

# Hainesville Village News



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## **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

The New Year is upon us and the Village Board and staff are looking ahead to a promising year. Of note, foreclosures and the number of vacant properties is down. We have observed other indicators of a slow and steady increase in economic activity throughout the area.

Some State budget impasse areas have recently been addressed such as releasing Motor Fuel Tax monies to municipalities.

### **Tollway Board Gives Green Light to Next Phase of Study for IL Rt. 53/120**

On December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015 the Illinois Toll Highway Authority Board unanimously approved a resolution authorizing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the IL Route 53/120 project. The move follows four years of diligent work by a broad group of government, business and environmental leaders in Lake County to advance the project, which had previously been stalled for decades.

An EIS includes a detailed study of alignment alternatives, environmental impacts, financial feasibility and a “no build” scenario. The EIS process will also include a robust public information and engagement program with multiple meetings and opportunities for public input. The EIS will be conducted in partnership with the Illinois Tollway, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), the Lake County Division of Transportation, and the Federal Highway Administration.

To learn more about the proposed Illinois Route 53/120 project, visit [www.bulldroute53.com](http://www.bulldroute53.com). You can stay up-to-date on the project by following Build Route 53 on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

### ***Mark your calendars for Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup> 2016!***

**Civil War Re-enactment returns bigger and better and will be located on the western portion of the Northbrook Sports Club property. Watch for more details!**

### **Radon Gas Testing Kits available through Lake County Health Department**

January has been designated National Radon Action Month by the Environmental Protection Agency. In connection with this observance, the Lake County Health Department/Community Health Center is encouraging residents to check the radon levels of their homes or apartments in January or during the winter months.

“The best time to check for radon is during cold weather when windows and doors remain closed,” said Tony Beltran, the Health Department’s Executive Director. “Radon increases your risk of lung cancer, so it is important to check the level in your home.” Please note that our area is not flagged as high risk but it is something you should be aware of and consider testing for. Mortgage companies are now requiring stricter radon screening.

Short-term test kits are available through the Health Department for \$10.00. The cost includes return postage, laboratory analysis and interpretation by Health Department staff. Test kits are also available from area hardware and building supply stores.

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Radon, an odorless and colorless gas naturally found in rock and soil, seeps into homes from the soil through cracks in the basement floor and foundation, crawl spaces, poorly sealed sump pumps, floor drains, porous cinder block walls and other foundation floor and wall penetrations. Although radon gas is measurable everywhere, the highest readings are normally found in the basement and first floor levels of homes and apartments.

“If radon is found in your home, it is important to contact a radon professional to assess and prevent the radon gas from entering your home. For additional information, contact the Health Department’s Ecological Services at: (847) 377-8020.

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## HAINESVILLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS

- Village website: [www.hainesville.org](http://www.hainesville.org)
- Village Newsletter mailed monthly with utility bill to single family homes and separately to townhomes.
- For robo-call system, CTY Connect, visit Village website and click on rectangle on mid right side of home page to add, delete or edit phone numbers and or email addresses for these important messages.
- To receive monthly Village website “news announcements” by email please go to Village website, scroll down to the bottom of the home page and click on “Subscribe to News Announcements”. Simply enter your email to register. This news email works separately from the CTY Connect System so your email needs to be entered into both systems separately.
- Emails may be sent to the Mayor and Board of Trustees by going to Village website and clicking on “Contact Us” at top far right of dashboard on home page.
- “Request for Service” (non-emergency issues only) scroll down to middle of home page under community photos and click to bring up communication window.
- For Public Works emergencies call Village Hall at 847-223-2032 and 911 after business hours.

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## THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW



Wednesdays January 20<sup>th</sup> and January 27<sup>th</sup> will be the last days for Christmas tree pick-up!

Christmas and Hanukkah lights and decorations should be taken down by January 31<sup>st</sup>!



**When paying cash at Village Hall for utility bill, permits, etc., please note that \$100 bills CANNOT be accepted!**

**SNOWMOBILING IS NOT ALLOWED ANYWHERE WITHIN THE VILLAGE LIMITS!**

**GO-KARTS, MINI-BIKES AND ATV'S ARE NOT STREET LEGAL!**



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