



# ELK GROVE Villager

JANUARY 2018 ISSUE



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## VILLAGE WRAPS UP A SUCCESSFUL 2017

2017 has been an incredibly successful year for the Village! We have been experiencing among the lowest recorded industrial vacancy rates in Village history, at just 3.26%. The Village experienced over \$292 million in private sector construction activity in 2017, more than double the construction value in 2016.

The Village has spent much of 2017 planning and investing for our future, which has been the bedrock of the success we're currently experiencing. Work is in full swing on Elk Grove 2025, the Village's ambitious long-range infrastructure plan.

See more highlights from 2017 on page 8 and an Elk Grove 2025 update on page 6.

**INTERNET  
PURCHASE  
EXCHANGE  
LOCATION**

PROVIDED BY  
ELK GROVE VILLAGE  
POLICE DEPARTMENT

## INTERNET EXCHANGE PURCHASE LOCATION AT VILLAGE HALL!

Elk Grove Village is now offering an Internet Exchange Purchase Location! With the ever-growing number of online scams and the inherent difficulty in solving these crimes, more and more police departments are taking a proactive approach in designating their facilities as, "Safe Trade" or "Meet-Up Spots."

Since 2011 and the inception of the "Meet-Up Spot," hundreds of locations have popped up nationwide. The Elk Grove Village Police Department believes this program would be a great benefit for our community

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## LOCAL ROOFING COMPANY TO DONATE NEW ROOF

Is your house in need of a new roof, but you can't afford a replacement?

A local roofing company is generously offering to provide one Elk Grove Village homeowner with a complete roof replacement, free of charge. The roofing company, which wishes to remain anonymous, has partnered with the Community Character Coalition (CCC) to accept applications from residents in need.



Find out more and download an application from the Community Character Coalition website at [www.ccccg.org](http://www.ccccg.org). Applications are due March 15, 2018.

## MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

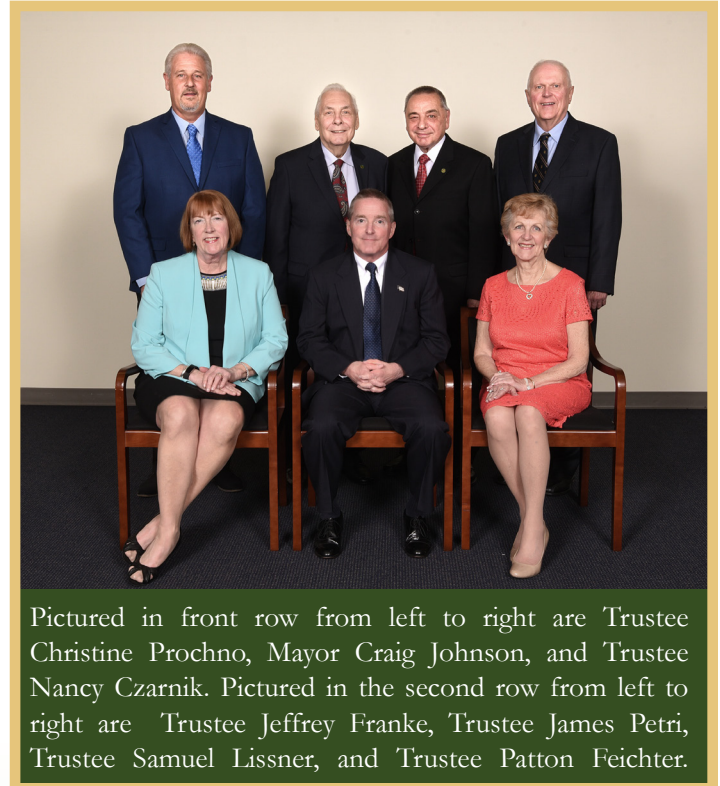
2017 has been an incredibly successful year for the Village, and in reflecting on the successes in the past year we want to express our gratitude for all of the community members who give their time to be involved in the community, whether on a committee or commission, helping out at an event, or assisting others in the community. We hope 2017 has been a great year for our residents, and we encourage you to take a look at a few of the highlights for the Village in the past year on pages 8-9.

Planning and investing for the community's future has been the bedrock of our current success. Through the Elk Grove 2025 plan, we're continuing to pave the way for a prosperous future, investing over \$125 million back into the community. You can get an update on the progress so far on Elk Grove 2025 on page 6-7—and don't forget to check out the interactive online project map at [www.elkgrove.org/2025](http://www.elkgrove.org/2025).

The Village has heard from a lot of residents thanking us for the special leaf pick-up which the Department of Public Works conducted the week after Thanksgiving. We have also heard from many residents wondering why we can't extend the regular leaf pick-up schedule later in the year. The reason primarily relates to the need to convert trucks from leaf pick-up to snow control in time to keep our roads safe during winter storms. Please check out the article on page 3 which provides a more detailed explanation. As always, we will continue to work to provide the best possible service to our residents.

Speaking of winter roads, we encourage residents to check out safe driving tips for winter weather conditions on page 5!

Looking ahead to the coming year, we are very pleased to announce the lineup for our biggest annual event, the 10th annual "Unity Within the Community" Mid-Summer Classics Concert Series! This year's line-up includes many great bands and a special Independence Day Concert at Rotary Green. Check out the complete lineup on page 11!



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

As you await our summer concerts, don't miss out on the many other wonderful events held here in the Village. The Community Character Coalition's Carnival of Exceptional Character is taking place on Saturday, February 24. This fabulous family event includes free food, free games and tons of family fun--you can find more information on page 3.

For those interested in learning more about Village operations, the Police and Fire Departments are both holding Citizens Academies in 2018! The Citizens Police Academy begins in February and the Citizens Fire Academy begins in April. See page 4 for more details and to learn how to apply.

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

Prefer to share in person? Come to the next Coffee with the Board at Village Hall (901 Wellington) on Saturday, February 3 at 9am.



## CARNIVAL OF EXCEPTIONAL CHARACTER

The Community Character Coalition of Elk Grove (CCC) is holding its third annual Carnival of Exceptional Character on February 24, 2018. This popular event is free to attend and includes free food, free games & prizes, and fun for the whole family!

As families travel through booths with carnival-style games and activities, they will learn about the wonderful community service groups that help make Elk Grove

Village an exceptional community with exceptional character!

**Saturday, February 24, 5:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.**  
**Elk Grove Park District Pavilion, 1000 Wellington Ave.**

Free games and prizes include: Ring Toss, Bozo Buckets, Bounce House, Strike-A-Light, Bocce Ball, Dog Tags and more! Free food will be served while supplies last.



## FALL LEAF COLLECTION UPDATE

As you may know, the Village extended the scheduled leaf collection program in 2017 with a special pick-up the week after Thanksgiving. We want to provide some information about why it is not possible to push back the dates of the regularly scheduled leaf collection.

First and foremost, the Village uses the same trucks for leaf pickup and snow plowing. The conversion process involves more than simply attaching plows, it includes major modifications to prepare trucks for de-icing operations. Following the special pick-up this year, the conversion was completed within a day before the first snow operation.

The safety of our roads is our first priority, and we cannot respond appropriately to early snow and ice events if our fleet is not prepared. While there have been many unseasonably warm autumns over the past year, we still frequently experience the first snowfall in mid-November, and sometimes earlier. Another consideration for the leaf pickup schedule is that there are limitations on how late the Village can dispose of leaves due to the closure of landscape waste facilities.

The Village always strives to provide the best possible service to residents. As we did last year, the Village will monitor both leaf drops and winter weather conditions to determine if a special pickup is necessary and feasible. In the event of a special pickup, information will be posted on all forms of Village communication. Want to be the first to know? You can sign up to receive e-notifications to your inbox at [www.elkgrove.org/stayconnected](http://www.elkgrove.org/stayconnected).

## 2018 BLOOD DRIVES AT VILLAGE HALL



The Village, in partnership with Lifesource, will be hosting Community Blood Drives in 2018. The drives will be held at the Village Hall (901 Wellington Ave) between 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. on the following Saturdays:

**Saturday, April 7**

**Saturday, July 28**

**Saturday, November 3**

## 2018 CITIZENS FIRE ACADEMY BEGINS APRIL 4, 2018



The Fire Department will be hosting its Citizen's Fire Academy for Elk Grove Village residents and Elk Grove business employees 18 years of age and older interested in learning more about the Fire Department and its operations. This six-week program takes place on Wednesday evenings from 6pm to 9pm and runs April 4 - May 9, 2018 at Fire Station #8, 1000 Oakton Street.

This is your opportunity to learn about Special Teams Operations, Fire Extinguisher Training, CPR, and Disaster Preparedness. Participants will tour the training tower, learn basic first aid skills, and use specialized tools and equipment to better understand the types of conditions encountered by firefighters. The program will culminate with an evening of hands-on simulations.

To apply, contact the Fire Department Public Education Team at [FireDepartment@elkgrove.org](mailto:FireDepartment@elkgrove.org) or call 847-734-8027.



## 2018 CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY BEGINS FEBRUARY 7, 2018



Are you interested in: Automobile Crash Investigations, Crime Scene Processing, Defensive Tactics, a Police Ride-a-Long, and much more? Enroll now for the Citizen's Police Academy, beginning February 7, 2018!

The next Academy starts on February 7 and runs through March 28 on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. The Academy is open to anyone who lives or works in Elk Grove Village and is over the age of 18.

Applications are due January 26 and can be emailed to [davejohnson@elkgrove.org](mailto:davejohnson@elkgrove.org) or mailed/dropped off at the Police Department to the attention of Officer Dave Johnson. Applications can be downloaded on the Village website at [elkgrove.org/CPA](http://elkgrove.org/CPA).

If you have any questions or concerns, please call the Crime Prevention Unit at (847)-357-4152.

## CLOUDY WATER?

At times, you may notice that your tap water appears cloudy or milky. If you let the water stand a moment, it will dissipate and clear up. The "problem" was just air in the water lines. You can even hear the water bubbles breaking if you were to listen.

Deposits can also cause unclear water. It is good practice to periodically check and clean your aerators: the small screens on most sink faucets. Mineral deposits can accumulate causing particles in the water or reduced flow.

If you experience further problems with your water, please call Public Works at (847) 734-8800.





## PLOWING & MAINTENANCE ON STATE & COUNTY ROADS

Please be aware that the Village does not maintain all the roadways within the Village limits. Cook County and the State of Illinois have the responsibility of plowing and maintaining the following roads:

### Cook County

- Arlington Heights Road, south of Higgins
- Devon Avenue
- Landmeier Road
- Meacham Road
- Nerge Road, west of Rohlwing
- Plum Grove Road



If you experience hazardous conditions on these roads, including any type of road damage, please call Cook County at (847) 397-4145.

### State of Illinois

- Arlington Heights Road, north of Higgins
- Biesterfield Road, Rohlwing to Martha
- Busse Road
- Elmhurst Road
- Higgins Road (Route 72)
- Rohlwing Road, south of Biesterfield

If you experience hazardous conditions on these roads, including any type of road damage, please call the State at (847) 705-4171 or (847) 705-4162.

## FREEZING PIPES

During the winter season, please be aware of the potential for water pipes to freeze during extremely cold weather. These few simple ideas can decrease the potential for frozen pipes, water damage and costly repairs:

- Shut outside vents in crawl spaces. Many homes, especially the older ones, have water pipes that pass right next to outside vents which increases the risk of freezing.
- When the weather outside is extremely cold, open cabinet doors and closet doors where there are pipes. This allows the heat in your home to get to the pipes and reduce the risk of freezing.
- In severe weather, allow a trickle of water to run from your faucets to maintain flow through pipes near exterior walls.
- Know where the “shut-off” valves are in your home. Many fixtures (including toilets, sinks, and hot water heaters) have an individual shut-off valve.
- **If a leak occurs, turn off the water at the main shut-off.**
- If a pipe freezes, use a hair dryer to help slowly thaw the pipe. Do not use torches or heat guns.



## WINTER DRIVING TIPS

**Plan Ahead.** Before heading out, check the weather--If it's storming or icy, consider delaying or rescheduling your trip. If travel cannot be avoided, check your travel route for delays and road conditions. Let others know your route and your estimated arrival time.

**Keep Your Car Prepared.** Make sure your windshield washer fluid is topped off with a fluid rated for cold temperatures. Always make sure you have a full tank of gas. Keep a winter survival bag in your car, with a cell phone charger, gloves, blankets, snacks, roadside emergency kit, jumper cables, water, and medication.

**Drive Safe.** Slow down--Slower speeds, slower acceleration, slower steering and slower braking all are required in winter driving conditions. Don't crowd the plow--a snowplow operator's field of vision is restricted. You may see them, but they may not see you. Watch out for black ice on roads that appear clear but can be treacherous.

## ELK GROVE 2025 UPDATE

In February of 2017, the Village launched an ambitious long-range infrastructure plan with over \$125 million investment back into the community. This investment will serve the community into the next generation and beyond, and will create thousands of jobs.



Elk Grove 2025 includes unprecedented investment in infrastructure--including major construction on 4 facilities, road reconstruction and resurfacing, streetscaping enhancements, street lighting, drainage projects, and bicycle and pedestrian improvements. The first major facility project was the rehabilitation of the Biesterfield

Public Works Facility, which was completed in December 2017. Pictured below are the rehabilitated existing building (left) and the new salt barn/additional storage space (right).



Improvements to this facility began in the spring of 2017 and included a complete facade overhaul of the existing building, the

addition of a salt barn on the west side of Elk Grove Village, additional storage space, interior renovations to improve operations, landscape enhancements, parking lot rehabilitation, and the creation of a small nursery.



Progress is also underway on the three other facilities included in the Elk Grove 2025 Plan. Site work on the new James Paul Petri Public Works Facility at 400 E Devon began in the fall of 2017 and work will continue over the winter.

The old Meacham Fire Station is scheduled for demolition in the first quarter of 2018, with new construction to immediately follow. While Station #10 is under construction, the Fire Department will temporarily operate out of a portion of the new Biesterfield Public Works Facility. Plans are also being finalized for the new consolidated Fire Station 8/9 at 700 Fargo, with scheduled to begin in the spring of 2018.





# ROADS



The first major road project, the reconstruction of Leicester, north of Biesterfeld to Wellington, was completed in the Fall of 2017. Additionally, 10.8 miles of streets were resurfaced throughout the Village in 2017.



In 2018, major road projects will include the rehabilitation of John F. Kennedy Boulevard/ Reverend Morrison Boulevard, from Arlington Heights Road to Elk Grove Boulevard; and the rehabilitation of Elk Grove Boulevard, from Arlington Heights Road to Reverend Morrison Boulevard. Additionally, 5.6 miles of Village roads are scheduled for resurfacing in 2018.

The Village has created an interactive map as a tool for residents to learn more about the schedule, location, and details of capital projects planned as part of Elk Grove 2025. Projects on the map have been organized into categories and tabs along the top of the map can be used to navigate to different map features for more information about projects in each category. The map is available on the Village website at [www.elkgrove.org/2025](http://www.elkgrove.org/2025).



## My Elk Grove Village Service Request System



### REPORT ISSUES QUICKLY

See an issue? Snap a photo, report it to the Village, and receive updates from staff.



### COMMUNICATE DIRECTLY

Comment on reported issues to request and provide any additional information.

**My EGV** offers a simple way to submit issues, request services, comment to and receive updates from the Village. **Get in touch with the Village today:**

- Download the “My Elk Grove Village” **Smartphone App** (Apple or Android)
- Visit the **Village Website** and click “Contact Us” ([www.elkgrove.org/contactus](http://www.elkgrove.org/contactus))
- Click “Contact Us” on our **Facebook Page** ([facebook.com/elkgrovevillage](https://facebook.com/elkgrovevillage))

The Village collected **\$20 million** in **Sales and Use Tax** receipts in FY2017, up from the previous year by **\$1 million**.

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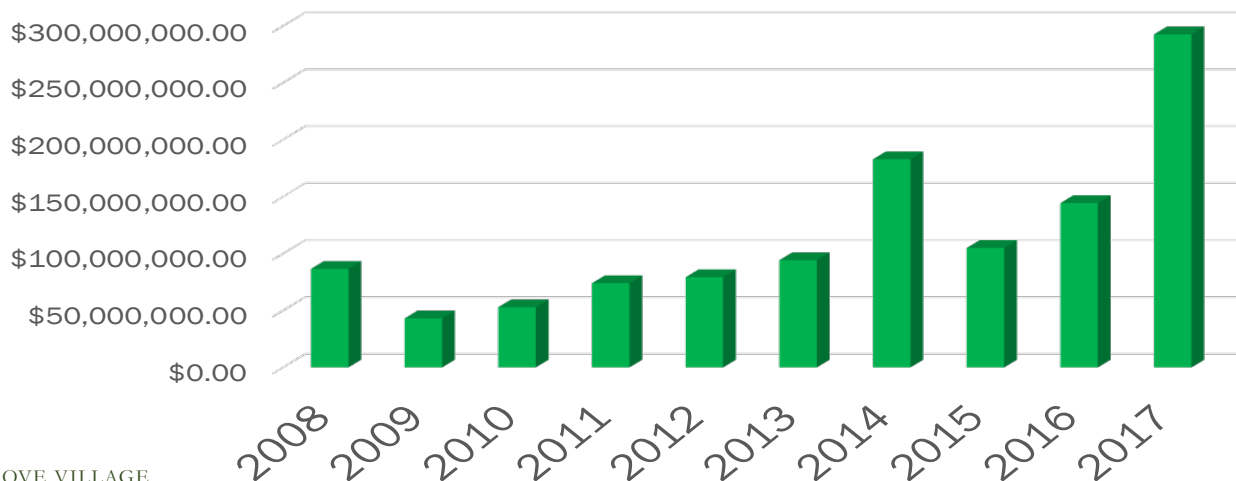
**121**  
**BUSINESSES**  
MOVED TO OR EXPANDED  
WITHIN ELK GROVE



Elk Grove Village is a player as part of the Nation's 2nd largest market for data centers.

In 2017 the Village experienced **\$175 Million** investment in new and existing Data Centers and over **600,000 Square Feet** in New Data Center Construction.

The Village issued permits for over **\$292 Million** in private sector construction activity.





# REVIEW VILLAGE 2017

# 97% BUSINESS OCCUPANCY RATE



The Village has negotiated a **5-year extension (continuing to 2024)** of the labor contract with the Firefighters Union. The Public Works Union is under a 5-year contract ending in 2021—the longest ever between the Village and the Public Works Union.

The Village helped launch **Next Level Northwest**, a Business Accelerator as well as **ENCLAVE**, a Learning & Earning Center for Entrepreneurs.



The Village Board approved agreements for a new **85-Acre Elk Grove Technology Park**, planned to include over 1 million square feet of clean, high-tech industrial, with **over \$1 billion investment** estimated for the development.



## INTRODUCING PROPERTY SEARCH ON COMMUNITY PORTAL

Elk Grove Village, through its membership in the Geographic Information System (GIS) Consortium, has launched the Community Portal tool on the Village website. Community Portal links information to a property address, using GIS.



**Discover more about where you live and your community.**

To use, residents can simply type in an Elk Grove Village address and then navigate among tabs to discover a variety of valuable, everyday information related to the property.

Users are able to easily explore property tax information, including a breakdown of where their taxes go, confirm garbage/recycling collection days, locate polling place information and learn about local zoning districts. The Community Portal is a one-stop for property information that is easily accessible on the Village website 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Users are encouraged to check back to the Village's Community Portal from time to time, as we expect to expand the data and information available.

Visit [www.elkgrove.org/CP](http://www.elkgrove.org/CP) or click "Community Portal" in the Residents Tab of the Village website to get started on a Community Portal Property Search today.

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## INTERNET EXCHANGE PURCHASE LOCATION, CONT.

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and are excited to add its name to the national registry.

The concept of these locations is to provide a safe place for online buyers and sellers to exchange their goods and money. The Village offers two "Meet-Up" spots--one located within the Police Department lobby and one in the Police Department Parking lot.

Next time you need to meet up to buy or sell online, feel free to use either of these new internet exchange purchase locations at 901 Wellington Ave--just look for the Internet Exchange Purchase Location signage.

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## PACE DIAL-A-RIDE



Pace provides curb-to-curb Dial-A-Ride bus service to Elk Grove residents Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Fares for a one-way trip are \$1.30 per person, with a discounted fare of \$.65 for senior citizens (ages 65 or older) and disabled residents. To schedule a pickup or for more information, please call (847) 299-6212.

If you encounter any difficulties using the Pace Dial-A-Ride services, please report them to Pace Passenger Services at 847-364-7223 or [passenger.services@pacebus.com](mailto:passenger.services@pacebus.com) so that the issue can be looked into and addressed promptly.

# “Unity within the Community” Mid-Summer Classics Concert Series

Presented by the Village of Elk Grove & Elk Grove Park District

**Independence Day  
Fireworks after  
the concert!**

**Big & Rich**

**With Cowboy Troy**

**Wed, July 4 at 8:00pm**

This popular American country music duo features hits such as “Save a Horse (Ride a Cowboy)”.



**Richard Marx**

**Tues, July 10 at 7:30pm**

His four platinum albums include the global hit “Right Here Waiting” and “Hold On To The Nights”.

**“2 for Tuesday” Tuesday, July 17**

**7:30pm**



**Sister Sledge & Village People**

This international sibling group produced dance hits such as “We Are Family” and “Greatest Dancer”.



Enjoy classic dance hits including “Macho Man”, and “YMCA” from this World-famous disco group.

**“An Evening with Dionne”**



**Dionne Warwick**

**Tues, July 24 at 7:30pm**

This 5-time Grammy Winner’s hits include “I Say a Little Prayer” and “Walk On By”.



**Bret Michaels**

**Tues, July 31 at 7:30pm**

Hits from his solo career and as vocalist of Poison include “Every Rose Has Its Thorn”.

**July 4 at Rotary Green, 164 Lions Dr, east of Lions Park  
July 10, 17, 24 & 31 on the Village Green, 901 Wellington Ave**

## HOLIDAY LIGHTS RECYCLING

As the Holiday season ends, don't throw out broken string lights; recycle them! The Village is currently accepting used and non-working Holiday string lights as part of the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC) Holiday Lights Recycling Program.

The Village's Community Development Department accepts holiday string lights and extension cords at their front counter located at the Elk Grove Village Municipal Complex. This service is offered free of charge to Elk Grove residents Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. through March 31, 2018.



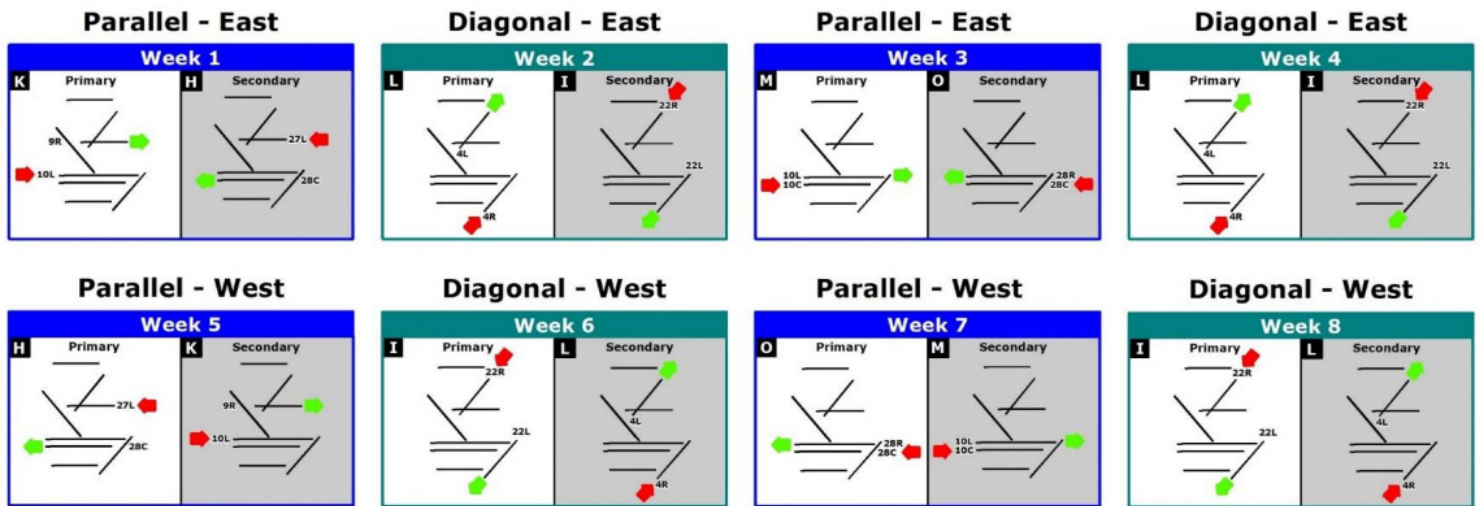
## ONCC APPROVES INTERIM FLY QUIET RUNWAY ROTATION PLAN

On December 8, 2017, the O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission (ONCC) voted to approve an Interim Fly Quiet Nighttime Runway Rotation Plan for Chicago O'Hare International Airport (O'Hare). The ONCC recommendation has been sent to the Chicago Department of Aviation (CDA), who in turn will develop a formal submittal to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for environmental review.

The Interim Fly Quiet Rotation Plan is expected to take effect late in 2018 and remain in place until new Runway 9C-27C is commissioned in 2020 as part of the O'Hare Modernization Program (OMP).

The Interim plan approved by the ONCC (see below) is also supported by Suburban O'Hare Commission (SOC) as the most equitable option for distribution of noise during the Fly Quiet hours. SOC, which is chaired by Elk Grove Village Mayor Craig Johnson, worked with private aviation experts and the Chicago Department of Aviation to provide the data necessary to create a fair rotation plan. SOC continues to support an equitable distribution of noise throughout the region, so that all who share in the benefits of the economic engine of O'Hare airport also share in the inevitable noise impact.

## IFQ SCHEDULE – OPTION A



**Week** - Parallel Runways  
**Week** - Diagonal Runways

Each weekly period will begin on Sunday evening at 10 p.m. or after when demand allows for one arrival and one departure runway.





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# ELK GROVE BusinessMatters



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## VILLAGE SUPPORTS REVITALIZATION EFFORTS

Elk Grove Village understands that our Business Park is what drives the success of this community, which is why we both continue to invest in infrastructure improvements to support operations within the Business Park, and encourage efforts to modernize and enhance industrial properties through the use of incentives.

Maman Corporation, a leading general contractor, construction management, and carpentry construction firm, recently relocated its entire operation from Palatine including its forty-five employees. In order to modernize and improve the appearance of their new building at 1055 Arthur Avenue, Maman Corporation needed to spend in excess of \$1 million to refurbish the building including:



- New parking lot & drive aprons constructed to Village standards
- New dock drive & aprons constructed to Village standards
- New windows & tuck-pointing
- New façade elements, landscaping, & signage
- New office interior



The Village worked closely with Maman on applying for a Cook County Class 6B property tax exemption to support these building and site improvements. The 6B provided the company with a property tax reduction which they promptly reinvested back into the building as evident by the before and after pictures seen above.

Looking to modernize? Contact Josh Grodzin, Director of Business Development and Marketing, at 847-357-4005

## HOW HARPER COLLEGE REBUILT ITS ADVANCED MANUFACTURING PROGRAM

Today, Harper College is home to one of the most renowned advanced manufacturing programs in the region, but it didn't happen overnight. Rewind over a decade or so. The U.S. was going through an economic recession, but 600,000 jobs in skilled manufacturing were being left unfilled. During this time, Harper College offered great welding and industrial programs, yet noticed enrollment in other programs like CNC starting to dwindle.

In the fall of 2011, local business leaders, such as Warren Young, former CEO of ACME Industries and Jim Carr, president of CARR Machine & Tool with Dr. Kenneth Ender, president of Harper College. Their mission was to revitalize the advanced manufacturing program at Harper College.

The goal was to shift the negative perception many young students have towards manufacturing by exposing students to the industry while still in college. To do this, Harper College developed a new apprenticeship program: a hands-on internship where students are given the opportunity to be sponsored by a local manufacturer.

The program comes with several, invaluable benefits. Students have access to Harper College's classroom and lab while being given on-the-job training with a dedicated mentor at the company they work for. This allows for the student to develop the foundational skill set to launch into a career, which leads to guaranteed employment. Partner companies cover the training costs, so students are able to start a career, debt-free. Also, the program is created to provide a healthy balance between coursework and work hours to enhance optimal learning.

For businesses, manufacturers are given the opportunity to train talent "their way." Participating in an apprenticeship program helps manufacturers bridge the skills gap, increase employee loyalty and reduce turnover, and reduce recruiting cost. You can learn more about this program by visiting [harperapprenticeships.org](http://harperapprenticeships.org)

By the fall of 2012, the curriculum was redefined and designed to specifically align with today's industry demands. Today,

**In 10 years the latest research estimates the number of unfilled manufacturing positions will grow to two million.**



Harper College offers programs in four different areas of manufacturing: Mechatronics/Automation, Precision Machining, Metal Fabrication, and Supply Chain Management. These paths of study provide students with several different opportunities within the manufacturing industry.

Dr. Ender also put together a proposal to collaborate with 21 other local community colleges to expand course offerings. If a student is interested in a course that Harper College does not offer, they can take the class at one of their partner colleges and still pay in-district tuition.

Harper College has come a long way in less than a decade, but there's still a lot of work to do. In 10 years, the latest research estimates the number of unfilled manufacturing positions will grow to two million. To fight harder against the skills gap, Harper College is focusing on strengthening relationships with local high schools to educate students on manufacturing at a younger age.

To learn more about Harper College's advanced manufacturing program, listen to the Strictly Business episode: How Harper College Got Its Groove Back. To learn more about the program, contact Mary Beth Ottinger at 847-925-6374 or [mottinge@harpercollege.edu](mailto:mottinge@harpercollege.edu).



## STRICTLY BUSINESS PODCAST

The Village's new Strictly Business Podcast explores the business community in Elk Grove Village through interviews with business owners and industry experts.

Episodes focus on themes including business profiles, workforce development, innovation, leadership, culture, entrepreneurship, infrastructure, regional economics, and others.

Topics are discussed in a lively conversational style with industry experts, business owners, and public sector leaders. There are two ways to listen.

1. You can visit [www.egvbizhub.com](http://www.egvbizhub.com) to hear the latest release and archived editions.
2. You can also download the podcast from the Apple iTunes store, search for Elk Grove Village.

If you have comments or feedback, please email us at [strictlybizpodcast@gmail.com](mailto:strictlybizpodcast@gmail.com).

The Strictly Business Podcast is produced by the Village's award-winning EGTV Channel 6.

## ENCLAVE IS OPEN FOR BUSINESS!

ENCLAVE for Entrepreneurs O'Hare is a not-for-profit economic development education initiative which opened its doors in 2017. ENCLAVE offers many different programs and initiatives, including Master classes, seminars, panel discussions, workshops, focus groups, funding pitches, product/service showcases, video talks, weekend retreats and networking gatherings.



Additionally, work spaces, meeting places, and other accommodations are available in ENCLAVE O'Hare's 15,000+ square-foot, three-level headquarters building at 75 Turner Avenue.

Visit the ENCLAVE website at [www.enclaveforentrepreneurs.com](http://www.enclaveforentrepreneurs.com) to find out more about this a local-to-global earning and learning center for the world's entrepreneurs and their influencers.

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## VILLAGE HOSTS BUSINESS LEADERS FORUM

The Village is excited to continue developing the recently formed Business Leaders Forum and invites local businesses to consider joining.

The BLF is a collaboration between the Village and the business community to leverage the collective business expertise and resources present in the community. The BLF Strives to foster collaboration and alignment between the Village and the business community; enhance communication between the Village and business community; and grow local ventures by adding value and supporting a culture of innovation and learning.

If you are a current business owner or an aspiring local entrepreneur and are interested in participating, contact Josh Grodzin, Director of Business Development and Marketing at 847-357-4005 or [jgrodzin@elkgrove.org](mailto:jgrodzin@elkgrove.org).

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