



The Village Link

The Village Link

Don't forget to sign up for the Emergency Call list with the Village of Beach Park. Many unlisted numbers in Beach Park do not get called, so you can add your cell phone number or email by "opting in" through our Village Website at www.villageofbeachpark.com



Seasons Greetings from Lake County Board District #2 Representative Diane Hewitt. If you would like to receive her email Newsletter, please contact her by email at DianeHewitt@aol.com

Words from the Mayor....

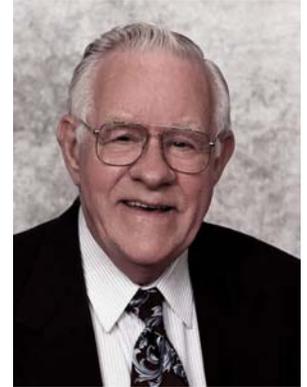
Once again it's time to button down the hatches & tune up the car and get the snow shovels ready. It seems that this time of year rolls around more frequently than it used to!

There are some things that have to be said for this past year. Last February we experienced one of the largest snowstorms that we have had in recent history and this past summer was no exception with record setting winds, rain and destruction. Even after a week without electrical power in a portion of the Village, we persevered. All things being considered, we came through our ordeal with flying colors. You're all aware that our Village has historically been financially sound. We used to say "we're going to save something for a rainy day", and we considered that saying to simply be a metaphor, but it turned out to be a reality. The clean up activity from the summer storms was extremely expensive. We hired outside trucking firms to assist our small public works crew in the long cleanup process. In spite of the fact that we faced such a costly episode, we are still in good financial condition. The economic straits in which we find ourselves these days have been a wet blanket placed over our development ef-

forts, however, it has only served to inspire us to work harder. We have actively been pursuing retail development throughout the Village in spite of the difficulty at this time. We have had some successes but not nearly as much action as we had hoped for.

On the Greenbay corridor, we will see shortly some of the results on the positive side. At the intersection of Wakefield and Greenbay Rd., there will be a service station, carwash and a minimart on steroids. The developer of that property and the TIF Committee are ready to present that development to the Board of Trustees for final action. At that same location there has been other interest, which we are pursuing.

Sheridan Rd., is also receiving some attention from developers, considering locating some businesses in that area. We have been, and always will be, constantly striving to attract retail business development in the Village. As you are aware, the Village levies no real estate tax and as a result the sales tax becomes a primary source of income that will prevent us from ever requiring a real estate tax. Today, we are taxed to the limit and we must find alternative sources wherever we can. The



Mayor, Milton C. Jensen

sales tax is a preferred tax because it is tied to purchases of goods by both residents and non-residents alike.

We all can be helpful in securing new business in the community. If you know of, or you hear of someone who is looking to establish a new business or a new business location, direct him or her to your Village Hall. We will assist them in every way possible to find that new location or to establish that new business in our Village. We will apply all of the incentives that we have at our command, which includes TIF and no real estate taxes.

I want to take this opportunity to wish you all a great holiday season and may the New Year bring you nothing but happiness and prosperity.

Milt Jensen, Mayor

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS STARTS WITH YOU!



Severe winter storms can cause widespread damage and disruption. Heavy snow often results in paralyzed transportation systems, automobile accidents due to slippery roads and stranded vehicles. Glazing from ice storms topples utility lines and poles making travel virtually impossible. These conditions can be a threat to life. Get ready now! Learn how to protect your family's health

during the winter months, gather emergency supplies for work & home, create a family disaster kit to be prepared for at least 7 days, winterize your home & automobile and prepare for possible isolation in your home. (go to ready.illinois.gov for more information)

Join other residents and the members of the Beach Park Emergency

and Disaster Agency on Monday, January 23, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. in the Board room of the Village Hall to discuss what you can do to prepare for the next disaster. Refreshments and Emergency Preparedness Handouts will be available.

Thank you & have a safe & happy holiday....

Chet Splitt,

BPESDA Coordinator



Trustee, Linda Sittig

Ask yourself.... "are you ready"?

Destructive weather conditions during the summer of 2011 has been an eye opener for many. As a reminder, I feel it is important that all households take the time to assemble an "Emergency Preparedness Kit" to be stored in a convenient location. Items for this should include an AM radio, flashlights, first aid kit, extra batteries and bottled water., etc. Being

prepared when an emergency arises is essential to ensure your safety!

I would also like to thank all the residents who are participating in our Neighborhood Watch Programs. These programs are proven to be an effective tool by reducing crime in your area! Remember you are the "eye & ears" for law enforcement. Report all emergencies to 911 and

non-emergencies to the Lake County Sheriff at 847-549-5200. For additional information on becoming involved with a Neighborhood Watch Program, please contact me at linda.sittig@villageofbeachpark.com or call the Village Hall at 847-746-1770.

Thank you & have a safe & happy holiday season!

Trustee Linda Sittig



Once the snow starts falling and our plow drivers are out making sure the streets are passable and safe to emergency vehicles & residents, there may be an instance where the plow hits a mailbox. This is to remind you that the Village has adopted a Mailbox Replacement Policy which

Just a reminder ...

states, "the public works department will replace damaged and non-repairable parts only if the snow plow driver plowed beyond the pavement and physically struck the mailbox or post and only if the mailbox was located according to the U.S. Post Office specifications." Any

damage caused by thrown snow will not be repaired or replaced under this program. Please visit our website at www.villageofbeachpark.com for a copy of the complete policy!

Thank You!

BENTON TOWNSHIP NEWS...

Socks for the Soul— Drop off packages of new socks for children, infants, men & women. Preferably crew socks designed for warmth for residents in need.

Accepting non-perishable food & health/beauty products for our local food pantries.

AARP Driving School—February 7th & 8th from 10—2PM at the Zion Benton Public Library. Call to sign up. Space is limited.

NEW Dial-A-Ride Expansion—for ALL Benton Township residents. Service available Monday thru Friday 8:30 to 5:30 PM. Must call 1-800-201-6446 1 day in advance to

secure a seat. Area served: anywhere in Benton or Zion Townships. For medical appointments, you can call up to 1 week in advance to reserve a seat, Tuesday or Thursday only & during the hours of 8:30-3:30PM (Including Waukegan & Gurnee locations.)

Seniors Need Assistance Fueling your Car? - Beginning November 1st thru April 1st on Wednesdays from 9AM till 1PM a station attendant will assist you by filling your car (you pay for the gas). Stop in at the Township office or Village Hall for your placard listing participating stations.

Meals on Wheels—call

847-546-5733 and ask for the Meals on Wheels program.

Save MONEY with FREE Discount Prescription Cards—Pick up a card at the Township Office or go to www.coast2coastrx.com, to print a card.

Drop off used eye glasses—for refurbishing at the Township Office.

Benton Greenwood Cemetery—cemetery plots available. Call for information.

Benton Township Office is located at the NW corner of 29th Street & Greenbay Road. 847-746-2100

Check out our Facebook Page!



Benton Township Supervisor, Jan Suthard

Parks & Recreation

AARP Driving Courses 2012
 May 21st & May 22nd
 July 21st & July 22nd
 October 8th & October 9th
 From 9 am to 1 pm at the Beach Park Village Hall.
 Call 847-746-1770 to sign up, space is limited.
 Don't forget to sign up after the first of the year for the Annual Luck-O-Irish party in March!
 Just a thought for a great Christmas Present... we have Memorial Bricks for sale at the price of \$50.00 each that will be placed in the Memorial Brick path at

Founder's Park on Beach Road and now at Braims Park out in the Cambridge Subdivision. Also available at the Village Hall, the Beach Park Ornaments for \$7.50 each.
 I would like to thank everyone for a great season, and look forward to next year!

Best Wishes & Happy Holidays....

Parks & Recreation Chairman,
 Richard Gust



Trustee, Richard Gust



Sandi Pastell & LeRoy Bolt,
Community Development

THE BEST KEPT SECRET IN LAKE COUNTY

**IS NOW OPEN FOR “BUSINESS”
WITH THE NEWLY ESTABLISHED
TIF DISTRICTS
(TAX INCREMENT FINANCE)**

**3 DESIGNATED TIF DISTRICTS
THROUGHOUT THE VILLAGE
ENCOMPASSING OVER 1200 ACRES
ALONG**

- **GREENBAY ROAD**
- **LEWIS AVENUE/WADSWORTH
ROAD**
- **SHERIDAN ROAD**

COME GROW WITH US!

VILLAGE OF BEACH PARK

**CONTACT THE
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT AT
847-246-6002 FOR MORE DETAILS.**

Mayor Jensen & Village Staff would like to wish everyone a Happy & Safe Holiday Season!



Front Row from left to right: Code Enforcement Administrative, Patti Hanson, Village Clerk, Laurie Cvangros, Administrative Coordinator, Tracy Miracle, Accountant, Peggy McHugh.
Second Row from left to right: Public Works, Bob Ditzig, Permit Coordinator/Deputy Clerk, Donna Perez, Mayor Milt Jensen, Receptionist, Claudia Hillyer, Office of the Mayor/Public Works Administrative, Gina Nelson.
Back Row from left to right: Public Works, Steve Gross, Public Works, Ron Tate, Water/Sewer, Ryan Van, Public Works, Dave Osterberg, Water Operator, Mike Bellefeuille, Public Works, Scott Ruckebeil, Superintendent of Public Works, Gene Gross, Code Enforcement Officer, Jerry Schultz, Community Development, Sandi Pastell and Building & Zoning Administrator, LeRoy Bolt

Village of Beach Park
 11270 W. Wadsworth Rd.
 Beach Park, IL 60099
 847-746-1770 Phone
 847-746-1797 Fax
 www.villageofbeachpark.com

**AFFORDABLE
 WATER SOLUTIONS, INC.**



Hot Tubs
 Storage Tanks
 Small Pools
PATRICK SPENCER 847.553.1431



**LAKES
 DISPOSAL SERVICES**

Janelle Petersen

P.O. Box 296
 Fox Lake, IL 60020-0296
 lakesdisposalsvc@aol.com
 www.lakesdisposal.com

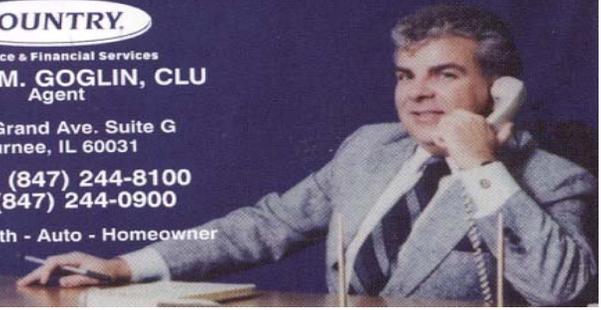
Tel: (815) 675-0400
 Tel: (847) 366-8582
 Fax: (815) 675-9524

COUNTRY.
 Insurance & Financial Services
STEVE M. GOGLIN, CLU
 Agent

3575 Grand Ave. Suite G
 Gurnee, IL 60031

Office (847) 244-8100
 Fax (847) 244-0900

Life - Health - Auto - Homeowner



Emily's 

PANCAKE HOUSE

38730 Sheridan Rd.
 Beach Park, IL 60099
 (847) 249-1170
 fax (847) 249-4935

488 N. Greenbay Rd.
 Waukegan, IL 60085
 (847) 336-7700
 fax (847) 249-3970

Tom Pierson
 President



PRECISION ROOFING, INC.

CALL FOR A FREE ESTIMATE
 Licensed • Bonded • Insured



ILLINOIS
 847-872-5454

Serving Lake
 and Kenosha
 Counties for over
 25 Years

WISCONSIN
 262-653-9334

Pancakes • Waffles • Crepes • Omelettes • Homemade Soups Daily
 • Charbroiled Burgers • Fresh Salads • Full Lunch Menu