Huntley's Village Journal

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Huntley Veterans Memorial located in the Town Square

New Veterans Memorial Dedicated

On July 2nd, over 500 Huntley area residents gathered to honor local veterans and to participate in the dedication ceremony for the new Veterans Memorial in the Town Square. The dedication ceremony included a flag raising for each branch of the military, recognition of local Gold Star fallen heroes, and a moving speech by Major Leonard Williams of the US Army National Guard. The Veterans Memorial is a 25 foot curved black granite monument honoring the six branches of military service, and a round Gold Star

monument honoring those who lost their lives while serving our country. Granite

QR Code

benches are also placed at the memorial to commemorate Purple Heart recipients and Prisoners of War / Missing in Action. The new monument includes an etching of a QR scan code which will allow residents to easily find the website http://lh.huntleylibrary.org/huntleyveterans-memorial-register/ (where they can add names of local veterans (and service info) to a virtual monument. The online listing will be continually updated to include new veterans making it a perpetual monument for the community. Nearly 900 names have already been collected, along with branch, rank and service years.

The inspiration for the project began in 2014 as a true grass roots effort by a handful of passionate Huntley residents who had the desire to create a physical memorial in Huntley that would commemorate those who served in the military. The group took their idea and formed the Huntley Area Veterans Foundation to raise funds for the project. The Foundation raised \$125,000 by selling commemorative brick pavers and t-shirts, and by garnering many generous donations from residents and businesses.

Centegra Hospital Huntley Readies for August 9th Opening

The much anticipated date is set and the community is ready to celebrate the opening of the 360,000 squarefoot, 128-bed, Centegra Hospital Huntley. Centegra officials have announced the hospital will open and be fully operational at 7:00 AM on Tuesday, August 9th. The new Centegra facility offers state-of-the-art technology and a bright and airy architectural design. More than 800 construction jobs were created to build the hospital having a total economic impact of \$152 million on area communities. Centegra Health System



Centegra Hospital Huntley officially opens August 9th

expects to eventually employ about 1,000 associates at Centegra Hospital-Huntley.

Centegra employees have been busy getting ready for the opening, utilizing many opportunities to showcase the hospital to the public. Centegra doctors and nurses are on hand to interact with the public at all of the preview events. A Community Open House was held on July 7th, offering self guided tours of the lobby and the Emergency Department where residents could get a sneak preview of the innovative design of the facility. Centegra's annual Family Health Fest, scheduled for July 16th, offers tours of the first floor and many fun kidfriendly events (rock climbing wall, teddy bear clinic, and more) held in the parking lot. Families who are expecting babies or planning pregnancies are invited to tour the hospital's Family Birth Center from 5 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, July 27. Parents can meet representatives from Centegra's OB team as well as team members from Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago, which will provide 24/7 inpatient pediatrics care at the new hospital. To register, visit centegra.org/obtour. In Mid-July, Centegra will be mailing a special edition magazine that will give community members a look inside Centegra Hospital-Huntley.

Alden's Huntley Horizon Project to Break Ground this Summer

Alden Realty Services' will break ground this summer for Alden's Huntley Horizon Senior Living Community at the northwest corner of Regency Square and Princeton Drive. The project includes a 110-bed skilled nursing and rehabilitation facility, a 60-bed memory care building, and a 76-unit independent senior living complex. The facility is targeted to open in Fall 2017.

The project is anticipated to bring a significant investment and 200 permanent jobs to the community. Alden operates similar facilities in Barrington, Des Plaines and Naperville. For more information, contact Jeanne Baker: (630) 499-9718, jeanne.baker@aldennetwork.com, or visit their website at www.thealdennetwork.com.



Artist rendering for Alden's Senior Living project

Bike Huntley & Picnic in the Park - July 31st

As a kickoff to National Night Out, join us at the 2nd Annual Bike Huntley event on Sunday, July 31st (check in at 1PM). This year our Huntley Bike Patrol Officers will be guiding riders on a 7-8 mile bike ride around town beginning at the Town Square. Then everyone is welcome back to the Square for a community picnic. This is a free event. Details and registration information is on the Village's website. www.huntley.il.us



Residents are also invited to the National Night Out Open House (with moonwalk & dunk tank!) at the Huntley Police Department on August 2nd, from 6-8pm.

Huntley Police Department Bike Patrol

Summertime means the return of the Huntley Police Department Bike Patrols. Additional officers were trained last month for this collateral assignment and now at least one officer on each patrol shift is trained as a bike officer. As weather and circumstances permit, these officers may be authorized to trade in their squad cars for a bike to perform their regular patrol duties. The bike patrol uniform is shorts with a blue and black polo that includes HPD patches and a badge, and a white helmet. The Village of Huntley has a large number of parks and bike paths which are a great asset to the community but can present a unique challenge for officers patrolling the community. The bikes can maneuver in these areas that are not accessible by car, providing better patrol services to the community overall. In addition to regular patrol duties, officers are regularly assigned to bikes for special events. You may have recently noticed bike officers at the Memorial Day Parade and they will be working special events throughout the summer, including Bike Huntley on July 31. Perhaps the best part of the bike patrol is that it puts the officers in closer contact with the citizens and facilitates more interaction with the community. As the officers patrol through the neighborhood or park on the bike, it is easier to say "hi" or stop and chat with residents. Having quality personal interactions is important to the Huntley Police Department and the bike patrol is an important part of meeting that goal.

Police Advise to be on the Watch for Burglars

Since 2011, numerous burglaries have occurred in Sun City. Although not all exactly the same, the majority of these break-ins have occurred between 9:00 AM and 1:00 PM and have taken place shortly after the homeowner leaves the residence. Two homes were burglarized on June 5. On June 11, another home was targeted but the burglars fled the home when a neighbor saw their entry and rang the doorbell. Based on previous patterns from this group, we expect them to return to the area again this summer.



The burglars have been both men and women, approximately 35-55 years old with olive color skin. They appear to blend in well with the neighborhood and normally drive rented SUVs or vans. They watch for a homeowner to pull away from their residence and then enter the home. The burglars may have accomplices walking through the neighborhood talking on a cell phone to help them select a target. Once entry is made, the burglar goes directly to the master bedroom and takes jewelry and cash. They stay away from items that can be identified such as electronics and items with serial numbers. Fruits of the crime are carried away in a small handbag or pouch.

This crew works the entire Chicagoland area and has proven very difficult to apprehend. Many suburban departments along with the Chicago Police are actively working to arrest these individuals with very limited success. While the Huntley Police will continue to pursue criminal charges against these burglars, citizens need to be vigilant to play an important role in preventing these crimes. We ask all citizens to be sure their homes are properly secured, even if they are leaving the residence only for a short time. Also, be sure to call 911 to report any suspicious activity you may see. For more information on these burglaries and important safety tips, please visit our website at http:// www.huntley.il.us/depts/police.

Summer Watering Reminder

A color-coded, four-tiered water conservation program was adopted to help residents quickly identify the status of our community water system. Signs are posted throughout the Village displaying the color and water 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM restriction conditions.



6:00 AM to 9:00 AM

Huntley's current restriction is set to Code Yellow.

This means residents and businesses can only sprinkler their lawns/landscaping on odd/even days (i.e., if your address ends in an odd number, you can water on days that end in an odd number) from 6AM to 9AM, and 6PM-9PM. Hand watering (by holding a hose or watering can) is permitted for watering of flowers, plants, car washing, etc. at any time.

Business Development Updates

- Farmers Insurance opened at the NE corner of Main and Myrtle. Business owner Bridget McKevett is looking forward to assisting residents in choosing the best insurance coverage to fit their needs. 11510 Main Street, Huntley, 847-659-1100
- Dunkin Donuts opened a second Huntley location at the SE corner of Route 47 and Rainsford. Owners Suresh and Jay Patel are planning many extra special events for their Grand Opening celebration scheduled for July 22nd. Be sure and stop in soon. 9800 Route 47, Huntley, 847-669-8051
- Dental Care of Huntley, located in front of Walmart, is now open. Huntley's newest dental office opened with two dentists, Dustin Wylde DDS and Samar Syed. 12222 Route 47, Huntley, 224-654-6920
- Burger King is now under construction in front of Walmart. The restaurant is anticipated to open in Fall
- Advocate Health Care opened a health care clinic inside Walgreens at the SW corner of Kreutzer and Route 47. The clinic offers physicals, vaccinations and treatment for a range of common illnesses and injuries. 12000 Princeton Drive, Huntley, 900-323-8622
- Millie's was approved for a Class "A" liquor license to operate a wine bar with video gaming in the Village Green shopping center (south of Jewel). The owners will now move forward with build-out plans for construction at 11310 Village Green Drive, Huntley.
- Village Inn Restaurant will be receiving a facelift this summer. Owners Bill and Soula Galanis were approved for a façade improvement grant to assist with a new brick masonry base, siding, and shingles on the front, and deck repairs and an enclosure for the rear. 11713 Main Street, Huntley, 847-669-5858
- Woodstock Street LLC (owner Paul Godlewski) was approved for a façade grant to renovate the exterior of the Century 21 building on the Square. Improvements will include new Hardiplank lap siding, copper gooseneck lamps and awnings.

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July 23rd Farmers Market - Town Square 8am-1pm

July 26th Concerts in the Parks - Town Square 7-8:30pm Johnny Russler & the Beach Bum Band

July 30th Farmers Market - Town Square 8am-1pm

July 31st Bike Huntley - Town Square 1pm

August 2nd National Night Out, Police Dept. tours, 6-8 pm Cruise Night - Town Square 5-8pm Concerts in the Parks, with DJ Don - Deicke Park 7-8:30pm

August 6th Farmers Market & Craft Fair - Town Square 8am-1pm

August 9th Concerts in the Parks, Horizon Navy Band, Deicke Park, 7pm☆ Cruise Night - Town Square 5-8pm

August 13th Farmers Market - Town Square 8am-1pm