

# VILLAGROVE OCTOBER 2020 ISSUE

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The Village Hall is open 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday for payment of water bills, local fines, vehicle stickers and general Village information. In addition, the Finance counter is open on the first Saturday of each month from 9:00 a.m. to noon, and the Community Development counter is open on the first Saturday of the month of May through September from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

Village Board meetings are generally held on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

# HALLOWEEN TRICK-OR-TREATING HOURS & INFORMATION

While the coronavirus pandemic has interrupted many of our annual events and traditions, Elk Grove Village encourages families to safely celebrate Halloween. For this year only, the Village's usual trick-or-treating hours will be limited from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.



### Halloween Trick-or-Treating Saturday, October 31 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.



For the safety of the families participating in trick-or-treating, those going door-to-door are required to wear face coverings at all times. Individuals passing out candy are also encouraged to wear face coverings and gloves. Please pass out candy individually instead of inviting children to take a treat from a communal bowl.

We understand not everyone may feel comfortable with trick-or-treating this year. The Village has designed green and red signs for residents to place in their windows or visible areas for trick-or-treaters to identify whether you are welcoming them or not. Those interested in participating in trick-or-treating are asked to turn on your porch lamp or outdoor lights and place the green "Trick-or-Treaters Welcome" sign on your window or door. Those who are not interested, are asked to keep outdoor lights off and place the red "No Trick-or-Treaters, please" sign on your window or door.

Please see pages 6 and 7 for the green and red signs available for residents to post in a visible location.

The Village encourages families participating in trick-or-treating activities to also maintain a safe distance from other trick-or-treating groups and to wait to approach a house until the previous group has left.

With these necessary precautions, everyone can enjoy a safe and spooky Halloween celebration. Additional information about Halloween safety tips and trick-or-treating guidelines can be found at <a href="https://www.elkgrove.org/halloween">www.elkgrove.org/halloween</a>.

See pages 5 and 6 for Green and Red signs.

### EARLY VOTING & ELECTION INFORMATION

The Presidential General Election is November 3, 2020.

Early Voting will be held at the Elk Grove Municipal Complex on October 19 through November 2. The hours are Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and weekends from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Masks are required to enter the building and social distancing must be maintained while waiting to vote. Signs will be posted to direct you to the Early Voting location.

# Villager

### MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

While the coronavirus pandemic has interrupted many of our annual events and traditions this year, Elk Grove Village has been working to bring a sense of normalcy into our community.

For this year only, the Village's usual trick-or-treating hours will be limited from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday, October 31. For the safety of the families participating in trick-or-treating, those going door-to-door are required to wear face coverings at all times. Individuals passing out candy are also encouraged to wear face coverings and gloves. Please pass out candy individually instead of inviting children to take a treat from a communal bowl. More Halloween safety guidelines are available on page 1 and on the Village website at <a href="https://www.elkgrove.org/halloween">www.elkgrove.org/halloween</a>.

As October 31 creeps up on us, we understand not everyone may feel comfortable with trick-or-treating. The Village has designed green and red signs for residents to place in their windows or visible areas for trick-or-treaters to identify whether you are welcoming them or not. Those interested in participating in trick-or-treating are asked to turn on your porch lamp or outdoor lights and place the green "Trick-or-Treaters Welcome" sign on your window or door. Those who are not interested, are asked to keep outdoor lights off and place the red "No Trick-or-Treaters, please" sign on your window or door. Please see pages 5 and 6 for the red or green sign.

Thank you to PPE Global Health in the Elk Grove Town Center for donating supplies to the Village to support safe trick-or-treating in our community. Residents can also pick up a complimentary pairs of gloves and masks for families at their location in the Elk Grove Town Center to make sure you're prepared for a safe & fun Halloween.

Residents who enjoy decorating their homes for Halloween should consider entering the Halloween House Decorating Contest! The Leo and Lions Clubs are holding this contest for residents during the month of October. Houses will be judged in one of four categories: Outstanding Overall Halloween Theme, Outstanding Use of Multi-media, Outstanding Scariest Display and Outstanding Child-Friendly Display. Information about entering the contest and important dates can be found on page 4.



Pictured in front row from left to right are Trustee Nancy Czarnik, Mayor Craig Johnson, and Trustee Christine Prochno. Pictured in the second row from left to right are Trustee Jeffrey Franke, Trustee Stephen Schmidt, Trustee Samuel Lissner, and Trustee Patton Feichter.

This time of the year means it is time for the Fall Leaf Collection Program. Please remember that it is important not to rake your leaves in the street too early; this can cause drainage issues for your entire subdivision. Program guidelines and a schedule for your leaf collection dates can be found on page 7.

The Presidential Election is on November 3, 2020. Information about early voting and mail ballot applications can be found on pages 1 and 4.

With election season here, we would like to remind residents to please be aware that campaign signs are not allowed on parkway areas and must be kept on private property. Per Village code, signs cannot exceed six (6) square feet per side of sign and thirty-six (36) square feet of total sign area.

We invite residents to join us for a cup of coffee at the upcoming Coffee with the Board & Mayor taking place on November 7, 2020. Coffee with the Board & Mayor will be held at 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. in Room E at Village Hall located at 901 Wellington.

Residents are always invited to share thoughts, concerns, or questions by clicking "Contact Us" on the Village website (www.elkgrove.org).



# AMID NATIONWIDE SPIKE IN OPIOID-RELATED DEATHS, ELK GROVE VILLAGE CARES STANDS READY TO HELP

With the number of nationwide opioid-related deaths skyrocketing, Elk Grove Village Cares, the Village's groundbreaking, multi-faceted initiative that is tackling the opioid crisis, seeks to provide access to substance and addiction treatment programs for addicts who want help but do not know where to turn.



The United States is currently on pace to surpass last year's grim total of 72,000 opioid-related deaths. Locally, the problem is far more stark. Cook County officials announced this summer that the number of opioid-related deaths in the county are on pace to more than double last year's total.

"The key to saving lives and getting more people on the difficult road to recovery is removing the barriers that stand between an addict and treatment," said Elk Grove Village Mayor Craig Johnson. "Our goal from the day we launched Elk Grove Village Cares in 2018 was to play a key role in helping individuals stricken with the disease of addiction get the help they need. I am proud of our efforts so far, but the alarming increase in opioid-related deaths remind us all that more needs to be done on the local level."

To date, Elk Grove Village Cares has helped 56 individuals get into treatment programs.

Under the initiative, anyone seeking treatment for their opioid addiction can seek it through the Elk Grove Village Police Department. Those seeking help will not face arrest. Rather, police officers and counselors will connect individuals to partnering treatment programs. Program partners include: The Gateway Foundation, Amita, Leyden Family Services and Symetria Health.

To keep the vital program moving forward, Elk Grove Village Cares has applied for and received more than \$300,000 in grant funding to support those seeking treatment but lack adequate health insurance to offset the costs of treatment programs.

Last year, the program was also awarded \$1,540,000 in federal grant funding which designated Elk Grove Village Cares as a regional resource to area community groups and municipalities seeking to train and equip first responders with Naloxone, an overdose-reversal medication.

For more information, please contact the Police Information Center at 847-357-4100.



### WATER METER UPGRADE PROGRAM

At this time, the Village's Water Meter Upgrade program is currently being carried out for residential, commercial, and industrial properties. If you are a resident and you haven't had your water meter upgraded, please schedule an appointment by calling (866) 931-2199 or go online to <a href="https://www.schedulemymeter.com">www.schedulemymeter.com</a>.

During the appointment, a plumber will need to enter the resident's home to upgrade the water meter. The plumbers are screened each day following

CDC guidelines, will be maintaining social distancing, and be wearing proper personal protective equipment. However, if a resident chooses to put their water meter upgrade on hold, they should notify the call center so the upgrade can be rescheduled at a later date.

Please visit us at <a href="https://www.elkgrove.org/watermeter">www.elkgrove.org/watermeter</a> or call Utility Billing at 847-357-4000 for more information regarding this program.

### EARLY VOTING & ELECTION INFORMATION CONT.

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The final day to request a Mail Ballot is October 29, 2020. Applications are available online at www.cookcountyclerk. com/VoteByMail. If a mail ballot was requested from the Cook County Clerk, there is no need for further action. Cook County began mailing ballots on September 24. Voters can check on the status of their mail ballot at www. cookcountyclerk.com/VoterInfo and click the "What Is My Mail Ballot Status" tab.

There will be a secure ballot drop box located just inside the Early Voting room for voters to return mail ballots if they choose not to send through USPS. Please do not place your ballot in the Village's night deposit payment box near the entrance to Village Hall. Employees of the Village are not authorized to accept election ballots.

If you have received a mail ballot and have decided that you would like to vote in person instead of mailing your ballot, you must bring your mail ballot with you to Early Voting or on Election Day and hand it to the election judge to be voided. You will not have access to vote in person unless you hand your mail ballot to an election judge. Once the ballot is voided, they will then give you access to vote in person.

All ballots that are postmarked by November 3, 2020 and arrive at the Cook County Clerk's Office by November 17, 2020 will be counted.

Please contact the Village Clerk's Office at 847-357-4040 if you have any questions.

### **ELECTION SEASON SIGNAGE**

Election season is here! Please be aware that campaign signs are not allowed on parkway areas and must be kept on private property. Per Village code, signs cannot exceed six (6) square feet per side of sign and thirty-six (36) square feet of total sign area.



### ENTION There is no need to rush to visit a **Driver Services facility.** Your expiration has been extended. · Driver's licenses and ID cards have been tended until Feb. 1, 2021 License plate renewal stickers are extended until Nov. 1, 2020. WWW.GYBERDRIVEILLINOIS.COM Jesse White

### SECRETARY OF STATE RENEWAL EXTENSION

Expiration dates for driver's licenses and ID cards have been extended until February 1, 2021. Expiration dates for valid driver's licenses held by Illinois drivers who are 75 years of age or older have been extended for one year past the licenses' current 2020 expiration date. However, license plate stickers remain extended until November 1, 2020, as they can easily be renewed online at www.cyberdriveillinois.com.

### HALLOWEEN HOUSE DECORATING CONTEST

The Elk Grove Village Leo and Lions Clubs are holding a Halloween house decorating contest for residents in the month of October. Decorated houses will be judged in one of four categories: Outstanding Overall Halloween Theme, Outstanding Use of Multi-media, Outstanding Scariest Display and Outstanding Child-Friendly Display. Judging will take place on Sunday, October 25 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.



For questions or to enter the Halloween Decorating Contest, please email your name, address, phone number and category entering to <u>lionbarbara@comcast.net</u>. The deadline to enter is October 18.

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# FACE COVERING REQUIRED FOR CANDY!





# Please.

HAVE A SAFE &
HAPPY HALLOWEEN!
SEE YOU NEXT YEAR



### FALL LEAF COLLECTION

During October and November, the Public Works Department offers residents convenient disposal of their fall leaves. The Village is divided into nine (9) collection sections and each section receives four (4) leaf collection dates. The scheduled collection dates and a map depicting the section numbers are shown below. \*Please be aware that the day of the week for leaf collection sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 7 and 9 is different than in previous years due to operational improvements.\*

- Leaves should be raked into the street after 3 p.m. the day before collection or before 7 a.m. on the day of collection.
- Only rake leaves into the street. Grass, branches, and others yard waste can damage equipment.
- Place leaves in a continuous row on the pavement 2 feet from the curb.
- Do not place leaves on state or county roadways, nor on the following Village streets: Tonne Road, Elk Grove Boulevard, Rev. Morrison Boulevard, J.F. Kennedy Boulevard, Biesterfield Road, and Wise Road. Residents along these streets are asked to place leaves in the parkway.
- In the event of rain, you should still place your leaves in the street on your scheduled date as leaves will be collected as soon as possible after that time.
- Parking in the street will be prohibited on the day of collection from 7 a.m. until the leaves are removed.

In the event of snow, leaf pickup will be rescheduled for another day. Also, any leaves that are placed on the street and not picked up by the initial collection will eventually be collected by crews at a later date. Questions? Call Public Works at (847) 734-8800. For more information, visit www.elkgrove.org/leaves. \*Sections updated (10/14/20)\*

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# ELK GROVE VILLAGE'S MAKERS WANTED BAHAMAS BOWL SPONSORSHIP EARNS NATIONAL RECOGNITION

Innovative sponsorship named a finalist in prestigious "Hashtag Sports Awards" in the Most Creative Sponsorship category.

Elk Grove Village's sponsorship of the Makers Wanted Bahamas Bowl has been named a finalist in the 2nd Hashtag Sports Awards. The Village's innovative sponsorship of the 2019 Makers Wanted Bahamas Bowl is a nominee in the "Most Creative Sponsorship" category, which recognizes creative excellence resulting from the collaborative effort of organizations in or around sports.



Judges for the Hashtag Sports Awards, which are presented by Budweiser, will evaluate the five finalists based on engagement, revenue, or other measurable outcomes. The Village's sponsorship of the Makers Wanted Bahamas Bowl generated \$9.8 million in media exposure value, according to an analysis performed earlier this year. The sponsorship also earned national and international media coverage, raising the profile of the Village's Beyond Business Friendly brand with companies that may be considering where to locate or expand.

Love's Travel Stops is one business whose decision to locate in Elk Grove Village came about as a direct result of the Makers Wanted Bahamas Bowl sponsorship. Love's Travel Stops became aware of Elk Grove based on the sponsorship, and its new facility on Busse Road, which received zoning approval last fall, will generate millions of dollars in tax revenue for the Village.

"As home to the nation's largest industrial park, we're accustomed to working with innovators, makers and entrepreneurs. They all know, as we do, that earning the competitive edge requires creativity and bold thinking," said Elk Grove Mayor Craig Johnson. "Our Makers Wanted Bahamas Bowl delivered genuine results in the form of international name recognition, as well as leads that will bring millions of dollars in future tax revenue. We're proud to be nominated as a finalist for this prestigious award because it recognizes our efforts to tell our story on the world stage creatively and effectively."

Other finalists in the Most Creative Sponsorship category include #NFLTwitter Super Bowl Confetti 2020, the Chicago Bears, the Drone Racing League and a collection of gaming companies.



### **BLOOD DRIVE AT VILLAGE HALL**

The Village, in partnership with Vitalant has hosted two Community Blood Drives in 2020. The last blood drive of 2020 will be held at the Village Hall (901 Wellington Ave.) on the following Saturday:

Saturday, November 14, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.