

Village Spokesman

Village of La Grange
53 South La Grange Road
La Grange, IL 60525



September/October 2014

“Night of Art and Jazz” — Friday, September 5 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Night of Art & Jazz kicks off the West End Art Festival featuring an artist preview and sale as well as live jazz music by the Reunion Jazz Orchestra.



West End Art Festival — Now in its 19th year, the West End Art Festival will be held Saturday, September 6 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, September 7 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Presented by the La Grange Business Association, in cooperation with the Village of La Grange, the festival is located in front of the Stone Avenue Station along Burlington Avenue between Brainard and Spring Avenues.

Summer Art Project Garden Bench Auction — The garden benches benefitting the La Grange Pet Parade and other local charities will be auctioned on Saturday, September 6 at the West End Art Festival from 5:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Guests will enjoy live music, food and drink with the live auction starting at 6:30 p.m. For additional information, please visit the La Grange Business Association’s website at www.lgba.com.



Race Unity Rally — The CommUNITY Diversity Group will host its 23rd Annual Race Unity Rally at the La Grange Village Hall on Sunday, September 14, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. This year’s theme for the event is “Then and Now: 50 Years after the 1964 Civil Rights Act” and a live performance by the LeaderShop “Watch My Feet” performers.

La Grange Fire Department Open House — On Saturday, October 4, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. the La Grange Fire Department will host a Fire Prevention Open House at the Fire Station located at 300 W. Burlington Avenue.

2014 Family Wellness Expo — The La Grange Business Association will host a Family Wellness Expo at the La Grange Village Hall on Saturday, October 4 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This event focuses on living well, living healthy and living better for the entire family. Featuring expo booths emphasizing healthy lifestyles and green living with interactive workshops, demonstrations and in-store events designed to educate, inspire and have fun. For more information, visit www.lgba.com.



Halloween Walk & Fall Festival — Join the Halloween Walk for a parade throughout the Central Business District with treats provided by local merchants beginning at the Cossitt School playground at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 25 sponsored by the La Grange Business Association. Afterwards, visit in-store activities including: costume contests, face painting, pet photos, an art party, mask decorating and much more.

Voter Registration — the last day to accept voter registration or transfers of registration for the November 4, 2014 Gubernatorial Election is Tuesday, October 7, 2014. Residents of Illinois may register to vote in person from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on weekdays in the Administration office on the first floor of the Village Hall. Two pieces of identification are required, including one with your current address (picture ID, not required). **“New” Register On-Line** — for additional information, please visit www.cookcountyclerk.com/elections.

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La Grange Road Railroad Crossing Resurfacing Project — A major track resurfacing project at La Grange Road has been announced by the Burlington Northern Santa Fe railroad. The La Grange Road railroad crossing will be fully closed to vehicular and pedestrian traffic during the work.

The closure is scheduled to begin on Friday, September 26, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. and conclude on or before Friday, October 3, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

The posted detour route for southbound traffic on La Grange Road is to proceed eastbound on Ogden Avenue, to southbound IL 171 to southbound 1st Avenue, westbound on Joliet Road to westbound 55th Street, back to La Grange Road. The posted detour route for northbound traffic on La Grange Road is to proceed eastbound on 55th Street to eastbound Joliet Road, to northbound IL 171, to westbound Ogden Avenue back to La Grange Road.

Commuters and pedestrians will be directed west to Ashland Avenue which is the next closest at-grade railroad crossing.

The construction is expected to cause travel delays. Please make adjustments to your travel schedule to compensate for the railroad crossing construction activities and obey all construction signage. Your cooperation is appreciated during this resurfacing project.

For more information regarding this project, please contact Andri Peterson, Assistant Village Manager at 708-579-2315.

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