

## Village of Beach Park



### Beach Park is seeking "history"

The Village of Beach Park is seeking articles, photos and any trivia regarding the Village from our long time residents. If you have a "history" story, any old articles or photos of Beach Park from the past, please submit them to us at the Village Hall, or via mail to 11270 W. Wadsworth Rd., Beach Park, IL 60099. You may also email them to us at [laurie.cvengros@villageofbeachpark.com](mailto:laurie.cvengros@villageofbeachpark.com)

Thank you!

# The Village Link

WINTER 2012

## From the Office of the Mayor...

It is hard to imagine that winter is here already, soon the snow plows will be running and our heating bills are rising. The Holidays are upon us and everyone is busy preparing for family gatherings and the traditions that we all enjoy!

The November elections are still fresh in our memories and the news is full of reasons to be concerned for our State and National economies. We hear about Pension reforms, Health Care changes, spending-cuts and tax increases. These are all hot topics with our leaders, and the debate on how to proceed continues. We trust our leaders in the State and

Federal Governments to make wise decisions so that we can all continue to pursue prosperity, safety and peace.

Thankfully, I can tell you that your Village is keeping drama and confusion like that to a minimum. We continue to be fiscally healthy, and our policies of thriftiness and common sense are winning the day. Our Public Works Team is at the ready, for whatever winter throws at us, to keep our streets cleared and safe. Our Village Hall Staff is well trained and willing to help you navigate the Village systems for building permits, business licenses, zoning changes



and so much more.

One way Beach Park stays financially healthy is by looking ahead and making plans to insure we stay that way. Soon we will be entering our Annual Planning Session to chart the course for the next three to five years. This is a time where our staff and elected officials get together to discuss the needs and wants of the Village. Immediately following the planning process, we have the Annual Budget process. Our

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## ORDINANCE REMINDERS

We would like to remind you that now is the time to keep your ditches free from leaf build-up. Ordinance 15.28.10: OBSTRUCTIONS; UNLAWFUL TO CREATE, states that it is unlawful to create any obstruction to the ditch. It is the homeowner's responsibility to maintain the ditch/culvert area and to keep it free from debris. Also, Ordinance 10.08.050: PARKING AFTER SNOWFALL, states that it is unlawful for any person to park or permit to be parked or to leave standing, any motorized vehicle on any street or shoulder within the Village limits at any time after a snow begins to fall, and for a period of eight (8) hours after snow stops falling when the snow on the streets exceeds two inches (2") in depth, or until snow removal operations are completed.

*Continued from the Mayor....*

Budget Officer, Peggy McHugh, will facilitate the creation of the Budget for the coming year. Capital Improvements and daily operation expenses will be forecast against the estimated revenues of the Village. We then apply some of that common sense to the process to keep the budget balanced, something we are very proud of year after year.

Your Trustees have been busy with the various standing committees. They generally meet on a monthly basis and the work they do is varied. The interac-

tion between the Trustees assigned to each committee and our staff & consultants helps to review and to resolve important issues. Some of the interesting projects underway include a new Village Website, researching Electricity Aggregation to save residents money on electricity, various road and drainage improvements and supporting our Neighborhood Watch groups throughout the Village.

You may have read or heard that I recently resigned my position as Trustee. It has been challeng-

ing keeping up with my responsibilities in both roles as Trustee and as Mayor. I will now be able to focus on my duties as Mayor. As a result, my resignation created an opening for a new Trustee and I have appointed (with the unanimous consent of the board) Don Jensen to fill that position. Welcome Don, and thank you for your service!

I will close wishing you and your family a Merry Christmas and a Happy & Prosperous New Year!

*Mayor John Hucker*

## WHAT IS NEW IN BEACH PARK

A new restaurant, Buena Vista, will soon open its doors in Beach Park. Buena Vista is located at 11456 Wadsworth Rd., the former Corky's Pub. You may have noticed that the site has been under renovation for several months and is now close to being completed. The new proprietor, Jose Giles, acquired the property partially because of its convenient location near the intersections of Lewis Ave. and Wadsworth Rd. and proximity to an adjacent strip mall, bank, and the Waukegan Airport.

The Buena Vista restaurant

will offer diners a variety of choices for breakfast, lunch and dinner, specializing in Mexican cuisine.

We eagerly look forward to the opening of Buena Vista and wish Mr. Giles much success in bringing a unique restaurant to the Village of Beach Park. Check our website for further details regarding the Grand Opening of Buena Vista.

*Trustee Regina Miller*

*Chair/Public Relations  
Committee*



**Trustee Regina Miller**

## DONT FORGET... YOU MAY NEED A PERMIT!

During the upcoming cold winter months when furnace failures may occur, please remember that a building permit is required for any furnace replacement and in some cases, for certain repairs. Please contact the Building Department at 847-246-6006 for details.



## BENTON TOWNSHIP NEWS

The Benton Township Offices are located on the NW corner of 29th Street and Greenbay Road. Visit their website for further information on any of the following items at

[www.bentontownship.com](http://www.bentontownship.com)

**AARP Driving School:** February 4th & 5th from 10 am till 2 pm at the Zion Benton Public Library. Call to sign up as space is limited.

**SENIORS need assistance fueling your car?** Beginning November 1st and going thru April 1st, on WEDNESDAYS FROM 9—1 PM a station attendant will assist you by filling your tank (you pay for the gas). Stop in at the Township Office or Beach Park Village Hall for your placard listing participating stations.

**SAVE MONEY WITH FREE DISCOUNT PRESCRIPTION CARDS.** Pick up card at Township Office or go to [www.coast2coastrx.com](http://www.coast2coastrx.com), to print

the card. This card allows all Township residents—regardless of income, age, or health status to save on the cost of medications.

**SOCKS FOR THE SOUL.** Drop off packages of new socks for children, infants, men & women. Preferable crew sock designed for warmth for our residents in need.

**DIAL-A-RIDE EXPANSION.** For ALL Benton Township residents. Service available Monday thru Friday 8:30 am to 5:30 pm. Must call 1-800-201-6446 one (1) day in advance to secure a seat. Area served: anywhere in Benton or Zion Township. For medical appointments, you can call one (1) week in advance to reserve a seat, Tuesday or Thursday only. Hours: 8:30 am till 3:30 pm. Medical appointments include Waukegan & Gurnee locations.

**FREE AMPLIFIED PHONE APPLICATIONS:** Neither age nor income a requirement. Pick

up at Township Office.

**ACCEPTING NON-PERISHABLE FOOD, HEALTH/BEAUTY PRODUCTS/ & USED EYE GLASSES.**

**MEALS ON WHEELS.** Call 847-546-5733 and ask for meals on wheels program.

**FREE RULES OF THE ROAD & ILLINOIS HIGHWAY** maps available at our office.

**BENTON GREENWOOD CEMETERY:** cemetery plots available. Call for information.

**HOMEOWNERS IN NEED OF REPAIRS?** You may be eligible for free home repairs performed on National Rebuilding Day, April 27, 2013. Applications are due by February 1, 2013. Forms available online at [www.rebuildingtogethernsc.com](http://www.rebuildingtogethernsc.com) or call 847-869-0900; there are income guidelines that apply.

*Jan Suthard, Supervisor*

### FROM PARKS & RECREATIONS...

With Winter here, I sure hope everyone had a great summer! There were several Beach Park events held, and all of them a success. Please try to join us for the upcoming Parks & Recreation Events.

12/08/12—Special Needs Movie. Marcus Theatre in Gurnee Mills. Movie is "Rise of the Guardians" and will start at 9am.

12/08/12—Annual Holiday Party for kids will be held at the Oak Crest Middle School at 11 am.

12/11/12—"Shop with a Cop" - Call the Village Hall at 847-746-1770 for more information and to sign up.

Wishing you a happy & joyous holiday season...

*Trustee Richard Gust, Chairman of Parks & Recreation Committee*



## NEW PUMPING STATION DELIVERED

On Friday, November 16, 2012, Beach Park's new underground booster pumping station for the Village's potable water system was delivered by Dakota Pumps, Inc. of Mitchell, South Dakota and placed on its pad by Keno & Sons Construction Company of Lake Bluff. When connected later this month, this booster station will augment the Village's water supply system. The station is located below ground

level at the southeast corner of Sheridan and Hendee Roads. This booster station is part of a long range plan to improve water service throughout the Village. This project is being funded in part by a \$145,000.00 grant from the Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity.



## PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT UPDATE...

The Village has completed the annual street maintenance project which utilizes the Village's share of Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) funds, as distributed by the state to perform routine maintenance and the resurfacing of various streets within the Village. Using these funds, the Village was able to resurface the following streets: *McAree Road* between Waldo Avenue and 33rd Street, *Bonniebrook Avenue* between Frolic Avenue and Metropolitan Avenue, *Frolic Avenue* between Warner Avenue and Bonniebrook Avenue, *Adelphi Avenue* between Tyler Avenue and Wall Avenue, *Tyler Avenue* between Green Bay Road and Adelphi Avenue.

The project also included patching small sections of pavement and crack sealing to preserve

and extend the life of the existing pavement. The paving work was completed the end of October and the final restoration was completed on November 14, 2012.

Progress on the Beach Road Reconstruction Project has been very notable the last few weeks! The curbs are in, the first layer of paving on the road has been completed and the driveways have been installed. In the next week or so the path will be graded, the parkways cleaned up and all of the street signs reinstalled. After all the signs are up, including the four-way stop at North Avenue and Beach Road, all of the detour signage will be removed. A protective barrier will be installed, as well as fencing in the area over the creek just west of North Avenue. In the spring, the surface course of the paving as well as the

balance of the restoration work will be completed. 70% percent of this project is being funded through a Surface Transportation Program (STP) Grant administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation.

*\*Northshore Gas is constructing an unrelated project along Beach Road and will begin their phase II around the 1st of December.*



## Meet our Newest Trustee....

Welcome Don Jensen as Beach Park's newest Trustee

At the Village Board Meeting held October 25th, Mayor Hucker appointed, and the Village Board confirmed, Don Jensen as our newest Trustee. After being elected Mayor by the Village Board to fill Mayor Jensen's unexpired term, Mr. Hucker resigned as a Village Trustee, thus creating the vacancy. Trustee Don Jensen is a graduate of Carthage College, and since 1986,

has been the Superintendent, Water Production for the City of Highland Park. Don, along with his wife Sue, had a home built in Beach Park in 1983. Their three children, Erin, Brent, and Dane, have all attended Beach Park schools and Zion Benton.

Please join us in welcoming Don to the Village Board!!



**Trustee Don Jensen**

## Happy Holidays from the Mayor and Beach Park Village Staff



**Front Row:** Claudia Hillyer, Peggy McHugh, Laurie Cvengros, Patti Hanson, Tracy Miracle, Donna Perez and Pat Spencer

**Back Row:** Sandi Pastell, Jerry Schultz, Gina Nelson, Ryan Van, Mike Bellefeuille, Steve Gross, Mayor John Hucker, Dave Osterberg, & Gene Gross.

Missing from the picture is long time employee, Ron Tate. We would all like to wish him a speedy recovery.

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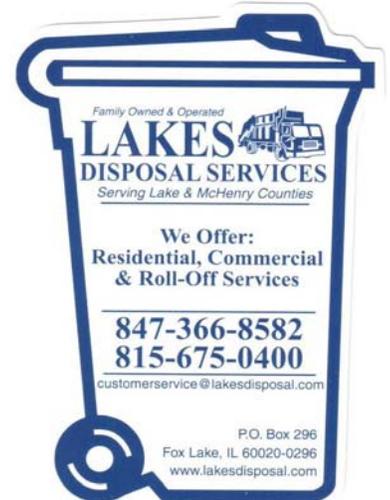


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