

# Huntley's Village Journal

December 15, 2014

**Village of Huntley**  
10987 Main Street  
Huntley, IL 60142

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Chuck Huffman  
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**Important Village  
Phone Numbers**

Village Hall:  
(847) 515-5200

Water Billing:  
(847) 515-5200

Public Works:  
(847) 515-5222

Development Services:  
(847) 515-5252

Police non-emergency:  
(847) 515-5311

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**HUNTLEY**  
The Friendly Village  
with Country Charm



Trustee John Piwko and Management Assistant Barb Read accept Governor's Hometown Award for the Village of Huntley

## Mark Your Calendars

- Dec 24/25 Christmas Holiday**  
Municipal offices closed Dec 24 & 25
- Jan 1 New Year's Day**  
Municipal offices closed Jan 1
- Jan 3 Farmers Market at the Legion Hall**

Start watching  
your mailbox  
for delivery of  
the 2015  
Huntley  
Calendar!



## Huntley Presented with Governor's Hometown Award



On December 3rd, the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity recognized the Village of Huntley with the prestigious **Governor's Hometown Award**.

Presented continuously since 1983, the Governor's Hometown Awards Program gives formal recognition to those who have answered the Constitution's call and contributed to their community's quality of life.

The Village was recognized for the annual **Green & Clean Huntley Day** in the category of Beautification and Sustainability. The first Green & Clean Huntley Day took place on April 27, 2013, and included the

following events: Electronics Recycling (collecting 39.4 tons); Paper/Document Destruction (over 6 tons destroyed); Tours of the Village's West Wastewater Treatment Plant; National Take Back Medication Disposal Event (280 pounds safely disposed); Spring Cleaning Drop Off Site (four 20 ft. dumpsters were filled); Culver's Kids Coloring Contest (featuring a healthy planet theme); Free Family Movie (Disney's Earth); Newspaper Recycling; Adopt-A-Highway in Huntley (12 groups of volunteers cleaned local roadways).

The Village was presented with a plaque which is on display at Village Hall, and road signs which are being placed along roadways at major entrances to the Village.

## Life Spine Moves HQ to Huntley

After a 3 year search for a location to suit their specific needs, Life Spine, a high tech medical research & development firm, chose Huntley for their new headquarters. In late August, Life Spine closed on the 58,000 SF DuoFast building located at 13951 Quality Drive and completed their move from Hoffman Estates in late October.



Life Spine specializes in the design and production of spinal implants and works closely with surgeons and doctors throughout the US and abroad. They currently employ 50, with goals for growth in the near future as they pursue plans to add on-site production of some of their surgical implants.

According to Life Spine's President and CEO, Michael Butler, the Huntley location gave them a "wow factor" and "great curb appeal". Their highly visible location along I-90 offers them easy access to O'Hare and a highly talented recruiting base.

"Life Spine represents the perfect kickoff to Huntley's goal of establishing the eastern end of the Huntley Corporate Park as a preferred destination for firms specializing in hi-tech and innovation oriented industries," said Mayor Charles Sass.

## Welcome Trustee Chuck Huffman

On November 6th, the Village Board voted unanimously to approve Chuck Huffman to fill the vacant trustee position.



Trustee Huffman and his wife Delores have lived in Huntley for 26 years and have 3 grown children. "I'm honored that I have been asked to serve this great community", said Huffman. "I hope to help the continuance of the great leadership this community has had for many years". Trustee Huffman's term will run through April of 2015.

# Check us out on TWITTER!



In mid-November, the Village officially sent its first "tweet" announcing our newest Village

Board trustee, Charles Huffman. The Village of Huntley is always looking for new ways to reach out to residents and the Twitter feed is our newest format. We hope you take a moment and sign up for our posts on Twitter: [Twitter.com/HuntleyIllinois](https://twitter.com/HuntleyIllinois)

There are many other great formats for receiving Huntley news. We look forward to you following us!



## Huntley E-News

Huntley E-News is delivered to your email inbox and comes in the form of a newsletter. We send E-News to residents at least twice per month and we often send "special event" and "breaking news" as well. You can sign up from our home page: [www.huntley.il.us](http://www.huntley.il.us)



## Police Nixle Alerts

The Huntley Police Department has the ability to send important updates through Nixle, and deliver it instantly by cell phone, text message and/or email. Example messages may include Tornado Alerts, Amber Alerts, major traffic accidents as well as other relevant safety and community event information. Sign up today: [www.nixle.com](http://www.nixle.com)



## Huntley Facebook Page

Facebook is a great way for us to communicate general and timely information about what's happening around town. Just visit our page and "like" us, then you will see posts from Huntley Facebook in your news feed. [Facebook.com/HuntleyIllinois](https://www.facebook.com/HuntleyIllinois)

All sign up links can be accessed from the Village's home page: [www.huntley.il.us](http://www.huntley.il.us)

## Downtown Revitalization & Streetscape Projects Continue

Residents will see a lot of construction in the downtown area during the winter months and continuing through Spring and Summer. During December, you will see crews installing new water mains in the downtown. The Village Board has made this project and other downtown streetscape projects a priority. The Streetscape project includes utility relocations, water and sewer improvements, streets, sidewalks, parking improvements, lighting, landscaping, benches, and planters. The new Amtrak station will be built in downtown Huntley (along tracks, south of Parkside) and will provide service between Chicago and Rockford. The project includes building the passenger platform, station building, and parking lot improvements. More news will be posted as soon as final plans are approved.



Artist rendering of downtown streetscape renovations

## Now Open

## WELCOME New Huntley Businesses!

### Marsala's Italian Kitchen

Jameson's Restaurant Group opened their newest venture, Marsala's Italian Restaurant, on November 20<sup>th</sup>. The mid-priced Italian themed restaurant has undergone extensive renovations over the past few months and is a welcome addition to the Huntley community. Hours: Tues-Thurs 4:30 pm- 10 pm, Fri & Sat 4 pm- 11:00 pm, Sun 12 pm - 8 pm. **Marsala's Italian Kitchen, 11900 Freeman Road 847-669-7877**

### Wicho's Tacos

**Wicho's Tacos, located at 10749 Dundee Road** (Haligus & Dundee) opened for business on November 1st. Restaurant owner, Mauricio Estrada is excited to be here in Huntley and to provide area residents with some wonderful authentic Mexican cuisine. Hours: Mon-Thurs 11 am-9 pm; Fri & Sat 11 am- 9:30 pm; Sun 11 am - 8pm. Call or fax ahead for pickup: Phone **847-802-4855**, Fax: 847-802-4856

### Adult & Child Therapy Services

Adult & Child Therapy Services (ACTS) expanded its operations by opening a new clinic at the Regency Square office building located at 12151 Regency Parkway. The facility will be used to provide physical, speech and occupational therapies to area residents of all ages.

"We are excited about this expansion," said John Buckley, Executive Director. "We see a lot of opportunity and need for our services in the area. We are looking forward to becoming part of the fabric of the Huntley community".

ACTS opened in Huntley on December 1st. Among many other health programs, the organization offers free Fall Risk Assessments to help seniors gain and maintain their independence as they deal with the impacts of aging. According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), one-third of seniors fall each year. Residents can contact ACTS at 815-338-1707 to schedule an appointment or to speak with a therapist. [www.adultchildtherapy.org](http://www.adultchildtherapy.org)

### Family Alliance Inc.

Family Alliance recently opened their 8000 SF offices on Farm Hill Drive in Huntley. FA's Clinical Director Cheryl Levinson invites interested residents and caregivers to visit the new facility and learn more about their integrated approach that includes behavioral health, primary medical care, adult day programming, community support, and community education.

One of the popular programs at Family Alliance is the Adult Day Health Program which promotes active adult wellness. A typical day may include a computer class, some morning tai chi exercises, work on a special art project, and a current events discussion. Participants can attend one day per week up to five days per week depending on their schedules and needs. The Family Alliance team includes registered nurses, certified nursing assistants and activity specialists, who will work with everyone to reach their personal potential. Family Alliance, Inc. 12555 Farm Hill Drive, Huntley, 815-338-3590 [www.familyalliance.org](http://www.familyalliance.org)

### FCC Approves Huntley Radio

Huntley Community Radio is now officially broadcasting on **101.5 FM** (to FM listeners within an approximate 5 mile radius of their Huntley tower)



and streaming on [huntleyradio.com](http://huntleyradio.com). On Oct. 14, 2014 the FCC approved the new Low Power FM license. Huntley Community Radio's mission is to "keep Huntley informed and connected". By being available on FM radio, now all residents of the area will be able to take advantage of the opportunity to participate in that mission. Besides programming geared for young children to seniors and everyone in between, Huntley Community Radio has served as a radio/media training and learning opportunity for elementary, high school and college students, middle-aged adults and seniors who have all collaborated to make this unique community radio station possible. Give them a listen at 101.5 FM.