

A Message from Mayor DiMaria

Construction on the Morton Grove-Niles Water Commission (MGNWC) project has progressed this summer on schedule and on budget. Along with installing over 3.5 miles of new water mains, the project has also paved over 17 blocks in Morton Grove. The construction costs will be paid by the sale of water as part of the water rate the MGNWC will charge Morton Grove and Niles. Since the cost to purchase water from Evanston is much lower than what Chicago charges, the combined rate for construction and water costs will be less than the current Chicago water rate. No part of the water project will be paid by property tax revenue.

Last month, Prairie View Plaza was sold. The new owners are experienced developers who have pledged to work with the Village to

completely redevelop this important Village hub. I view this as an important and encouraging step to move Morton Grove forward.

I want to thank everyone who supported and participated in our many summer activities. Events like Morton Grove Days, National Night Out, the Village-wide Garage Sale, and the Adopt-a-Planter program bring our community together and truly represent the best of Morton Grove.

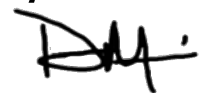
Please plan to attend our Neighborhood Outreach event on Thursday, October 18, 2018 beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the National Park Fieldhouse. The Village Board and staff will be on hand to meet you and answer any questions or concerns you may have. The following Saturday, October 21, make plans to attend the free Community Artist



Performance at 4:00 p.m. at the Civic Center. Then, on Thanksgiving Day, please join me at the Civic Center for the American Legion Post 134's annual Navy Day which provides a fabulous feast and the comforts of home for approximately 50 recruits from the Great Lakes Naval Station. The recruits truly enjoy meeting our Legionnaires and residents.

Finally, I hope all of you enjoy the beautiful colors of fall and have a safe and Happy Halloween!

Mayor Dan DiMaria



Yard Waste & Leaf Pick-Up

Yard waste pick-up continues through December 12, 2018. Leaf pick-up runs from October 15 to December 7. Place leaves in the street against the curb and away from parked cars the night before your scheduled refuse pick-up day. Do not include other landscape debris in leaf piles as the Village will only pick up leaves. All other landscape debris must be bagged or bundled with a yard waste sticker.

HALLOWEEN

Halloween is Wednesday, October 31. Village Trick or Treat hours are from 3:30 to 7:00 p.m. Be safe and have fun!

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Community Updates



Festivities Start on
Saturday, December 1
3:00 to 6:30 p.m.
Harrer Park

Holly Days Festival is a free, family-friendly event for kids of all ages. The festivities are on Saturday, December 1, 2018 from 3:00 to 6:30 p.m. at Harrer Park, 6148 Dempster Street, Morton Grove. The annual Tree Lighting Ceremony will be held outdoors at Harrer Park Gazebo at 6:00 p.m. followed by refreshments.



This year's Santa parade starts at Greenwood & Waukegan at 12:00 p.m. It ends at Main & Austin between 1:15 and 1:30 p.m. Santa will reappear and greet the children at Harrer Park at 3:00 p.m. For a detailed map of Santa's route in town, please go to www.bit.ly/santa-MG.

FREE



Community Artists Performance

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21 | 4:00PM
 MG AMERICAN LEGION CIVIC CENTER
 6140 DEMPSTER STREET

ARTISTS: NILES WEST ORCHESIS, GLENVIEW SQUARES, CHICAGO MASK ENSEMBLE, MASTER OF NONE, NICHOLAS BARRON, PHILIP WONG, RUBEN ZAPATA, ELIZABETH JONES, CECILLE & MICHAEL PLURAD, GINNY CHING-YIN LO & OTHERS

THIS EVENT IS FREE FOR THE PUBLIC AND PROVIDES A PLATFORM FOR ARTISTS IN OUR COMMUNITY TO SHARE THEIR TALENTS AND CELEBRATE OUR DIVERSITY.

AMERICAN LEGION POST 134 SUPPORTS NAVAL RECRUITS

On Thursday, November 22, 2018, American Legion Post 134 will host its 12th annual Thanksgiving Day celebration for approximately 50 recruits from the Great Lakes Naval Station. The recruits, many of whom are spending their first holiday away from home, are treated to a day of pampering featuring a traditional Thanksgiving dinner with all the trimmings.

The event grows in size and popularity each year, thanks in part to the participation and generosity of local residents and businesses. Everyone is welcome to stop by and greet the recruits, and homemade baked goods for the sweet table are especially appreciated. The event usually starts after 8 a.m. and continues until 4:30 p.m.

12TH ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DAY CELEBRATION



American Legion Post 134, 6144 Dempster St.

Monetary donations for this worthy cause can be mailed to:

Sailor Fund - American Legion Post 134, 6144 Dempster St., Morton Grove, IL 60053

Donations also support The Comfort/Wounded Warrior Fund and other Veteran and Active Warrior activities.

Community Updates (Cont.)

Public Meeting Schedule

October

1	Appearance Commission	7:00 p.m.
4	Traffic Safety Commission	7:00 p.m.
8	Village Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.
9	Advisory Commission on Aging	1:00 p.m.
9	Community Relations Commission	6:30 p.m.
9	Budget Workshop	6:00 p.m.
10	Budget Workshop	6:00 p.m.
15	Zoning Board & Plan Commission	7:30 p.m.
22	Village Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.
23	Fire & Police Commission	1:00 p.m.
29	Police Pension Board	4:00 p.m.

November

1	Traffic Safety Commission	7:00 p.m.
5	Appearance Commission	7:00 p.m.
6	Election Day	
12	Village Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.
13	Advisory Commission on Aging	1:00 p.m.
13	Community Relations Commission	6:30 p.m.
19	Zoning Board & Plan Commission	7:30 p.m.
20	Firemen's Pension Board	8:00 a.m.
20	Special Events Commission	6:30 p.m.
22	Thanksgiving Day - Village Hall Closed	
23	Thanksgiving Observance - Village Hall Closed	
26	Village Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.
27	Fire & Police Commission	7:00 p.m.

December

3	Appearance Commission	7:00 p.m.
6	Traffic Safety Commission	7:00 p.m.
10	Village Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.
11	Advisory Commission on Aging	1:00 p.m.
11	Community Relations Commission	6:30 p.m.
17	Zoning Board & Plan Commission	7:30 p.m.
25	Christmas Day - Village Hall Closed	
1	New Year's Day - Village Hall Closed	

Dates are Subject to Change



2018 Election Information from Village Clerk Eileen Scanlon Harford

Early Voting takes place from October 22 - November 5. You may vote from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. at the Skokie and Niles Village Halls and many more Cook County locations. See www.cookcountyclerk.com for specific locations, dates & hours. Remember to bring your picture ID.

Mail Voting is a convenient way to cast your ballot—it is no longer necessary to provide a reason to vote by mail. Request a mail ballot online at www.cookcountyclerk.com or by phone: (312) 603-0946 up to 5 days before the election. Ballot must be postmarked by November 6.

Election Day: Tuesday, November 6, 2018

You can vote at your normal polling place on election day from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Watch your mail - the County Clerk will mail you the address of your polling place prior to the election.

For more information about registering and voting, visit www.cookcountyclerk.com.

DISTRICT 67 ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNING (ELL) FAMILY NIGHT

The 3rd Annual ELL Family Night Open House and Dinner will be on November 5 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Hynes Elementary School.



**MORTON GROVE
FARMERS' MARKET**

NEW HOURS for the remaining Morton Grove Farmer's Market Days!
8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
The last day will be on October 20, 2018.

Incredibly Close / Amazingly Open ...we want to hear from you...

In keeping with our tagline, the Village provides several ways for you to submit advice, suggestions, questions and opinions to your elected officials and administration. For general inquiries, you can send an email to vmg@mortongroveil.org, visit the "Contact Us" section on our website in "Quick Links" at: www.mortongroveil.org, call (847) 470-5220, or fill out this form and return it to Village of Morton Grove, 6101 Capulina Ave., Morton Grove, IL 60053. Include your name and mailing or email address to receive a response.

Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Community Relations Updates

Summer Photo Contest Winners

Congratulations to the winners of our Summer 2018 Photo Contest: Boyle Wong, Megan Keating, Zainab Ahmed, YoungSam Park, and Solomiya Plugator. For this contest, participants were asked to showcase the Village's tagline "Incredibly Close - Amazingly Open." Visit our Facebook Page to view all the incredible pictures submitted. From now until December 1, you may submit pictures to www.mortongroveil.org/photocontest for the Fall Photo Contest. Winners will be announced at the December 10 Village Board meeting.



Little Free Library



6101 Capulina Ave, Village Hall

Morton Grove's Community Relations Commission is proud to announce it has partnered with the Morton Grove Public Library and has installed a Little Free Library at the main entrance of Village Hall, 6101 Capulina Avenue. Little Free Libraries are a way to promote literacy and interaction with neighbors. The library box is stocked with free reading material for both children and adults. All are encouraged to come pick up a free book or leave a book in the box for others to enjoy.

For more information about the program or to find out about opening your own Little Free Library please visit www.littlefreelibrary.org or contact the Village of Morton Grove's Community Relations Commission.

Get a FREE energy-saving kit from Nicor Gas

What's in the kit?

- 1 or 2 water-saving showerheads
- 1 shower timer
- 1 or 2 bathroom faucet aerators
- 1 dual-spray kitchen faucet aerator
- Plumber's tape



Call **877.886.4239** or order your kit online at nicorgasrebates.com/mortongrove



Public Safety Updates

October is Fire Prevention Month

Be aware that unattended cooking is a leading factor contributing to home fires. **Frying poses the greatest risk of fire.**

Heating equipment is involved in one of every five home fire deaths. Portable and fixed space heaters, including wood stoves, are involved in more fires than central heat. Remember to also change your smoke detector batteries when you change your clocks. Almost every home in the US has at least one smoke detector, but three of every five home fire deaths resulted from fire in homes with no smoke alarms or inoperative smoke alarms.

Nuisance alarms are the leading reason people disable smoke alarms. Smoke alarms on the market today have technology that reduces nuisance alarms. Smoke alarms should be replaced when they are 10 years old. A smoke alarm that chirps periodically is an indicator of a weak battery. If you have any questions, reach out to our Fire Prevention Bureau at (847) 470-5226.



Annual Holiday Food Drive

The Morton Grove Firefighters Association will be collecting non-perishable and unexpired food, purchasing children's gifts and supplying one large meal item to assist local families in need this holiday season. Last year 68 families, including 132 adults and 155 children, benefited from the generosity of Morton Grove residents and businesses. Food donation barrels will be located at the American Legion Memorial Civic Center, the Morton Grove Moose Lodge, Village Hall, Fire Department Station #4 and the Morton Grove Park District from November through December 10.

Alert Citizens: Interested in Joining the "Virtual Block Watch"?



The Morton Grove Police Department implemented **"Virtual Block Watch"** with the purpose of enlisting the help of property owners who maintain outdoor video cameras. Many times after a crime occurs, police investigators canvass the neighborhood searching for witnesses or additional information. Frequently, the outdoor video surveillance cameras of businesses or homes capture information that can be of value in the investigation. This information can often result in a valuable lead to assist the police department.

The Block Watch program is a voluntary program that asks property owners who have outdoor surveillance cameras to register with the Police Department. If a crime occurs in the neighborhood, the Morton Grove Police Department may ask you to check your camera system to see if it captured a picture that may aid in the investigation.

This partnership is not intended for active or live feed surveillance.

Nor is it intended for checking on what citizens are doing in their neighborhoods. The Morton Grove Police Department will never have remote or direct access to any private video systems in this program. Therefore, it will take the owner's permission and cooperation to view, download or copy any recorded incident. Police personnel will only ask to view footage relating to a specific criminal act for use as evidence to aid in ongoing investigations.

All cameras must be located in the Village of Morton Grove. Please register at <http://www.mortongroveil.org/government/police/blockwatch/>

Toys for Tots 2018

Morton Grove Police Toys for Tots Donation Box Locations

MG Police Department,
6101 Capulina
MG Fire Department #4,
6250 Lincoln
Village Hall, 6101 Capulina
MG Park District, 6834 Dempster

New unwrapped toys are appreciated.

Collection ends December 14,
2018



Fall 2018 Project Update

Morton Grove  Niles
WATER COMMISSION

Progress continues at a rapid pace on the Water Supply Improvement Project. The project, which will keep water costs for Morton Grove residents and businesses stable for years to come, remains on schedule and on budget. **Go to mg-n-wc.org for more information and updates and to sign up for the Project's weekly e-mail newsletter.**

Project Background

For decades, Morton Grove and Niles have purchased Lake Michigan water from the City of Chicago. Due to significant rate increases from Chicago over the past decade, the Morton Grove Niles Water Commission was formed to collaboratively develop a plan that would provide residents with a more affordable water supply.

The Commission has entered into a 40-year agreement to purchase Lake Michigan water from the City of Evanston at a combined savings of \$21,000 per day. These savings are sufficient to cover the cost to build the new water mains and facilities needed to deliver the water from Evanston to Morton

IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Allows Morton Grove and Niles to plan for the economic needs of the villages more accurately

INFRASTRUCTURE

Are achieved through long-term and stabilized cost savings

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Provide for reconstruction of streets, curbs and gutters along the construction route

Grove and Niles and provide long-term savings for upgrades to our aging water system. Construction and related costs for this project will be paid from water revenue and will be built into the new water rates. Even

with the construction costs, the water rates will still be lower than the wholesale rate charged by Chicago.

Morton Grove Property tax revenues will NOT be needed or used to support this project. The project goal continues to be first year savings, every year saving, with savings going back into our infrastructure to control costs long-term.

Visit mg-n-wc.org for continual updates on construction progress and to sign up for a weekly email newsletter or contact the message center at (847) 588-7979.

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Construction of
New 7 Million Gallon Standpipe
7900 Nagle





Community Senior Updates

OCTOBER | SUPERSTITION CELEBRATION

Friday, October 5 | 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Knock on wood—this is going to be a spectacularly spooky event! We're celebrating fall with an autumn feast, a performance by a magician, and other tricks and treats.

COST | \$13 in advance (\$15 at the door)

RSVP | (888) 600-2560 | mortongrove@matherlifeways.com



MUSIC & MORE

Thursday, Oct. 11 | 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Featuring live entertainment and dessert.

COST | \$5

NOVEMBER | FRIENDSGIVING

Friday, November 2 | 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

We're thankful for you, our wonderful neighbors. Come share some good food, good times, and live entertainment. You'll find all of the above at our early Thanksgiving celebration!

COST | \$13 in advance (\$15 at the door)

RSVP | (888) 600-2560 | mortongrove@matherlifeways.com



MUSIC & MORE

Thursday, Nov. 8 | 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Featuring live entertainment and dessert.

COST | \$5

DECEMBER | A VERY MERRY FESTIVITY

Friday, December 7 | 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Kick off your holiday season with this joyful jubilee featuring a delicious buffet lunch and some toe-tapping entertainment, plus plenty of merrymaking with good friends and neighbors.

COST | \$15 in advance and at the door

RSVP | (888) 600-2560 | mortongrove@matherlifeways.com



MUSIC & MORE

Thursday, Dec. 13 | 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Featuring live entertainment and dessert.

COST | \$5

Bookish Websites

Tuesday 10/16, 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Are you a bookworm in need of more materials? Join us for an online tour of everything books. From popular bookish websites to social media, and how to get your hands on free books!

CALL (847) 663-3073 TO REGISTER

The Mind Diet

Wednesday 11/21 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Studies have shown that the Mind Diet, developed right here at Rush University Medical Center, lowered the risk of Alzheimer's disease by as much as 53%. We'll learn about the 15 dietary components of the Mind Diet, including 10 "brain-healthy food groups". We'll also discuss and share ways to fit them seamlessly, and deliciously, into your diet.

CALL (847) 663-3073 TO REGISTER

New Findings in Brain Fitness

Tuesday 12/11 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Roscoe Nicholson, Mather LifeWays Institute on Aging

Roscoe will discuss recent neuroscience findings related to how lifestyle choices can help cognition and even reduce risk of dementia. Bring your questions about aging, the brain, and cognition.

CALL (847) 663-3073 TO REGISTER

PLUS...

Mondays: Humanities, Better Balance, Wii Bowling

Tuesdays: Bingo, Mah-Jongg, Book Club & Talk

Wednesdays: Bingo and Lunch, Mather Jammers

Thursdays: Pinochle, Bridge, Movies, Chair Yoga, Poker, Monthly Concerts

Fridays: Needlework Pals, Monthly Luncheons, Men's Poker

VOLUNTEERS WANTED!

The American Legion Memorial Senior Civic Center in Morton Grove wants YOU! Can you dedicate some time to having fun and helping out? We need folks to help at the front desk, call Bingo, and more. Give Ovie a call at (847) 663-3075 to find out more.

MORE INFORMATION

All events are at the American Legion Memorial Civic Center
6140 Dempster ▪ Morton Grove ▪ Illinois
For a complete schedule of programs, please visit
www.moreways.org or www.mortongroveil.org or
CALL THE SENIOR HOT LINE at (847) 663-3070



Village Officials

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Village Attorney

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NEIGHBORHOOD OUTREACH

Mayor DiMaria, the Village Board, and Staff invite you to come learn more about what's happening in your Village by meeting and speaking directly to department heads and elected officials. A Neighborhood Outreach meeting will be held at:

National Park Fieldhouse
9325 Marion Avenue

on

Thursday, October 18, 2018 from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

There is no specific agenda for these meetings. Residents are encouraged to attend and interact "one on one" with elected officials and Village staff.

Police, Fire, or Medical Emergency

Village Hall (Switchboard)

Village Administrator

Village 24-hour Municipal Hotline

Building and Inspectional Services

Civic Center Rentals

Community & Economic Development

Fire Administration

Police Administration

Public Works Department

Senior Hot Line

Dial 9-1-1

(847) 965-4100

(847) 470-5220

(847) 663-6161

(847) 663-3040

(847) 663-3071

(847) 470-5231

(847) 470-5226

(847) 470-5200

(847) 470-5235

(847) 663-3070

General Email:

contact@mortongroveil.org

Village Hall Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Village Hall and Public Works

Will be closed on:

November 22 and 23 - Thanksgiving

December 25 - Christmas Day

January 1 - New Year's Day

Visit the Village website or Village Hall to sign up for our

eNewsletter and emergency alerts:

www.mortongroveil.org

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