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Windy City ToolBank Grand Opening

This spring, Village officials joined the celebration for the grand opening of the Windy City ToolBank in Elk Grove Village! The Toolbank is a non-profit organization located at 2692 Coyle Avenue. Their location is well-stocked with tools and equipment that can help local community groups with tools needed for service projects, as well as tables and equipment needed to host events.

The Windy City ToolBank loans tools and supplies for a fraction of the cost required to purchase them, and much less than it costs to rent. The borrowing fee is 3% of the value of the tools/equipment, which means \$1,000 worth of tools would cost only \$30 to borrow.

ToolBank staff showed Village officials around the supply area, and explained that their service model not only reduces rental costs for community organizations, it eliminates the need for storage and maintenance. The ToolBank is open to non-profit organizations, including scout troops, community groups, and service organizations. Find out more at windycitytoolbank.org. ■



Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony: Northstar Foods

On Thursday, June 8, Village officials attended a ribbon-cutting ceremony for Northstar Foods to celebrate their tunnel dedication to Mayor Johnson. Northstar Foods is located at 2600 Delta Lane, near Devon and Elmhurst Roads. John Nowobilski, President of Northstar Foods, expanded the company's facilities to include three buildings with a tunnel connecting the buildings together.

Northstar Foods offers 120 varieties of deli meats, specialty sausages, smoked fish, and other foods. In August 2022, Northstar Foods opened its retail storefront to make its food products directly available to the public. Today, they distribute to over 23 states. ■



Business Ambassador Visit: Wangen America

Our Business Ambassador Team recently met the staff at Wangen America and toured their headquarters at 925 Cambridge Drive. Wangen America is an independently run subsidiary of a German pump manufacturer with over 250 employees around the world. They supply industrial pumps used for a wide variety of applications, including food and beverage manufacturing, cosmetics production, and wastewater treatment.

The team at Wangen America is passionate about their high-quality line of pumps that allow for easy access for regular maintenance and repair. Wangen America differentiates themselves by offering great customer service, and the ability to customize pumps quickly based on need.



Our Ambassador Team enjoyed meeting with the team at Wangen America and learning about how their pumps are used to create products we use every day, such as dog food, lip gloss, and cereal. Their close-knit family culture was evident in our conversations as their team shared stories about pitching in together to go above and beyond for customers, and their goals for expansion over the next two years.

Wangen America is excited to remain part of the Elk Grove business community as they grow. The location near O'Hare Airport and major highways allows them to service customers nationwide, and they also enjoy the excellent lunch offerings!

Thanks to the team at Wangen America for inviting us to learn about their company—we look forward to seeing them grow! ■

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony: BMO Harris Bank

On Wednesday, May 24, Village officials, including Mayor Craig B. Johnson, Trustee Kathy Jarosch, Trustee Tammy Miller, and Trustee Steve Schmidt attended a ribbon-cutting ceremony for BMO Harris to celebrate their move to a new location in Elk Grove Village.

BMO Harris is now located at 450 E. Higgins Road, just a few blocks east of Arlington Heights Road. The new location includes two lanes for drive-thru service.

BMO Harris offers personal and commercial banking, global markets, and investment banking services to more than 12 million customers in North America. ■



Busse Road and Devon Avenue Intersection Resurfacing

The Village, in conjunction with the Illinois Department of Transportation, will be resurfacing the Busse Road and Devon Avenue intersection.

Anticipated to begin in late July, the project will include resurfacing the east and west legs of the intersection along Devon Avenue, as well as accessible curb ramp upgrades, sidewalk widening along the northwest parkway, a new seven-foot-wide sidewalk along the southeast parkway, and the replacement of a bus shelter. This project is anticipated to be completed by the end of the year. ■

Pay By Phone Service for Business License Fees

Business license fee payments can now be made using our new interactive payment system.

To use the new service, dial 847-871-9232. Before calling, have your Business Account ID ready, which can be found on your business license renewal notice. Payments can be made using your electronic check or debit/credit card information.

Service in Spanish is also available (Servicio en Español esta disponible). ■

Air Products Equipment Celebrates 75 Years of Success and Community Support

Air Products Equipment, founded in 1947 and based in Elk Grove Village, represents a variety of manufacturers' products used in commercial, institutional, and industrial air conditioning and ventilation systems. The company markets its products to contractors in Chicago and the surrounding areas, carrying an assortment of HVAC and air conditioning products.

The company recently celebrated its 75th anniversary, and although much of its success can be attributed to high-quality products and excellent customer service, a significant portion of this longevity is rooted in its company culture and employee satisfaction.

Air Products Equipment is 100% employee-owned and operates as an ESOP (Employee Stock Ownership Plan), creating a strong bond with its nearly 50 employees. The president of the company and engineer, Jeremy Dickinson, explained: "Finding good people is difficult. Keeping them is even more difficult. I think when you have a model where you tell somebody that they own part of this company, you can get a lot better buy-in, he said. "Our emphasis is on putting the employees first. We're very much trying to make this a happy and safe place for people."

Over the years, Air Products Equipment has seen its share of challenges, including a global pandemic and several major recessions. Still, the company often celebrates employees who've served the company for decades. Dickinson, who joined the company right out of college often jokes with new hires, telling them they can throw away their resumes because he is confident they will be around for the long term.

"We go out of our way to encourage (employees) to get involved in the company. We want them to expect that they've got a future here."

Through a number of networking events and proactive initiatives like Business Ambassador visits, Elk Grove Village has created a strong sense of community among local business leaders. The efforts also provide a platform for companies like Air Products Equipment to exchange ideas and share resources.

During a recent Business Ambassador visit to Air Products Equipment, Village Trustees toured the facility, met with employees, and discussed ways the Village can support them in building their future locally. Dickinson was impressed with the way board members took his issues to heart.

"We got to exchange some ideas and information. It was just a pleasant experience. It was like having the neighbors over for a cup of coffee and getting to meet them."

To learn more about Air Products Equipment, visit airproductsequip.com. ■



You're Invited! Public Meeting for Tonne Road Improvements on August 16

The Village is hosting a Public Information Meeting for the Tonne Road Roadway Improvements project. The scope of work involves reconstruction of Tonne Road between Landmeier Road and Devon Avenue, and will include intersection improvements, accommodations for bicyclists and pedestrians. This public meeting will include a review of the need for improvement, presentation of the project, and a public input period. Similar to an open house, exhibits will be on display and Village representatives will be present to answer any questions and record comments. The public meeting will be taking place at the James Paul Petri Public Works Facility located at 450 E. Devon Avenue on August 16 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Written comments may be submitted to the Public Works Department by mail (450 E. Devon Avenue) or submitted electronically to Deputy Director Ken Jay (kjay@elkgrove.org). Comments received by August 30, 2023 will be included as part of the public record.

If you would like to attend the meeting and need special accommodations such as a sign language interpreter or similar assistance, please contact the Village. For more information, contact Ken Jay at 847-734-8800. ■

Business Ambassador Visit: Classic Cinemas Elk Grove

Our Business Ambassador Team had the opportunity to visit and take a tour with the team from the Classic Cinemas Elk Grove Village Theatre. They had a great time checking out their newly renovated seating, which includes heated, leather recliner chairs with adjustable headrests in all 10 theaters!

Classic Cinemas is a family-owned business that has been a staple in our community since the Elk Grove Theatre opened in the 1980s. They pride themselves on treating customers as guests and believe in creating shared movie moments with friends and loved ones. Our ambassadors learned about their

guest-friendly policies, which include value (free refills on all size sodas, ICEEs, and popcorn), experience (Premium Large Format theater, luxury seating), and a full range of accessibility options (personal closed captioning devices, assisted listening).

Their goal is to provide the best movie-going experience with first-class amenities and services for a good price. Regular tickets for adults are \$9, and children and seniors are \$7. They also offer discounted tickets on Tuesdays for \$5, tickets are \$5 for seniors on Wednesdays for seniors before 6 p.m., and their summer Wednesday Morning Movie Series offers \$2 tickets for family-friendly movies!

Our Business Ambassador Team enjoyed meeting with the team from Classic Cinemas and hearing about their commitment to a great movie experience for everyone for a reasonable price. With over 150 movie showings a year, there is surely something for everyone! ■



Upcoming GOA Events

GOA Annual Summer BBQ

Thursday, August 10, 3 p.m. - 6 p.m.
1200 N. Arlington Heights Road, Suite 240
Itasca, IL 60143

Join the Elk Grove Chamber for their 7th Annual Summer BBQ! This event is equipped with music, a full BBQ buffet, drinks, games, and split-the-pot. Bring your staff and co-workers for an afternoon of relaxing fun in the sun.

Business After Hours

Business After Hours - Hamilton Lakes Biergarten

Thursday, August 24, 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.
500 Park Blvd Lake Level 100
Itasca IL, 60143

Join the GOA for some relaxed networking with fellow members and guests. Make new connections while enjoying complimentary food & drinks. Bring plenty of business cards. Advance reservations to the GOA are appreciated. ■

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Annexation and Development at 720 Rohlwing Road

On July 18, 2023, the Village Board approved the annexation of a 100-acre property at 720 Rohlwing Road (commonly known as the WGN radio tower site). As part of the proposed development, the radio towers will be moved to the north end of the property where the conditions support their transmission needs. This will open up approximately 35 acres on the southern end of the property to be developed with three data center facilities and an ancillary electrical substation. Additionally, a small site along Rohlwing Road has been reserved for the construction of public pickleball courts to be operated by the Elk Grove Park District.

Prior to its annexation, 720 Rohlwing Road was in unincorporated Cook County. The developer had the option to pursue a development with Cook County, which would have been outside of the control of Village land use regulations. Since Nexstar preferred to have access to the Village's water and sewer infrastructure, they approached the Village about annexation.

The Village worked with the developer during the preliminary design phase to minimize the impact to adjacent residential homes. Additionally, Mayor Johnson hosted a meeting with neighboring residents last summer to explain the proposed development and hear their concerns. This early cooperation and communication with the developer and impacted residents allowed the Village to shape the proposed development to ensure it would be compatible with the neighboring residential properties.

Some of the requirements put into place for the annexation and development at 720 Rohlwing include:

- Use restrictions that only permit the operation of data centers and a supporting electric substation. Data centers are high-tech, low traffic facilities that have a minimal impact.
- Screening with a 9-foot tall berm, topped with an 8-foot decorative screen wall and dense landscaping to serve as a buffer for the adjacent neighborhood.

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Elk Grove Village Designated Top Business Park For Second Consecutive Year

Business Facilities Magazine has designated Elk Grove Village as home to the nation's #1 business park for the second consecutive year! Business Facilities Magazine is the primary publication servicing the industrial and manufacturing site selection marketplace.

In designating Elk Grove's business park as the nation's leader, the magazine said that "Elk Grove Village Business Park has been recognized as leading park in U.S. due to sheer size, services, utilities, and logistics advantages."

Earlier this year, the Village announced that the amount of available business park space in Elk Grove Village had reached yet another all-time low, a reflection of a very healthy local economy and an indication that demand for industrial property in the suburb remains among the highest in the region. The Elk Grove Village Business Park is the nation's largest business park, with almost 65 million square feet of inventory, 5,600 businesses, and over 400 manufacturers. ■

Message from the Board

Mid-Summer Classics Concert Series

The “Unity within the Community” Mid-Summer Classic Concert Series, hosted by the Village and the Elk Grove Park District, is not over yet! We hope that you have enjoyed the concerts thus far and we hope to see you at the final concert on Tuesday, August 1 to enjoy a performance from Ann Wilson of Heart!

Thank you to our supporters of this free concert series: Meet Chicago Northwest, Tasty Catering, Gullo International, Rocco Vinos and Groot.

For more information regarding the concert series, including parking locations, chair set-up times, and answers to frequently asked questions, visit elkgrove.org/concerts.

Community Blood Drive

Thank you to the residents who participated in our July 8 blood drive! Our last blood drive of the year is scheduled to take place on Saturday, November 11 from 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Elk Grove Farmers Market

The Elk Grove Farmers Market is open on Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. from now until October 28 and is located at the Village Hall parking lot, adjacent to the Elk Grove Public Library and across from the Park District Pavilion.

Come see all that the summer Farmers Market has to offer!

Neighborhood Watch Meeting

You are invited to attend a Neighborhood Watch Meeting on Thursday, July 27 at 7:00 p.m. at Village Hall in Meeting Room E. The Police Department’s Crime Prevention Unit will discuss current crime trends and other police related information.

If you have any questions, please contact the Crime Prevention Unit at 847-357-4151 or CrimePrevention@elkgrove.org.

Coffee with the Mayor & Board

Our next Coffee with the Mayor & Board will take place on Saturday, August 5 from 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. at Village Hall in Meeting Room E.



Pictured in the back row from left to right are Trustee Stephen Schmidt, Trustee Joseph Bush, Trustee Kathryn Jarosch, and Trustee Jeffrey Franke. Pictured in the front row from left to right are Trustee Tammy Miller, Mayor Craig Johnson, and Trustee Christine Prochno.

This event provides an opportunity for residents to meet with Board members in a relaxed atmosphere and discuss any topics, issues, or questions that matter most to the community.

Coffee with the Mayor & Board is held on a quarterly basis.

Contact Us Any Time!

Residents are always invited to share thoughts, concerns, or questions by clicking “Contact Us” on the Village website (www.elkgrove.org). ■

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The Village Hall is open 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday for payment of water bills, local fines and general Village information. In addition, the Finance and the Community Development counters are open on the first Saturday of the month of May through August from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

Village Board meetings are generally held on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

July is National Vehicle Theft Prevention Month

In 2022, there were more than 1 million vehicles reported stolen! Protect your vehicle from theft today and every day with a few simple steps:

- Never leave your vehicle running while unlocked and unattended.
- Always close and lock all windows and doors when you park and take your keys with you.
- Park in well-lit areas if possible.
- Never leave valuables in your vehicle. ■



Annexation and Development at 720 Rohlwing Road

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- Increased setback requirements – the buildings are setback a minimum of 178 feet from residential property lines and a 25' grassy area will be maintained in front of the berm to maintain visual space for residents.
- Minimizing construction impact by requiring the berm and screen wall be built within the first 12 months.
- Addressing stormwater drainage concerns by requiring the developer extend the existing Village storm sewer system along the south side of the property and provide for

connection to sump pumps in the rear yards of neighboring properties. Additionally, the Village is rehabilitating the existing storm sewer along the west side of the development.

These requirements were formalized as part of the petitions that were recommended for approval by the Plan Commission at the public hearing on June 5, 2023. Construction for this development is anticipated to begin in the fall of this year and will occur in phases over the next 8 years. ■

“Makers Wanted” Showcased During Chicago NASCAR Race

Despite the rainy conditions, our Makers Wanted logo sped through the streets of Chicago in the Grant Park 220 NASCAR Series Cup Race! The No. 6 Mustang, driven by Brad Keselowski, was wrapped in the Makers Wanted logo and included “Elk Grove Village, IL” across the hood and sides of the racecar. Throughout the nationally televised broadcast of the race, several commercials for the Makers Wanted campaign aired that featured Brad Keselowski promoting Elk Grove Village as a “Beyond Business Friendly” community. The NASCAR Chicago Street Race was the most watched NASCAR race on NBC in the last six years, with over 5 million viewers!

The Makers Wanted campaign and the sponsorship of a NASCAR racecar and driver is part of a greater recruitment effort to attract businesses to the Elk Grove Business Park. Maintaining a strong business community and attracting new businesses keeps the local economy strong. ■

Photos courtesy of Kevin Bowman Photography



Save the Date for Oktoberfest and the Hometown Parade!

The Village's Oktoberfest will take place on Friday, September 15 and Saturday, September 16. Enjoy live music, German food, beer, drinks, fun activities, and more!

Held on September 16 at 2 p.m., the 2023 Hometown Parade theme will be “Celebrating First Responders”. The parade route runs along Elk Grove Boulevard and will end near Rotary Green, where Oktoberfest will take place. The Hometown Parade Application to participate can be found online at elkgrove.org/parade. The application deadline to participate in the Hometown Parade is August 14.

For questions about Oktoberfest or the Hometown Parade, please contact Laura Jensen, Special Events Coordinator, at ljensen@elkgrove.org. ■



Pace Dial-A-Ride Update - Riders Must Register

Pace Dial-A-Ride will begin using a Rider ID system on September 5, 2023. Residents who use the Dial-A-Ride service must fill out the registration form included on the page to the left and return it to Village Hall by mail or in-person before September 5, 2023.

The Rider ID system allows Pace to keep a record of riders' basic information, emergency contact information, and special accommodations. If there are any issues with the ride, Pace will already have contact information ready to inform the rider(s).

Additionally, the Rider ID system makes it much easier for Pace and the Village to investigate and follow up on any issues reported by Dial-A-Ride customers.

While residents are required to register for a Rider ID, they do not need to remember their ID number. When calling for service, a resident would only need to provide their first and last name, along with the time and location of pick-up and drop-off.

Beginning September 5, 2023, any rider without a Rider ID will be required to register with Pace in advance of using the Dial-A-Ride service. Once the form is turned in to Village Hall, it will take approximately 4-5 business days for a registration to be processed and completed. Please fill out one registration form per rider.

Please fill out and return registration form(s) to Village Hall before September 5, 2023 by:

- Mail to the Village Manager's Office, 901 Wellington Avenue, Elk Grove Village, IL 60007
- In-person to the Administration counter at Village Hall (901 Wellington Avenue, second floor), or
- Fax to 847-357-4022.

Additional registration forms will also be available:

- on Pace Dial-A-Ride buses,
- at Village Hall front counters,
- at the Elk Grove Village Public Library,
- at the Sheila Ray Adult Center,
- and at elkgrove.org/pace.

Registration forms can also be mailed upon request.

If you have any questions, please contact the Village Manager's Office at 847-357-4010. ■



Volunteers Needed to Re-Open PADS Shelter for People in Need

Public Action to Deliver Shelter (PADS) is a community organization that provides food, overnight lodging, comfort, friendship, and respect to those who have fallen on hard times and need a helping hand. PADS has alternating weekday sites at various places of worship throughout the Northwest suburbs and is staffed by volunteers.

At Christus Victor Lutheran Church, every Tuesday night from October through April, volunteers from PADS give their time to coordinate housing and prepare meals for those in need. Thanks to their efforts, approximately 900 men, women, and children are provided with shelter throughout the cold winter months and approximately 3,000 meals are served to people in need during this period.

PADS has been part of the Elk Grove community for the last 30 years, with a site at the Christus Victor Lutheran Church. Unfortunately, the pandemic forced all PADS sites to close. Last year, only a few PADS sites reopened to continue providing this service to people in need.

Christus Victor is considering re-opening their site but requires assistance from volunteers willing to serve on the management team as Site Directors, Site Managers, Shift Coordinators, and Food Coordinators. These positions help ensure that operations run smoothly and efficiently so PADS can assist as many people as possible.

Members of the management volunteer team would be involved in behind the scenes planning and would be asked to help run the site one night a month. For full descriptions of these positions or other inquiries, please email Ann.DeBartolo@CVLutheran.org. ■

New Pay By Phone Service for Water Bill Payments

Water bill payments can now be made using our new interactive payment system! Before calling, be sure to have your Account Number and Customer Number ready, which can be found on the top right corner of your water bill.

To use the new service, dial 847-871-9232. Payments can be made using your electronic check or debit/credit card information. Service in Spanish is also available (Servicio en Español esta disponible).

For the most convenient payment method, Auto Pay continues to be available to residents. Enrolling in Auto Pay allows your payments to post automatically without delay. To learn more about our payment services go to elkgrove.org/pay. ■

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BY PHONE!

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If You See Something, Say Something

The Elk Grove Village Police Department encourages everyone to stay alert and report suspicious activities immediately by calling 9-1-1 to protect your family, neighbors, and community!

Remember to use the 5 Ws when reporting suspicious activity:

- WHO did you see?
- WHERE did it occur?
- WHAT did you see?
- WHY is it suspicious?
- WHEN did you see it?

For non-emergency police services, please contact the Elk Grove Village Police Department Information Center at 847-357-4100. ■



Now Enrolling! – Citizen's Fire Academy

2023



This is a hands-on academy. Participants will experience simulated firefighter working conditions. Topics covered include EMS/CPR, Forcible Entry, Hose Evolutions, and Auto Extrication.

Saturdays from 9am-noon

August: 19, 26

September: 9, 16, 23, 30

Location: Fire Station #8

700 Fargo Avenue

Register today: www.elkgrove.org/CFA or (847) 734-8000

Green Grove: Play, Picnic & Party Activities

On Sunday, July 16, the Village, Elk Grove Library, and Elk Grove Park District hosted Play, Picnic & Party!

This event included food, live music, and a variety of activities including Pot-A-Plant and Animal Shows. The Pot-A-Plant activity presented children with the opportunity to learn about how plants are grown by showing how plants are potted. Additionally, children can watch their flower plant grow over time at home. There were also two Animal Shows throughout the event which served as an opportunity for children in the community to learn about different kinds of animals and wildlife. Introducing children to plants and animals in a family-friendly setting can spark interest in learning more about the environment and how to protect it.



The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD) also attended the event and provided saplings for attendees to take home. MWRD also provided information to attendees about their work in protecting Lake Michigan, which is the source of our community's drinking water, and how they promote the health and safety of citizens and waterways in the Greater Chicago area.

Visit elkgrove.org/play to learn more about Play, Picnic & Party. We hope to see you at this event next year! Visit elkgrove.org/sustain to learn more about the Village's sustainable actions or to submit your ideas on how the Village can expand its environmentally-friendly efforts. ■



Plastic Bags - Do Not Place in Your Recycling Bin!

Please keep plastic bags, newspaper bags, sandwich bags, case wrapping, and other plastic pouches out of your recycling bin!

Your recyclable items should be placed loose in the bin. Please do not bag your recyclables in plastic bags. Any plastic bags filled with items are assumed to be garbage — plastic bags filled with recyclables are not opened at the sorting facility and are assumed to be filled with trash for safety and efficiency purposes.

Additionally, plastic bags and other thin, soft plastic items get tangled in the sorting tumbler at recycling facilities. Employees then have to manually take the plastic out of machinery, which can be hazardous.

PLASTIC BAGS



PLASTIC CASE WRAPPING



PLASTIC POUCHES



PLEASE KEEP THIN PLASTICS OUT OF YOUR RECYCLING!



These items (examples pictured above) can be returned to various collection locations throughout the community:

- Jewel-Osco (20 W Biesterfeld Road)
- Walmart (801 Meacham Road)
- The Home Depot (600 Meacham Road)

Collection bins are typically located at or near the store entrance. ■

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Permit No. 11

Community Development is Here for You!

The Community Development Department is committed to partnering with residents and businesses to ensure that the permitting and inspection process is simple and efficient. Our mission is to provide exceptional service and education to our community.

A permit is required before beginning most construction, demolition, and repair work. To help with this process, we offer in-house plan review services with the quickest turnaround time in the area. Staff is available for on-site meetings to assist with projects and review permit applications and other required documentation before applying for a permit.



When applying for permits, completing the following will allow for a more effective and expeditious process:

- Completed permit application with all pertinent contractors;
- Formal drawings with dimensions; and
- Supporting documentation



Contact us by phone at 847-357-4220 for questions on any type of construction project. More information on our permit process and codes are available on the Village website at elkgrove.org/permits or by scanning the QR code. ■

Elk Grove Youth Committee Scholarship Recipients

Last month, the Elk Grove Youth Committee, in partnership with the Village of Elk Grove and the Elk Grove Parks Foundation, issued seven \$1,000 college scholarship awards this year—five by the Village of Elk Grove and two by the Elk Grove Parks Foundation to recognize high school seniors for their outstanding leadership, community participation, and service within the community. The Village is able to offer three additional scholarship awards, thanks to the generosity of Mikerphone Brewing, who donated proceeds from their 2018 Craft Beer Festival to support youth scholarships in the community.

Congratulations to Caera Crimmins, Maggie Martin, and Amanda Sexton from Elk Grove High School, and Caroline Andjulis, Abigail Denna, Lucy Scales, and Harini Solaidurairaj from Conant High School! These students are beginning their college studies this coming fall.

The Village of Elk Grove and Elk Grove Parks Foundation congratulate all seven scholarship award recipients and wish them the best of luck in their college endeavors! ■

Groot observes the following annual holidays:

- New Years Day – Sun. 1/1/23
- Memorial Day – Mon. 5/29/23
- Fourth of July – Tues. 7/4/23
- Labor Day - Mon. 9/4/23
- Thanksgiving - Thurs. 11/23/23
- Christmas Day - Mon. 12/25/23

If these holidays fall on a weekday on or before your scheduled collection, service will be delayed by one day for the remainder of the holiday week. If the holiday falls on a Sunday, it will be observed on Monday. ■

Internet Purchase Exchange Location

The Elk Grove Village Police Department lobby and the parking lot are designated Internet Purchase Exchange Locations. The purpose of these spots is to provide a safe space for buyers and sellers to exchange their goods and money. Next time you need to sell or buy items, please feel free to use either of these designated exchange spots for safe exchanges! ■