



# “THE DISPATCH NEWS”



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## POLICE PARTICIPATE IN EMERGENCY MEDICATION DRILL

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In the wake of 9/11, the nation’s emergency disaster agencies realized the need for the potential treatment of large portions of the general population in the event of a biological event or a severe infectious outbreak. Realizing that medical services could be paralyzed during such an event, the most effective method of protecting the population is to distribute any available preventative medications or necessary antibiotics or antidotes to the potentially affected population. The Federal Government has several large stockpiles of medications pre-packaged and staged in strategic locations around the United States that can be shipped by military transport in short notice to areas in need.

Several states and counties have smaller quantities of similar medications stored for immediate distribution when the need arises. With the recent concern of the Avian Flu and the historical record of worldwide pandemics there is a growing concern amongst the general public that local



*Residents report at the processing tables prior to being transported to the medication dispensing site during the emergency drill on March 27th, 2007*

precautions are in place.

Many towns in Illinois have plans in place for the distribution of medications if the need arises. The process of distribution varies from county to county due to different county Emergency Management Agencies protocols, resources, and population density. In April 2004, the Cook County Department of Public Health released their guidelines to local governments for pharmaceutical distribution.

The Cook County guideline required local governments to work together in groups targeting populations of 50,000 or more residents to qualify for Cook County resource assistance. Regionalization qualified the group for limited assistance from the Cook County Department of Public Health with the planning and administration of the pharmaceutical distribution plan.

Residents of Countryside, Hodgkins, Indian Head Park,

# LT. SCOTT BOBYSUD RETIRES

On March 1st, 1977 Scott Bobysud began his career as a police officer with the Hodgkins Police Department. Thirty years later he began his well earned retirement.

Scott started with the Hodgkins Police when our police station was only one (1) room. At the time he was one of only 6 full time police officers in the Village.

Officer Scott Bobysud was promoted to the rank of Police Sergeant in 1981. As a shift supervisor, Scott's responsibilities began to grow. He took pride in his ability to work with and assist the patrol officers. At a time when he was still very young, he became known as "The Ole Sarge".

In 1992 he was promoted to the rank of Police Lieutenant. By this time the Police



LT. SCOTT BOBYSUD

Department had doubled in numbers. With this promotion, comes more responsibilities.

Lt. Bobysud was put in charge of the Patrol Division. He was now tasked with supervising all the patrol Sergeants and officers. Squad cars and all sorts of police

equipment came under his title.

Scott is a founding member of the Hodgkins Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #151, chartered in 1981. He also has been a member of the Hodgkins Police Pension Board since its inception in 1987, serving as Vice-President and President until his recent retirement.

Scott enjoys golfing, fishing, riding his Harley-Davidson Motorcycle and family cookouts. Scott, wife Dawn and Dog Ruger plan on staying in the western suburbs for awhile yet.

Lt. Bobysud and his family was recognized and congratulated at the December Village Christmas Party.

**CONGRATS AND  
"BEST WISHES SCOTT"**



*Above Photo: Scott receives retirement plaque from The Hodgkins Police Department*

*Left Photo: Scott's parents Otto and Millie Bobysud, wife Dawn and Mother-in-law Judy Stolte*

## MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

This spring and summer brings many new changes to our Police Department and Community.

Lieutenant Scott Bobysud has retired after 30 years of service to the Village of Hodgkins. Due to this retirement, Sgt Jack Azzarello has been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant and Officer Chris Milojevich was promoted to the rank of Sergeant. More information on the retirement and promotions are inside this newsletter.

When officers retire and promotions are made, new positions are available. Last fall the Hodgkins Civil Service Commission conducted the testing process to form a list of eligible candidates for the police department. The Hodgkins Civil Service Commission, Shirley Drenning, Ron Johnson and Hugh Rhodes along with Village Attorney Pat Rogers endured many hours of meetings in an effort to form a qualified list of eligible candidates. I would like to thank them for conducting a professional testing process, which resulted in over 20 qualified candidates. This list is required by Illinois State Statute and will expire in 2 years, then we must do it all

over again.

From that list, the Village hired two new officers:

Officer Ryan Carrasquillo was appointed in January and attended the Cook

County Sheriff's Police Academy. He graduated in March and is completing the 12 week Field Training phase.

Officer Jeff Keilman was appointed in February and attended the Police Academy at the Police Training Institute in Champaign Illinois. He graduated on May 10th and is currently in his 12 week Field Training phase.

In this issue of our newsletter, you will find some very important information. We are currently involved in designing a "**Pharmaceutical Distribution Plan**" in the Lyons Township area. This will enable our residents to receive important medications in the event of a national emergency.

The distribution plan includes Countryside, Indian Head Park, LaGrange, LaGrange Highlands and LaGrange Park. The local Fire and Police Departments have



CHIEF PHIL KRINGLIE

worked in conjunction with the Cook County Department of Public Health to design a distribution plan that will benefit all our residents. You will be hearing more about this program in the future.

Also in this issue, you will find information on severe weather safety procedures. The Hodgkins Emergency Services and Disaster Agency Director Al Mills has provided important information for our residents to remember in the event of severe weather conditions.

Please keep in mind that as the weather turns nice and the children leave school for the summer to be extra cautious when driving through our community.

On behalf of the Hodgkins Police Department, have a great and safe summer.

*Chief Phil Kringle*

"WE CANNOT ALWAYS BUILD THE FUTURE FOR OUR YOUTH, BUT WE CAN BUILD OUR YOUTH FOR THE FUTURE."

- FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

# CONGRATULATIONS LT. JACK AZZARELLO

At the February Village Board meeting Sgt. Jack Azzarello was promoted to the rank of **POLICE LIEUTENANT**.

Lt. Azzarello began his law enforcement career as a radio dispatcher for the Willow Springs Police Department not long after graduating from Lyons Township High School. Upon reaching the age of 21, Jack moved right into the patrol division of Willow Springs P.D. and subsequently attended the University of Illinois Police Training Institute in 1978.

Lt. Azzarello comes from a long line of police officers, including his grandfather, John D. Frost, who was killed in the line of duty in 1936 as a Lombard Illinois Police Officer. On January 2, 1980 he became Patrolman Jack Azzarello of the



**LT. JACK AZZARELLO**

Hodgkins Police Department. In these early years he held such titles as Investigator, Youth Officer and was instrumental in the development of our Gang Crimes Unit.

Jack is a charter member of the Hodgkins Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #151 and was

elected the Lodge's First Recording Secretary. When the Police Department became unionized, Jack served as labor representative and has worked on all of the union

contracts that pertain to our Sergeants and Patrol officers.

Jack was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in January 1992 and was tasked with new responsibilities. He quickly adapted to the role of a shift supervisor and has always been respected by his co-workers. His knowledge of the law and police procedures stands out and is a constant asset to our department.

Jack handled the duties of Warrant Supervisor and had the responsibility of maintaining all the departments arrest warrants which number over 200. Jack is also a Certified Hazardous Material Supervisor and Assistant Coordinator to NIPAS (Northern Illinois Police Alarm System). He is also certified with the State of Illinois as a Breathalyzer Operator and in Truck Enforcement.

Lt. Azzarello is married and resides in Hodgkins with his wife Susie. Jack is the proud father of two sons, Matthew and Chris.

As a Lieutenant, Jack is in charge of the Patrol Operations in our Department. With this promotion comes more responsibility. Lt. Jack Azzarello brings a tremendous amount of knowledge to the Patrol Division and will be a great asset to our Department and the Village of Hodgkins.



Lt. Jack Azzarello displays his new LT Star, with Wife Susie and Jack's Mom, Mary

# CONGRATULATIONS SGT. CHRIS MILOJEVICH

At the February Village Board Meeting Police Officer Chris Milojevich was promoted to the rank of **POLICE SERGEANT**.

Chris Milojevich graduated from Lyons Township High School and earned a Bachelor's Degree in Law Enforcement Administration from Western Illinois University.

Chris started his career as a police radio operator in Countryside. He began testing for several police departments and was hired as a patrol officer with the Hodgkins Police Department in January 1991.

Patrol Officer Milojevich was a superb traffic officer and led the Department year after year in traffic arrests and enforcement. His passion for law enforcement became apparent by his involvement around our youth. He soon would become a youth officer. His dedication and caring for young children was obvious and when the Department developed a Dare Program, Officer Milojevich



SGT. CHRIS MILOJEVICH

was the perfect choice.

The Hodgkins D.A.R.E. Program began in September 1992 with DARE Officer Chris Milojevich at the helm. The program curriculum was dictated by the

*"Chris provided an obvious sense of compassion to these students that represented his genuine belief in the program"*  
- Chief Phil Kringle

students that represented his genuine belief in the program".

Officer Milo's dedication to the Village of Hodgkins is demonstrated on a daily basis with his professionalism and caring for our community. This year he started a Dodgeball and Floor Hockey League for youths at the Hodgkins Park District. Each Friday night, 50-75 school age kids had a program that combined police officers and local volunteers to provide recreation for our kids.

He continues to coordinate the St. Jude Bike-A-Thon and "Anti-Gang Day" at the Hodgkins Elementary School.

Chris and his wife JoAnn have three children, Kirk, Ryan and Jessica.

As a Sergeant, Chris Milojevich brings dedication and professionalism to our Village and the Hodgkins Police Department.

Illinois State Police, but the desire and professionalism to teach the academics came from Ofc Chris Milojevich.

"Chris provided an obvious sense of compassion to these



Sgt. Milojevich shows off his new SGT Star with son Ryan, wife JoAnn and Daughter Jessica.



# EMERGENCY PLAN:

LaGrange, LaGrange Highlands and LaGrange Park are covered by a pharmaceutical distribution plan that was developed to mesh with the Cook County guidelines. Existing disaster plans were rewritten in 2004 and a pharmaceutical distribution plan was developed through the efforts of local officials and emergency response personnel representing each agency. The group has met regularly to refine and evaluate the distribution plan. In 2005, the Fireman's Fund Insurance Company awarded the group grant money for the purchase of communication interoperability equipment. The equipment will allow multiple agencies to communicate on a common frequency in the event of a disaster.

The plan could be used for

minor outbreaks of a non-emergency type of activation such as widespread area inoculations. If the plan is used for distribution of the Strategic National Stockpile it could be a life or death type of event. Civilians need to understand that during a catastrophic event, routine lifestyles may be interrupted for an extended period of time with possible closings of schools, business and public areas.

The plan is designed to distribute pharmaceuticals to approximately 60,000 residents in a 96 hour time period. In the worst case scenario, 96 hours is the time that antibiotics are effective after exposure to certain biological threats. As such, the 96 hour distribution is the benchmark in the distribution plan. It is possible that medication distributions for other events would have an increased window of opportunity for the distribution.

The exact details of the distribution plan cannot be disclosed for security reasons. In the event of activation, instructions will be

immediately broadcast to residents via local radio, television and reverse 9-1-1 programs with information on when and where to report for processing. Each community covered by our plan has a designated staging site where residents will be processed. The distribution of medications will take place at one of several remote locations where residents will be bussed, treated and returned to their local staging site. This system of distribution is necessary to provide the environment for resident education, processing, and to maintain control of the site providing a high level of security that will be required during the distribution operation.

The operation of pharmaceutical distribution requires hundreds of emergency personnel manning the site 24 hours a day until the targeted population is treated. Volunteers are also needed to assist with the monumental task of servicing 60,000 residents. Each agency in the



At the processing staging site, residents are processed and transported to and from the dispensing site

Hodgkins Police Admin Asst. Elaine Thompson, Lt. Mark Wilkans, Sgt. Rick Ceplecha and Lyons Township Supervisor Pat Rogers observe the staging area



## EMERGENCY PLAN:

group is assessing and developing a resident volunteer corps to help in the process.

With the increased awareness of the "Bird Flu" and the possibility of a pandemic, residents have started to show an interest in local agencies planning for such an event. The Pharmaceutical Distribution Plan could be useful in such an event, provided a medication was available that would either prevent or treat the specific illness. At this time, such a medication is not readily available however, when the medications are developed and approved, a system of distribution is in place.

Residents interested in volunteering as members of the

community assistance team should contact their local government for details.

### THE VILLAGE OF HODGKINS DISTRIBUTION PLAN:

If this plan is used, our residents will receive notification on the activation and the specific details of where to report for registration.

In the next few months we will be fine-tuning our basic plan. This will include making sure that all our residents are accounted for and are able to receive the necessary medication.

*"This is an important reason to let the police department know if you are not able to transport yourself or have any special needs" says Chief of Police Phil Kringlie.*

The police department will be working with our ESDA (Emergency Services and Disaster Agency) to account for all our residents.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer for this program, please contact our ESDA Director Al Mills. He can be reached by leaving a message at the police department 352-4623 or by email:

[amills@hodgkinspd.org](mailto:amills@hodgkinspd.org)

## NEW CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM DETECTOR LAW

*By: Joseph Klotz*

Deaths from carbon monoxide poisoning generated by domestic heating appliances have received a great deal of publicity in recent years. In order to combat this danger, the Illinois General recently passed a Public Act requiring carbon monoxide detectors in dwellings.

On January 1, 2007 Public Act 094-0741, requiring carbon monoxide detectors in all dwelling units, took effect.



This public act passed by the Illinois House, was approved by the Governor on May 8, 2006, and requires that every dwelling unit be equipped with at least one approved carbon monoxide alarm in an operating condition within 15 feet of every room used for sleeping

purposes.

It is the responsibility of the owner of a structure to supply and install all required alarms and it is the responsibility of a tenant to test and to provide

general maintenance for the alarms within dwelling, and to notify the owner or his agent in writing of any deficiencies that the tenant cannot correct.

The build up of carbon monoxide can arise because of faulty appliances. More often, however, it is related to misuse, poor installation or maintenance, blocked and leaky flues or inadequate ventilation. Some of these problems can also arise when the occupant deliberately obstructs the ventilation or flue to prevent draughts.

These detectors can and will save lives.

# ANNUAL *D.A.R.E.* BASKETBALL GAME IN HONOR OF "DAGO"

On February 27th, 2007 the Hodgkins Police Department participated in the 10th Annual DARE Basketball Game at Gurrie Middle School.

Countryside Police DARE Officer Ernie Millsap started this charity event ten years ago. Each year the fundraiser is for a different cause. In past years we have raised funds to help fallen police officers, local school children and various other causes that effect our area and school district.

Last year, we focused on a Hodgkins Third Grade student who need a specialized electric wheelchair. Lupita suffers from a birth defect called "Arthrogryposis". It is a muscle disorder that causes multiple

joint contractures at birth. With the help of the DARE Basketball game, Lupita was provided with a new specialized wheelchair that she is able to control using head movements.

In 2006, the Countryside Police Department suffered the loss of their police dog, "DAGO". Countryside Canine Officer Joe Digangi and Dago were assisting another police agency in the search for a fleeing felon. As a result of the search, Dago was shot and killed in the line of duty.

The goal of this years fundraiser is to purchase a memorial plaque in honor of Countryside Police Dog Dago.

Police officers from

Countryside, Hodgkins and LaGrange participate in this annual event. Representing Hodgkins Police Department were Sgt. Rick Cepelcha, Sgt. Chris Milojevich, *DARE* Officer Mike Cimino, Detective Mike Pawlowski, Officer Mike Bennett, Lt. Jack Azzarello and Chief of Police Phil Kringlie.

The 8th Grade Cheerleaders and the "*Gurrie Tigers*" 8th Grade Boys Basketball Team, coached by Mike Stimac, was introduced to the crowd by Gurrie Middle School Principal Ed Hood. The boys



*Countryside DARE Officer Ernie Millsap brings the ball down court during the 10th Annual DARE Basketball Game*

*Hodgkins Officer Mike Pawlowski cools his knees down during a break*



*Hodgkins Police Chief Phil Kringlie and Mrs. Joan Millsap announce winners during halftime*





*Referees for the Event: District 105 Superintendent Glenn Schlichting, Principal Ed Hood and Tommy Burks*

were anxious to show that they were able to hold their own against these police officers.

The 7th Grade Cheerleaders and the **"DARE Lions" (Police Officers)** were introduced by Hodgkins Police Chief Phil Kringle.

As mentioned earlier, this event was a fundraiser. The lobby of the school was lined with items for a silent auction. Raffle tickets were sold for a variety of baskets containing

*Photo Below: Cook County Canine Officer and partner enjoy the game*



everything from soap products to wine.

At half-time, students were picked out of the crowd to have the chance to win a bicycle. Two bicycles were given away. A girls and a boys bike were donated by the Chamber of Commerce.

Countryside K-9 Officer Digangi and the new Police Dog "Rico" enjoyed watching the game and visiting with the students. The event raised about \$4,000.00 which will be used to purchase a Memorial Plaque or Statue of Dago.

The event is a great fundraiser for whatever the cause happens to be. However, additional to the fundraising, is the positive contact made between these students and the



*Countryside K-9 Officer Joe Digangi and his new Police Dog "Rico" meet some students*

assortment of police officers.

For ten years Countryside Police DARE Officer Ernie Millsap has organized this event. He does a terrific job and we would like to thank him for including our community and the Hodgkins Police Department. We look forward to participating in next years event.

*After the game both teams, cheerleaders, coaching staffs and Countryside Canine Officer Digangi with the new Police Dog "Rico" pose for a picture*



## VILLAGE OF HODGKINS

# *E*MERGENCY *S*ERVICES & *D*ISASTER *A*GENCY

*By. E.S.D.A. Coordinator Allan Mills*

Spring has arrived, with summer not far behind. Along with the nice warm spring weather comes thunderstorms and even tornadoes. Severe weather can strike with little or no warning. Be alert to changing weather conditions.

Residents are encouraged to seek shelter during ***Tornado Warnings***. A shelter can be your basement, a neighbors basement, an interior room with no windows or a designated building within our community.

### **TORNADO WATCH:**

This is issued by the National Weather Service when conditions are favorable for the development of tornadoes in and close to the watch area. Their size can vary depending on the weather situation. They are usually issued for a duration of 4 to 8 hours. They are normally issued well in advance of the actual occurrence of severe weather. During the watch, people should review tornado safety rules and be prepared to move to a place of safety if threatening weather approaches.

### **TORNADO WARNING:**

This is issued when a tornado is indicated by the WSR-88D radar or sighted by spotters. People in the affected area should seek safe shelter immediately. Warning can be issued without a Tornado Watch being already in effect. They are usually issued for a duration of around 30 minutes.

The only designated Tornado Shelter for the Village of Hodgkins is the Hodgkins Park District building located at 8997 Lyons Street. The facility has a partial basement in the main gymnasium area that is used as a shelter. Park District employees will open the facility during non-business hours in the event of a Tornado Warning.

When reporting to the Park District you should inform the staff that you are there to seek shelter from the storm. Please keep in mind, there are rules

that need to be followed while at the Park District.

The Pleasantview Fire Protection District monitors weather conditions for our area. However, the tornado warning sirens are activated by the Cook County Emergency Management Agency.

When you hear the Tornado warning siren it is important to remain calm and proceed to a safe place. If you choose to leave your residence, the designated shelter for our Village is the Park District building.

The staff of that building will ask that you stay in the designated area until they are sure every thing is Ok and the severe weather warning has expired.

### **WHAT SHOULD YOU DO DURING A STORM:**

- Listen to NOAA Weather Radio or to commercial radio or television newscasts for the latest information.
- Look for approaching storms.
- Look for the following danger signs:
  - Dark, often greenish sky
  - Large hail
  - A large, dark, low-lying cloud (particularly if rotating)
  - Loud roar, similar to a freight train.

If you see an approaching storm with any of these danger signs, be prepared to take shelter immediately. Hodgkins Emergency Services personnel receive the same notification that you, the resident, receives when it comes to severe weather.

When the sirens are heard, ESDA personnel will proceed to the Park District and assist the Park District employees in preparing for any number of residents who may be seeking shelter there. Please keep in mind, our emergency personnel will not have time to report to the shelter, go out and pick up residents, and get back to the shelter before disaster strikes.

# TORNADO FACTS:



There are a variety of severe weather hazards that affect Cook County, including lightning, damaging winds, large hail, flash floods and tornadoes.

Tornadoes pose the greatest severe weather threat to life and property in Cook County.

Tornado season in Cook County is from mid March through June, but tornadoes have occurred in every month of the year. They are most frequently seen from mid afternoon through the early evening.

Most tornadoes move from the southwest toward the northeast, but they sometimes move east or southeast. Tornadoes usually move at speeds of 30 to 40 mph, but they can move as fast as 70 mph. Most Cook County tornadoes produce wind gusts of 50 to 120 mph and last only a few minutes. Also, there are tornadoes that are large, violent and long-tracked with wind gusts of over 200 mph that can occur in Cook County.

Illinois averages 28 tornadoes per year. In 1999 there were 94 tornadoes in Illinois. This the second highest ever, behind 110 tornadoes in 1998. 46 tornadoes occurred in April 1996, and 45 of them occurred on one day - April 19. This was the largest number of tornadoes to ever touch down in Illinois in a day and the most ever for the month of April.

Tornadoes are not the only severe weather threat in Illinois. Nineteen people have been killed by lightning in the last 10 years and dozens more have been injured. Most lightning casualties occur in the summer between the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Most victims are outdoors under a

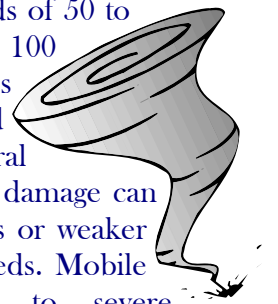
tree, in an open field, near a vehicle or near a building.

Floods and flash floods are the number one severe weather killer in the United States. Sixteen people have died in floods in Illinois in the last decade. Most flood casualties in Illinois occur in vehicles when people try to drive across flooded roads. Flash floods are most frequent in mid to late summer, but they can occur anytime.

Straight line or downburst winds from severe thunderstorms often reach speeds of 50 to 80 mph and sometimes exceed 100 mph. These winds down trees and large limbs, power lines and poles and cause severe structural damage to buildings. Significant damage can be seen in light weight buildings or weaker structures such as barns and sheds. Mobile homes are also vulnerable to severe thunderstorm winds. Severe thunderstorms usually approach from the southwest or west, but can move from the northwest particularly in mid to late summer. Damaging winds often are preceded by a dark low-hanging row of clouds on the leading edge of an approaching storm, known as a shelf cloud.

Large hail can also accompany severe thunderstorms. Hail rarely causes injuries in Cook County but it can

cause millions of dollars in damages to crops, vehicles, roofs of buildings and homes each year.



<http://www.cookcountysheriff.org/ema/index.html>



*Information provided  
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Cook County Emergency  
Management Agency*

# 2007 ANNUAL ST. JUDE'S BIKE-A-THON

*By: Sgt. Chris Milojevich*

On May 5, 2007, The Hodgkin's Youth Division hosted its 17<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Jude Bike-a-thon.

Each year the Hodgkins Police Department signs up students at Hodgkins Elementary School who wish to take part in the fundraiser. The St. Jude Bike-A-Thon is a special event

that gives youngsters in the community an opportunity to make a difference in the lives of other, less fortunate children battling life-threatening illness.

The Hodgkins Police



Sgt Milojevich (far right) gets the riders ready to start

weather was a bit cool but as the morning wore on, the sun warmed things up and it became a perfect day for riding.

After the safety talk, the riders were lined up in front of the community center on Kane Avenue, and the Bike-A-Thon kicked off with a procession of riders led by a Hodgkins

Department Youth Division would like to thank all those who participated in this year's Bike-A-Thon. Without the enthusiastic group of participants, both riders and

volunteers, who sign up to take part each year, this event would not be possible, nor would it be such a success.

The riders assembled at the Hodgkins Community Center at 8:30 am to register for the ride, which began at 9:00 am. The

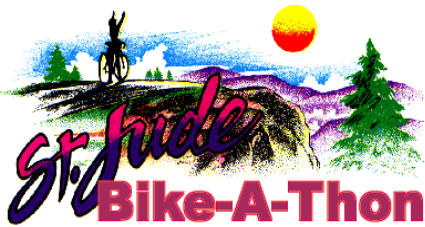
Police patrol unit.

There were a total of 18 children from town who rode in the bike-a-thon this year. \$3,364.06 was raised this year, every penny going to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.

St Jude Children's Research Hospital is internationally recognized for its pioneering work in finding cures and saving children with cancer and other diseases. St Jude Research Hospital was founded by the late entertainer Danny Thomas and is based in Memphis, Tennessee. Among the many benefits accorded to patients of St. Jude's Children's Hospital is access to care – no family ever pays for treatments that are not covered

*The Riders get a Police Escort as they begin the nearly 3 hour long St Jude Bike-A-Thon*





by insurance, and families without insurance are never asked to pay.

St Jude's daily operating costs are approximately 1.1 million dollars. The money raised by events such as the Bike-A-Thon go to help defray these costs.

The Hodgkins Youth Division hosted its first bike-a-thon in 1992, coordinated by Chief Phil Kringlie, who was then a patrolman. Sgt. Chris Milojevich was asked to participate in that bike-a-thon, and, after learning about St Jude's mission, has been a part of it ever since.

"Not only is money raised, but also the police and youth in town are able to interact on a

positive note," Sgt. Milojevich, who is now the Bike-A-Thon's coordinator, said. "We have raised approximately \$40,000 for this incredible hospital."

The children rode their bikes safely on a designated course throughout the village. They rode until 11:15 am without any accidents. The riders and volunteers were then treated to lunch from McDonalds, which was donated by the Hodgkins Fraternal Order of Police.

In a ceremony after lunch Brook Hawk was recognized as this year's top fundraiser. Brook raised a total of \$343.00 for St. Jude's. For her achievement Brook received a



L-R: JoAnn Milojevich, Joan Millsap, Bev Millsap, Leesa McHugh, Kim Jones and Susie Azzarello were among the many volunteers to help with this years Bike-A-Thon

bicycle, donated by Wal-Mart. All of the other children, as well as Brook, received prizes via a raffle. The Hodgkins Fraternal Order of Police also donated prizes for the raffle.

Again, the Youth Division would like to thank all of the volunteers who came out and helped.

## PET'S MUST BE PROPERLY LICENSED

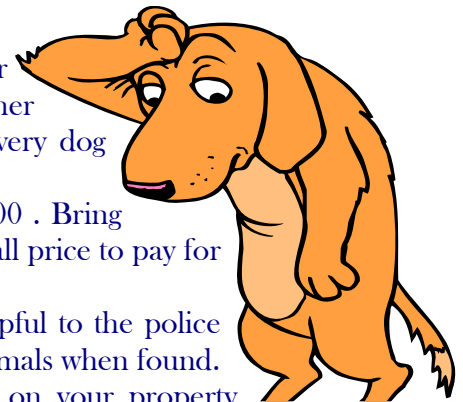
The Hodgkins Village Ordinance on Animal Control states that "Every Owner of a dog or other animal within the limits of the Village Collector annually within thirty (30) days after January 1st in each year, his or her name and address, and the name, breed, color and sex of each and every dog owned or kept by such person, and obtain a license for such dog."

Pet license's are available at the Village Hall at a cost of only \$2.00 . Bring your rabies vaccination certificate when you pick up your tag. This is a small price to pay for your pet.

In addition to being required by the Village, pet license's are helpful to the police department in that they allow us to look up the identity of loose or lost animals when found.

Village ordinance also requires all pets to be leashed when not on your property. Please remember to keep your pet on a secure leash when walking them around town. This is for the safety of others and your pet.

Also please note that **NO PETS** are allowed on Hodgkins Park District Property.



# SUMMERTIME IS HERE REMEMBER SUMMER SAFETY

As the nice weather comes in, we begin to migrate outdoors. The end of the school year produces waves of young children playing outside.

The Hodgkins Police Department reminds you to be extra observant in your travels. More kids playing in residential neighborhoods make driving a car or motorcycle a challenge.

This summer, Hodgkins Elementary School will be hosting District 105 Summer School. Summer School will be in session from June 18th to July 26th. School will be in session from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm during the week.

School buses will be loading and unloading children during

summer school, so please pay attention to the school buses.

Additionally, more people are out walking around town. We remind you that it is illegal to park or block the sidewalk in front of your home. Please be observant when you come home and park. If you have visitors, please make sure they are not blocking the sidewalk with their vehicle. This causes an unnecessary hazard to those who enjoy walking in our community.



program of it's kind, in the nation. Photo Speed Enforcement vans are deployed in work zones when workers are present.

### WORK ZONE FINES:

Depending on signs the 1st Offense carries a \$375.00 fine and 2nd Offense is \$1,000.00. These are mandatory Court Appearance Citations.

The State of Illinois will be using these new methods to gain compliance in work zone areas. So please, remember when you are out driving to pay attention when approaching and going through any work zones in the State of Illinois.

**WORK ZONE SAFETY**  
*Keep Us Alive.  
Stay Alive. Drive 45*

Each year, the Illinois Department of Transportation reminds us to be cautious when driving in construction zones. This year Illinois is using photo equipment to enforce speed violators in construction zones across the State.

The Work Zone Photo Speed Enforcement Program is a partnership between the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), the Illinois State Police, and the Illinois Tollway. It is the first state level



Illinois State Police  
Photo Enforcement Vehicle

ILLINOIS SECRETARY OF STATE JESSE WHITE  
AND  
THE TOWNSHIP OF LYONS

*PRESENT:*

- \* RULES OF THE ROAD REVIEW COURSE
- \* ILLINOIS DRIVERS LICENSE/ID CARD RENEWAL
- \* ORGAN/TISSUE DONOR INFORMATION
- \* VEHICLE STICKER SALES

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TOWNSHIP OF LYONS OFFICE BUILDING  
6404 JOLIET ROAD, COUNTRYSIDE, ILLINOIS

*ON:*

TUESDAY JUNE 19, 2007

REVIEW COURSE BEGINS AT 9:00 - 10:30 AM

YOU MUST PRE-REGISTER FOR THE REVIEW COURSE

CONTACT: MARY JO NOONAN 708-482-8300 EXT 211/221

ALL OTHER TOPICS RUN FROM 10:30 AM - 2:30 PM

TO RENEW A CURRENT ILLINOIS DRIVERS LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD, YOU MUST BRING A CURRENT VALID CARD WITH YOU. TO APPLY FOR A DUPLICATE OR CORRECTED DRIVERS LICENSE OR ID CARD, TWO FORMS OF IDENTIFICATION MUST BE PRESENTED. FOR INFORMATION ABOUT ACCEPTIBLE FORMS OF IDENTIFICATION AND FEES, PLEASE CONTACT:

THE ILLINOIS SECRETARY OF STATE AT 217-782-7044

OR

[WWW.CYBERDRIVEILLINOIS.COM](http://WWW.CYBERDRIVEILLINOIS.COM)

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## PLEASE REMEMBER: FIREWORKS ARE ILLEGAL



As the 4th of July approaches, we remind our residents that the use and possession of Fireworks is illegal. We are asking for your cooperation in keeping our community safe from unnecessary risks of injury or fire.

Illinois State Statutes and Hodgkins Village Ordinances prohibit the possession and unlawful use of illegal fireworks. The Hodgkins Police



Department will be enforcing these laws aggressively.

Please remember to be considerate of your neighbors during this holiday and the summertime. Celebrations and parties should be kept at an acceptable noise level and should not disturb your neighbors.

The Village of Hodgkins wishes all of our residents a Happy and Safe Celebration



during the Independence Day Holiday. We remind you that several surrounding communities will have some spectacular professional fireworks displays. Please take advantage of these events and enjoy the show.

**FIREWORKS DISPLAY:  
PLEASANTDALE PARK  
DISTRICT**

**WEDNESDAY  
JULY 4TH, 2007  
AT DUSK**



**THANK YOU FOR HELPING TO KEEP OUR  
COMMUNITY SAFE**

