



# Voice of Johnsburg

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*Spring 2019*



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# Village President's Letter

The first issue of the New Year is my favorite as it causes me to look back on all of the great things we accomplished the past year, and look forward to the great opportunities ahead of us. We closed out 2018 celebrating the holidays in Johnsburg style. The Community Affairs Committee made what was already a fantastic event even better with the addition of the Holiday Magic Parade this year. Even the rain could not keep our dedicated Johnsburg residents away as families came out to enjoy the festively decorated parade entries before heading to the Johnsburg Community Club for a tree lighting ceremony and visit with Santa. Despite the weather, we experienced the best turnout ever. Thank you to the Community Affairs Committee and the many volunteers that make this event possible. I also would like to thank the Johnsburg Community Club and Johnsburg Community Men's Club for donating the use of their facility and for their support throughout the year.

Another great event that took place in early December was the Jeeps on the Run Event. This is the second year Raymond's Bowl participated as hosts for the event, which is quickly growing in popularity. Approximately 800 jeeps participated in this year's fundraising event, the proceeds of which go to the Toys for Tots program.

I would also like to compliment Gerry and Denise Karlen on the incredible job they do each year decorating their business location on Johnsburg Road. It is truly representative of the quality projects their business, Karlen Construction, does.

The Johnsburg Police Department experienced a successful year in its fundraising efforts for the Johnsburg "Shop with a Cop" program. Many thanks to everyone who contributed and participated in the event, I cannot thank the Johnsburg Lions Club enough for their role in this event and for their generous donations over the years towards Shop with a Cop and the many other programs to which they contribute. Our community grows stronger each year because of events like this, which help bring families and the community closer together and because of the organizations that support them. For more information regarding the Shop with a Cop program, contact Police Chief Keith Von Allmen at 815-385-6024.

At the beginning of the year, the Village Board approved the rezoning of the former Bush School property to accommodate the development of a 78 unit active adult community on the property. The decision was made following a neighborhood informational meeting, two meetings before the Development and Governmental Affairs Committee, and public hearings held before the Planning and Zoning Commission. This project is a great example of how our development process provides the opportunity to improve upon development proposals so that they reflect the desires of our community. Following each meeting, input was taken into consideration and the development plan was improved to address the suggestions and concerns raised. I believe this development will be an asset to our community. Not only will it provide housing for a market not currently served in Johnsburg, but it will also help to bring about new development opportunities in the downtown area.

In the coming months, many events will be taking place in Johnsburg. The Johnsburg Area Business Association is hosting their 19th Annual Business and Crafts Expo on Saturday, February 23, 2019 at the Johnsburg High School and the Village's annual Easter Egg Hunt will be on held on Saturday April 20th at Sunnyside Memorial Park by the Village Hall. Also in the coming months, the Village will be holding Strategic Planning meetings to review and assess previously established goals and plan for the future, with input from stakeholders in our community. For information regarding additional coming events, go to the back cover of this issue.

I know as hard as we try to recognize all of our wonderful volunteers, we may miss someone. If you know of someone we have overlooked, please do not hesitate to contact me. I appreciate all of your input and reminders. I cannot thank all of you enough for your support of our community, its events and giving me the opportunity to serve as your Village President.









## **2019-2020 Kindergarten Parent Orientation Night**

Ringwood School Primary Center will be holding a Kindergarten Parent Orientation Night on Tuesday March 19, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. This event is designed to introduce parents to the enrollment process and the program. If your child is new to Ringwood School, please bring your child's official birth certificate and proof of residency, so you will be able to start enrolling your child. If you have any questions, please contact the Ringwood School office at (815) 728-0459 or the District 12 office at (815) 385-6916.

## **2019-2020 Pre-Kindergarten Screening Information Night**

Ringwood School Primary Center will be holding a Pre-Kindergarten Screening Information Night on Tuesday April 30, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. This event is designed to introduce parents to the Pre-K program and to allow parents to sign their students up for a screening appointment. The program is limited so only students who qualify for the program through a screening will be accepted. Appointments will only be set for parents who bring in their child's official birth certificate and proof of residency. If you have any questions, please contact the Ringwood School office at (815) 728-0459 or the District 12 office at (815) 385-6916.

## **Johnsburg High School Incubator Program**

Johnsburg High school will be adding an authentic entrepreneurship experience for Skyhawk students beginning in the 2019-20 school year, through a class called INCubatoredu. The curriculum for INCubatoredu is a blend of traditional entrepreneurship components, with an experiential approach to learning traditional business education subjects. Student teams have the opportunity to create and fully develop their own product or service, while being coached by volunteer mentors from the business community. This INCubatoredu partnership between the classroom teacher, business mentors, and

student teams provides an incredible, foundational business experience, whether students are planning on pursuing entrepreneurship and business in college or looking to enter the workforce immediately following high school. Johnsburg High School is very excited about this opportunity, and will be looking for mentors and donors from the business community to help make this program the best it can. If interested in volunteering or donating to the program, please contact business teacher Terri Szramek at [tszramek@johnsburg12.org](mailto:tszramek@johnsburg12.org) or principal Kevin Shelton at [kshelton@johnsburg12.org](mailto:kshelton@johnsburg12.org).

## **D12 All In Family Depot**

Johnsburg School District recognizes that addressing the social/emotional needs of students is paramount for their academic achievement. Many families in our community face difficult challenges and struggles every day at home. District 12 believes it is important to do what they can to assist those families in need. Johnsburg School District has introduced a new community assistance program known as the D12 All In "Family Depot". The "Family Depot" offers assistance and a place for those community members in need, to find everyday essential items at no cost. The "Family Depot" runs on the generosity of our community through donations received. For those that are interested in donating, items should be gently used or new. If interested, please contact Stephanie Voss at (815) 385-6916. The "Family Depot" is open the 2nd Sunday of the month, typically running from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm at Johnsburg High School. Special appointments are available; if necessary please contact Stephanie Voss. During the event, there will be limited staff volunteers to ensure confidentiality. Additionally, no information is exchanged other than how the community member learned of the event and what items of need were not found at the "Family Depot".

JABA had a very successful 2018 under the leadership of President Lori Boyle (BWB Graphics), Vice-President Mark Adams (Paradise Financial Partners), Secretary Kim Giovanni (Village of Johnsburg), Treasurer John Huemann (Joseph H. Huemann & Sons Well Drilling) and Josh Hagen (Village Trustee, Economic Development Committee Chairman and Prem Magnetics). In 2018, JABA sponsored several events including the annual Business & Craft Expo, the State of the Village Dinner, the first annual JABA Golf Outing and awarded the Roger Liston Memorial Scholarship to Nicole Fassnacht for her success inside and outside of the classroom. We also enjoyed celebrating the successes of our members and welcoming new businesses to town with ribbon cutting events and open houses.

We thanked Lori Boyle for her leadership as JABA's president over the last two years and thanked Rick Bierman for his many years as Chairman of the Expo. Mark Adams has taken on the role of JABA President and Nicole Falco has stepped up to Chair the Expo for 2019. Laura King (McHenry County Conservation District) has stepped into the Vice-President role.

With a growing membership of over 90 members, JABA looks forward to 2019 with improved services and activities to help local businesses grow. Consider becoming a member and join us for monthly meetings and events throughout the year. Visit [johnsburgjaba.com](http://johnsburgjaba.com) for membership information.

*"Like" and follow us on Facebook to get the latest JABA updates.*

## Spring Home Checklist

### 1. Examine Roof Shingles

Examine roof shingles to see if any were lost or damaged during winter. Shingles that are cracked, buckled or loose or are missing granules need to be replaced. Flashing around plumbing vents, skylights and chimneys need to be checked and repaired.

### 2. Check for Decayed Wood

Use a screwdriver to probe the wood trim and drywall around windows, doors, railings and decks. Make repairs now before the spring rains do more damage to the exposed wood.

### 3. Check the Gutters

Check for loose or leaky gutters. Improper drainage can lead to water in the basement or crawl space. Make sure downspouts drain away from the foundation and are clear and free of debris.

### 4. Inspect Grade and Foundation

Low areas in the yard or next to the foundation should be filled with compacted soil. Spring rains can cause yard flooding, which can lead to foundation flooding and damage. Also, when water pools in these low areas in summer, it creates a breeding ground for insects.

### 5. Examine the Chimney

Examine the exterior of the chimney for signs of damage. Have the flue cleaned and inspected by a certified chimney sweep.

### 6. Inspect Concrete

Inspect concrete slabs for signs of cracks or movement. All

exterior slabs except pool decks should drain away from the home's foundation. Fill cracks with a concrete crack filler or silicone caulk. When weather permits, power-wash and then seal the concrete.

### 7. Check Outside Faucets

Check outside hose faucets for freeze damage. Turn the water on and place your thumb or finger over the opening. If you can stop the flow of water, it is likely the pipe inside the home is damaged and will need to be replaced. While you're at it, check the garden hose for dry rot.

### 8. Exterior Home Cleaning

Spring is a good time to give the house a good scrub, washing all the winter away. Grit and grime stuck to the siding can damage paint and masonry over time. Look for signs of peeling or chipping paint. You may need a touch-up or a fresh coat.

### 9. Service the AC Unit

Have a qualified heating and cooling contractor clean and service the outside unit of the air conditioning system. Clean coils operate more efficiently, and an annual service call will keep the system working at peak performance levels. Change interior filters on a regular basis.

### 10. Check Power Equipment

Check your gas and battery-powered lawn equipment to make sure it is ready for summer use. Clean equipment and sharp cutting blades will make yardwork easier.





# Johnsburg 2019 Polling Locations

<b>MCHENRY 01 - VILLAGE OF RINGWOOD (BOARD ROOM)</b> 6000 BARNARD MILL RD. RINGWOOD 60072	<b>MCHENRY 17 - JOHNSBURG VILLAGE HALL (BOARD ROOM)</b> 1515 CHANNEL BEACH AVE. JOHNSBURG 60051
<b>MCHENRY 04 - JOHNSBURG COMMUNITY CLUB (MAIN HALL)</b> 2315 W. CHURCH ST. JOHNSBURG 60051	<b>MCHENRY 21 - MCHENRY AMERICAN LEGION POST 491 (MAIN HALL)</b> 1331 N. RIVERSIDE DR. MCHENRY 60050
<b>MCHENRY 12 - MCCULLOM LAKE VILLAGE HALL (MAIN HALL)</b> 4811 W. ORCHARD DR., MCHENRY 60050	<b>MCHENRY 27 - FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (FELLOWSHIP HALL)</b> 2107 W. LINCOLN RD. MCHENRY 60051
<b>MCHENRY 14 - MCHENRY LIBRARY (NE SIDE BLDG, MTG RMS 135,136)</b> 809 FRONT ST MCHENRY 60050	<b>MCHENRY 29 - EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH OF MCHENRY (SANCTUARY)</b> 2614 N. RINGWOOD RD. MCHENRY 60050
<b>MCHENRY 15 - JOHNSBURG COMMUNITY CLUB (MAIN HALL)</b> 2315 W CHURCH ST JOHNSBURG 60051	<b>MCHENRY 31 - WHISPERING HILLS COMMUNITY CENTER</b> 4708 JEFFERY ST. MCHENRY 60050
<b>MCHENRY 16 - JOHNSBURG VILLAGE HALL (BOARD ROOM)</b> 1515 CHANNEL BEACH AVE. JOHNSBURG 60051	<b>MCHENRY 35 - JOYFUL HARVEST CHURCH (MULTI-PURPOSE RM)</b> 5050 JOHNSBURG RD. JOHNSBURG 60051

## EARLY VOTING

Early voting begins **March 18th, 2019** for the April 2nd, 2019 Consolidated Election. The ONLY location for early voting will be McHenry Township Offices (3703 N. Richmond Rd. Johnsburg, IL 60051) NOT your designated polling location.

*The early voting law, effective in Illinois, allows voters to cast a ballot at an early voting center through Monday, April 1st, 2019*

## EARLY VOTING WILL BE CONDUCTED ONLY AT

**McHENRY TOWNSHIP OFFICES**  
3703 N. Richmond Rd.  
Johnsburg, IL 60051

Monday, March 18th through Friday, March 22th  
9:00 AM to 2:00 PM  
Monday, March 25th through Friday, March 29th  
9:00 AM to 2:00 PM  
Saturday, March 30th 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Any voter who requests a "Vote by Mail" ballot may go to the polls on Election Day and surrender the ballot originally requested.

For more information about early voting or voting locations, e-mail the McHenry County Clerk's office at [mchenryelection@co.mchenry.il.us](mailto:mchenryelection@co.mchenry.il.us) or call 815-334-4242.

## VOTING BY MAIL

Voting by mail is an option for voters to cast their ballot prior to Election Day. Voters can request a vote by mail ballot through the mail or in person. **All ballots by mail submitted must be postmarked no later than April 2nd, 2019.**

# Date to Remember

## April 2nd, 2019 – Consolidated Election



## Easter Egg Hunt

The Village of Johnsburg, along with the Community Affairs Committee is hosting an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 20th at Sunnyside Park from 11AM to Noon. There will be 3 separate hunts broken down by age group. Come join your neighbors for some Hoppy Fun! Bring your own basket to collect your eggs and watch out for a Hoppy Visitor!

## Voluntary Vehicle Sticker Renewal

Although the Village no longer requires the use of vehicle stickers, we do have them available for residents who wish to display one. Stickers are now available and can be purchased at the Village Hall for a cost of \$20. *Display of this sticker also enables Village residents to utilize the Riverview Drive Boat Launch.*



## Use of Golf Carts on Village Roads

With the warmer weather approaching here are a few reminders regarding the use of non-highway vehicles. Golf carts and other qualified non-highway vehicles may be driven on streets within the Village's corporate boundaries with the exception of Johnsburg Road, Ringwood Road and any county roads. Signs have been posted on streets where golf carts are allowed.

In order to drive these vehicles in the Village, you must be 16 years of age, have a valid driver's license and complete the mandatory annual inspection of your vehicle. The initial cost to register your non-highway vehicle is \$50 and renewals are \$10. This fee includes the cost of a sticker which is required to be displayed. If you have a golf cart or other allowable utility vehicle, or are thinking of purchasing one, please review Chapter 15.15 of the Johnsburg Municipal Code regulating their use. This code can be viewed on the Village's website and at the Village Hall. You may print the non-highway vehicle application from the Village of Johnsburg's website. **Note that the use of four wheelers, motorbikes and other all-terrain vehicles with saddle seats are prohibited on Village streets.**

## Boat Launch Stickers



Boat launch stickers are available at the Village Hall. Anyone wishing to use the Village's boat launch on Riverview Drive is required to purchase a sticker and display it on the vehicle used to launch the boat. The sticker cost for Village residents is \$20 and non-residents may purchase a sticker for \$100.



# Get Ready for Golf



With Spring just around the corner, the Village of Johnsburg's Chapel Hill Golf Course will soon be open for the season. Come out and enjoy a great golf experience and check out the improvements being made at the course. Village residents receive special discount pricing. For more information go to [www.chapelhillgc.com](http://www.chapelhillgc.com) or contact GolfVisions at 847-566-7373 (winter contact number).



2500 N. Chapel Hill Road  
Johnsburg, IL 60051

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847-566-7373  
(winter contact number).

## Open Burning of Landscape Waste

### PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES

- Burning landscape waste within 100 feet of a habitable structure (residence, school, etc.) and within 50 feet of a non-habitable structure (detached garage, shed, barn, etc.).
- Burning of manure, garbage, construction materials, litter, etc. on any property.

### RESTRICTIONS WHEN GREATER THAN 100' OF A HABITABLE STRUCTURE

- Only landscape waste and only on the property where the landscape waste was generated, **during the months of April and May on weekend days (Saturdays & Sundays)**. Between dawn and dusk when the winds are less than 10 mph. **Must be supervised by an individual at least 18yrs of age and a fire extinguisher, garden hose or water source must be available** at the burning site.
- **There is no burning on public or private roads, alleys, sidewalks or easements.** For more information go to [www.mcdh.info](http://www.mcdh.info) or call 815-334-4585.



### EXEMPTIONS

- Recreational fires; not larger than 3'x3'x3', and excludes leaves, grass or shrubbery clippings.
- Ceremonial fires (bonfires) larger than 3'x3'x3', and excludes leaves, grass or shrubbery clippings; permit required from McHenry County Department of Health.

# Johnsburg Public Library Events

Advance registration is required. Sign up online at [johnsburglibrary.org](http://johnsburglibrary.org) or call the library at 815-344-0077. A complete list of programs is available on the library's Calendar of Events webpage at [johnsburglibrary.org](http://johnsburglibrary.org)

## Cold Blooded Creatures

Weds., March 20, 4pm. Ages 7-11  
Meet live creatures from the Burpee Museum of Natural History including reptiles, amphibians, and even giant Madagascar cockroaches!  
Registration begins February 25.

## Bollywood Dancing

Thurs., April 4, 7pm. Adults & Teens  
Learn the fundamental movements and techniques of Bollywood-style dance with this fun, energetic class.  
Registration begins March 11.

## The A, B, C & D of Medicare

Mon., April 22, 6:30pm  
Find out about your Medicare choices, along with resources that make it easy to understand the basics. Presented by Francesca Brogan of Aegis Resources, Inc.  
Registration begins April 1.

## Medicare Supplement Insurance

Tues., April 23, 6:30pm  
Original Medicare pays for much of your healthcare services, but not for all. Come learn about the various Medigap options available with Christie Conway of Bankers Life.  
Registration begins April 1.

## Preparing for Unforeseen Health and Financial Stresses in Retirement

Mon., April 29, 5:30pm  
Dr. Rachel Northern of Northern Light Care will show you ways to stay healthy and eliminate stress in your life. Donna Adams of Paradise Financial Partners will discuss how to avoid the stress of the "Great Retirement Income Gap," covering strategies to prevent you from running out of funds during retirement along with ways to protect your assets.  
Registration begins April 1.

## Mom & Me Meditation

Sat., May 4, 10am  
Ages 7-11 (with adult)  
You and your child can build a more mindful and compassionate life while reducing stress. You'll be guided through easy breathing and relaxation exercises and a short meditation session. Wear comfy clothes and bring a yoga mat for mom and child to share.  
Registration begins April 15.



## Picnics in the Park

With the hope of warmer weather around the corner, it won't be long before families will be coming out to enjoy our parks. The Village provides shelters at Sunnyside Memorial, Hiller and Rescue Squad Memorial Parks which may be rented for private functions for a small fee. Go to [www.johnsburg.org](http://www.johnsburg.org) for the park application and fee information.

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# The future of curbside recycling is at risk!

Today, one non-recyclable item can spoil an entire load of good materials. Placing one wrong item in your recycling bin may not seem very important, but it is becoming a global problem that can prevent thousands of tons of recyclables from ever seeing a second life. Help protect the future of recycling by educating yourself about acceptable recyclable materials. Waste Management has created a website to offer tools you can use to make recycling sustainable for future generations. Do your part and follow these simple guidelines.



**RECYCLE OFTEN.  
RECYCLE RIGHT.**

## KEEP THE DIRTY DOZEN OUT OF YOUR RECYCLING CART.

You have heard the saying, "one bad apple can spoil the bunch." The same goes for recycling. We need your help to keep the dirty dozen out of the recycling cart.



Go to [RecycleOftenRecycleRight.com](http://RecycleOftenRecycleRight.com) to learn more.

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## RECYCLING RULES

1. RECYCLE ALL BOTTLES, CANS AND PAPER
2. KEEP ITEMS CLEAN AND DRY
3. NO PLASTIC BAGS

### Always recycle:



#### Plastic Bottles & Containers

Plastic bottles, jars, jugs and tubs



#### Food & Beverage Cans

Tin, aluminum, steel food and beverage cans



#### Paper

Cardboard, paper, newspaper, paperboard, magazines



#### Flattened Cardboard & Paperboard

Flatten all boxes (do not bundle/tie up)

## Dirty Rides

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## Johnsburg Events 2019

- Mar 7th**  
LIONS Meat Raffle Ticket sales for first raffle begin at 7:30PM
- Mar 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th**  
Stations of the Cross @ St. John's
- Mar 9th**  
Catholic Order of Foresters Court 96 & the Johnsburg Men's Club Corned Beef Dinner @ JCC 4PM – 8:30PM
- Apr 4th**  
LIONS Meat Raffle Ticket sales for first raffle begin at 7:30PM
- Apr 5th**  
Knights of Columbus Fish Fry @ St. John's School Hall
- Apr 6th**  
Johnsburg Pigtail League 4th Annual Prime Rib Dinner  
Johnsburg Community Club 5:30PM
- Apr 13th**  
Easter Bunny Breakfast @ St. John's
- Apr 20th**  
Village of Johnsburg/Community Affairs Committee Easter Egg Hunt @ Sunnyside Memorial Park from 11AM - Noon
- May 2nd**  
LIONS Meat Raffle Ticket sales for first raffle begin at 7:30PM
- May 3rd**  
Johnsburg Community Club Super Raffle
- May 19th**  
51st Fair Diddley Woodstock Square 10AM – 4PM
- May 27th**  
Johnsburg VFW Post 11496 Memorial Day Riverfront Opening Ceremony & Memorial Day Parade to JCC
- If you would like your non-profit organization's events listed here, please contact the Village of Johnsburg  
Phone: 815-385-6023; email: [villagehall@johnsburg.org](mailto:villagehall@johnsburg.org)*

**[www.Johnsburg.org](http://www.Johnsburg.org)**