

MEMORANDUM

TO: STAFF

COPY: VILLAGE PRESIDENT & BOARD OF TRUSTEES
DEPARTMENT HEADS

FROM: Richard Nahrstadt, Village Manager

DATE: May 7, 2010

RE: STAFF BRIEFING

WEEK OF MAY 3, 2010

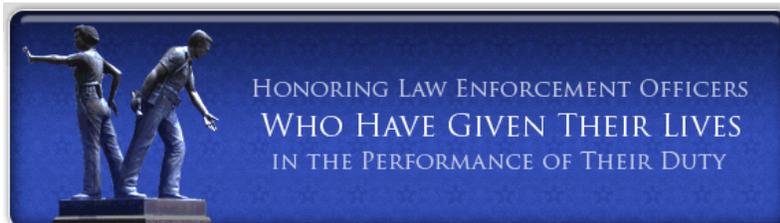
53rd ANNUAL STUDENT GOVERNMENT DAY A SUCCESS!

Thirty Northbrook 8th Graders participated in the 53rd Annual Student Government Day on Wednesday, May 5. Students were paired with staff representatives from the Village, Park District and Library, as well as with the Village President and Board, allowing them a glimpse into the day-to-day operations of these public entities. The students were presented with a “problem” or issue to work through with staff and to consider as a Board – coming up with the best way to redevelop (or not) the now-vacant property at Dundee Road and Skokie Boulevard. The fictional options – senior living facility, mixed-use retail/residential, dog park/retention basin, or a casino – were then deliberated by student staff and the student Village Board at a mock Board meeting on Wednesday evening at the Village Hall. Ultimately, by a vote of 3-4, a motion to develop the property as a mixed-use development failed. Those voting against the proposal sited the desire to keep the land as it is rather than redevelop.

Thanks to those students and schools who participated in this wonderful annual event!

POLICE OFFICER MEMORIAL CELEBRATION

After the blessing of the bikes by Father Braband, Chief Wernick led a contingency of Police Officers to Springfield on Wednesday, May 5, to participate in the annual Police Officers Memorial Celebration. This annual event is attended by thousands of law enforcement personnel to honor fellow Officers who have given their lives in the performance of their duties. Northbrook especially honored Lieutenant Greg Jonas, Centreville, Illinois Police Department, Officer Alejandro Valadez, Chicago Police Department and Corporal Cesar Valaquez, Village of Hainesville Police Department who were killed in 2009 in the line of duty. Northbrook's Motor Unit, represented by Officer Chris Lacina, Chief Wernick, Commander Bekiaris, Commander Dunham, Sergeant Reyes, Detective McGuinness and Officer Terry participated in the three mile long motorcade. The ceremonies included a church service and a state ceremony held on the Capitol grounds. The ceremonies culminated with the playing of taps. National and county celebrations will be held later in the month.



This statue, which was dedicated in 1990, sits on the West Lawn of the State Capital. The Memorial is self-supported and has never been paid for by tax payer funds.

STAFFER RECEIVES MPA DEGREE

Kendal Dean, Management Analyst in the General Government Department, received her Master of Public Administration (MPA) Degree from Northern Illinois University on Friday, May 7. We congratulate her two

years of hard work toward the accomplishment of this degree! She joins Village Manager Rich Nahrstadt, Assistant Village Manager Phil Kiraly, Public Works Director Kelly Hamill and Accounting Manager Jason Batalden as an NIU MPA Alum!

BURGLARIES

On Sunday morning, May 2, a security guard at the Society of the Divine Word reported that a door window on the south side of the chapel had been broken. While another door also on the south side of the main building appeared to be tampered with, no entry was gained to the building. On May 3, at approximately 7 a.m. police were dispatched to 1835 Waukegan Road, the Divine Word Gift Shop. Unknown persons had forced entry into the building and removed items, coins and currency from offices and the gift shop.

Two burglaries to vehicles were reported this week. On May 1, a patron at Northbrook Court reported clothing items from shopping bags were removed from his unlocked vehicle parked in the lot. A locked vehicle parked in the 2000 block of Valencia was broken into by smashing the front passenger side window. A radar detector was removed.

All scenes were processed by Evidence Technicians. The Investigations Division is working on the cases.

CHILD FALLS FROM 2ND STORY WINDOW

On Sunday evening around 7:30 p.m., May 2, Ambulance 12 transported a 3 year old to Lutheran General Hospital after the child fell out of a second story window of a house on the 2300 block of Hampton Lane. Lutheran General Hospital has notified us that the three year-old was very lucky considering the height of the fall. He was admitted for 23 hour observation and released the next day. No apparent serious injuries, just some minor scrapes and bumps. The family will be following up their private physician.

DRYER FIRE

On Monday, May 3, firefighters were called to a home in the 1800 block of Oak for a fire in a clothes dryer. On arrival, firefighters were met by the homeowner, who was alerted by the sound of the smoke alarm going off in the home. He went to the basement where he found smoke coming from the clothes dryer. After notifying the Fire Department he pulled the clothes out of the dryer and used a fire extinguisher to put out the fire. Fire companies verified that the fire was out and ventilated the area until no odor could be detected. The washer and dryer were less than a month old. Fire loss was listed at \$2,300.

RADIO COMMUNICATIONS SEMINAR

Tuesday, May 4, public safety professionals from all over the northern suburbs met at the Northbrook Public Library for a seminar on an upcoming Federal Communications Commission (unfunded) mandate on radio equipment. As a part of the nation's efforts to improve the interoperability of public safety organizations throughout the United States, the FCC has made significant changes to the criteria that it uses to assign radio frequencies and better utilize new communications technology.

The seminar focused on the new frequency usage plan, licensing and the types of communication equipment that will be needed for the January 2013 enactment of the new plan. The new program requires that only radios manufactured after 1995 and meeting the newest bandspread standards will be allowed.

An aggressive radio replacement program begun by the fire department in the last five years has updated the majority of fire department radios to the new standard, with the last of the equipment scheduled to be replaced in

the next 18 months. All that remains is area wide coordination of frequencies, licensing and final implementation of the program.

Representatives of the Northbrook Fire Department and Northbrook Police were in attendance. As this system upgrade will affect all radios used by not only Police and Fire Departments, it will also require an upgrade of all radios used by Public Works and Village Inspectional Services.

WEEK OF MAY 10, 2010

MON.	5/10		No Meetings
TUES.	5/11	7:30 p.m.	Regular Board of Trustees Meeting – Board Room
WED.	5/12	7:00 p.m.	Bicycle Task Force - Cancelled
THUR.	5/13	5:30 p.m.	Architectural Control Commission - Terrace Room
		7:00 p.m.	Senior Services Commission – General Government Conference Room
FRI.	5/14		No Meetings
SAT.	5/15		Peace Officers' Memorial Day