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REPRESENTATIVE FRED CRESPO



invite you to attend our

6TH ANNUAL JOB FAIR

Wednesday, March 29, 2017

Veterans only 10:00AM-10:30AM

General Public 10:30AM-3:00PM

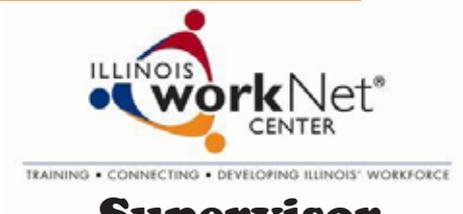
240 S. IL Route 59

Bartlett, IL 60103

(630) 540-9085

55 + Vendors

Visit www.hanover-township.org for more information.



**Supervisor
Brian P. McGuire**



www.hanover-township.org

****Don't miss a special info session and application workshop presented by Illinois Department of Central Management Services & CMS Diversity Enrichment Program on "Getting a Job with the State of Illinois" from 11:00AM - 12:00PM in the Computer Lab.**

The workshop will cover: what jobs are available, how to apply, what qualifications are required, making sense of job titles/descriptions, and more!

Hanover Happenings

For comments, questions or submissions to Hanover Happenings, please contact:

info@hanover-township.org



TOWN HALL

WILLIAM TIKNIS CAMPUS

250 South IL Route 59 • Bartlett, IL 60103
(630) 837-0301

SENIOR CENTER

WILLIAM TIKNIS CAMPUS

240 South IL Route 59 • Bartlett, IL 60103
(630) 483-5600

ASTOR AVENUE COMMUNITY CENTER

7431 Astor Avenue • Hanover Park, IL 60133
(630) 540-9085

MENTAL HEALTH

COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER

1535 Burgundy Parkway • Streamwood, IL 60107
(630) 837-6445

IZAAK WALTON CENTER & RESERVE

899 Jay Street • Elgin, IL 60120
(847) 888-8329

EMERGENCY SERVICES STATION #1

218 Main Street • Bartlett, IL 60103

Our mission

is to continuously improve the quality of life of Hanover Township residents by providing a unique array of quality, cost effective, community-based services acting as a dynamic organization that delivers services in a responsible and respectful manner.

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A message from our Supervisor



Greetings!

We have survived the holidays and if you're like me, you have your sights set on the mild spring days ahead.

As usual, the community stepped up in a big way last December in support of the Township's holiday programs for our most vulnerable neighbors. Over 290 families were sponsored by residents, community organizations, and local businesses, with all family members receiving gifts. 1,184 children also received presents through the Township's Toy Drive program.



Supervisor McGuire with members of Cub Scout Pack 1855 of Elgin dropping off their donations at the Township Food Pantry.

Senior Volunteer Service Award (55+), Business Community Service Award, Mel Runzel Outstanding Service Award, Youth (under 18) Volunteer Service Award, and Service Club/Organization.

Award applications are available at the Hanover Township Town Hall at 250 S. IL Route 59 in Bartlett, or online at www.hanover-township.org. Nominations are due no later than February 17, 2017.

On behalf of the elected officials, we wish you a Happy New Year and we look forward to seeing you at a program or event at the Township in 2017! As always, please do not hesitate to contact me with any concerns or questions about the Township.

Brian P. McGuire
Supervisor

At our meal box distributions last November and December, 1,174 meal boxes were distributed to Township families in need.

Unfortunately there is a need for these programs, but luckily thanks to the continued generosity of so many residents, sponsors, and supporters, Hanover Township is able to provide these services to the community.

It's that time of year for the Supervisor's Community Service Awards! The awards are designed to recognize organizations and individuals who volunteer their time to make Hanover Township an outstanding place to live, work, and raise a family. Individuals and organizations can be nominated in any of the following categories: Adult Volunteer (18 years or older) Service Award,





CLERK'S COMMUNITY CALENDAR 2017

FEBRUARY

- 7 — Township Board Meeting, 7PM, Township Senior Center
- 8 — Bartlett Winterfest, 12PM to 4PM, Bartlett Nature Center
- 21 — Township Board Meeting, 7PM, Township Senior Center
- 25 — Craft & Vendor Show, 10AM to 3PM, Bartlett Hills Golf Club

MARCH

- 4 — Hanover Township Breakfast with the Board, 8:30AM, Township Senior Center
- 7 — Township Board Meeting, 7PM, Township Senior Center
- 18 — "Pot of Gold" Hanover Township Foundation Gala, 7PM, Township Senior Center
- 21 — Township Board Meeting, 7PM, Township Senior Center
- 29 — Hanover Township Job Fair, 10:30AM – 3PM, Township Senior Center

APRIL

- 9 — Streamwood Park District Brunch with the Easter Bunny, 10AM, Hoosier Grove Barn
- 11 — Township Board Meeting, 7PM, Township Senior Center
- 11 — Annual Town Meeting 7:30PM, Township Senior Center
- 13 — Streamwood Community Blood Drive, 1PM – 7PM, Streamwood Village Hall
- 18 — Township Board Meeting, 7PM, Township Senior Center
- 22 — Art Appreciation Around the World 1PM-4PM, Poplar Creek Library



A note from your

Township Clerk

Katy Dolan Baumer,
Hanover Township Clerk

Yes, it does seem that we just had an election! This upcoming election is for your local officials, your neighbors who are running for positions such as village trustee, park district commissioner, school board trustee, or township trustee. Registering to vote allows you to participate in the electoral process and gives you the power to make a difference in deciding who will serve in elected office. Registering to vote is simple and convenient to do. You can register to vote using any of these options:

- At the Hanover Township Clerk's Office, or with any Deputy Registrar.
- Online, at your convenience, at elections.il.gov and on the lower left side is the Online Voter Registration link.
- At the Department of Motor Vehicles when you get a new driver's license or State ID.
- Register using the Mail-in Voter Registration form.

If you have moved within suburban Cook County, you must transfer your registration by re-registering or by filling out the back of your old voter registration card and mailing it to the Cook County Clerk's Office: 69 W. Washington Street, Suite 500, Chicago, IL 60602. Voters who legally change their name but not their address, can update their information at the polls, online, or in-person before the election. To register to vote, you must be:

- A U.S. Citizen
- At least 17 years old by the Primary or 18 by the General Election
- A resident of your precinct at least 30 days prior to an election
- Not be convicted and in jail
- Not claim the right to vote anywhere else
- Have a Driver's License or State ID and another form of identification

Important Dates to Remember for the April 4, 2017 Consolidate General Election

- 03/07/2017 Last day: Register to vote by Paper Application
- 03/08/2017 First day: Grace Period Registration and Voting
- 03/19/2017 Last day: Register to vote by Online Application
- 03/20/2017 First day: Early Voting (Village of Streamwood is our local EV Site)
Last day: Request Mail Ballot
- 04/03/2017 Last day: Early Voting - Last day: Grace Period Registration and Voting
- 04/04/2017 Election Day - Last day: Mail Ballots can be postmarked

On the Ballot

Township Supervisors, Clerks, Trustees, Assessors, and Road Commissioners; Village Presidents, Trustees, and Clerks; Library Trustees, Park District Commissioners, School Board Members, Community College Trustees, State Central Committeeman (Democratic Party).

If you have any questions or concerns about your voter status or eligibility, please feel free to contact me at Hanover Township, kdolanbaumer@hanover-township.org.

Visit us online at
www.hanover-township.org
for more event information.



CONTACT INFO

Phone: (630) 837-0301 Fax: (630) 837-9064
Email: kdolanbaumer@hanover-township.org

A note from your

Township Assessor

Thomas S. Smogolski,
Hanover Township Assessor



Everyone should have received their 2016, 1st installment tax bill. The amount of your 1st installment tax bill is 55% of the total you paid in 2015. These bills are due by Wednesday, March 1. Any taxpayer who filed a Board of Review appeal should receive the result letter within the next few months. The second installment will include all exemptions and any reductions due to an appeal.

ALL SENIOR EXEMPTIONS MUST BE RENEWED ANNUALLY.

Renewing seniors should have received their exemption renewal forms in the mail. Seniors who turned 65 anytime in 2016 should come into the Hanover Township Assessor's Office after they receive their 1st installment tax bill for 2016 to file for the senior exemption. Seniors who plan on filing for the freeze exemption need to bring in their income information (for all residents residing in the home) for 2015, with a total gross household income that does not exceed \$55,000. Please remember that both Senior and Senior Freeze exemptions must be renewed annually. Senior renewal forms were mailed out in early January 2017. If you didn't receive a renewal form, please contact my office.

If you have previously received the Homeowner Exemption, you will be automatically renewed unless you have changed anything on your deed or have sold the home. Remember, you are only entitled to exemptions on the home which is your primary residence. Rental properties may not receive exemptions.



Assessor Thomas S. Smogolski with staff, on left, Peggy Deyne, Cindy Christopher and Patty Glascott

ALL DISABLED PERSON EXEMPTIONS MUST BE RENEWED ANNUALLY.

If you are receiving Social Security Disability benefits, you may qualify for this exemption. Call our office to inquire about the requirements.

ALL DISABLED VETERAN EXEMPTIONS MUST BE RENEWED ANNUALLY.

There were changes in the Disabled Veteran exemption for tax year 2015 and going forward. A Disabled Veteran can now qualify for the exemption with a 30% service-connected disability. Beginning in tax year 2015, a \$2,500 Disabled Veteran exemption is available to a veteran with a service-connected disability of at least 30%, but less than 50%; a \$5,000 Disabled Veteran exemption is available to a veteran with a service-connected disability of at least 50%, but less than 70%; veterans with a service-connected disability of at least 70% are exempt from paying property taxes on their primary residence. This exemption is available to the unmarried surviving spouse of a service-connected veteran provided that the veteran was in receipt of the exemption prior to his/her death. Additionally, beginning in tax year 2015 and thereafter, the unmarried surviving spouse of a service member killed in the line of duty is exempt from paying property taxes on the primary residence.

CONTACT INFO Phone: (630) 837-0301 Fax: (630) 837-1059 **HOURS** Monday - Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Tuesdays 8:30 to 6 PM

A note from your

Highway Commissioner

P. Craig Ochoa,
Hanover Township Highway Commissioner



Winter is here! For me personally, this is not my favorite time of the year, especially having grown up in lovely and warm Tucson, Arizona. With the arrival of wind, snow, and ice we need to be a little more cautious as we navigate the roads.

Driving during this inclement weather is challenging for all of us. So here are some tips for how to navigate the snowy season: 1. Stopping on slippery surfaces requires longer stopping and following distances. The stopping distance on ice can vary greatly with the conditions. Sun, shade, wind, temperature, and road surfaces can all impact traction. 2. Stay in the lane that has been cleared most recently. Avoid changing lanes because of the potential control loss when driving over built-up snow between lanes. 3. If you get stuck, use traction mats or spread some sand, salt or

other abrasive surface in front and back of the driver tires. If someone is pushing your car, do not let anyone stand directly in front of or behind the tires, as they may be injured by objects thrown by spinning wheels. Stop if the tires continue to spin and create a deeper rut. 4. Don't underestimate the danger of driving on snow. That fresh fallen coat of snow could be hiding ice or potholes. Normally, you should allow 3 – 4 seconds between vehicles. However, on slippery roads it is recommended you allow 8 – 10 seconds between cars.

In addition, make sure to remove any snow or ice from your vehicle windshield, windows, headlights, hood, and tail lights before driving. Monitor weather conditions and allow plenty of time to get to your destination safely. Reduce your speed and leave plenty of room between vehicles to stop safely. Take it slow when merging in and out of traffic. Sudden movements can cause your vehicle to lose control. A four wheel drive vehicle will not stop any better or faster in snowy and icy conditions. Accelerate and decelerate slowly. Applying the accelerator slowly is the best method for regaining traction and avoiding skids. Make sure your gas tank is at least 1/2 full to avoid your fuel line from freezing.

Bottom line; just be extra careful this winter season. An ounce of prevention will go a long way toward your safety and will save you some money. Good luck!

6 www.hanover-township.org **CONTACT INFO** Phone: (630) 837-0960 Fax: (630) 891-1413 **HOURS** Monday - Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM

Township Trustees' Corner

Mary Alice Benoit
Trustee

Steve Caramelli
Trustee

Craig Essick
Trustee

Khaja Moinuddin
Trustee

The holiday season was a huge success here at Hanover Township. The community came together and made sure that our neighbors had the resources and gifts needed to have a wonderful holiday celebration. We wanted to take a moment to highlight a local business that really went above and beyond this year in giving back to the community.

Balance Family Chiropractic, a pediatric and family practice in Bartlett, is dedicated to helping others through natural health education and community outreach. Throughout the course of 2016, Balance Family Chiropractic donated a total of \$4,000 to the Hanover Township Foundation. At the December 20, 2016 Board Meeting, Dr. Robin Ackerman presented a ceremonial check representing the total of their monetary donations to the Township Food Pantry. In addition to the much needed funds, Balance Family Chiropractic patients and staff sponsored 25 children through the Township's holiday gift program.

On average, the pantry experiences over 751 visits per month and serves residents in the communities of Bartlett, Elgin, Hanover Park, Hoffman Estates, Streamwood, Schaumburg, and portions of unincorporated Cook County. The pantry is run entirely on donations from the community and local businesses/organizations. Without your continued generosity, the food pantry would not be able to run as efficiently as it does.

The food pantry is always accepting donations and they are always greatly appreciated. If you find yourself at the grocery store, please consider purchasing a canned good to donate. Donations can be dropped off at any Township office.

We encourage you to visit our website at www.hanover-township.org to learn more about the Hanover Township Food Pantry and for a list of our most needed items.



HANOVER TOWNSHIP BOARD VOTES TO PUT ROAD DISTRICT CONSOLIDATION ON SPRING BALLOT

The Hanover Township Board of Trustees last month voted unanimously to place a proposition on the April 7, 2017 ballot asking voters if the Township Road District should be abolished and consolidated with the Township.

A bill was passed in Springfield in 2011 that allows for Township boards in Cook County to submit a proposition to the voters to abolish the road district in their respective Townships.

The Township Road District currently is responsible for approximately 13 miles of unincorporated roads.

“The Township officials routinely look to create efficiencies that make sense financially, while ensuring the continuity of service delivery,” said Brian P. McGuire, Hanover Township Supervisor. “As it should be, the voters will have the final say if a separate Township Road District is necessary for our community.”

Township Highway Commissioner P. Craig Ochoa supported the board's decision for the proposition.

“Since 2007, I have enjoyed working with the residents and officials to improve the streets and expand upon the programs and services offered by the Road District,” said Ochoa. “I feel the proposition is being put forth at the right time, with the best interest of the residents in mind.”

If passed, the Road District as a governmental entity would be abolished beginning January 1, 2018, along with the elected position of Township Highway Commissioner. The duties and responsibilities would then be assumed by the Township.

Youth and Family Services

John Parquette, Director

YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES TO LAUNCH OPERATION SNOWBALL!

As you may have seen through our social media announcement, Hanover Township Youth and Family Services is now a certified Snowball chapter. Operation Snowball is an alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use prevention program focusing on leadership development to empower youth to lead drug-free lives. The name originates from the idea that “if I have a positive impact on you, you can have a positive impact on someone else and the effect snowballs”. Hanover Township Youth and Family Services staff took five youth representatives from Bartlett High School to a statewide training held in Normal, Illinois this past January to help build on their leadership skills. The five teens have been working diligently with our Clinical Interventionist, Ryan Dickinson, for two years on prevention, leadership, and teambuilding.



This year we are pleased to be hosting our very first Snowball that will be held at Laurel Hill Elementary in March. A day of Snowball consists of education, fun, and positive interactions with peers and leaders. Students will get the opportunity to meet new people and leave with a sense of empowerment that will help them continue to live a healthy and positive lifestyle. If you or your teen is interested in developing your leadership skills and becoming part of the “Snowball” in promoting youth empowerment, please contact Ryan Dickinson at (630) 483-5799.

OPEN GYM PROGRAM, 22 YEARS & GOING STRONG!



Hanover Township Youth and Family Services Open Gym Program finished its 22nd year and the youth had a blast! 2016 offered further developments which included outdoor education fun, activities, and games at our Izaak Walton Center and Reserve. Youth made their own bird feeders out of recycled goods, their own compasses, and they participated in scavenger hunts which included finding different types of leaves, birds, and so much more! The fun didn't stop there, every Friday over the summer we went on field trips. We visited Bode Lake and had a cookout, we went to Wing Park pool for some swimming, and our youth volunteered at Phil's Friends where they helped put together care packages for people in the hospital that were battling cancer.

Over the holiday break, we offered our Winter Break Open Gym Program at four schools. We had a DJ come out for dancing and the youth sang karaoke to some of their favorite songs. We also had our Streamwood High School Alternatives Group members come to one of the sites where they taught youth how to make their own fruit salsa. It was amazing watching the high school youth teach the younger youth the importance of washing their hands before cooking, how to cut their fruit properly, and most importantly, how to make a tasty treat.

Parents, it is never too late to get your child involved in the Open Gym Program. We have our After School Open Gym Program, which is offered in nine different elementary schools throughout the Township. We also will be having our Spring Break Open Gym Program, which will be offered in March. Don't miss out - If you are interested in signing up for our After School Open Gym Program, or our Spring Break Open Gym Program, please contact Jimmy Mix at Hanover Township Youth and Family Services at (630) 483-5799.



CONTACT INFO
HOURS

Phone: (630) 483-5799

Fax: (630) 483-5789

Monday - Thursday 9:30 AM to 9 PM, Friday 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM



**Saturday,
May 6, 2017**

**at the Hanover Township
Izaak Walton Center
899 Jay Street in Elgin**

**Start Time:
8:00AM**

**Registration:
6:30AM to 7:45AM**

To register and for all race information please visit: www.sprint2spring.com
or call the Office of Community Health at (630) 483-5665.

Online Registration Closing Date:

Tuesday, May 2, 2017 @ 11:59PM

5K Registration Fee:

\$25.00 through March 31st

\$30.00 April 1st - May 5th (Day of Race \$35.00)

Packet Pick Up:

Thursday, May 4th (8:30AM to 5:30PM)

Friday, May 5th (8:30AM to 4:30PM)

**at the Hanover Township Izaak Walton
Center**

899 Jay Street, Elgin, IL 60120

Hanover Township is excited to host the 4th annual Sprint to Spring 5K run/walk. This event not only promotes health and wellness, but also raises funding for the Hanover Township Foundation. All proceeds from the race will go to the foundation to assist Township residents experiencing financial hardship in accessing medical and dental services.



Silver/Gray Wicking Wear T-Shirt



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Senior Services

Tracy Colagrossi, Director

Tax Aide Available

Hanover Township Senior Services is proud to partner with AARP to provide income tax return filing assistance. The AARP Tax Aide Program is a free tax preparation service for low to moderate income taxpayers. The program is staffed by AARP-trained volunteers who are available by appointment only. You can contact Hanover Township Senior Social Services at (630) 483-5660 to schedule an appointment. Please note that appointments are filled on a first-come, first-serve basis and are filled in date order.



Volunteers will be available Tuesday and Thursday mornings, from February 9 through April 11. Please arrive 15 minutes before your scheduled appointment in order to complete necessary paperwork. You may also pick up the paperwork at the

Senior Center front desk ahead of time if you would like to complete in advance of your appointment.

The Township has no control over the manner in which the AARP volunteers prepare the tax returns, nor does the Township review any tax return to verify whether they have been properly prepared and/or contain errors. Participants in this program will be asked to sign a "Tax-Aide Waiver and Release Form" recognizing certain risk of errors, omissions, and other mistakes.

It is imperative that all people filing tax returns at the AARP site bring an official Social Security Card. No return will be filed unless a valid Social Security Card is presented for each person filing. If you are married, both spouses must be present during the appointment and present their Social Security Card.

All appointments will be at the Hanover Township Senior Center, 240 S. IL Route 59 in Bartlett.

Adopt-A-Senior THANK YOU!

Hanover Township Senior Services would like to express heartfelt thanks to the community for the generous support of the 2016 Adopt-A-Senior program. Over 70 seniors received care packages containing essential personal care and home supplies, as well as a few special gift items. A reception was held for program participants with refreshments, a holiday trivia game, and festive cheer. Each recipient was truly touched by the thoughtfulness and generosity of our caring community. This program would not be possible without the generous support and donations from individuals, local businesses, volunteers, and staff. If you would like us to remind you when the Adopt-A-Senior program will occur in 2017, please contact (630) 483-5660 and we will add you to our reminder calls. THANK YOU SO MUCH! We wish you and your family a happy and healthy 2017!



Senior Center Special Events!

Franklin D. Roosevelt – A Fireside Chat – Living History Impersonation

Tuesday, February 21
4:30 PM - 5:30 PM

Donation: \$7

Historical Impersonator RJ Lindsey acts as FDR in this delightful living history program. The president speaks informally about his presidency, wife Eleanor, Winston Churchill, Orson Wells, and his Scotty dog Fala. Stand with him as he faces the challenges of WWII and the many ifs facing the nation in 1942. At the conclusion of his "Fireside Chat" the President invites audience questions. Light refreshments served. Registration is required.

Those Were the Day - Radio Players West

Saturday, March 4
10:30 AM– 11:00 AM

Donation \$3

Return to the days of radio! Radio Players West performs 1930's -1950's comedy and drama with sound effects and music. This program will feature *Ellery Queen*, *Life of Riley*, and *Bob and Ray*. Light refreshments will be served. Registration is required

Library Card Sign-up

Friday, April 28
11:00 AM– 1:00 PM

Representatives from Bartlett, Poplar Creek, and Gail Borden Public Libraries will be on-site to offer information on the services they provide and assist those who would like to sign up for a library card.

Monday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Tuesday and Thursday 8:30 AM to 8 PM, Saturday 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM
Phone: (630) 483-5600 • Fax: (630) 483-5690

Keeping an eye out for these Upcoming Events!



• OUTDOOR WALKING CLUB

Join the Outdoor Walking Club in 2017. Research has shown that walking for 30 minutes per day can help lower blood pressure, boost your brain health, ease stress, help maintain weight, and much more. Participants can walk alongside others, or at their own pace. On days with inclement weather, the walk will be cancelled. For any questions, please contact Stacy at (630) 483-5665. The program will run from March through November. Registration required. **TUESDAYS AT 10:30AM:** Meet at the Izaak Walton Center and Reserve, 899 Jay Street in Elgin, for a 1 mile loop (2 miles optional) through the neighborhood. **FRIDAYS AT 10:30AM:** Meet at the Astor Avenue Community Center, 7431 Astor Avenue in Hanover Park, for a 1.5 mile route through the neighborhood

• ZERO TO 5K: PREPARING FOR YOUR FIRST 5K RACE

Have you ever wanted to complete a 5k race, but don't know where to start? Set the 4th Annual Hanover Township Sprint 2 Spring 5k on Saturday, May 6 as your 5k race goal for 2017. Information provided will be geared towards beginners and for people interested in walking or running. There will be example training schedules to help you get started to cross the finish line on May 6th. Snow on the ground in March? Information on local indoor tracks will be provided. Registration Required.

• SPRING CLEANING: LEARN ABOUT THE DIRT ON ALLERGIES AND ASTHMA

Millions of people suffer from allergies and asthma. Do you have allergies or asthma, OR both? Complete an online quiz from the American College of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology to find out your risk of having allergies and asthma based on your symptoms. Learn about what you can do while spring cleaning to reduce the risk of developing symptoms when you clean. Resources will be available for information on allergies and asthma. The Office of Community Health will be offering one-on-one appointments with the nurse at the Izaak Walton Center and Reserve or the Astor Avenue Community Center. Registration is required.

Please call the
Office of Community Health at
(630) 483-5665 to
register for any of the
programs above.

Community Health

Kristen Smith, Director

One Billion Step Challenge

Are you looking for an opportunity to get fit for the New Year? Join Hanover Township in the One Billion Step Challenge, starting January 9 and running through April 9. Hanover Township is joining the American Public Health Association's challenge to work together as a community to get moving and stay active for a healthier lifestyle. Visit www.stridekick.com/challenges/54326/hanover-township to join the Hanover Township Team and start stepping! Our mission is to create a healthier Hanover and to accomplish that we need to work together to meet our goal of collectively walking one billion steps. If you need some extra motivation and accountability, consider meeting with a Township Community Health Nurse to discuss your individual health and fitness goals, or attend one of our walking groups and join other like-minded residents in meeting your step goals. For more information, contact the Office of Community Health at (630) 483-5665.



to join the Hanover Township Team and start stepping! Our mission is to create a healthier Hanover and to accomplish that we need to work together to meet our goal of collectively walking one billion steps. If you need some extra motivation and accountability, consider meeting with a Township Community Health Nurse to discuss your individual health and fitness goals, or attend one of our walking groups and join other like-minded residents in meeting your step goals. For more information, contact the Office of Community Health at (630) 483-5665.

Hanover Township Sprint 2 Spring 5k

Runners get ready! Registration is officially open for the 4th Annual Hanover Township Sprint 2 Spring 5k. This charitable community run/walk will once again take place at the Hanover Township Izaak Walton Center and Reserve in Elgin on Saturday, May 6 at 8:00AM. The race route is entirely on pavement and goes through the local neighborhood streets near the Izaak Walton Center. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Hanover Township Foundation and be used for residents experiencing financial hardship, who are in need of medical and dental assistance. Participants who register for the race will receive an official 5k performance wear event T-shirt. For more information, or to register for this fun community event, please visit the official event website at www.sprint2spring.com. Not a runner? Consider walking the 5k or just come out to support your fellow residents, all are welcome! In honor of February being Heart Health Awareness Month, we are offering 20% off the registration fee when you use the promo code: HEART. Also, if you're looking for that added motivation, but don't know where to start, attend our upcoming presentation Zero to 5k: Preparing for your first 5k race. This inspirational presentation will be given by our Community Health Nurse on Tuesday, March 7 at 11:30AM at the Izaak Walton Center.



Also, if you're looking for that added motivation, but don't know where to start, attend our upcoming presentation Zero to 5k: Preparing for your first 5k race. This inspirational presentation will be given by our Community Health Nurse on Tuesday, March 7 at 11:30AM at the Izaak Walton Center.

Tuesdays at the Izaak Walton Center in Elgin

Wednesdays at the Astor Avenue Community Center in Hanover Park

Phone: (630) 483-5665 • Fax: (630) 483-5662

Monday through Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM

Welfare Services

Mary Jo Imperato, Director

6th Annual Job Fair

Hanover Township in cooperation with State Representative Fred Crespo, Illinois WorkNet, and the Illinois Department of Employment Security (I.D.E.S.) will host the 2017 Annual Job Fair on Wednesday, March 29 at the Hanover Township Senior Center, 240 S. IL Route 59 in Bartlett. Doors open to Veterans beginning at 10:00AM and to the general public at 10:30AM. More than 50 vendors will be onsite to interview and offer open positions for opportunities, including: administrative, health care, industrial, and sales. Also onsite that day will be employment support agencies including I.D.E.S. and Illinois WorkNet Center offering support to residents.



If you are an employer with open positions in your organization and

would like to participate in the Job Fair, please contact us at (630)540-9085 for more information.

Annual Hanover Township Foundation Gala

The 3rd Annual Foundation Gala will on Saturday, March 18 starting at 7:00PM at the Township Senior Center, 240 S. IL Route 59 in Bartlett. The Hanover Township Foundation is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization dedicated to providing the Township with additional resources to provide quality services to the residents. This year's theme will be "Pot of Gold Gala". Tickets are \$100 per person and sponsorship opportunities are available. For questions or more information on the gala, please call (630) 540-9085.



Mental Health Board

Kristin Vana, Manager

Kathy Biesiadecki, Chairwoman
Maureen Lue, Secretary

Meghan Nelson, Vice-Chair
Mary Alice Benoit, Trustee Liaison

Members: Mary Jean Garvey,
Linda Best, Deb Sirchia

Agency Spotlight: Community Crisis Center

Community Crisis Center, Inc. began in 1975 as a grassroots effort to address the reality that women in crisis often had few options available to them to improve their situation. The founding mothers believed that providing safe shelter for these women and their children would enable them to clarify issues, identify resources, and have the time and space necessary to making a plan which could lead to a healthier life free from violence and poverty. 41 years later, the Crisis Center has grown into a professional social service organization providing services to individuals and families affected by domestic violence, sexual assault, homelessness, and other life crises. Volunteers and staff members provide the information necessary to connect each person in crisis to appropriate resources and to provide support necessary to a successful journey.

Services include: 24-hour crisis and information and referral hotline; emergency shelter for 40 women and children; individual and group counseling; medical, legal and social welfare advocacy; financial assistance; food, diapers, hygiene products, and winter wear. Except for the Abuse Intervention



Program, all services are provided free of charge. The primary service area is far Northwest Suburban Cook Counties (including Hanover Township), Northern Kane County, and portions of DuPage and McHenry County.

April is Sexual Awareness Month

April is nationally recognized as Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM). During this time advocates work to raise awareness about sexual violence and educate communities around the nation about how to prevent sexual assault. Last year, the Community Crisis Center Sexual Assault Department provided 2,378 hours of service to 590 individuals; 1,223 hours of counseling and 358 hours of court and hospital advocacy. SA Community Educators provided presentations about safe body touch to 27,891 children in area schools. All of their services are free and confidential.

Save the date, May 11, 2017, for a play done in collaboration with Elgin Community College focusing on sexual assault awareness.



**Located in Veterans Hall of the
Hanover Township Senior Center
240 S. IL Route 59 in Bartlett**

***Hours: Monday - Friday
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM***

**Seniors age 60+ \$4
All Others \$6**

Cafe provides tabled seating for 1 to 4 people.
Larger parties require advance reservations.

**For more information please call
(630) 483-5600**

Community and Veterans Affairs

Tom Kuttenberg,
Director

Free Legal Advice to Veterans

On the first Saturday of the month, attorneys Patricia Kelly and Robert E. Olson are available to meet with Veterans to offer free legal advice at the Township Senior Center from 9:00AM to 10:30AM. The attorneys can assist residents with cases such as qualifying

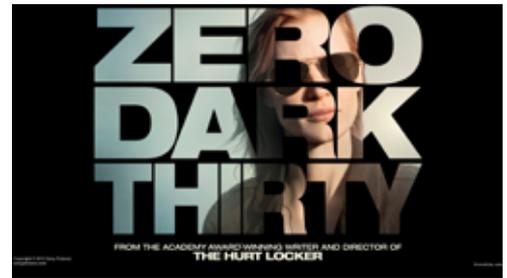
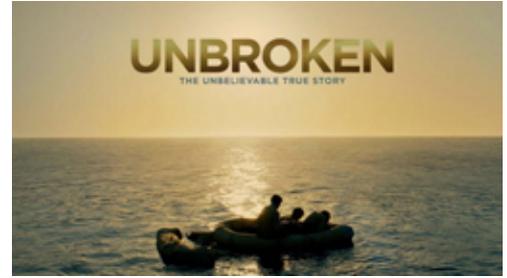


for or denial of benefits. Please bring all relevant paperwork when meeting with the attorneys. For questions, please call (847) 888-8329 or email iwcr@hanover-township.org.

Spring Veterans Lunch & Movies

Hanover Township veterans are invited for Veterans' lunch and movie events at the Hanover Township Izaak Walton Center located at 899 Jay Street in Elgin. Join us on Tuesday, March 21 for a viewing of *Unbroken*, and Tuesday, April 18 for *Zero*

Dark Thirty. *Unbroken* tells the story of Olympian Louis Zamperini (Jack O'Connell) after a near-fatal plane crash in WWII, and how he spends a harrowing 47 days in a raft with two fellow crewmen before he's caught by the Japanese navy and sent to a prisoner-of-war camp. *Zero Dark Thirty* is a chronicle of the decade-long hunt for al-Qaeda terrorist leader Osama bin Laden after the September 2001 attacks, and his death at the hands of the Navy S.E.A.L.s Team 6 in May 2011. A free lunch will be provided by the Senior Center's Stars-N-Stripes Café. Please RSVP (847) 888-8329.



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899 Jay Street • Elgin, Illinois 60120 • (847) 888-8329
(6 blocks East of Liberty Street/Illinois 25)

www.hanover-township.org iwcr@hanover-township.org

HOURS: Monday through Friday 8:30AM – 4:30PM

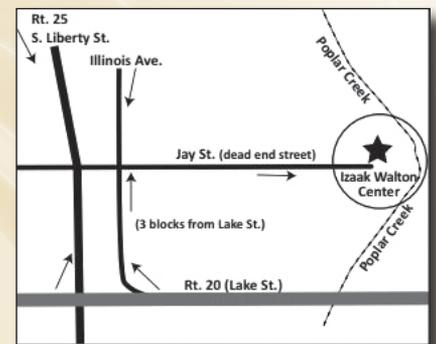
SCHEDULED SERVICES:

- Monday:** Welfare Services (General Assistance, LIHEAP)
- Tuesday:** Community Health Nurse (Wellness screenings, referrals), Veterans Services
- Wednesday:** Senior Social Service Case Worker (Medicare/Medicaid counseling, Rx assistance, Public Aid),
- Thursday:** Senior Programs and Events
- Friday:** Veterans Services

FEATURED SERVICES: • Unincorporated Vehicle Stickers • Notary

Activities, clubs and other programs are scheduled daily.

Please visit www.hanover-township.org for a complete calendar of events.



Emergency Services

William T. Burke, Director



A key component of the responsibility of the Hanover Township Emergency Services Department is being prepared for any emergency situation that may involve the Township and its residents. This includes creating an emergency operations plan for responding to these emergencies, along with coordinating with other emergency response agencies in the Township.

Once a plan is developed, it must be exercised. The Hanover Township Emergency Services department will complete an important objective on April 15, 2017. On that date, in conjunction with the Canadian National Railroad and

multiple police and fire agencies both in Hanover Township and adjacent to it, we will conduct an exercise based on our plan. This exercise will simulate an emergency involving the railroad and the expected response in the event that a similar incident actually occurs.

Hanover Township Emergency Services, and all of the agencies participating, will be testing their response to such an event. This will include a “unified” command organization of all the agencies working together, along with a response to the event allowing emergency responders to practice their skills under controlled circumstances.

This exercise will not only provide an opportunity to put the plan into effect, allow emergency responders to practice their tasks, but will most importantly determine if the plan is workable while determining where changes may be necessary.

The Hanover Township Emergency Service Department’s goal is to provide safety for Township residents and work with other emergency agencies to respond to any emergency in the Township to provide the highest level of service.



“Like” us on Facebook!

The Hanover Township Department of Emergency Services is on Facebook!

Residents can “like” the page to stay up-to-date on severe weather alerts, road closures due to vehicle accidents, and learn more about the activities and calls for aid for the department. To “like” our Facebook page, Facebook users can visit www.facebook.com/HanoverTownshipEmergencyServices and click “like” at the top, under the banner photo.

Become an Emergency Services Volunteer Today!

Name _____

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City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

PLEASE RETURN TO: Emergency Services • 250 S. IL Route 59 • Bartlett, IL 60103
or email hates@hanover-township.org

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