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Regular meetings of the Village Board are held on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 7pm, except no fourth Tuesday meetings in the months of June, August and December.

Live streaming of Village Board meetings now available. Videotaped broadcasts of Village Board meetings air on Comcast Cable Television, Government Access Channel 6 or 110 Mondays at 7pm and online at www.youtube.com/oakbrooktv

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Dear Friends and Neighbors:

Since Spring is arriving a little later this year, let’s hope the warmer weather of summer is around the corner. I thoroughly enjoy seeing more residents out to enjoy their yards, walking or riding on our bike paths and connecting with their neighbors.

The Sports Core Advisory Committee under the leadership of Ms. Angie Lopez has held several meetings to assist the Village in improving services at the Bath & Tennis Club, Golf Course and open fields. The first major undertaking was partnering with the Oak Brook Park District to run the Bath & Tennis Club pool operations for the 2018 season. As I write this article, the pool cleaning and maintenance has begun, and filled with water so lifeguards can begin their training prior to the pool’s opening on Saturday, May 26th. I think you will find that the Bath & Tennis Club pool will have highly trained staff for the 2018 season and beyond. The Park District has been most cooperative in assisting the Village with all the details involved in the opening, hiring of staff and daily operations of the swimming pool. The Tennis season has already begun and there are several programs offered for the 2018 season. You should have received a Sports Core brochure with all of the Membership information, Swim, Tennis and Golf programs offered this summer. If you have not received your copy, please contact 630-368-5000 and request to have one mailed to you.

The Village will be hosting another fun summer of events in Oak Brook with the Annual Taste of Oak Brook on Tuesday, July 3, from 4 to 9 pm at the Oak Brook Polo Fields. Some of the Oak Brook area’s finest restaurants will serve delicious samplings from their menus. We will have wonderful children’s activities and live entertainment with the day concluding with a spectacular fireworks display that all will enjoy. Come and join us for some food, fun and fireworks!

With the warmer weather comes road construction. Our Public Works/Engineering Departments (and in some locations IDOT) will be busy this summer with the upkeep and maintenance/improvement of some of our roadways. Information on locations of these projects are also found in this newsletter.

Finally, Trustee Tiesenga and I were in Springfield on April 25 and 26, along with other DuPage County elected officials and Village Managers, to lobby our legislators on matters that affect our municipalities. We focused on supporting our resolutions to eliminate the 2% administrative fee currently being charged to municipalities to process local sales taxes, and to protect the local government distributive fund. These monies rightly belong to the municipalities. Another bill that we are strongly supporting is SB 2483, which would allow municipalities to use up to 25% of revenue collected from Hotel-Motel taxes for economic development and capital infrastructure, while still requiring 75% to be dedicated to promoting tourism.

As always, the Trustees, the staff, and I are available to you at all times. Feel free to call, email or meet any of us if you have any thoughts and concerns. We are here to serve you.

Kind regards,

Gopal G. Lalmalani, M.D., M.B.A.
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Dear friends and residents;

Summer has finally arrived after a very cool Spring. As you know, President Lalmalani created the Sports Core Advisory Committee. It is made up of several residents of the Village that represent, golf, tennis, swimming and the open fields. They have held a number of meetings and are working with the Park District to provide management of the pool for the 2018 season.

The pools are filled and the Park District began training their lifeguards on May 1st. We look forward to a great season with opening day for the pool on Saturday, May 26th. With this partnership with the Park District we will be receiving enhanced management with a professional organization running the pool.

Additionally, for over two years, the Village has been discussing new signage for the entrance for of the Bath and Tennis Club. The Sports Core Advisory Committee viewed a number of sign concepts and recommended the following new sign which the Board approved. Work to install the new signage will begin soon.

We are also going to begin some renovations at our Golf Clubhouse. The plan was presented to the Sports Core Advisory Committee and they gave unanimous approval to move forward. Residents will see phased upgrades to the facility which include a new patio and renovations to the pro shop. These funds are budgeted and will come out of the golf surcharge.

Finally, the 2018 budget process will begin during the summer months. Staff will be preparing their budget requests as we continue to maintain our excellent financial status while providing exceptional services.

Summer Festivities

The Village will continue its private partnership with Pineoak Partners LLC., to conduct polo. This year, they have added an additional day of polo. Scheduled matches will be held on the following dates:

- Sunday, June 10, 2018
- Sunday, June 24, 2018
- Sunday, July 15, 2018
- Sunday, July 22, 2018
- Sunday, August 5, 2018
- Sunday, August 19, 2018
- Sunday, September 9, 2018
- Saturday, September 22, 2018
- Sunday, September 23, 2018

Through this partnership, the Village has agreed to contribute a total of $65,000 for sponsorship of the 2018 Oak Brook Polo Club season. $20,000 of this contribution will be reimbursed to the Village for the maintenance of the polo field. Tickets are now on sale for the 2018 polo season and you can obtain them by going to www.oakbrookpoloclub.com. Children under the age of 13 are admitted free of charge.

The Taste of Oak Brook will be held on Tuesday, July 3rd at our Sports Core. It will be a wonderful event capped off by our dazzling fireworks display at dusk. There will be exciting entertainment and great food. Please come out to join us!

I hope everyone has an enjoyable summer.

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BY JAMES KRUGER

IN THE NEWS

If you've made a trip to the Butler Government Center lately you may have noticed some exciting things going on. Since I came to Oak Brook, almost seven years ago, I have been very concerned about an officer and public safety issue that had been in existence. It's an area of the building not many residents get to see, thankfully, but one that our staff works in every day.

Our lock up and sally port area was originally designed in the 1970's and truth be told was flawed in its original design even then. As you know Oak Brook is a very safe community, especially in its residential subdivisions. Oak Brook is also a thriving and vibrant place for business and commerce, which we continually work hard to keep our community safe for residents and visitors alike. However, you may not realize the Police Department is very active in the commercial and business zones not unlike many of our neighboring communities. This does mean we do use our detention and processing facilities frequently and need to have the necessary means to do our jobs safely and effectively.

After many years of working on this concern, the Village Board approved the construction of a new sally port and remodeling of our lock up and booking facilities. This project will also mean that our facility will be up to current codes and provide a much higher level of safety for both sworn and civilian staff members. We will also finally solve the plaguing water infiltration issues we have experienced nearly every heavy rain by retrofitting a new roofing system over the poorly conceived walkway across the north side of the building.

We have appreciated the numerous comments of support from residents that have firsthand seen the conditions during tours or while attending our Citizen's Police Academy. I for one, would like to thank our residents and the Village Board for their support in providing a much safer environment for everyone to work in, and in the process allow us to deploy our officers in a more efficient way to keep all of you safe.

James Kruger
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Please pardon our dust while we work through this with a projected completion date of September 1st. We will be posting update photos on Twitter to follow along with us as we make milestones towards completion. I would also like to thank the Westmont Police Department for their assistance during the construction by allowing us to use their booking facility temporarily. I again would like to offer my sincere appreciation to our residents for providing us with the means to serve you better and continue to keep Oak Brook a safe and terrific community.
Citizen’s Fire Academy

The Oak Brook Fire Department was extremely pleased to have recently engaged in promoting and providing its very first Citizen’s Fire Academy program for the general public.

The new program is part of the Fire Prevention and Public Education division, and is designed to give participants insight into how firefighters/paramedics perform their duties, as well as how the Oak Brook Fire Department operates and serves the community.

The new seven (7) week program consisted of weekly 3-hour sessions that ran concurrently beginning on Wednesday, March 7th. The program was designed to include classroom instruction and discussions by department certified firefighter/paramedics, officers, supervisors, and other department personnel with expertise in a wide variety of areas. Classroom education was included, but was not limited to a history of the department, current workings of the department, fire prevention inspection activities, fire investigations, Emergency Medical Services, public education and a tour of both facilities and equipment.

Unlike most classroom settings, this program also offered all participants the opportunity to engage and focus on hands-on exercises that included a vast array of physical activities which included handling charged hose lines, climbing ladders, rope repelling, use of self-contained breathing apparatus, search and rescue, hazardous materials mitigation, technical rescue applications, vehicular extrication techniques and cardio pulmonary resuscitation/first-aid training.

The inaugural class of eight diverse participants were outfitted from head-to-toe in personal protective firefighting gear to assist in providing a full realistic experience during their practical skills portion of the program.

The program is scheduled to repeat next year toward the beginning of March. Future participants must be at least 18 years of age, must live, work or be associated with the Village of Oak Brook. No one is excluded based on physical limitations and there is no cost to anyone who participates in the academy.

BY BARRY LISS

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Public Works News

BY DOUG PATCHIN

Public Works is gearing up for summer even though warm weather hasn’t been keeping up with us, winter is truly behind us. Staff has been working on spring landscape and utility restorations. If you notice any utility or snowplow damage restoration areas that may have been missed, please call Public Works at (630) 368-5270.

Staff has also been working with Homer Tree Care at the Bath and Tennis Club, removing dead standing trees and buckthorn along Bath and Tennis Drive and areas around the pool. These areas will be leveled off, and restored with black dirt and seed; grass will soon be growing in all restored areas.

Residents may have noticed white and blue street sweepers working throughout the Village. We have contracted with Lakeshore Recycling Service to sweep our streets May through October at our current schedule and frequency. Commercial areas are swept bi-weekly, residential curbed areas are swept monthly, and non-curbed areas are swept three (3) times per season.

Street Repairs scheduled for 2018:

Street Skip Patching
• Brook Forest
• On Kingston, Kimberley Circle, Hamilton, Devonshire
• Jorie Boulevard

Street Patching and Overlay
• Trinity Lakes
• On Trinity Lane

Here is an update to the ongoing Tollway work on the York Road bridge over the I88 Tollway. The new northbound lanes are scheduled to be opened in late June, and demolition on the southbound lanes will begin after the lane reconfiguration. The completion of the Bridge work is scheduled for early October with all lanes opened with restoration work to be ongoing.

The response to the Villages water meter replacement program has been outstanding. The Village was separated into six (6) zones for meter replacement, letters were sent out to these zones in order to allow the plumbers installing the meters to focus on the smaller areas and not have to schedule appointments across the entire Village. If you have not received a letter requesting that you schedule an appointment, the letter will be coming. When you receive your letter, please call UMI to schedule your meter replacement appointment.

Water Conservation Reminder - outdoor watering is permitted as follows:

Odd-Numbered Street Addresses
Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday

Even-Numbered Street Addresses
Wednesday, Friday and Sunday

6:00 AM until 10:00 AM & 6:00 PM until 10:00 PM

WATERING IS PROHIBITED ON MONDAY

Watering cans or hand-held watering devices may be used at any time on any day.

Customers with private wells are encouraged to utilize their wells for all outside watering purposes.

Newly planted sod or seed may be watered for a maximum period of two (2) weeks from the date of installation. Please notify Public Works at (630) 368-5270.

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Economic Development Update – Summer 2018

Houseal Lavigne is continuing work on the Village’s Commercial Revitalization Plan. Several stakeholder meetings were held with Village Staff and our Commercial community to understand opportunities and issues of concern. A draft Plan went to the Community Enhancement Committee on February 15th and the Plan received an affirmative recommendation. The draft Plan will now go before the Village Board on May 22nd for Board discussion and then be referred to the Plan Commission for a public hearing, additional review and a recommendation. Final Village Board consideration is anticipated later this summer.

OAKBROOK CENTER

On-going construction projects and new tenants in Oakbrook Center.

- 2 Oakbrook Center – Kidzania - Permit issued for 3rd floor with construction in progress and inspections ongoing.

- 2 Oakbrook Center – Sears – First floor remodel – Permit issued with construction in progress and inspections ongoing.

- 89 Oakbrook Center – The Shade Store – Window Treatment store opened in February.

- 513 Oakbrook Center – Lolli & Pops – New candy store opened in February.

- 60 Oakbrook Center – Escape the Room – Immersive reality entertainment with live action puzzles designed for participants of all ages. Opened at the end of March.

LIFE SAFETY - CO DETECTORS

Recently, the news reported that a family from Iowa were found dead in their vacation apartment. Initial reports indicate that it was most likely carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning.

Although these unfortunate deaths occurred outside the United States, the danger is very real for us, here at home. Unintentional CO exposure accounts for an estimated 15,000 emergency department visits and 500 unintentional deaths in the United States each year. Unfortunately, CO death and injury has not avoided the Village of Oak Brook.

Carbon monoxide (CO) is a colorless, odorless, tasteless toxic gas produced by incomplete combustion in fuel-burning devices such as motor vehicles, gas-powered furnaces, and portable generators. Persons with CO poisoning often overlook the symptoms (e.g., headache, nausea, dizziness, or confusion), and undetected exposure can be fatal.

Although it may be good advice to take a battery powered detector with you on vacation, it’s even more important to protect yourself at home. It’s a relatively simple matter. CO detectors are required by state law in every residence- with a few specific exceptions- they are relatively inexpensive, easy to install, and require very little maintenance.

CO detectors come in a variety of configurations including: combination smoke/CO, plug-in, battery powered, hard wired, and integrated into a home security system. Any detector that is hard wired or part of a home security system becomes a permanent part of the home, and a permit-with inspection- is required. Please call 630/368-5101 or e-mail bhudson@oak-brook.org for further information concerning CO detectors.
The Challenges of Improving Cellular Service

New cellular communication services like the Fifth generation (5G) wireless connectivity is integral to the widespread internet of things (IoT) deployment. Gartner predicts there will be 25 billion connected devices by 2020; Cisco predicts 50 billion. If sufficient bandwidth is going to be available to support these devices and the related IoT applications, cellular companies are going to need to efficiently and cost-effectively deploy 5G infrastructure.

The State of Illinois General Assembly recently passed the Small Wireless Facilities Act Enacted into Law. SB 1451 was signed into law on April 12, 2018. This law will affect all municipalities in Illinois (including home rule municipalities with the exception of Chicago). The law takes effect on June 1, 2018. The Village is in the process of revising the Village Code to bring the code in line with SB 1451.

Section 15 of the new Act restricts the regulatory authority of Illinois municipalities and certain other units of local government over small wireless facilities. Small wireless facilities are defined under the new law as wireless facilities that (1) have antenna that are no more than 6 cubic feet in volume and (2) all equipment associated with the antenna does not cumulatively exceed 25 cubic feet in volume. These are usually attached to existing utility poles or other support structures.

In order to maintain signal strength for 5G wireless connectivity, cellular companies will utilize small cells and will need more wireless infrastructure and towers within close proximity of one another — a concept known as “densification.” Constructing the requisite number of towers to deliver robust 5G connectivity will require a large capital expense by these companies. It would also require significant capital to obtain the rights to deploy this infrastructure on private land, as wireless providers have traditionally had to do for macro sites. It is much cheaper, however, for these companies to obviate the need to pay for private lease rights and instead place the small cell infrastructure in the public rights-of-way. Hence where the conflict arises — cellular companies have lobbied for state legislation that gives them virtually unlimited rights to use public rights-of-way and Village-owned facilities for 5G expansion.

By researching cellular service, including tower alternatives, The Village can ensure that we comply with the Telecommunication Act while protecting residents from unsightly installations and potential health risks. Planning also can help preserve property values and, at the same time, create revenue sources for the Village.
Library Calendar and Events

Lib Library Notes

Summer is a great time of year to visit the Oak Brook Public Library. The Library is almost always bustling with activity and offers exciting and engaging programming for all ages. Not only are there the programs listed here, but most weeks there are story times, movie matinees, knitting, and group discussions on current events to take part in as well. The Library provides these opportunities, and more, as a way to fulfill its mission to the community: “To promote the development of independent, self-confident and literate citizens through the provision of open access to cultural, recreational, intellectual, and informational resources.”

For those taking trips this summer, the Library has a vast collection of travel guides available for loan. These guides provide great insight on dining, places to stay, entertainment and cultural customs. Bring along a guide to your next destination and expand your options and knowledge. Do you need a beach read? The Library has those. Long road trip? Try an audio book or two. Suitcase too full already? Try downloading an eBook to your device. If you are travelling abroad, don’t forget to check out materials on learning a foreign language, including audio CDs, phrases books and dictionaries.

For those looking for fun closer to home, stop by the Library and check out a Museum Adventure Pass. Passes are on a first-come, first-served basis, and are typically good towards general admission. Popular destinations in the program include Brookfield Zoo, Cantigny Park, Chicago Botanic Garden, Legoland Discovery Center and the Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art in Elmhurst. There are a limited number of passes and the passes are good for one week. Visit the Library to learn more and see a full listing of participating museums.

Once again this summer the Library encourages residents to participate in the Summer Reading Programs for adults and children. Each program provides incentives for reading and allows you to track the titles you’ve read. The real benefit of the programs though are not the prizes awarded, but the increased literacy. Numerous studies show that the more adults and children read, the better prepared they are for life’s obstacles. So stop into the Library this summer, sign up for Summer Reading, and take advantage of the numerous resources that are available. You’ll be glad you did!

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Spring Calendar

JULY
Your Financial Longevity – Part 3
Saturday, July 7 @ 10 am
Anne Morgan, a 30-year Oak Brook resident and advisor with a fortune 400 company, continues your financial journey with asset growth, succession planning and just getting your retirement right!

Jackie, Janet & Lee: The Secret Lives of Janet Auchincloss and Her Daughters, Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis and Lee Radziwill
Saturday, July 14 @ 2 pm
Think you know all there is to know about Jackie Kennedy? There is more to learn about how she interacted with her mother and sister. Jenny Riddle reveals the secrets of the Bouvier women in her dramatic review based on Randy Taraborelli’s fascinating biography.

Cha Cha Cha: Latin American Dance & Music
Wednesday, July 18 @ 7 pm
Join Nelson and Paola Sosa as they take the audience on a trip through Central and South America, Mexico and the Caribbean. Participants can learn how to play instruments for Latin Rhythms as well as learn how to dance basic steps of Cumbia, Merengue, Cha Cha Cha, Bachata and Polka. The idea is to have fun playing and dancing while learning about countries in Latin America! Sponsored by Friends of the Oak Brook Public Library. All ages welcome.

Meditation: Garden of Peace
Thursday, July 19 @ 7pm
Join Sara Schiffer in this workshop to learn how to approach meditation. Then experience an actual sitting. Sara has found that meditation can benefit everyone to feel more stability, joy and compassion, to focus better, experience less pain and feel more happiness.

Scales and Tales
Friday, July 20 @ 2 pm
For over 20 years, Scales & Tales and Beth Wagner have been providing Chicagoland with professional, insightful and just plain fun animal shows. Always a hit with kids and parents alike, Beth and her animal crew make even the most timid person comfortable enough to encounter
her menagerie. Everyone is encouraged to touch, pet, and ask questions about any of these tame, handleable animals — like sloths, pot-belly pigs, chinchillas, and more! Sponsored by Friends of the Oak Brook Public Library. Ages 3 and up.

**Broadway Hits with Robyn Vitson**
*Saturday, July 21 @ 2 pm*
Robyn Vitson returns to “tickle the ivories” while performing the most popular Broadway show tunes on the piano. You will enjoy singing or humming along to these beautiful classic melodies!

**LGBTQ: Past and Present**
*Monday, July 23 @ 7 pm*
College of DuPage Instructor and Oak Brook resident, Frank Serafino, will explore sexual orientation and gender identity through history, the arts, law, science, medicine, politics and justice. Join us as we discuss LGBTQ: past and present - for our children, our parents, our co-workers, our neighbors and ourselves.

**AUGUST**

**Illinois Watercolor Society Meeting and Artist Demonstration**
*Saturday, August 4, 2018 @ 10 am*

**The Music and Influence of Johnny Cash**
*Saturday, August 4 @ 2 pm*
Welcome back Steve Justman as he showcases the music of one-of-a-kind American legend Johnny Cash.

**Navigating the College Planning Process**
*Thursday, August 9 @ 7 pm*
Don’t miss the opportunity to learn new strategies available to families for planning, saving or paying for college that can save you thousands of dollars while finding the best-fit college for your child. Parents are encouraged to attend. Presentation by My College Planning Team.

**RTA Mobility Outreach**
*Monday, August 13 @ 7 pm*
Accessible Metra, Pace and CTA buses and trains are easy to use and the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) would love to show you how! Sarah Blair, RTA Mobility Outreach Coordinator will discuss topics that include Accessible Travel, Fare Programs, Ventra, Trip Planning, Travel Training and Local Transit Options (including ADA Paratransit). There will be time for questions and signing up for a Reduced Fare card to get half off on Metra, Pace and CTA, if eligible.

**SEPTEMBER**

**Magic Show with Gary Kantor**
*Saturday, September 8 @ 1:30 pm*
Come watch a thrilling and entertaining magic show by Gary Kantor. The show is packed with vanishing acts, mind-reading tricks and a variety of hilarious tricks that will have the children rolling on the floor with laughter. Abracadabra! It will be a magical time for all! Sponsored by Friends of the Oak Brook Public Library. All ages welcome.

**Mozart: His Life and His Music**
*Sunday, September 9 @ 2 pm*
Join opera enthusiast Young Kim for an entertaining and informative look at the influential composer, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. Whether you’re a regular opera goer or a classical music lover, you’re sure to learn something new.

**Creating a Lasting Legacy**
*Thursday, September 13 @ 7 pm*
A representative from Bott & Associates, a law firm specializing in elder care, probate and estate planning, will discuss the pitfalls of not establishing a will or trust, and how to avoid those pitfalls.

**Kym Frankovelgia Concert**
*Saturday, September 15 @ 2 pm*
Kym Frankovelgia returns to celebrate the wonders of Fall. Her unique blend of warmth and humor along with her vast repertoire of music will surely bring cheer. Please join in to sing along, dance a little or just sit back and listen.

**Classical Concert: Hariman & Hagen**
*Saturday, September 29 @ 2 pm*
Violinist Robert Hariman and Pianist Nancy Hagen return to the Library for an exciting classical music program. Robert Hariman, a local resident of Oak Brook, studied under the mentorship of various famous violinists. Besides playing the piano, Nancy Hagen is the principal oboist for the Park Ridge Civic Orchestra.
**Entertainment**

- Live Entertainment
- Martini Lunch Trio
- 97Nine
- Nashville Electric Company
- DJ X

**Food**

- Participating Oak Brook Area Restaurants
  - Gibsons Steakhouse
  - Labriola Bakery & Cafe
  - McCormick & Schmicks
  - Michael Jordan’s Restaurant
  - Novi’s Beef
  - Paul’s Pizza
  - Pinstripes Bocce & Bistro
  - Real Urban Barbeque
  - Rock Sugar
  - Shree

**Children’s Activities**

- Balloon Artists
- Face Painting
- Oak Brook Park District-Bounce House
- Petting Zoo
- Stilt Walkers

**Details**

- Free admittance with parking available for $10.
- The Police Department will provide families with lost and found tattoos.
- Some children’s activities, food and beverages will require the purchase of tickets.
- The beverage tent will be featuring beer, wine, Sangria, water and soda drinks.
- Rain date for the fireworks only display is Wednesday, July 4th.

**Special Thanks**

**Sponsors to Date**

McDonald’s Corporation, Hub Group, Loyola Medicine, Ancel, Glink, Diamond, Bush, DiCanni & Krafehefer, P.C., Inland Real Estate, Christopher Burke Engineering

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Annual Financial Audit

The Village's fiscal year 2017 annual audit was completed this spring by Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP. The audit report was presented to the Village Board at the May 22, 2018 Board meeting. The 2017 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) received an unmodified (“clean”) opinion from our auditors. The 2016 CAFR received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). This was the 40th consecutive year the Village received this award. The 2017 CAFR has been submitted to the GFOA for review and we believe it continues to meet award standards.

The Village's overall net position increased from $81.2 million to $86.0 million during 2017. Net position measures the resources (cash, investments, receivables, capital assets, etc.) of the Village and any claims (payables, deposits, debt, pension liabilities, etc.) against those resources. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Village is improving or deteriorating.

Sales tax revenue continues to be the Village's largest revenue source. Sales tax revenue in the General Corporate Fund totaled $12.4 million in 2017, a decrease of $0.6 million over last year. Non-home rule sales tax in the Infrastructure Fund (which help support the maintenance and construction of roadways) totaled $5.6 million in 2017, a decrease of $0.4 million over last year. The decreases were primarily the result of non-routine sales tax receipts received during 2016.

As of December 31, 2017, the Village had $39.9 million in cash and investments on hand, an increase of $6.4 million from last year. The General Corporate Fund (the Village's main operating fund) had a balance of $17.5 million, which is equal to 9.5 months of 2018 budgeted operating expenses. The Village has a policy of maintaining a cash and investments reserve in the General Corporate Fund that meets or exceeds six months of annual operating expenses.

The Village contributes to three defined benefit pension plans: the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF), the Police Pension Plan, and the Firefighter's Pension Plan. Related to these pension plans, the Village reports an unfunded pension liability of $47.4 million as of December 31, 2017. Current State statutes require the Village's pension contributions to accumulate to the point where the Police and Firefighter's Pension plans are 90% funded by the year 2040. As of December 31, 2017, the Police Pension Plan is 64.9% funded and the Firefighter's Pension Plan is 56.0% funded. For fiscal year 2017, combined pension contributions for the IMRF, Police, and Fire pension plans totaled $4.5 million.

Popular Annual Financial Report

The Village of Oak Brook is pleased to release its 2017 Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR). This is the fifth annual PAFR the Village has produced. The report is designed to provide a summary view for citizens who wish to gain a general understanding of the village's financial activities and position. Information contained in this report is a summarized version of that found in the Village's annual CAFR. The 2016 PAFR received the Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting from the GFOA. This was the fourth consecutive year the Village has received this award. The 2017 report has been submitted to the GFOA for review and we believe it continues to meet the award standards.

Both of these financial reports, along with other financial documents, are available on the Village's website at http://www.oak-brook.org/180/Finance.
Blog Spots from the Knot

We love it when we can help our clients’ wedding experiences surpass their expectations. Such was the case with the wedding of Amanda Duncan and Joe Palazzolo. One look at our clubhouse with the patio and surrounding green landscape and they knew right away that it was everything they wanted and more. We invited them to make our venue uniquely theirs in every way they desired. Their wedding reception was simply splendid, and by the time it was over, these beautiful newlyweds couldn’t be happier.

The Perfect Wedding Menu from Tasty Catering

With 110 guests, Amanda and Joe needed a wedding menu with lots of classic variety. As our exclusive caterer, Tasty Catering prepared a menu with passed hors d’oeuvres and a dinner buffet full of several delicious items.

A Romantic Wedding Venue Atmosphere

Amanda and Joe wanted an atmosphere for their reception that exuded romance and sophistication right from the start. Our coordinator, Marianne, was with them every step of the way to ensure all vendors were on the same page and that the venue space would be everything they envisioned.

Guests were thoroughly amazed at the visuals and lighting. The space was comfortable and warm, and the window views of lush surrounding green landscapes elegantly embraced the space. The outdoor patio became a unique dance floor area with string lights and a warm summer feel. The pond and fountain in the back of the clubhouse also made for a picturesque backdrop that many guests used to take pictures and capture memories. Best of all, the clubhouse air conditioning provided a welcome escape from the summer heat on this special day.

A Pleasantly Secluded Wedding Reception

Our clubhouse’s element of seclusion really sets us apart among wedding venues. As Amanda and Joe found, bringing your wedding here feels like a welcome retreat from the noise and commotion of the surrounding city and suburbs. Guests were invited to capture every stunning and classic visual, from the first dances to the bouquet toss. It was a beautiful summer evening that no one wanted to see end.

Describing their wedding afterwards, Amanda proclaimed that, “I could not be happier.” We are so grateful that Amanda and Joe overcame their planning challenges and found their way to our venue. What’s more, we’re honored to have received them and made their special day so incredible.

“The Oakbrook Bath and Tennis club was the perfect space for our wedding reception. Marianne, our coordinator, was a pleasure to work with and went out of her way ensure all our vendors were on the same page. The space itself really “wowed” all of our guests. It was romantic but also comfortable. You can also really make it exactly what you want as far as food/tables/decor/lighting go. We had 110 guests and it filled out the room nicely. We received a lot of compliments on the venue. If you have your reception here- you will not regret it!”

Our incredible venue includes some of the most astounding indoor or outdoor visual elements in architecture and nature. The unparalleled qualities begin with a towering 35-foot vaulted ceiling and floor-to-ceiling windows, commanding spectacular views of the wooded acres, lush landscaping and the sparkling pond with fountain creating an aura of sophistication unique to our space and community. Our venue is ready and waiting for you to express your imagination and share in your vision.
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