



VILLAGE OF HODGKINS COMMUNICATOR

Spring 2018

A Message from the Mayor . . .

One of our beloved members of the community and devoted Trustee Don Cuttill passed away on April 29, 2018. On this Memorial Day I thought I would tell you about Don Cuttill, his service to our country and also his service to our community.

Don was born in Lemont, Illinois. He attended Joliet Catholic High School. When Don was only seventeen years old he wanted to join the Army. He noticed a recruitment poster for the Illinois National Guard. The poster advertised that at 17 no signature was needed to join. So, while in high school, Don joined the National Guard.



Trustee
Don Cuttill



In January of 1952, Pvt. Don Cuttill was stationed at Camp Cooke, outside of Santa Barbara, CA. He trained and learned about 60mm Mortar. In September 1952, CPL Cuttill boarded the troop transport ship USS Collins and headed to Yokohama Bay Japan. From there he was sent to Korea. It was during this time Cpl. Cuttill earned the Combat Infantry Badge.

In December of 1952 his division was sent back from the front lines and put in reserve. Don then was sent to the 40 Infantry Division Training Camp. He became an instructor in small arms weapons. He was admitted to the hospital for a punctured ear drum. While in the hospital he contracted pneumonia. After recuperating he was then assigned to the 1st Division Headquarters as a military photographer. As the Korean War de-escalated in the spring of 1958, Cpl. Cuttill was transferred back to the states and was discharged at Ft. Carson Colorado in April 1953.



Noel B. Cummings
Village President

**Hodgkins
Village Officials**

Contact any of these
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579-6700

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In 1974 Don bought a home in Weeping Willow Ranch and became a resident of Hodgkins.

Don was appointed to the Zoning Board of Appeals in 1981 and subsequently appointed as a Village Trustee to fill a vacancy in 1982. Don ran for re-election in 1983 and was defeated. His interest and desire to serve the residents did not stop and he was appointed by the Village President Noel Cummings to fill another vacancy in 1984. Don had remained a Village Trustee until his death.



Don valued his job experience as a Village Trustee and the friendships he had received over the years at the Village. Don was very proud of the



*Don Cuttill Drive
Dedication Ceremony 2009
It's between Weeping*



progress the Village had made over the years and was thankful to have been a part of it. He faithfully served the Village of Hodgkins for 37 years in various capacities. The Village named Don Cuttill Drive in his honor for all his hard work and service to the Village of Hodgkins.

Don was involved with Aging Well and a great supporter of it from the beginning which was in 2005. Pat Dime and Don worked closely in the early years to solidify the Hodgkins' team. The Village of Hodgkins was and is very supportive of older adults in general. The Area Aging Well group was led by Hodgkins Trustee Don Cuttill, and Trustee Paul Struve, Trustee Dominic Misasi, as well as Village President Noel Cummings.

"Our Aging Well group has been a terrific resource for our community. I am very honored to get to lead and be a part of this program." Don Cuttill said.

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Don was also a family man. He is the father to Don, Larry, Barbara, Tom and Kathleen. A wonderful companion to Alice Mikrut. A dedicated Trustee, Community man, and friend, he will be missed by all.



Fair Housing Act

The Village of Hodgkins is committed to promoting Fair Housing efforts through fair and equal housing opportunities for our citizens. Fair Housing is the right for all people to have safe, decent housing and be able to get this housing without discrimination. Village, State, and Federal Fair Housing laws require that all people have an equal opportunity to buy, rent, or live in housing. Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Fair Housing Act), as amended, prohibits discrimination in the sale, rental, and financing of dwellings, and in other housing-related transactions.

FEDERAL FAIR HOUSING LAWS PROHIBIT

DISCRIMINATION BASED ON:

RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, NATIONAL ORIGIN, SEX, FAMILY STATUS, DISABILITY

Complaints of discrimination in housing can be filed with the Village of Hodgkins, the Illinois Department of Human Rights, or the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Complaints to the Village can be filed in writing to:

**Village Clerk
Village of Hodgkins
8990 Lyons Street, Hodgkins, Illinois 60525**



Melody Salerno
Village Comptroller

About Our Food Pantry

The Village of Hodgkins has a food pantry open to the Hodgkins residents located at the Village Hall. Once a month our residents may receive a box of food. You will need to provide a state I.D. or drivers license. Please call ahead so we can have a box ready for you 708-579-6700.

We don't want anyone to go without food!

Four times a year we host the Mobile Food Pantry.

This includes fresh fruits, and vegetables as well as non-perishable groceries.

In addition to Hodgkins hosting this event, every third Tuesday of month area communities also host. The dates and addresses are listed below. Please feel free to contact the Village of Hodgkins, and we will be happy to assist you the best we can 708-579-6700.



**GREATER
CHICAGO
FOOD
DEPOSITORY Mobile Pantry**

Free Fresh Fruit, Vegetables and

Date	Place	Address
June 19	Justice Village Hall	7800 Archer Rd
July 17	Village of Hodgkins	9096 Joliet Rd.
August 21	St. Blasé	7438 W. 61st Place
September 18	Justice Village Hall	7800 Archer Rd.,

Open to the public. All Lyons Township residents are encouraged to attend.

**Every Third Tuesday of the Month
3:30 p.m.—5:30 p.m.**

Other Local Food Panties

Second Bap. Church of LaGrange

26 Washington Ave. (Back Entrance)
708-354-5907

Monday 10am-12pm

Boundaries: Maywood, Agro,
Lyons, & Western Springs

St. Cletus Food Pantry

600 W 55th St., Lagrange
708-215-5418

2nd Thursday 6:30pm-8pm

Boundaries: Lyons Township

St. Francis Xavier Food Pantry

124 N Spring Ave., Lagrange

We Feed People

**PLEASE DON'T FEED THE
ANIMALS!**





SUMMER HELP WANTED:

The Hodgkins Department of Public Works is recruiting for our summer help program. We are looking for Hodgkins high school and college enrolled students to work in our Public Works Department over the summer months. Applicants must be at least sixteen years old. Graduating seniors are eligible for this summer program.

The program allows for a 5 day work week and 5 hours per day. Pay will be \$12.00 per hour. Interested individuals please apply at the Village Hall.



Please remember that the sidewalks need to be clear of any vehicles, brush, and grass clippings. If your driveway crosses over a village sidewalk, be aware to not block the walkway. Do not blow your clippings on the road or sidewalks. When you are disposing of your grass clippings, please make sure you use biodegradable paper bags only, and under 40 lbs. We can't pick up yard waste in plastic garbage bags. If you need to throw out tree branches / clippings, please lay them stacked with the cut ends toward the curb. Please be courteous so we can all enjoy the side-walks and walk ways!

Remember you can always request a Village pick up for many items not picked up by our local trash company. We would be happy to drop a truck off for the day too for larger jobs! Call the Village with any questions concerning what can and can't be picked up by our Public Works Dept.



Splash Harbor

Opens June 1st

Monday—Thursday—12—6 p.m.

Friday—Sunday 10 a.m.—7 p.m.

**FREE to Hodgkins Residents
with Splash Pass**

Call 708-354-6563 for more info

Village of Hodgkins	June 2018
2017 Consumer Confidence Report	
Public Water Supply Facility ID: IL0311260	
Noel B. Cummings, Village President	

Dear Hodgkins Water Customer;

The Village of Hodgkins, in compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), and in conjunction with the Village of McCook and the City of Chicago is issuing the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) for the monitoring period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017. Along with this report there is important information concerning the quality and source of your drinking water. During 2017, the Village of Hodgkins continues to provide water that meets and exceeds the requirements of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and the Illinois EPA drinking water standards and **we are proud to announce that the Village had no violations during the 2017 reporting period.**

If you would like to learn more, please contact Village Hall or visit our web site at <http://www.villageofhodgkins.org>. There you will find the completed Illinois EPA Source Water Assessments; including current Village Water Infrastructure projects and see our regularly scheduled meetings dates and times. You may also want to visit the Illinois EPA to access other information regarding Source Water; Susceptibility of Contamination Determination, and documentation and recommendations of Source Water Protection Efforts, at: <http://www.epa.state.il.us/cgi-bin/wp/swap-fact-sheets.pl>. Any questions, or if additional information is needed, please contact Vern Millsap, Water Foreman, at (708) 579-6700.

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre el agua que usted bebe. Tradúzcalo ó hable con alguien que lo entienda bien

CONSUMER INFORMATION

The Village of Hodgkins tests the water supply for chlorine content on a daily basis to maintain the optimum levels for the consumers' needs. On a semi-monthly basis, bacteriological samples are taken. On a yearly basis, samples are submitted for Total Trihalomethane (TTHM) Analysis. Samples are also provided for lead and copper monitoring on a schedule established by the IEPA. All testing and reports are performed according to the requirements of IEPA.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information

Lead: If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Lead is not found in the source water. Lead can enter drinking water when service pipes that contain lead corrode, especially where the water has high acidity or low mineral content that corrodes pipes and fixtures. The most common problem is with brass or chrome-plated brass faucets and fixtures with lead solder, from which significant amounts of lead can enter into the water, especially hot water. Homes built before 1986 are more likely to have lead pipes, fixtures and solder. The Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) has reduced the maximum allowable lead content -- that is, content that is considered "lead-free" -- to be a weighted average of 0.25 percent calculated across the wetted surfaces of pipes, pipe fittings, plumbing fittings, and fixtures and 0.2 percent for solder and flux.

The Safe Drinking Water Act requires the EPA to determine the level of contaminants in drinking water at which no adverse health effects are likely to occur with an adequate margin of safety. These non-enforceable health goals, based solely on possible health risks, are called maximum contaminant level goals (MCLGs). The EPA has set the maximum contaminant level goal for lead in drinking water at zero because lead is a toxic metal that can be harmful to human health even at low exposure levels. Lead is persistent, and it can bioaccumulate in the body over time.

Measures to Reduce Lead in Drinking Water at Home: Flush your pipes before drinking. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. Use only cold water for drinking, cooking, and especially for making baby formula. Hot water is likely to contain higher levels of lead. Run cold water until it becomes as cold as it can get. Note that boiling water will NOT get rid of lead contamination. Bathing and showering should be safe for you and your children, even if the water contains lead over EPA's action level. Human skin does not absorb lead in water. This information applies to most situations and to a large majority of the population, but individual circumstances may vary.

If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791) or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Source of Drinking Water Contamination: (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

Microbial Contaminants: such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural operations and wildlife.

Inorganic Contaminants: such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

Pesticides and Herbicides: which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff and residential users.

Organic Chemical Contaminants: including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial process and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

Radioactive Contaminants: which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT:

In 2017 of the approximately 154.5 million gallons of water the Village of Hodgkins distributed came from Lake Michigan. Lake Michigan water is drawn from far offshore structures (known as Cribs) along the bottom of the Lake and treated at the City of Chicago Jardine Water Purification Plant (north of Navy Pier). This water is pumped through large transmission lines to the near Chicago suburbs where it is collected and redistributed. Hodgkins purchases this water from the Village of McCook. From there Hodgkins received this water into our Lenzi Road reservoir and pumping station complex, which is then distributed through the Village's water main grid system of over 12.5 miles of pipe to the local and retail customer base.

The Illinois EPA considers all surface water sources of community water supply to be susceptible to potential pollution problems. The very nature of surface water allows contaminants to migrate into the intake with no protection only dilution. This is the reason for mandatory treatment for all surface water supplies in Illinois. Chicago's offshore intakes are located at a distance that shoreline impacts are not usually considered a factor on water quality. At certain times of the year, however, the potential for contamination exists due to wet-weather flows and river reversals. In addition, the placement of the crib structures may serve to attract waterfowl, gulls and terns that frequent the Great Lakes area, thereby concentrating fecal deposits at the intake and thus compromising the source water quality. Conversely, the shore intakes (not used for Hodgkins water source supply) are highly susceptible to storm water runoff, marinas and shoreline point sources due to the influx of groundwater to the lake.

Citizens should be aware that everyday activities in an urban setting might have a negative impact on their source water.

DEFINITIONS OF TERMS / UNIT OF MEASUREMENT

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): The level of contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL): The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG): The level of disinfectant in drinking water below, which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLG's allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL): The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water.

Range of Detections: This column represents a range of individual sample results, from lowest to highest that were collected during the CCR calendar year.

Date of Sample: If a date appears in this column, the Illinois EPA requires monitoring for this contaminant less than once per year because the concentrations do not frequently change. If no date appears in the column, monitoring for this contaminant was conducted during the CCR calendar year.

Action Level (AL): The concentration of a contaminant that triggers treatment or other required actions by the water supply.

Treatment Technique (TT): A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

ND: Not detectable at testing limits. **N/A:** Not applicable

Turbidity: The measure of the cloudiness of water. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of water quality and the effectiveness of the filtration system and disinfectants.

Unit of Measurement: ppb: Micrograms Per Liter or Parts Per Billion (or url), unit of measurement of concentration in 7,350,000 gallons of water.

ppm: Milligrams Per Liter or Parts Per Million (or mg/l), unit of measurement of concentration in 7,350 gallons of water.

NTU: Nephelometric Turbidity Unit, used to measure cloudiness in drinking water.

%<0.3NTU: Percent samples less than 0.3 NTU
pCi/L: Picocuries per liter, used to measure radioactivity

2017 Violation Summary Tables

Village of Hodgkins Violation Table			
Violation Type	Violation Begin	Violation End	Violation Explanation
NONE	N/A	N/A	NONE

Village of McCook Violation Table			
Violation Type	Violation Begin	Violation End	Violation Explanation
NONE	N/A	N/A	NONE

City of Chicago Violation Table			
Violation Type	Violation Begin	Violation End	Violation Explanation
NONE	N/A	N/A	NONE

REGULATED CONTAMINANTS TABLES

Regulated Disinfectants & Disinfection	MCLG	MCL	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	Units	Municipality	Violation	Collection Date	Likely Source of Contaminants
Chlorine	MRDLG = 4	MRDL = 4	0.9	0.6 — 1.0	ppm	Hodgkins	N	12/31/2017	Water additive used to control microbes.
	MRDLG = 4	MRDL = 4	1	0.89 — 1.1	ppm	McCook	N	12/31/2017	
	MRDLG = 4	MRDL = 4	1	1 — 1	ppm	Chicago	N	12/31/2017	
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	No Goal	60	11	11.13 — 11.13	ppb	Hodgkins	N	2017	By-Product of drinking water disinfection
	No Goal	60	18	18.1 — 18.1	ppb	McCook	N	2017	
	No Goal	60	14	6.1 — 16.4	ppb	Chicago	N	2017	
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	No Goal	80	53	52.6 — 52.6	ppb	Hodgkins	N	2017	
	No Goal	80	36	36.3 — 36.3	ppb	McCook	N	2017	
	No Goal	80	26	13.4 — 34.8	ppb	Chicago	N	2017	
Inorganic Contaminants									
Barium	2	2	0.0193	0.0191 — 0.0193	ppm	Chicago	N	2017	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from refineries;
Fluoride	4	4.0	0.6	0.539 — 0.579	ppm	Chicago	N	2017	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Nitrate (Measured as Nitrogen)	10	10	0.359	0.321 — 0.359	ppm	Chicago	N	2017	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks,
Sodium			8	7.81 — 8.06	ppb	Chicago	N	2017	Erosion from naturally occurring deposits: used in water softener regeneration
Radio Active & Synthetic Organic Contaminants									
Combined Radium 226/228	0	5	0.84	0.5 — 0.84	pCi/L	Chicago	N	02/11/2014	Erosion of natural deposits.
Gross alpha excluding	0	15	6.6	6.1 — 6.6	pCi/L	Chicago	N	02/11/2014	Erosion of natural deposits.

Coliform Bacteria							
Total Coliform Maximum Contaminant Goal	Total Coliform Maximum Contaminant Level	Highest No. of Positive	Fecal Coliform or E. Coli Maximum Contaminant Level	Total No. Positive E. Coli or Fecal Coliform Samples	Municipality	Violation	Likely Source of Contaminants
0	5% of Monthly Samples are positive.	0.4		0	Chicago	N	Naturally present in the environment.

Lead and Copper									
	MCLG	Action Level (AL)	90th Percentile	# Sites Over AL	Units	Municipality	Violation	Date Sampled	Likely Source of Contaminants
Lead	0	15	9.11	3	ppb	Chicago	N	09/20/2015	Corrosion of household plumbing systems;
Copper	1.3	1.3	0.13	0	ppm	Hodgkins	N	06/16/2015	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems.
	1.3	1.3	0.114	0	ppm	McCook	N	09/14/2015	
	1.3	1.3	0.0782	0	ppm	Chicago	N	09/20/2015	

Turbidity	Limit (Treatment Technique)	Level Detected	Municipality	Violation	Likely Source of Contaminants
Highest Single	1 NTU	0.26 NTU	Chicago	N	Soil Runoff.
Lowest Monthly %	0.3 NTU	100	Chicago	N	Soil Runoff.

UNREGULATED CONTAMINANTS UCMR3 COMPLIANCE

In compliance with the Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule 3 (UCMR3) as required by the EPA, the City of Chicago has monitored for contaminants suspected to be present in drinking water, but that do not have health-based standards set under the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA). The monitoring results were reported to the EPA. The list of UCMR3 contaminants that we have monitored include volatile organic chemicals, metals, perfluorinated compounds, hormones, 1,4-dioxane and chlorate. The

Disinfectants & Disinfection By-Products	MCLG	MCL	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	Units	Municipality	Collection Date	Likely Source of Contaminants
Chromium	100	100	0.3	0.2 — 0.3	ppb	Chicago	2014	Naturally occurring element; used in making steel and other alloys
Molybdenum	N/A	N/A	1.1	1.0 — 1.1	ppb	Chicago	2014	Naturally occurring element found in ores and present in plants animals and bacteria;
Strontium	N/A	N/A	120	110 — 120	ppb	Chicago	2014	Naturally occurring element; has been used in
Vanadium	N/A	N/A	0.3	ND — 0.3	ppb	Chicago	2014	Naturally occurring metal; vanadium pentoxide is used a catalyst
Chromium—6	N/A	N/A	0.22	0.18 — 0.22	ppb	Chicago	2014	Naturally occurring element; used in making steel and alloys

Memorial Day Services and Program schedule for Western Suburbs on May 27th

Sunday - LaGrange Park ceremony and brick dedication will be held at LaGrange Park’s Veterans’ Memorial at 1:00 p.m.

Monday— The day begins with a memorial ceremony at Lyons Township HS north campus at 8:30, There will be a Ceremonial ringing honoring those LaGrange area residents who gave their lives in service to our country from the civil war to the present time.

There will be brief memorial services at the following locations:

Approximate Times

Parkholm Cemetery 9:15 am Lyonsville Cemetery - 10am St. Johns Cemetery 10:45am

Hodgkins Memorial Site—11am Countryside Memorial Park - 11:45 am

The final ceremony will be at the American Legion Post Home location 900 S LaGrange Rd. at 12:00 noon. There will be a guest speaker.

For more information contact Post 1941 708-354-3300.

A Hodgkins Resident You Should Know: Alice Katzmarek



If you've lived in Hodgkins for very long at all, you've no doubt seen the warm, friendly smile of Mrs. Alice Katzmarek. A former village employee, serving as an office clerk at the village hall from 1973 -1993, the sweet and charming Alice has long been a vital member of the community. She can be seen at most official village board meetings to this day, and is also an important part of the Hodgkins-McCook Area Aging Well program.

Born Alice Fitzgerald in 1928 at St. Bernard's Hospital in Chicago to John and Anna Fitzgerald, Alice feels that her birth time was an auspicious sign for her chipper attitude throughout life. "I was born in the morning, and I've been a morning person ever since," she laughed, when asked about it.

Alice grew up a Chicago southsider. Her mother died when she was seven, but her extended family pitched in to help raise her. "I had lots of mothers," she said. "Especially my mother's sisters." As a young adult, Alice worked as a secretary for the Illinois Bell Telephone company in the Loop. Around this time, through a mutual friend from the North Side, Alice met Abraham Katzmarek, and they began dating. A veteran of World War II, Abraham was originally from the north woods of Minnesota, and was working for Swift & Company, a meatpacking company in the city. He and Alice took turns going to dances alternately at the Aragon Ballroom on the North Side, and the Trianon Ballroom on the South Side, with occasional excursions to the Willowbrook Ballroom in Willow Springs. While they were dating, Alice picked up the nickname "Abie's Irish Rose."

She and Abraham were married in November of 1949, and soon enough had children: first there was Ann, followed by Linda, Susan, and Leo, while still living in Chicago. Their children attended Our Lady of the Angels Catholic School in the city, and later St. Hugh's Catholic School in Lyons. Through many of these years, Alice was a homemaker. Abe would eventually work for Certified Grocers.

In 1960, Alice and Abe heard about a house for sale from a friend, a house located in Hodgkins, Illinois, on a small dirt road coming off Joliet Road at the top of the hill and ending at the house. They bought the home and moved in, quickly falling in love with the Village of Hodgkins. After their arrival here, Alice gave birth to their youngest child, Anthony. Since the post office hadn't yet designated a name for the road they lived on, she and Abraham called it "Center Street." Across this road from their house was a skeet and trap shooting club. Eventually their little dirt road was paved and named "Lenzi Avenue," after long-time Hodgkinsite Cole Lenzi.

Within a few years, a position at the village hall came open, and Abe suggested that it couldn't hurt for Alice to give it a try. So, try she did, and soon was a diligent employee and a smiling face to villagers on a daily basis.

Alice has been a neighbor and friend to Don Shure of D&S Trucking for at least 40 years. "He's a very good neighbor," says Alice. "It's wonderful to have good neighbors like him. I like to joke that I used to have tomatoes and vegetables in my garden, but now it grows trucks," she laughed. "But I couldn't ask for a better long-term neighbor." Alice is also a faithful member of St. Cletus Catholic Church in LaGrange. When she lost Abe in the early 1980s, Alice felt that Father Gallagher, and the people of Hodgkins, were a great support to her. When Alice retired from the village, she was determined to remain active in village life and community activities.

"From the day Abe and I first moved to Hodgkins, we attended all the board meetings. That's the best way to know what's going on in your village," she said. "And I've never known of a village as wonderful and friendly as Hodgkins. I know everyone says it, but it's true. I thought the world of Leon Cook, and I feel the same way about Mayor Cummings."

Be sure to say hello to Mrs. Alice Katzmarek when you see her around town!

Join our Aging Well Organization

If you are 55 or older come join us! We meet every third Wednesday of the month at the Village Hall downstairs. Bring a friend or a neighbor. We are always looking forward to new faces. Our meetings usually feature a guest speaker. They speak on a variety of topics of interest to our aging population here in Hodgkins. Our Mothers Day luncheon, which was on May 16, is one of the events we look forward to. Other events include a boat cruise on Lake Michigan, ice cream socials, and bingo socials. We enjoy our very informative speakers. Please come join our team!



Adults age 60+ are invited to enjoy a freshly prepared, nutritious lunch and entertaining activities. To view the menu, please visit Village of Hodgkins website or www.agingcareconnection.org or stop by the Village Hall for a printed monthly menu and a list of daily activities.

Join us for Lunch & Activities
Salerno's Pizzeria & Sports Bar
Monday—Friday
Lunch begins at 11:30 am

Reservations are required by NOON the day prior to attendance.
Suggested Donation \$2.50

*You are never
too old to set
another goal or
dream a new
dream.*

2 Lots for Bid

Hodgkins Beautification Program

A few years ago the Village started what we have designated as our "Beautification Program". We are pleased to report that it is working. The plan was to buy buildings that were below code compliance to the extent that the cost to repair exceeded the value of the home. After the purchase there was an immediate demolition followed by a sale of the vacant land. Thus far, the sale of the land has been \$57,000 but there is to be an increase to \$60,000. Our condition attached to the sale of the land was that construction of a new house must be completed within 18 months and it be owner occupied. If you have noticed, there are now 3 new houses being constructed. There are 2 more expected to start construction before the end of the year. We are very happy about the progress this program is making and look forward to continued success.

Opening bids start at \$60,000. Bids are being accepted now through July 11th at 10:00 am, 2018. If you have any questions please feel free to contact the Village Hall 708-579-6700.



6500 Kimball Avenue



6600 Kimball Avenue.



NEW CROSSWALK ON EAST AVENUE

If you're driving down East Avenue, be sure to pay attention to the new pedestrian and school crosswalk, which may be flashing at any time. If it is, be sure to yield to any pedestrians who may be crossing in it. Located at the 6300 block of East Avenue near the school bus stop, the crosswalk was recently installed and became fully functional on May 15th.

A longtime goal of Chief Millsap of the Hodgkins Police Department, the Village Board approved the expenditure earlier this year for a crosswalk with a light for alerting drivers to the presence of pedestrians, and which would be fully powered by solar energy cells. In order to use this feature of the crosswalk, you simply press the button on the pole, and the lights will begin flashing for one minute to alert traffic that there are pedestrians present. Once the traffic has slowed to a stop, you may safely enter the marked crosswalk and make your crossing to the other side of East Avenue. As a reminder, Illinois state law requires drivers to stop for all pedestrians within crosswalks. So stay alert and be safe!

Tips on internet safety



Beware Suspicious Emails and Attachments

Phishing is the fraudulent practice of sending emails purporting to be from reputable companies in order to induce individuals to reveal personal information, such as passwords and credit card numbers.

You should never open attachments from untrusted sources, and even if you get one from a trusted source, you should pay attention to the file extension of the attachment before downloading and opening it. If you get an official-looking email from your bank, credit union, or another company you do business with telling you to log in and review your account, be careful. Even if it's legit, it's always safer to visit the business' web site by typing in the URL instead of clicking the link in the email.

Most companies will never email you to say you need to "verify your account information" and beg you to click a link in the message. If your email client supports it, you can hover your mouse over the link in the suspicious email to see where it really leads. Odds are it's not actually your bank's web site. **Don't click** instead visit your bank's web site manually or call them instead. Remember email addresses can be very easily spoofed, so even if you get a note from a name or business you trust, it could be spoofed and the URL could lead you to an unexpected location. Use the site address with https:// in front of it to see if it works these are secured sites.

Give out the minimum amount of information when required and nothing more when asked by companies or businesses that present you with forms to fill out, and never give out information—even if the requester is legit—unless you understand *why* they need the information and what they'll do with it. Any reputable organization will be able to answer your questions. Trust your instincts, and remember that if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

- **Watching your accounts closely and monitor your online transactions**
- **Take advantage of free consumer protection services**
- **Signing up for free credit monitoring**



Keep Your Anti-Malware Software Up-To-Date

Even though viruses and trojans don't make headlines as often as they used to doesn't mean you can get away without *some* anti-malware software installed on your system. Once installed, it's equally important to keep it up to date. Out of date antivirus and anti-malware suites are effectively useless.

Check your internet on legitimate websites to read about the latest scams.

***This is a list of the Hodgkins Crosses our Volunteers put out on our Village lawn. They are our Relatives, Family and Friends
May God Bless You and Your Families on this Memorial Day and Everyday.***

Arpp Arthur
 Azzarello Sam
 Barger Lonnie L.
 Barrett James A.
 Barrett JB
 Becker Gary E.
 Biniewicz Eugene A.
 Bird Douglas F.
 Botes George
 Brancato John H. Jr
 Brucato Joseph A.
 Buralli Fred J.
 Cadieux Thomas P.
 Caldwell Joseph H.
 Caldwell Martha
 Carrico Elmer G.
 Carson James R.
 Celentano Anthony S.
 Ceplecha Richard J.
 Clark Arthur O.
 Cobban John L.
 Coduto Michael A.
 Coffey James L.
 Cook Leon A.
 Coulter Robert E. Jr
 Crnkovic William
 Daly Raymond C.
 Davidenko Daniel J.
 Diederich Anthony N.
 Diederich John a.
 Dolgner August
 Dolgner Ray
 Drenning Gene
 Drenning Roy J.
 Dunn William F. Sr.
 Dye Lawrence W.
 Edwards John H.
 Eichholz William "Ike" III
 Evans Henry B.
 Evans Kenneth W.
 Fait Peter E. Jr.
 Fitzgerald John M.
 Gallman R.B
 Gillen John A.
 Gunter Travis
 Gwaltney Richard A.
 Harrison James F.
 Hayes Ira H.
 Hennig William
 Hollands Albern "Sonny"

Hosteny Philip Sr.
 Jecmen Anton J.
 Jenista John E.
 Johnson Gale "Bo"
 Johnson James W.
 Johnson William H.
 Jones Earl W.
 Jones George E.
 Jones Gilbert
 Jones Harry
 Jones Henry
 Jones Loyd
 Jones Lumie C.
 Jordan Paul D.
 Kamm Melvin G.
 Katzmarek Abe
 Kirk William J.
 Klaren Charles W. Jr
 Kovel Charles "Chi"
 Kovel Edward
 Kovel Leon
 Kovel Walter
 Kringlie Frank
 Kringlie Jack
 Kringlie Philip H.
 Kubik James
 Latham Victor
 Lawrence Rudolf
 Loukota Henry L.
 Luck George
 Mance Emil S.
 Mance Harold
 Martin Rich
 Matuszak Richard W.
 MC Phillips James C.
 Pearson Wayne E.
 Reilly Michael P.
 Rhodes Samuel J.
 Schmidt Ronald E.
 Stevenson James D.
 Stewart Tracy
 Woods Kevin J.
 Robinson James W.
 Wrablik Raymond F.
 Rupp Robert E.
 Polich Anthony
 Miles Dwight "Mike"
 Rice Robert
 Mussatto Raymond A.
 Morrell John D.

Sneed Dallas E.
 Van Gampeleare August "Auggie"
 Muzik Andrew J.
 Pawlosski Walter R.
 Thompson Elbert
 McCracker Willam W.
 Weaver Harry Jr.
 Saban Leroy
 Pavich John
 Oswald Lawrence
 Struve George
 Rhodes Calvin C.
 Collecchia Fernando "Fred" V.
 Prestage Elton



***This Is Memorial Day
 May we never forget
 Freedom isn't free. . . .
 With deepest gratitude to
 those who paid the ultimate
 price
 "Thanks You"***

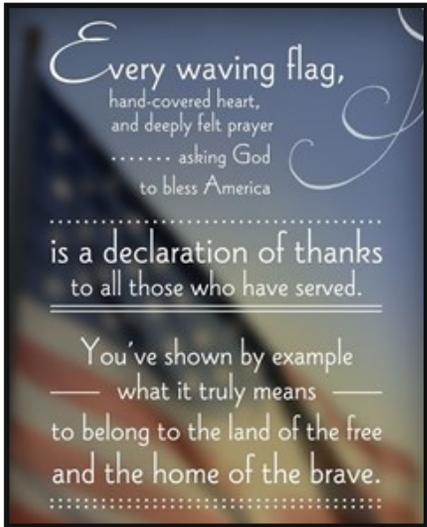
Here are the addresses of some of our active duty military.

Why not send a card , letter or package to let them know how much we appreciate their service!



CPT Sneed, Cody
2430 Piros Drive
Colorado Springs, CO 80915

Grandson of Ruth Sneed
US Army



AIC Perkins, Jeremy L.
512 Eldridge Avenue
Vacaville, CA 95688

Son of Robert & Jessica Drake
US Air Force

PVT Udziela, Bradley M.

Bradley is on his way to Germany
We will have his new address in March.
Anyone who wishes to correspond
with him please call the Village Hall
for his new address.
Grandson of Bill & Dianne Knack

SrA Cottrell, Cameron
141 Townsgate Plaza
Apt. L
Clouvis, NW 88101-3765

Son of Denise Cottrell



CPT Cummings, Brandon
412 Blackberry Dr.
Elgin, OK 73538

Grandson of Mayor Noel Cummings
U.S. Army Stationed Ft. Sill, OK

If you have a family member you would like to include please call the Village Hall with the persons name and address.

Memorial Day Volunteers Needed!

Before we know it Memorial Day will be here. We are always in need of volunteers to help set up in the morning, and take down in the evening.

This is your chance to show the people who gave so much of their lives to let us be free that you care and honor them!

Please call the Village Hall for more information.



**ALL GAVE SOME
SOME GAVE ALL**

Thank you Veterans & Active Military and Reservists





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Dates to Remember:

Memorial Day—May 28

Splash Harbor Opens—June 1

Hodgkins Food Pantry—July 17

Village Property Plans:

We have residential blueprints that we have scanned in our archives. We would like to get rid of the paper copy. If you would like a copy of your home blueprint please call the Village hall to see if yours is among the blueprints that we have.

Contact Us

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Board Meetings:
2nd Monday of the month