

From the Desk of Mayor Charles Sass



Charles Sass, Village President



VILLAGE OF HUNTLEY

The Village Journal

As you probably know, Carl Tomaso, Huntley's Village Manager since 1997, passed away suddenly on June 25th. He is greatly missed by all and will always be remembered as a respected leader and a tireless advocate for the residents of Huntley. Our thoughts and prayers remain with Carl's family.

The Summer Road Construction Season continues! The McHenry County Algonquin Road Widening Project is well underway and the relocation of the Village's watermain is complete. Once this project is completed, Algonquin Road will be widened from Church Street to Annandale (the intersection of Route 47 and Algonquin Road will be completed with the widening of Route 47). Before the end of the year, traffic signals will be installed on Haligus Road at Reed Road and Haligus Road and Huntley-Dundee Road. Commercial developers are widening Route 47 from Del Webb Boulevard/Oak Creek Parkway to Kreutzer Road. In July, the 2008 Street Improvement Program was completed in the Woodcreek Subdivision, Janice Drive, Martin Street and Mill Street from Grove Street to Myrtle.

Economic Development continues to be a top priority of the Village Board. Wal-Mart held its ground breaking ceremony on July 9th and construction is underway. Construction of Outlot 6 next to Wal-Mart is moving along rapidly as you can see when traveling Route 47. Centegra just opened the Ambulatory Care Mall and anticipates the opening of the Health Bridge Fitness Center in the next few months. The Heritage Woods Assisted Living Facility as well as the KinderCare, located at Regency Square, are both under construction. You will notice at Route 47

and Reed Road that construction is moving along nicely on the American Community Bank and Staff is currently reviewing the building permit plans for a new Walgreen's at the northeast corner of this intersection.

In July, an Administrative Law Judge issued a Proposed Order to the ICC in favor of ComEd's preferred route of the overhead high tension line through the Village. The Village Board has directed Staff and Special Legal Counsel to continue opposition in order to protect the quality of life of Huntley's residents.

It's been a great Summer for Huntley's Farmers Market and if you haven't had the opportunity, I encourage you to go out and experience this local favorite. The Market is held each Saturday from 8 a.m. to Noon through September 27th on Coral Street.

On a final note, I am pleased to announce the appointment of David Johnson as our new Village Manager. Dave has done an outstanding job in the position of Assistant Village Manager in Huntley for eight years. I'm sure he will continue to provide quality leadership to the residents of the Village of Huntley in his new role as Village Manager. My congratulations to Dave and his family.

As always, thank you for your continued support and please contact me anytime with comments, questions or concerns at 847-515-5200 or csass@huntley.il.us.

God Bless,
Chuck Sass

Questions about Huntley? Check out our Citizen Support Center on the Huntley Website: www.huntley.il.us



- ELECTED OFFICIALS -

Village President
Charles H. Sass

Trustees

Pam Fender	Jay Kadakia
Niko Kanakaris	Harry Leopold
Paul Mercer	John Piwko

- Staff -

Village Manager	David Johnson
Finance Director	Jennifer Chernak
Police Chief	John Perkins
Director of Public Works	Jim Schwartz
Director of Development Services	Lisa Armour
Village Engineer	Bill Geegan
Village Clerk	Rita McMahon

- VILLAGE MEETINGS -

Citizens are encouraged to attend public meetings. Questions concerning scheduled meetings should be directed to the Village Manager's Office at (847) 669-9600. Below are the regular meeting dates for the Village of Huntley. All meetings are held at the Municipal Complex Board Room at 10987 Main Street.

Regular Village Board

Every Thursday (except the 5th in a month)
7:00 p.m.

Planning Commission

2nd and 4th Monday of each month
7:00 p.m.

Zoning Board of Appeals

2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month
7:00 p.m.

Historic Preservation Commission

2nd Tuesday after the 1st Planning
Commission meeting of every month
6:00 p.m.

Important Village Phone Numbers

Village Hall: (847) 669-9600
Public Works: (847) 669-3450
Development Services: (847) 669-0600
Police non-emergency: (847) 669-2141
Police emergency dial 911

Village Website: www.huntley.il.us

"Coach Tomaso" Admired & Missed by ALL

Sadly, the Village of Huntley lost one of its greatest advocates on June 25, 2008, when Carl Tomaso unexpectedly passed away at his home.

Our hearts go out to Carl's wife Nancy, and sons Joe, who is just beginning his sophomore year at Loyola University, and Danny, a junior at Marian Central Catholic High School.

Since Carl's passing, his family and Village staff have received hundreds of heart-warming comments regarding the extraordinary relationships Carl developed with the many residents and associates he dealt with. He touched so many lives, and was well respected by all.

Better known as Coach Tomaso by Village employees, Carl led Village operations through significant change since his



Carl Tomaso
1952-2008

hiring in 1997. Carl molded Huntley Village government into an organization that is well respected throughout the Chicago metropolitan area.

In recognition of Carl's outstanding leadership and his avid dedication to the Chicago Bears, the Village recently erected a new street sign at the entrance to the Municipal Complex.

***We Miss You Coach!
Go Bears!***

During his tenure, Carl secured millions of dollars for the Village and its residents, and successfully completed the Village's Municipal Complex.

With over 25 years working in public administration, Carl also had a hand in shaping the communities of Elmhurst, Cary and Crystal Lake.

Carl was an avid Bears Fan, a respected leader to his staff and a tireless advocate for the residents of Huntley.

Join Us in Welcoming These New Businesses!



- Promo Gear Plus 1 Union Special Plaza
- Monticello Tile Design 11461 Allison Court
- Unichem International 11530 Smith Drive
- Golden Section Group 12050 Fourth Street
- MB Garage 10501 Route 47
- Hearing Help Express Factory Shops Boulevard
- Main Street Flooring 11717 Main Street

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Wal-Mart Supercenter Breaks Ground

On July 9th, the Mayor and Trustees joined representatives from Tucker Development and Wal-Mart Corporation for the official groundbreaking ceremony of the Huntley Wal-Mart Supercenter.

Wal-Mart officials said they hoped to open the 176,400 square foot store by early Spring 2009. It is projected, the store will create approximately 350 jobs and will nearly double the Village's sales tax base.

The Huntley Wal-Mart Supercenter will feature 36 general merchandise departments, an expanded lawn and garden center, a full line of electronics, a large health and beauty aids department, and a pharmacy. In addition, there will be a vision center and one-hour photo lab.

The grocery area will include bakery, delicatessen, fresh



Pictured left to right: Trustee Piwko, Trustee Fender, Richard Tucker, Mayor Sass, Lance Buser, Trustee Kanakaris

produce, meat, frozen food, and dairy departments.

Heritage Woods Assisted Living Community



On July 24th, BMA Management Ltd. broke ground for the much anticipated Heritage Woods of Huntley Assisted Living Community. Representative Mike Tryon and Mayor Charles Sass joined members

57,600 square foot facility is targeted to open in Spring 2009. It includes 72 units and will benefit adults who need help to maintain their independence, but do not require licensed nursing home care.

of the BMA Management team in the groundbreaking event.

Phase I for the 57,600 square foot facility is targeted to open in Spring 2009. It includes 72 units and will benefit adults who need help to maintain their independence, but do not require licensed nursing home care.

The community will offer residents the opportunity to:

- Live in their own apartment
- Receive personal assistance
- 3 meals a day available
- Housekeeping/laundry service
- Companionship/friends/ neighbors
- Social, recreational and educational activities.

For more information, contact BMA Management at (815) 935-1992.

Centegra Immediate Care Center Open for Business!

The Immediate Care at the Centegra Health Campus-Huntley was officially opened on Monday, August 18th.

"The opening marks the beginning of a new era in improved access to high-quality healthcare in the region," said Michael S. Eesley, Centegra Health System President and CEO. "This new Huntley campus provides superior care to individuals and families living here in the fastest-growing region of greater McHenry County".



Centegra's Immediate Care Center is located at 10350 Haligus Road (Corner of Haligus and Algonquin Road).

The Centegra Health Center building is anchored by Centegra Immediate Care. Immediate care is for those minor emergencies (not life-threatening or multiple trauma) that require

professional medical attention when one's doctor is not in, after hours or if someone does not have a primary care physician.

Centegra's new Health Center building features immediate care, an imaging center, physician offices and lab services. Centegra's 120,000 square-foot Health Bridge Fitness Center focuses on wellness, fitness, preventive health and health education and is scheduled to be opened later this year.

TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE

Huntley Conducting Transit Study

In 2007, the Village was awarded a grant from the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) to prepare a study for Transit Station Site Selection and Transit Oriented Development (TOD) guidelines. While it is anticipated that this process will take between 6-12 months, it is likely that an actual transit/ train station will not be built for many years. However, the Village believes that it is important to begin this long range planning process.

The Lakota Group and Civiltech Engineering were chosen as the consulting team for this project. The consultants are preparing an analysis of the two potential transit sites located along the Union Pacific rail line. One site is located just east of Coyne Station Road, and the second is

south of Kreutzer Road.

On August 25th, the Board of Trustees and members of the Planning Commission met for the first of several Transit Station Study workshops planned for the Huntley community. A large portion of this first workshop included review of both the Kreutzer Road and Coyne Station sites. Village Trustees and Plan Commissioners also participated in a visual preference survey in order to obtain a better idea of what will work best in Huntley.

In the next few months, a Community Workshop will be held in order to share the site selection analysis and to capture Village residents' vision of the two potential sites.

Once the transit station site is selected by

the Board of Trustees, the TOD guidelines will be prepared. These guidelines will ensure that future development of the area around the transit station will meet the community's vision, area constraints/opportunities and sound transit and development principles. To do this, an additional Community Workshop will be held to obtain input from residents regarding their vision of what this area should look like in the future.

The exact dates, times and location of the Community Workshops will be posted on the Village Website at www.huntley.il.us and shared with all media outlets.



Route 47 Improvements

Most residents have noticed Route 47 is bustling with summer construction projects. The projects range from road widenings that will accommodate new commercial development to a major sewer line project, which will extend services south of the tollway. While it may be inconvenient to commuters at the moment, the Village is excited about the future economic impacts of these important projects.

In conjunction with the commercial development occurring along Route 47 between Oak Creek Parkway and Kreutzer Road, the east side of Route 47 is currently being widened to provide an additional northbound lane from Oak Creek Parkway to Kreutzer Road. Northbound right turn lanes will be included at Huntley Crossings Drive, Powers Road, Regency Parkway and the Huntley Grove Commercial access.



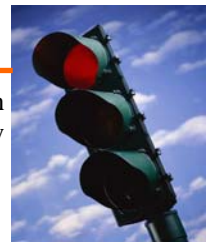
Southbound dual left turn lanes will be added at Huntley Crossings Drive and Regency Parkway. Traffic signals will be added at Huntley Crossings Drive and Regency Parkway.

Haligus Road Traffic Lights

Construction plans for the installation of traffic signals at the intersection of Haligus and Huntley-Dundee Road as well as Haligus and Reed Road have

been approved. The bid opening for this project was August 5th and the Village anticipates the installation of both signals to be completed by December 2008, with

landscape restoration targeted for early Spring.



Algonquin Road Widening

The McHenry County Department of Transportation continues work on the Phase 2 portion of Algonquin Road (Annandale to Route 47). The road will be five lanes upon completion and will improve the flow of east-west traffic through the Village. For more information, consult the following McHenry County DOT website: www.algonquinroad.info

FUN FACT!

To construct Algonquin Road (Randall - Route 47), crews will put down **127,000 Square Yards** of concrete. If this was put down as a 5' wide sidewalk instead of a road, it would stretch from Huntley to Milwaukee!



Emerald Ash Borer Confirmed in Huntley

On Friday, July 25th, the Illinois Department of Agriculture (IDA) confirmed the presence of the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) in the Village of Huntley. This is the first confirmed case of EAB in the Village.

The Huntley Public Works Department removed the infected tree, which was located on Oak Grove Drive in Sun City, on July 29th. A survey of all parkway trees will be conducted immediately to determine the number of Ash trees and locations. Once the tree survey has been completed, the Village will develop a plan for removing and replacing parkway trees.

The Village has been advised by the IDA that this process could take up to a decade or longer to accomplish. Infected ash trees located on private property will be the responsibility of property owners to remove. However, the Village must be notified of the removal so it can be documented to ensure proper removal procedures were followed.

The Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) is a small, metallic green, non-native invasive pest whose larvae feast on the trunks of ash trees thereby cutting off their ability to transport nutrients and ultimately causing the tree's decline. Ash trees can be infested with EAB for a few years before the tree begins to demonstrate any signs of infestation. Symptoms of EAB include canopy dieback, D-shaped exit holes, shoots sprouting from the tree trunks and S-shaped larval galleries underneath the bark.

Ash tree owners may ask about treatment options in order to avoid removing their trees; however, the only guaranteed method to control the Emerald Ash Borer is to remove the host tree(s). When considering usage of insecticidal control, one should weigh the value of the tree against the cost of treatment.

"The Illinois Department of Agriculture



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certainly supports tree owners' rights to determine for themselves whether a pesticide treatment is appropriate in their specific circumstance," Illinois Department of Agriculture Bureau Manager of Environmental Programs Warren Goetsch said.

"Tree owners are encouraged to thoroughly research the various treatment options currently available and carefully weigh the costs associated with the required repeated treatments. Please be advised, however, that treatment of an Ash tree will not guarantee that a specific tree will survive and you may eventually be required to remove it".

Under the provisions of the State of Illinois' Pest and Plant Disease Act, as well as the Nuisance Declaration issued in July 2006, the State has the authority to order the removal of any tree infested with the Emerald Ash Borer, regardless of whether it has been previously treated with a pesticide or not. The State has not exercised this authority to date, as all Emerald Ash Borer-related tree removals have been done on a voluntary basis.

**For the latest information
regarding EAB in Illinois,**

please visit

www.illinoiseab.com

Take Precautions Against



West Nile Virus

The warm months of summer and early fall bring with them an increase in the mosquito population and in the number of reported cases of West Nile Virus in Illinois communities.

West Nile is transmitted to humans and animals, particularly birds, by infected mosquitoes. The best way to control the spread of this potentially serious illness is by reducing the mosquito population through mosquito control operations at the community level and by eliminating standing water where mosquitoes breed.

You can reduce your personal risk by using insect repellent containing DEET when outdoors, especially during dawn, dusk and early evening hours.

The community approach to combating the disease is based on surveillance, monitoring and spraying to reduce mosquito population. This operation is performed by Clarke Mosquito Control Company, using only the most environmentally sensitive agents.

**For more information
regarding their
operations or products,
or if you wish to be
notified of upcoming
spraying operations,
please call Clarke directly at**

1-800-942-2555.

Special Census Will Begin Soon in Huntley

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Helping You Make Informed Decisions

The US Census Bureau will conduct a Special Census in the Village to get an updated population count. This new count will help us qualify for state revenues that we need to provide essential Village services.



Some residents may wonder why we are conducting another census in our community. After all, didn't we just conduct a special census in 2005?

Well, things have changed since then. Huntley's population has grown. New people have built homes and moved into our

community. It is vital that we document this change with certified census counts so that we get our fair share of state and federal funds.

Census data is also used by businesses to locate potential markets, open new stores, market products, and create new jobs.

Census data will be used by our community to plan our future. By

using current census data, we can work to create public improvement strategies. This is why we ask you to participate in our Special Census. By cooperating with the census enumerator and answering 5 short questions for every person living in your home, our community will receive our fair share of state and federal funds, so that we can provide important services you depend on every day.

To find out more about our Special Census contact Village Hall or review the Census Bureau's website located at the following address:

www.census.gov/specialcensus

Information about Special Census jobs can also be found by clicking on "employment" at www.census.gov/specialcensus

For more information, contact: Julie Baumgartner at Huntley Village Hall (847) 669-9600.

Attention All Photographers!

Are you an amateur photographer and interested in getting some of your photos into print or on the internet? The Village of Huntley is looking for photos to use in newsletters and on the Village website and we hope you can help! We are looking for pictures that are truly Huntley. This could be shots of

the gazebo, the parks, parades, or photos of the family having some fun in front of your home. The possibilities are endless!

So put on your creative thinking cap and grab your camera!



Please send your prints or digital files to the attention of Margo Griffin at Huntley Village Hall, 10987 Main Street, or via email to: mgriffin@huntley.il.us

All submittals become the property of the Village of Huntley and will not be returned. Please do not send your only copy of a photo.

Noise Ordinance Adopted in Huntley

Until July, the Village has not had an official "Noise Ordinance" to address resident's noise concerns. The intent of the new ordinance is to ensure that Village neighborhoods remain a great place to live.

Highlights of the Noise Ordinance:

- Requires a permit for the outside use of sound-amplification devices.
- In general, prohibits unreasonably loud or raucous noise.
- Factors taken into considerations include; proximity of sound to sleeping facilities, the time of day or night the sound occurs, the duration of the sound, and whether the sound is recurrent, intermittent, or constant.
- **The following Quiet Times are established:**
 - » 10:00 p.m. through 7:00 a.m. Sunday–Thursday.
 - » 11:00 p.m. through 7:00 a.m. Friday & Saturday.

Enter the 1st Apple Pie Bake-Off September 13th

This year marks the Huntley's 1st Apple Pie Bake-Off, which will be held on September 13th at Huntley's Farmers Market on the Square.



There are 2 Contest Categories:

- **Adult** (16 years and older)
- **Kids** (15 years and younger).

Registration from 10:00 – 10:30 a.m. in the Old Village Hall (11704 Coral St.)

Judging begins at 10:30 a.m. sharp!

Each entry must include the recipe and be made by the entrant. Pick up an entry form at the Municipal Complex or download the form from the Huntley website at: www.huntley.il.us

First Prize (each category) – Farmers Market Tote filled with goodies from the Market and a year's worth of bragging rights! Download an entry form today!

Residents Participate in National Night Out

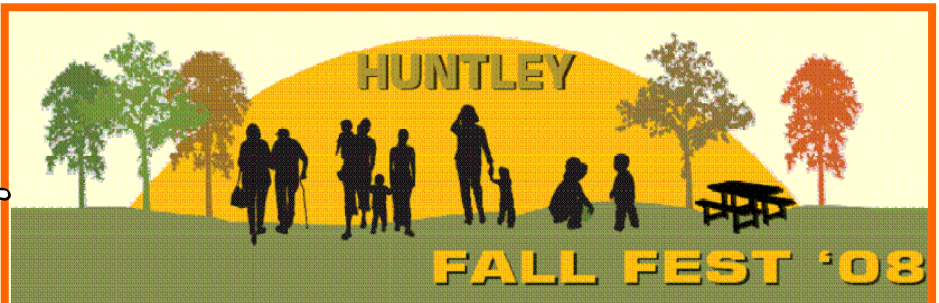


Nearly 50 Children from Georgian Place Subdivision participated in a National Night Out Bike Parade.

The "25th Annual National Night Out" celebration was held on August 5th and Huntley residents came out in full force!

There were twelve different block parties held throughout the Village at neighborhood parks and community club houses. National Night Out is designed to heighten crime prevention and drug awareness efforts, and strengthen neighborhood spirit and the neighborhood's partnership with the Police Department. This event sends a message that, as neighbors, we want to make our community an even safer place.

Thanks to all who participated!



Don't miss this great Community Event! All Fall Fest activities are held at the Huntley Park District's Rec Center/Deicke Park at 12015 Mill Street in Huntley. For more information visit the Huntley Fall Fest website at huntleyfallfest.org.

Friday Night, September 12th

- Friday Night: Gates open at 4:00 pm, \$5.00 admission
- **Food, Beer Garden and Live Music with:**
 - Tongue –n- Groove**
 - Modern Day Romeos**

Saturday September 13th

- 8:00 am- Fun Run
- 7:00 am – 11:00 am – Sun City Lions Pancake Breakfast
- Gates Open at 9:00 am, \$5 admission (\$2 discount with a canned good or old/unused cell phone before 3 pm)
- 9:00 am – Kid's Parade Setup with Lollipop the Clown (2-12 yr, bring your kids, Fall Fest will supply the decorations)
- 10:00 am – Kid's Parade kick-off in the park
- 10:00 am – 4:00 pm – Singers, Dancers, Music
- 10:00 am – 3:00 pm – Car Show
- 10:00 am – 6:00 pm – Tractor Show
- 10:00 am – 6:00 pm – Fine Arts Show
- 10:00 am – 6:00 pm – Quilt Show
- 10:00 am – 6:00 pm – Hay Rides
- 10:00 am – 6:00 pm – Home Business & Craft Sale
- 10:00 am – 6:00 pm – Meet & Greet Local Sponsors
- 10:00 am – 6:00 pm – Kids Games, Petting Zoo, Pony Rides
- 10:00 am – 6:00 pm – Teddy Bear Clinic, bring your stuffed bear
- 10:00 am – 6:00 pm – Library Used Book Sale, Antique Appraisals
- 10:00 am – 10:00 pm – Food Vendors
- 11:00 am – 10:00 pm – Beer Garden
- 9:00 pm – Fireworks
- **Saturday Night Entertainment, 4:00 pm – 11:00 pm**
 - Denny Diamond**
 - CoverGurl**
 - High Infidelity**

For complete Fall Fest info check out their website!
www.huntleyfallfest.org

Wondering Where to Dispose of Leaves?



This is the perfect time to enjoy the beautiful fall foliage in Illinois. However, before long, most of those leaves will be on the ground and residents will be working diligently to clean up their yards.

Huntley's contract with MDC Environmental Services does provide for pick-up of yard waste (both grass clippings and leaves) from April 1st to November 30th. The yard waste must be placed in Kraft bags or specially marked cans. Del Webb's contract with Waste Management also provides for leaf pick-up through November 30th. However, Sun City residents must purchase yard waste stickers for \$2.25 (at Meadowview or Prairie Lodge). Some residents might want to 'leave' their leaves on the ground. By using a mulching mower, you can mulch the leaves and feed your lawn! You should inspect the lawn first and remove sticks and limbs, and be sure to wear goggles.

An Important Note About Burning: Although Huntley straddles 2 counties, the Village Board recently adopted the McHenry County Open Burning Ordinance to cover ALL property within the Village. Due to the relatively small size of residential lots in Huntley, leaf burning is now essentially illegal for the vast majority of homeowners within Village limits. For more information, please consult the McHenry County ordinance located on the Huntley website: www.huntley.il.us

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