinois National Guard organized an indoor league that continued through the mid-1980's at the Chicago Avenue Armory, now the Museum of Contemporary Art. On this day, Oak Brook Polo honors the United States Armed Forces and its veterans in a remake of the Oak Brook Polo vs. Black Horse Troop match, which was captained by Oak Brook Polo Club founder and commander, Paul Butler.

HORSES & HORSEPOWER

Sunday, July 17, 2016

Start your engines! In partnership with the Ferrari Club of America and Continental AutoSports Ferrari and Maserati, Oak Brook Polo Club invites you and your guests to a day of horses and horsepower. The afternoon starts with an on-field parade of new and classic Ferraris for you to gawk at. Followed by a 6-chukker polo match between two Italian favorites, Ferrari vs. Maserati. Feel free to flaunt your Italian, Ferrari and Maserati pride, and spend an afternoon watching fast polo action alongside Italian's best engineering.

USPA DRAKE CHALLENGE CUP

Sunday, August 07, 2016

Oak Brook Polo is excited to welcome back the Delhi Polo Club from India to play for one of the Club's oldest and celebrated trophies, The Drake Gold Cup. Named after The Drake Hotel, Oak Brook, which overlooks the Prince of Wales field, this beautiful copper trophy has been played for since 1964. Stop by the trophy display and you will see some of polo's most iconic and celebrated players who competed on Oak Brook's polo fields during the Club's glory days. In 2015, three teams competed in a round-robin tournament for The Drake Gold Cup, which was won outright by the Oak Brook Polo team, captained by James Drury.

USPA INTERNATIONAL CUP

Sunday, August 21, 2016

Oak Brook Polo welcomes a polo team from the beautiful Caribbean island nation of Jamaica to compete for the prestigious USPA International Cup. Oak Brook Polo has a long history of welcoming teams from other countries. In 2015, Oak Brook Polo welcomed the Delhi Polo Club from India. In what was a heavily contested match, Oak Brook Polo defeated the Delhi Polo team 7-5. Prior to the 2015 match-up, the International Cup was last seen in Oak Brook in 1986 when it was presented to Prince Charles's English team. Plans are for a 6-chukker match between Jamaica and the Oak Brook Polo Club.

For additional and up-to-date information, ticket prices/options, corporate outings, events and sponsorship opportunities visit www.oakbrookpoloclub.com

KIDS' FREE WEEKEND



KIDS STAY FREE

Kids stay free in their parents' room*



KIDS PLAY FREE

Kids with an accompanying adult bowl free at Pinstripes*



KIDS EAT FREE

Kids enjoy free breakfast every morning*

RATES FROM
\$124

A Kids' Free Weekend at the Hotels of Oak Brook is something the whole family can enjoy. All weekend long your Kids Stay Free, Eat Free and Play Free. Plus, there's so much to see and do like Brookfield Zoo, Morton Arboretum and free bowling at Pinstripes. So, if you're looking for a great family weekend, the Hotels of Oak Brook have just what you're looking for.

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BY SHARON DANGLES

FINANCE REPORT



The Village of Oak Brook Launches its Financial Transparency Platform

New tool provides instant access to Oak Brook's finances in a digital format

The Village of Oak Brook launched a new digital platform powered by OpenGov that provides residents, elected officials and staff unprecedented access to the Village's finances. The OpenGov platform transforms complex financial data into a digital format that enables better analysis and understanding of the Village's finances. The intuitive design makes it easier to explore how the money is collected and spent. The platform may be accessed at www.oak-brook.org.

The **OpenGov** platform displays 9 years of government spending and revenue detail in a user-friendly portal. Users can view historical revenue and expenditure trends over time and explore multiple views of financial data, including by fund, department, expense, or revenue type. The current year report provides insight into spending and revenues year-to-date. For example, visitors to the platform may answer frequently asked questions such as "What expenses does the Village pay for?" or "How much does Oak Brook receive in sales tax each year?"

With the OpenGov Checkbook report visitors can quickly view and search thousands of expenditure transactions. The data can be instantly searched and filtered according to specific detail such as vendor name, date description and even dollar amount.

It was the Finance department's initiative to make the Village's finances more transparent and understandable.

"By making its financial data easily accessible in an intuitive, digital format, the Village is demonstrating its commitment to efficient data-driven and open government," commented Gopal Lalimalani, Village President.

Beyond sharing information with the public, the Village of Oak Brook can also use OpenGov internally to create custom reports, manage operations to budget, and keep administrators informed. The Village of Oak Brook joins a growing list of more than 500 leading cities, counties, state agencies, school systems, and special districts across the country that leverage OpenGov technology.

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BY DOUG PATCHIN

Public Works is gearing up for summer even though warm weather hasn't been keeping up with us, winter is behind us. Spring landscape and utility restorations have been completed. Ash tree stumps have been removed, the areas leveled off, and restored with black dirt and seed; grass will soon be growing in all restored areas. Any areas that may have been missed, please call Public Works at (630) 368-5270.

Residents may have noticed white and orange street sweepers working throughout the Village. We have contracted with Hoving Companies to sweep our streets May through October at our current schedule and frequency. Commercial areas are swept bi-weekly, residential curbed areas are swept monthly, and non-curbed areas are swept three (3) times per season.

2016 Street Improvements scheduled to start after Memorial Day are as follows.

Street Resurfacing:

- Acorn Hill Lane, Washington Street, Wood Road
- Bath & Tennis Drive
- Camden Court, and Tower Drive (Water Tower Area)
- Clearwater Drive
- St. Stephens Green
- Camelot Drive

Street Reconstruction:

- Avenue Lorie
- Mockingbird Lane

In addition to the Village's 2016 street improvements scheduled for this year, work is scheduled along 22nd Street and York Road. The Village received an Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) grant from the State (beautiful tion cost share is 80% federal and 20% local). The project will include extending the raised planter beds and landscaping in the center medians from Salt Creek east to the I294/I88 spur ramp. Lighting along 22nd Street and York Road will also be replaced with the same decorative lighting that was installed on 22nd Street between McDonald's Drive and Salt Creek (street lighting elements cost share is 50% federal and 50% local).



Water Conservation Reminder - outdoor watering is permitted as follows:

Odd-Numbered Street Addresses

Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday

Even-Numbered Street Addresses

Wednesday, Friday and Sunday

6:00 AM until 10:00 AM & 6:00 PM until 10:00 PM

WATERING IS PROHIBITED ON MONDAY

Watering cans or hand-held watering devices may be used at any time on any day.

Customers with private wells are encouraged to utilize their wells for all outside watering purposes.

Newly planted sod or seed may be watered for a maximum period of two (2) weeks from the date of installation. Please notify Public Works at (630) 368-5270.

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SUNDAY, JULY 3, 2016

TASTE OF OAK BROOK

Festival of Food, Fun and Fireworks

OAK BROOK POLO FIELDS



ENTERTAINMENT

Live Entertainment

Sam Fazio 4:00 - 5:30
97 Nine 6:00 - 8:00

DJ
DJ X 8:10 - 9:00

Fireworks
Show after Dusk 9:15

RESTAURANTS

Freshii

Gibsons Steakhouse
Kona Grill
Labriola Bakery Café
McCormick & Schmick's
Paul's Pizza & Hotdogs
Pinstripes
Real Urban Barbecue

Shree
Tuscany

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

Balloon Artists
Face Painting
Oak Brook Park District-
Bounce House
Petting Zoo
Stilt Walkers

DETAILS

Free admittance with parking available for \$10.

The Police Department will provide families with lost and found tattoos.

Some children's activities, food and beverages will require the purchase of tickets.

The beverage tent will be featuring beer, wine, Sangria, water and soda drinks.

Rain date for the fireworks only display is Monday, July 4th.

SPECIAL THANKS

SPONSORS TO DATE

- Christopher Burke Engineering ● Inland Real Estate ● VISOgraphic Inc., ● Evergreen Bank
- Ancel Glink, Diamond, Bush, DiCanni, & Krafthefer, P.C., ● Sysco
- Paramedic Services, Inc. ● Republic Services ● Hub Group

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