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Your monthly news & updates

Greetings!

It is hard to believe that we are at the end of October and heading towards the end of the year. For those of us on Jan 1, 2020 who talked about the roaring 20's; I don't think this is how it was meant. However, I am optimistic that we will get through this difficult time and in the future look back and say "remember when".



As you might be aware, Kane County, DuPage County and Will County are all on restrictions - which includes no indoor dining or bar service. Kendall County is not in mitigations, however is coming very close. It is so important to wear a mask, and hand sanitize - even when you are at a restaurant. Ideally you should wear your mask up until the food is served at your table. Keep in mind that informal family gatherings is where we are seeing significant COVID-19 spread as well, so even if you are inside a family members house, wear a mask and keep social distance. I just want to keep people safe, and the friends that I have known who got infected tell me it is a terrible disease that you do not want to get or to spread to a loved one.

We have included in this email Halloween information for you, and I hope you have a wonderful weekend.

In addition, the election is Tuesday, November 3rd. If you have a mail-in ballot it is best to physically drop it off at your County Clerk's office instead of mailing it. If you plan to vote on election day, please plan your day in case you encounter long lines. Please contact your County Clerk's office if you have any questions or concerns.

I am excited to invite you to Zoom in with me on Monday Mornings. We will still also stream on Facebook; but for those of you without Facebook accounts you can now join me on Zoom Monday mornings. Information is included in this email.

I am enjoying still trying to connect with you as much as I can. We are continuing to partner with Kane County to provide Senior Meals - the information is included below.

Our Shred & Recycle event was a huge success as was our CUPS drive. Now that we enter the holiday season, we are again a Drop Off location for Toys for Tots. Please donate a new unwrapped toy for a family in need.

I wish you all my best. I hope that everyone is staying safe and healthy. If you know of anyone who needs help with anything, please call my office.

Take care and be well,



P.S. **Why do we have Daylight Savings Time?** Daylight Saving Time ends in 2020 at 2 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 1, marking the time when clocks “fall back” and we gain an extra hour of sleep.

While daylight saving time has been around since World War I, the United States didn't formalize it until the Uniform Time Act in 1966. Daylight Saving Time starts the second Sunday in March and concludes the first Sunday in November. The concept is intended to make better use of the day's light by moving an hour of daylight from the morning to the evening.

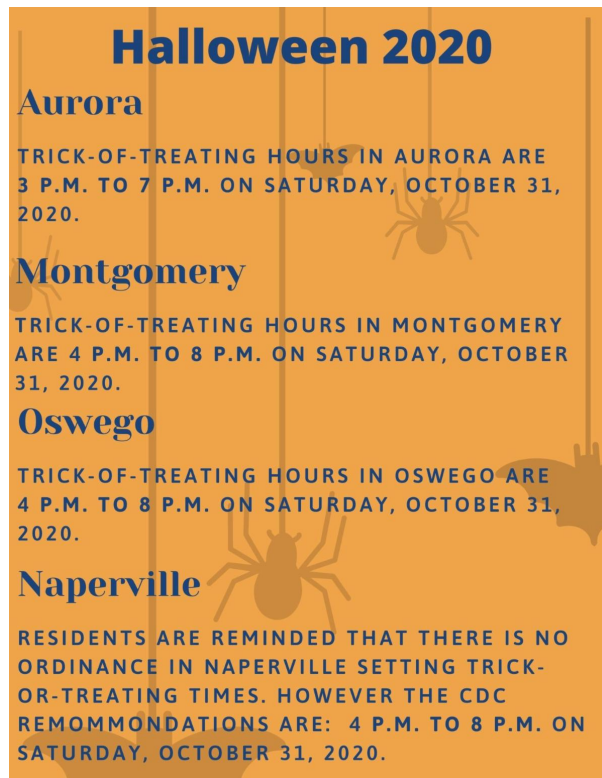
When you change your clocks, you should also change the batteries in your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors.

Halloween 2020

Halloween Guidance

Because some of the traditional ways to celebrate this holiday do not allow for proper social distancing, the **Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH)** is providing the following guidance to allow for safe Halloween celebrations. Trick-or-treating events need to incorporate social distancing, masking, and proper handwashing, as well as adherence to gathering size. For this year, it would be safest to plan special events at home, using social media and other meeting platforms to connect with family and friends. However, for those who choose to celebrate in person IDPH is offering the following guidance. Please reference your local health department, village/city, or county information for guidance or policies specific to your location as well.

For up to date COVID-19 News [click here.](#)



Halloween 2020

Aurora
TRICK-OF-TREATING HOURS IN AURORA ARE 3 P.M. TO 7 P.M. ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2020.

Montgomery
TRICK-OF-TREATING HOURS IN MONTGOMERY ARE 4 P.M. TO 8 P.M. ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2020.

Oswego
TRICK-OF-TREATING HOURS IN OSWEGO ARE 4 P.M. TO 8 P.M. ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2020.

Naperville
RESIDENTS ARE REMINDED THAT THERE IS NO ORDINANCE IN NAPERVILLE SETTING TRICK-OR-TREATING TIMES. HOWEVER THE CDC REMOMMONDATIONS ARE: 4 P.M. TO 8 P.M. ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2020.

Join Me via ZOOM or on Facebook

I continue to host Monday Morning Coffee live via Facebook at 9:00am-10:00am where you can post your comments and questions. I realize not everyone has Facebook, if you would like to join us on Monday mornings, the good news is you have the option of doing so. You can join in via ZOOM which I will provide you with a link and you will be able to interact just as if you were on Facebook. Don't worry you will not be on live, your video

feed and mic will be muted.

We will be emailing the ZOOM link to everyone for Monday morning separately.

If you would like to join us, please email Michelle@ILDistrict84.com or call the office at (630) 585-1308.



Senior Meals

We are continuing our Senior Meal Distribution in November and December. You must call to register (630) 585.1308 or E-mail Lori@ildistrict84.com. Participants must reside in Kane County, 60 years of age or older. Current participants of Meals on Wheels are not eligible. Distribution dates will be Monday November 9 and Monday December 7, 2020. Registration closes the Friday prior to meal pick up at noon.



Meals provided by
Kane Senior Council

PLEASE
STAY IN YOUR CAR



State Rep. Barbara Hernandez

Aurora Police Department

State Rep. Stephanie Kifowit



CALL TO REGISTER
Registration closes
Friday November 6th at 12:00pm

Rep. Kifowit
630.585.1308 OR
Rep. Hernandez
630.270.1848

Adults who are 60+ & reside in Kane County are eligible for 5 frozen meals; you must call to register to be eligible to participate. Not eligible if currently enrolled in Meals on Wheels.

SENIOR MEAL DISTRIBUTION DRIVE-THRU

- When: Monday November 9, 2020
- Where: Aurora Police Department
- 1200 E. Indian Trail Rd, Aurora, IL 60505
- Time: 11:00am-1:00pm
- Only Available Via Registration



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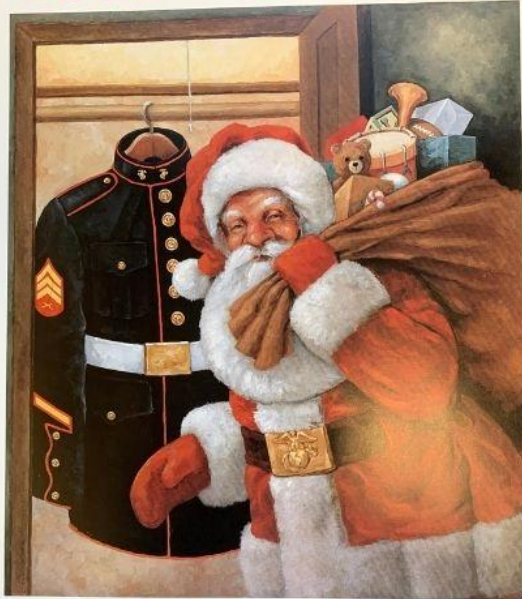
www.StaterepresentativeBarbaraHernandez.com hailey.repbhernandez@gmail.com

This temporary service may conclude at any time. For more information about Kane Senior Council call 630-338-0999 or email info@kanesenioreouncil.org or visit: www.kanesenioreouncil.org

Toys for Tots Drop Off Location

We are participating in the 2020 Toys for Tots program. Toys for Tots is a program run by the United States Marine Corps Reserve which distributes toys to children whose parents cannot afford to buy them gifts for Christmas. New, unwrapped toys are accepted (no stuffed animals please) at my district office located at 1677 Montgomery Road; #116, Aurora, 60504 Monday-Friday during business hours or contact us if you would like us to pick up 630.585.1308. Collections will be accepted through December 8, 2020.

TOYS FOR TOTS



Drop off at
1677
Montgomery
Rd #116

U.S. MARINE CORPS

For more information go to www.toysfortots.org

www.facebook.com/toysfortots www.twitter.com/ToysForTots_USA

New Unwrapped Toys

No stuffed animals

Collections accepted through

Dec 8, 2020

630.585.1308

M-Thur

9am-4pm

Fri

9:00 am-2pm

In The District

Recycle & Shred Day 2020

We had a very successful shred and recycle day with a steady stream of cars coming through during the event. Thank you to our sponsor IBEW Local 461 and our partner Fox Metro.



Throughout the year we collect and recycle K-Cups and American Flags that may have damage or worn-out.

RECYCLING EVENT STATS

2020

SATURDAY OCT 3

**112 SOFT COVER
BOOKS**

Donated to the Kane County
Adult Detention Center



MEDICATION 98 LBS



Fox Valley Metro
Wastewater collected both
prescription and over the
counter medications

**90 READING
GLASSES**

Collected 90+ pairs of reading
glasses and donated to Lions
Club



**CELL PHONES &
TABLETS 75**



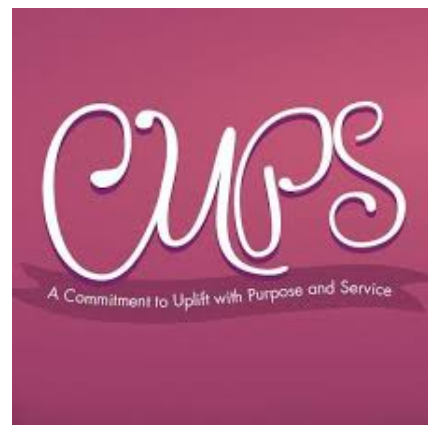
Donated cell phones &
tablets to Mutual Ground

**THANK YOU TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED IN
DROPPING OFF ITEMS**

Thank you to our
Partners, Sponsors and Volunteers

CUPS Bra Drive

Thank you to all of the bra donors this year's bra drive was a huge success. My District Office was a collection site and we collected 70 bras. This year over 1550 bras were collected in all. You can find additional information [HERE](#).



In the News!

Thank you to all who participated in our 2nd blood drive this year. I collaborated with Representative Barbara Hernandez and Representative Keith Wheeler and together on October 16, we held a joint blood drive.

I was honored to be selected a "Friend in

Agriculture 2020" by the Will County Farm Bureau. (we were maintaining social distancing) [website](#)



For Business Owners

Office of Minority Economic Empowerment



The business development managers from Office of Minority Economic Empowerment (OMEE) are excited to host you for Online with OMEE – an open online conversation with OMEE constituents (racial/ethnic minorities, women, persons with disabilities, and veteran-owned businesses).

OMEE will provide you with the latest updates regarding federal and state programs and answer any questions you may have about other available resources or you can find additional resources [HERE](#)

Wednesday, November 4, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday, November 18, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 2, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday, December 16, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.

For more information, or to register please visit the DCEO website [HERE](#)

Safety Tip

Cold weather often inspires people to use candles, light a fireplace or install a space heater to take the chill out of the air. However, if that fireplace hasn't been cleaned since the last cold spell a year ago or if the space heater is not properly installed, the cozy mood can quickly turn catastrophic.

Most fire extinguishers operate using the following P.A.S.S. technique:

1. PULL... Pull the pin. This will also break the tamper seal.
2. AIM... Aim low, pointing the extinguisher nozzle (or its horn or hose) at the base of the fire.

NOTE: Do not touch the plastic discharge horn on CO2 extinguishers, it gets very cold and

may damage skin.

1. SQUEEZE... Squeeze the handle to release the extinguishing agent.
2. SWEEP... Sweep from side to side at the base of the fire until it appears to be out.
Watch the area. If the fire re-ignites, repeat steps 2 - 4.

If you have the slightest doubt about your ability to fight a fire....EVACUATE IMMEDIATELY! Visit [OSHA](#) for more information.

How to Properly Use a Fire Extinguisher



While the specifics may vary depending on the model you own, most fire extinguishers operate the same basic way. Stand six to eight feet away from the fire and remember to **PASS**:

PULL



1. Pull the pin at the top to break the tamper seal.

AIM



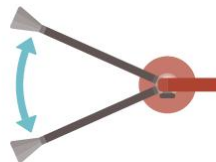
2. Aim the extinguisher low, pointing the nozzle at the base of the fire. Do not aim at the flames themselves.

SQUEEZE



3. Squeeze the handle to release the extinguishing agent.

SWEEP



4. Sweep the extinguisher from side to side, continuing to aim at the base of the fire until it appears to be out.

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