

Mayor DiMaria has announced that Oak Brook based Kensington Development Partners and IM Properties, the new owners of the former Prairie View Plaza, have filed plans with the Village to redevelop the 26-acre dilapidated shopping center located at Dempster and Waukegan. The center, which will be renamed Sawmill Station, will be a modern shopping, dining and entertainment destination for Morton Grove and surrounding area residents.

All buildings on the site, except for the Bank of America building, will be demolished and replaced with an anchor grocery store, restaurants, a movie theatre and microbrewery, and other nationally known retailers. The owners have tentative agreements with many of the new businesses, but some tenancies cannot be disclosed until leases are finalized and signed. Demolition should be concluded this summer with construction to commence immediately thereafter. Certain stores plan to be open as early as 2020. The center will also include a multifamily residential development overlooking the forest preserve on the eastern portion of the property.



Mayor DiMaria stated, "The proposed new center is exactly what our residents want, and frankly, what they deserve. We tried for many years to get the prior owner to redevelop or sell this important Village hub. The new owners have a proven track record for building premier mixed-use developments and attracting highly desired businesses. I appreciate the efforts and progress made by the new owners, our staff and the Village Boards and Commissions to get us to this point and I'm optimistic and excited for our future."

The owners and the Village are currently negotiating a financial assistance agreement in order to defray part of the owner's

\$135,000,000 investment in the center. Village assistance will be provided from new property taxes and sales taxes generated by the new restaurants and stores. The owners will also need to obtain zoning approval for the property. Public meetings and hearings for the proposed development will be scheduled during April, May and June of this year.



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Community Updates

Be a Volunteer

The Morton Grove Days Commission needs volunteers for the annual festival and parade. For more information contact (847) 663-3018 or info@mortongrovedays.org.

Join the Parade - Consider promoting your organization or business by participating in the Fourth of July parade. For more information contact Parade Coordinator Terri Cousar at (847) 638-2706.

Be a Sponsor - Donations are welcome. For more information on this event, please visit the Morton Grove Days website—www.mortongrovedays.org.



Mother's Day Indoor Farmers' Market

**Morton Grove Civic Center
Saturday, May 11, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.**

A Mother's Day Indoor Market that will feature a variety of hand-made, specialty items, baked goods, cheese, honey, and more!

www.mgfarmersmarket.org



A Message from Mayor DiMaria

Spring signals the start of another busy construction season in Morton Grove! Last year the Morton Grove-Niles Water Commission installed over 8 miles of new water mains and began purchasing some of our water from Evanston. This summer we will complete construction of the 7-million gallon standpipe and pumping station next to our Public Works facility which will enable us to satisfy all of our water needs from the new system.



This year's big news will be the long-awaited redevelopment of the Sawmill Station (formerly Prairie View) Shopping Center at Dempster and Waukegan. The new owners have a proven track record for building premier mixed-use developments and attracting highly desired businesses. By this fall, all of the existing buildings with the exception of Bank of America will be demolished making way for a new "lifestyle center" which will include a grocery store, movie theater, microbrewery, popular restaurants and nationally known retailers. The proposed new center is exactly what our residents want, and frankly, what we deserve. I appreciate the efforts and progress made by the new owners, our staff, and the Village Boards and Commissions to get us to this point. I'm optimistic and excited for our future.

As warmer weather approaches, we look forward to reconnecting with neighbors and friends, and celebrating everything exceptional about Morton Grove. I invite you to participate in our Farmer's Market, the Village-Wide Garage Sale and our Adopt a Planter Program. Details about these programs and volunteer opportunities for Morton Grove Days; our spectacular July 4th celebration, can be found in this newsletter and online.

Your Mayor, Dan DiMaria

Yard Waste Collection Program

Yard Waste Collection Program stickers are \$2.26 each or 5 for \$11.30. Stickers may be purchased at Village Hall at 6101 Capulina, the Jewel Food Store at Milwaukee and Oakton, and the Walgreens Stores at 5730 Dempster and 9301 Waukegan, and the Morton Grove Food Mart at Lincoln and Marmora. Branches need to be bundled with biodegradable

string. No bundle or yard waste bag can exceed 50 pounds. Try mulching your grass this season. A normal weekly cutting will quickly decompose and the nitrogen from the clippings will actually feed the lawn requiring less fertilizer. Contact the Public Works Department at (847) 470-5235 for more information on yard waste and recycling.

Community Updates

Community Calendar

May 11: Mother's Day Farmers' Market 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

May 17 - 19: Village-Wide Garage Sale 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

May 18: SWANCC Recycling Event 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

May 26: Memorial Day Parade 1:30 p.m.

May 27: Memorial Day, Village Hall and Public Works Closed

June 1: Adopt a Planter Summer Planting Day

June 8: Farmer's Market 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

June 15: Farmer's Market 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.



Electronic Recycling & Document Destruction Event

Saturday, May 18 | 9 a.m. to Noon
Morton Grove Civic Center

All residents of Morton Grove and other Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC) communities are eligible to participate in this free event. IDs will be checked for proof of residency. Visit SWANCC's website www.swancc.org or call (847) 724-9205 for details including other drop-off locations and dates.

- Drive up
- Stay in your vehicle
- Your items will be removed

As a courtesy, please remove electronics from plastic packaging and boxes prior to the SWANCC event.



It's OKAY to bring: Cable receivers, cell phones, computer monitors, computers, keyboards, printers, televisions (all types), scanners, video game consoles, video recorders/players.

DO NOT bring: Dehumidifiers, Humidifiers, Air Conditioners, Vacuum Cleaners, Refrigerators or other large home appliances. SWANCC also provides a variety of other drop-off locations to assist residents with the task of recycling sensitive documents, electronics and other items diverting them from landfills.

DO NOT bring paper in plastic bags. Plastic is a contaminant, as are photos, slides, and any non-paper item. Do NOT include magazines, greeting cards or newspapers, as they can be recycled curbside.

Adopt a Planter Program

The planter program is open to individuals, families, groups, and businesses. Sign up by May 17 - Forms are available on the Village's website or at Village Hall. The Village will provide each participant with a starter kit of approved plants, a name card and instructions. Initial plantings will take place on June 1. Participants may incorporate additional plants at their own expense.

Participants will then care for the planter until October. The Village will water the planters weekly. A name card identifying each sponsor will be displayed in the corresponding planter. Photos of planters will appear on the Village's website and Facebook page.



Spring 2019 Update

Public Meeting Schedule

APRIL

22	Village Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.
23	Fire & Police Commission	1:00 p.m.
23	Citizen's Police Academy	6:00 p.m.
30	Citizen's Police Academy	6:00 p.m.

MAY

2	Traffic Safety Commission	7:00 p.m.
6	Special Village Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.
7	Citizen's Police Academy	6:00 p.m.
13	Village Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.
14	Advisory Commission on Aging	1:00 p.m.
14	Citizen's Police Academy	6:00 p.m.
14	Community Relations Commission	6:30 p.m.
16	Neighborhood Meeting	6:00 p.m.
20	Zoning Board & Plan Commission	7:00 p.m.
21	Citizen's Police Academy	6:00 p.m.
21	Special Events Commission	6:30 p.m.
22	Condo Association Meeting	6:30 p.m.
28	Fire & Police Commission	1:00 p.m.
28	Citizen's Police Academy	6:00 p.m.

JUNE

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	7:00 p.m.
24	Village Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.
25	Fire & Police Commission	1:00 p.m.

2019 Village-Wide Garage Sale

Rain or shine, the Village's community-wide garage sale will occur on May 17, 18, and 19 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. This is a great opportunity to find local treasures around Morton Grove, as well as clear out a few treasures of your own. For information, locations of participating residences or to register go to mortongroveil.org/garage or Facebook: Village of Morton Grove. Registration forms will also be available at Village Hall. Questions can be emailed to crc@mortongroveil.org.



Morton Grove/Niles Water Commission

PROJECT UPDATE | SPRING 2019

Construction of the new pumping station at 7900 Nagle continues. In early April, masonry walls were progressing along with the installation of large diameter plumbing that will supply water to the system (see photo). In addition, contractors will be working along the water main route to install fiber optic cable and restore pavement and landscaping throughout the spring. The project remains on schedule for completion by the end of 2019. The goal of this project is to partner with our



Pump Station interior progress

neighboring communities in an effort to stabilize the cost of high quality water while securing sustainable funding for future maintenance of infrastructure.

Neighborhood Outreach - May 16

EMMA MELZER SCHOOL | 9400 ORIOLE AVE.



- Thursday, May 16 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- Meet Elected Officials & Department Heads
- Discuss 1-on-1 issues
- Gather valuable info
- Meet your neighbors

Incredibly Close Amazingly Open

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: _____

Public Works & Building

Water Sprinkling Regulations

Each year the Village imposes restrictions on lawn sprinkling from May 15th – September 15th. **Sprinkling is allowed during the following hours ONLY:**

5 a.m. – 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. – 11 p.m.

These restrictions apply to all properties (residential, commercial and industrial) on a daily basis. These restrictions do not apply to hand-held sprinkling hoses.

Street Sweeping

Street sweeping has resumed.

Please check the signs on local streets to avoid street parking on days of scheduled sweeping.



Thinking About a Building Project?

Spring weather often inspires homeowners to consider home improvement projects. Before starting, residents are encouraged to talk with the Planning/Building staff regarding any specific code and/or permitting requirements. In many instances, permits are required for particular projects based on local and/or state codes which are in place to protect the health, safety, and welfare of all residents. In addition, compliance with these codes helps to maintain and enhance property values.

Specifically, codes and required permits help to ensure safety. In addition, they help to minimize negative impacts on neighboring properties and/or Village infrastructure. Lastly, the enforcement of these codes maintains and enhances the aesthetics and character of Morton Grove neighborhoods.

For more information contact the Building/Inspection Department at (847) 470-5214.

Fire Hydrant Flushing Program



Beginning in late May, the Morton Grove Public Works Department and the Fire Department will be flushing fire hydrants throughout the Village. These actions are part of a routine maintenance program to ensure high water quality. Residents will have water during these operations. However, the flushing may cause temporary discoloration of the water in homes and businesses. While perfectly safe, the water should be run for several minutes until it clears before drinking or washing clothes or dishes. This program runs from May to October of each year.

River Drive Reconstruction

The pavement on River Drive, near Oakton Street and Lehigh Avenue, was removed in 2018 as part of the Morton Grove-Niles Water Commission project to install a new water supply pipeline under the pavement. The road was temporarily repaired with asphalt pavement. It will be reconstructed with concrete pavement in Spring 2019. Traffic will be reduced to one lane in

one-direction during construction. The work is expected to be completed by early summer and will be a welcomed improvement to the current pavement condition. Please be mindful of reducing speed while driving through active construction zones.



Useful Utility Contacts

Resources will always be available for emergency response. However, in the event you experience interruptions in the following services, alerting the provider directly may result in the quickest resolution.

UTILITY	PROVIDER	CONTACT
Cable TV	Comcast/Xfinity	(800) 934-6489
Electricity	ComEd	(800) 334-7661
Natural Gas	NICOR	(888) 642-6748
Refuse/Garbage	Groot	(800) 244-1977

Residents are reminded that if any condition threatens safety, DIAL 911 immediately.

Typical Home Improvement Projects

What are some projects that require a permit?

- Any new buildings or additions to buildings
- New or replacement detached garages, yard sheds, patios and/or fences
- Swimming pools, ponds, spas two feet or more in depth
- New or replacement furnaces, boilers, and air conditioning units
- Sewer and water line repairs

Public Safety



Grill Safety

- Propane and charcoal BBQ grills should only be used outdoors.
- The grill should be placed well away from the home, deck railings and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.
- Keep children and pets at least three feet away from the grill area.
- Keep your grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup from the grills and in trays below the grill.
- Never leave your grill unattended.
- Always make sure your gas grill lid is open before lighting it.

Charcoal Grills

- There are several ways to get the charcoal ready to use. Charcoal chimney starters allow you to start the charcoal using newspaper as a fuel.
- If you use a starter fluid, use only charcoal starter fluid. Never add charcoal fluid or any other flammable liquids to the fire.
- Keep charcoal fluid out of the reach of children and away from heat sources.
- There are also electric charcoal starters, which do not use fire. Be sure to use an extension cord for outdoor use.
- When you are finished grilling, let the coals completely cool before disposing in a metal container.

Special Olympics Illinois

2019 marks the 17th Anniversary of the Dunkin' Donuts *Cop on Rooftop* event with the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics Illinois. This event has been a huge success over the years. This year's *Cop on Rooftop* event will be held statewide on **Friday, May 17, 2019, from 5 a.m. to 12 p.m.** The MGPD will be at the Dunkin' Donuts at Dempster and Marmora. Last year, Morton Grove participated and raised over \$1,500. Stop by your local Dunkin' Donuts on the day of the event! The *Cop on Rooftop* event is a fun, unique and easy way to raise money for the athletes of Special Olympics Illinois.



The Morton Grove Fire Department has joined other fire departments in Illinois by supporting the “**BE ALARMED**” fire safety education and smoke alarm installation program. This program is a joint cooperative between local departments, the Illinois Fire Safety Alliance and the Office of the State Fire Marshal. This outreach program seeks to provide residents with various fire prevention and safety education materials along with residential grade smoke detectors for

their homes. The smoke detectors provided in this program **must be installed in the resident's home** by an authorized member of the fire department.

All detectors have a non-removable sealed battery and, under normal use, should not require replacement for 10 years. Supporting educational materials will also be provided.

Residents interested in participating in this program should call (847) 470-5226 or visit mortongroveil.org/fire-department for additional details.

Theft Prevention: Locking Car Doors

The Morton Grove Police Department offers residents free Security Surveys that offer advice regarding the safety and security of their home environment. These surveys are designed to provide suggestions to make a home a less desirable target for burglars. Examples include:

- for **HOMES**
 - Keep garage doors closed and locked
 - Install motion sensing outdoor lights
- for **VEHICLES**
 - Always lock your vehicle when parked in the driveway/street



- Keep items in the trunk or glove box
- Phones, electronics, money, etc. should be stored out of view

For additional information or to set-up a Security Survey, contact the MGPD Crime Prevention Bureau at (847) 663-3804 or via email at jjurasz@mortongroveil.org.

Senior Community

May

GRAND OLE OPRY HOEDOWN

FRIDAY, MAY 3 | 11:30 A.M.

Grab your cowboy hat and amble into a country-and-western celebration. We'll provide a hearty buffet lunch, toe-tappin' live music you can two-step to, and more.

Cost: \$14 in advance
(\$15 at the door)



June

POOL PARTY LUNCHEON

FRIDAY, JUNE 7 | 11:30 A.M.

Who needs a pool to have summertime fun? Join us on dry land for a delicious buffet lunch, fun entertainment, and a good time with friends and neighbors.

Cost: \$14 in advance
(\$15 at the door)



BLOOD PRESSURE, CHOLESTEROL & BLOOD SUGAR SCREENING - FREE

TUESDAY, MAY 21 | 11:00 A.M. - NOON

TUESDAY, JUNE 18 | 11:00 A.M. - NOON

TUESDAY, JULY 16 | 11:00 A.M. - NOON

Our friends at the Wellshire will be giving complimentary Blood Sugar, Cholesterol and Blood Pressure screening. It takes only three minutes (and a simple finger stick blood test) to find out if your blood sugar level is where it should be. Also have your blood pressure screened. It will do your heart good.

ORGANIZE, DOWNSIZE AND SELL!

MONDAY, MAY 13 | 9:30 - 10:30 A.M.

If you're ready to downsize, come and learn how to organize and prepare your home to get top dollar for it!

CALL (888) 600-2560 TO REGISTER



EXPLORE BELGIUM: BRUGES AND BRUSSELS

TUESDAY, MAY 7 | 1 - 2 P.M.

Enjoy an episode from Rick Steve's Europe, *Brussels & Bruges*. After the episode, Claire Lenell will discuss her own experiences in Belgium as well as photos from her travels there.

CALL (888) 600-2560 TO REGISTER

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.

All events are at the American Legion Memorial Civic Center

6140 Dempster

For a complete schedule of programs please visit

moreways.org or

www.mortongroveil.org or

CALL THE SENIOR HOTLINE:

(847) 663-3070

Memorial Day Observance PARADE & CEREMONY

American Legion Post 134 will host a Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony on Sunday, May 26th. The parade steps off at the corner of Dempster & Georgiana at 1:30 pm. The route proceeds south to Crain St., east to School St., south to Lincoln Ave and west to the Doughboy statue. After completion of a short ceremony, the parade will resume by proceeding north on Georgiana and ending at Legion Post 134. Please help us remember those brave individuals who gave us their "...last full measure of devotion".



The Exchange

contact@mortongroveil.org
Village Hall Hours: Monday-Friday
8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



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Important Phone Numbers

Police, Fire, or Medical Emergency
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Fire Administration (847) 470-5226

Police Administration (847) 470-5200

Public Works (847) 470-5235

Senior Hotline (847) 663-3070

24-hour Municipal Hotline
(847) 663-6161

Village Officials

President Daniel P. DiMaria

Village Clerk Eileen Scanlon Harford

Trustees

Bill Grear | Rita Minx | Ed Ramos

John Thill | Connie Travis | Janine Witko

Village Administrator

Ralph E. Czerwinski

Village Attorney

Teresa Hoffman Liston

Municipal Facilities

Village Hall (Switchboard)
(847) 965-4100

Village Administrator
(847) 470-5220

Building and Inspectional Services
(847) 663-3040

**Community & Economic
Development** (847) 470-5231

Civic Center Rentals (847) 663-3071

TO: POSTAL CUSTOMER
MORTON GROVE, IL 60053

Plan Ahead for Any Emergency with Smart911

Reminder; don't forget to register for Smart911, It's Free!!!

This is a voluntary and free service offered to all residents of the Village. With Smart911, citizens are able to proactively provide information to facilitate a fast and accurate response. Residents are able to create their own Safety Profiles and choose what information they want to include. It is important to note that the Safety Profiles are private, secure, and only available to 9-1-1 when an emergency call is placed. Interested residents can sign up at www.smart911.com. The Smart911 app is available on the Apple App Store or Google Play. Contact the Morton Grove Police Department at (847) 470-5200 with any questions.



Vehicle Sticker

The annual vehicle stickers for 2018 – 2019 are valid until August 31, 2019. The new 2019 – 2020 stickers will be available for purchase in June 2019, and must be displayed by August 31, 2019.

