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Meeting dates, times, locations and agendas are subject to change.
Check the Village website at www.downers.us and DGTV Channel 6 for the most current meeting information.

Village CORNER

"Downers Grove Preserves the Balance Between Tradition and Progress"

PREPARE AND PLAN WITH YOUR FAMILY

September is National Preparedness Month, which was founded after 9/11 to increase preparedness in the U.S. It is a time to prepare yourself and those in your care for an unexpected emergency.

If you've seen the news recently, you know that emergencies can happen anytime, anywhere, in communities just like Downers Grove. The Village strongly advises that all households prepare for an event that includes the loss of electricity, water service, access to a supermarket, and local services for a few days. Follow the three simple steps of:

Get a kit. Make a plan. Be informed.

For more information and planning tools, visit www.ready.gov.



COMMUNITY-WIDE NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

The Village of Downers Grove utilizes a Community-Wide Notification System to send personalized voice messages through a single phone call. Residents and businesses are encouraged to verify registration of their devices and to register additional devices (up to three phone numbers and two e-mail addresses) by which to be contacted. To add/change information, visit the Community-Wide Notification System link at www.downers.us.

If you do not have Internet access you may correct/add information by calling the Community Response Center at (630) 434-CALL (2255).

Residents with call blocking services can make sure to receive the Village's time-sensitive calls by adding (630) 434-5500 to their approved number list.

DATES TO KNOW

Most Village offices will be closed Monday, September 5, 2011 in observance of Labor Day.

The next meeting of the Council will be held on Tuesday, September 6, 2011.

Members of the Village Council will meet to discuss 2012 high priority action items on Wednesday, September 7, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. at Fire Station 2, 5420 Main Street. *Please note change of location.*

A ComEd Town Hall meeting hosted by the Village will be held on Thursday, September 15, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Downers Grove Park District Recreation Center, 4500 Belmont Road.

RECENT LEGISLATION HAS CHANGED THE RTA'S SENIORS RIDE FREE PROGRAM

Beginning September 1, 2011 the program will only be available to low-income seniors who are registered with the Illinois Department on Aging's Circuit Breaker program; **all other seniors can continue to ride the CTA, Metra, and Pace fixed-route services at half price.**

- Existing Seniors Ride Free Permits will no longer be accepted on any CTA, Metra or Pace bus or train.
- Only the new Senior Circuit Ride Free or Reduced Fare Permit will be accepted on CTA, Metra or Pace buses or trains. If you have not received your new Permit please call 312-913-3110. The RTA's Customer Service Center hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

On Grove Commuter Shuttle buses -

- Show driver your RTA permit and pay reduced fare by cash or check. Cash only for a one ride ticket. Please have exact change.

On Metra -

- Show your RTA permit and pay reduced fare by cash, check, or credit card. Cash only if purchasing from a conductor. (Additional \$3 charge may apply.)

For more information visit www.rtachicago.com or call RTA Customer Service at 312-913-3110.

GARBAGE REMINDER

Monday, September 5, is a garbage holiday.
Collections will be delayed by one day that week.

Village Council meetings are held the first, second, and third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall Council Chambers at 801 Burlington Avenue.

Village Council meetings are broadcast live on DGTV-Ch. 6. The rebroadcast of these meetings can be seen Wednesday mornings at 9:00 a.m. and Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

Live radio broadcasts of Council meetings can only be heard at 7:00 p.m. the first and third Tuesday of the month on WDGC-FM, 88.3.

Podcast and live streaming coverage of Council meetings are also available at www.downers.us.

Individuals with a disability requiring a reasonable accommodation in order to participate in any meeting should contact the ADA Coordinator at 630.434.5525, prior to the meeting. Wheelchair access is available through the south entrance of Village Hall.