



# UPDATE

## MESSAGE From Mayor André F. Harvey

Temperatures have risen this summer, and so have the number of special events, local programs and community-oriented meetings in Bellwood. It's a busy time of the year in town as we continue to focus on bringing residents together to improve every facet of our town.

For example, as highlighted in this issue, the first-ever Meet The Mayor event last month was a great success. I appreciated the opportunity to interact with residents and business owners. We received positive feedback about the event, and have already scheduled the next meeting for Sept. 23.

Summer means it's important to watch out for kids and youth playing (and working) near their homes, in the parks and at block parties. Remember to drive safely no matter where you are in Bellwood. If you haven't organized a block party, summer is the perfect time to organize one with your neighbors to build a sense of community. Don't forget to invite me and all your elected officials.

Finally, mark your calendar for Aug. 5-6 so you don't miss the first Taste of Bellwood festival that's sure to be a hit. Residents will enjoy great, affordable food, games and entertainment, all right in your back yard. Check out the details in the flyer in this issue.

## 25th Avenue Overpass Dedicated in Honor of Former Mayor Pasquale



Motorists and pedestrians who travel across the new Frank A. Pasquale overpass on 25th Avenue now are literally and figuratively connected to the man who made it happen.

Former Bellwood Mayor Pasquale was the man of the hour on June 16 as elected officials, transportation and construction representatives, residents, friends and families gathered for the official unveiling of the Frank A. Pasquale Overpass that now makes it fast and easy to travel the busy 25th Avenue. Mayor Pasquale was laser-focused for years on keeping the project front and center – and funded – among the many governmental agencies responsible for the bridge, which is expected to jumpstart economic development for Bellwood.



### IMPORTANT BELLWOOD NUMBERS

Village Hall  
**(708) 547-3500**

Police/Fire/Ambulance  
Emergency  
**911**

Police (non emergency)  
**(708) 547-3528**

Police Anonymous Hotline  
**(708) 544-5961**

Fire (non emergency)  
**(708) 547-3525**

Water Bill (Billing  
Questions)  
**(708) 547-3520**

Building Department  
**(708) 547-3545**

Public Works Department  
**(708) 547-3540**

Community Service  
**(708) 649-3060**

Human Resources  
**(708) 547-3500**

## Residents Gather to “Meet The Mayor”

More than 50 residents came out to meet Bellwood Mayor Andre Harvey on June 3 as residents shared ideas and suggestions at the first-ever “Meet The Mayor” event.



The collective focus was keeping the village moving forward as a neighborhood-focused community. The mayor answered questions and outlined his vision for Bellwood. The next Meet The Mayor event is set for Sept. 23 in the Community Room at the Village Hall.

## Roosevelt Middle School Graduation

More than 230 students were proud graduates at Roosevelt Middle School’s most recent commencement class, including valedictorian Aakash Kumar and salutatorian Amy Onofre.



Keynote speaker Rasheda Graham-Washington encouraged students through inspirational poetry, and remarks were also given by Roosevelt Principal and Interim District 88 Superintendent Mark Holder.

*(Story continued and more images on back)*

VILLAGE OF BELLWOOD PROUDLY PRESENTS

AUGUST  
5TH & 6TH 12PM-10PM  
2017



Taste of  
Bellwood

JOIN US  
to  
CELEBRATE  
OUR FIRST  
ANNUAL TASTE

MEET US FOR SOME FUN  
FAMILY FRIENDLY & FAMILY AFFORDABLE  
FREE ADMISSION GREAT FOOD

VILLAGE OF BELLWOOD ON WASHINGTON BLVD.  
BETWEEN EASTERN AVE. & 25TH AVE.

ALL FOOD ITEMS COST \$3 OR LESS!

FREE ENTERTAINMENT  
R-Gang  
Guitarra Azul  
Fresh Tones

ALL AGES

FREE PARKING

CARNIVAL RIDES

INFORMATION BOOTHS

FOOD VENDORS

CAR & BIKE SHOW



## VFW Post 5081 and American Legion 500 Host Memorial Day Service

Residents attended the Annual Memorial Day service on May 29 at Stevenson Park to honor past veterans, members of the VFW Post 5081 and the American Legion 500 who valiantly fought for our country and freedom.

With Commander Jerry Artis officiating, members of the two oldest veteran associations read excerpts commemorating the acts of their comrades. Zeta Phi Beta sorority supported the event. The VFW Post and banquet hall is located at 2817 St. Charles Rd. under the leadership of Commander Artis. To join the post or reserve the hall, call Commander Artis at (708) 547-6366.



## Details About Gift Cards For A's Program

Gift cards will be distributed in the fourth quarter marking period in the village's Gift Cards For A's Program on **Tuesday, July 18 and Thursday, July 20 from 3-5 p.m.** in the Village Hall Board Room.

Bellwood has partnered with Target stores to provide encouragement to students in 3rd – 8th grades who earn A's for academic excellence on their report card in the **second and fourth grading periods ONLY**. For each A a student earns in English, math, reading, science and social studies classes ONLY, they will receive a \$5 Target gift card.

Bellwood students who attend a school in Districts 87 or 88, or a school outside of the village can be rewarded for their excellence. Gift cards are presented when the student and a parent or guardian presents a qualifying report card with proof of residency. Report cards can only be presented once per grading period.



## Mayor Harvey Honored by Illinois Crime Commission

Bellwood Mayor Andre Harvey was honored on June 21 as Municipal Leader of the Year at 21st Annual "Salute to Those Who Make a Difference" Awards Dinner by the Illinois State Crime Commission and Police Athletic League of Illinois (ISCC-PAL) at the Drury Lane Oak Brook.



**Perry Mandera (left) and Ray Stevens (right) present Bellwood Mayor Andre Harvey with the Municipal Leader of the Year Award.**

Mayor Harvey, a 48-year resident and public servant, was recognized for the visible roles he has held as director of public safety, fire chief and as the village's first African-American mayor. Each year ISCC-PAL salutes excellence in government, business and community service achievements as determined by the voting members. Winners are recognized before peers, supporters and community leaders.

## JULY CALENDER

4\* Independence Day

10 Committee of the Whole, 3:30 p.m.  
Memorial Park Kiddie Kamp  
Starts (Session 1 of 2)

19 Village Board Meeting, 6 p.m.

20 Neighborhood Watch Meeting, 7 p.m.

\*Village Hall Closed



**PLEASE  
RECYCLE!**

## Summer Youth Work Program

# 2017

### Kicks Off

The village kicked off its Summer Youth Work Program on June 5 to provide more than 20 teens ages 14-16 with a leg up in the job market. Village Clerk Janel Moreland, coordinator of the program, is supported by five supervisors and Public Works employees Tyran Robinson and Glen Allen who gather youth for roll call weekdays in front of the Village Hall.



The youth work for three weeks at various locations to paint curbs and beautify the town to help keep the community clean. The Public Works and Water departments provide eight young adults ages 17-21 the opportunity to learn how to maintain the town's infrastructure, including street patching, tree trimming, trash pickup, and painting fire hydrants and curbs under the direction of Director of Public Works Marty Walker and Assistant Superintendent Arnie Brown Jr.

## Free Immunizations Coming To Bellwood

Loyola University Medical Center's Ronald McDonald Mobile Unit and the Village of Bellwood are proud to host free immunizations, physical exams, sports physicals, blood pressure, hearing and vision screenings for children 3-18 years old.

**WHEN:** Friday, August 11, 2017

**WHERE:** Village of Bellwood Parking Lot

**TIME:** 9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

To schedule an appointment, please call  
**Tonita LeShore at (708) 547-3500 Ext. 1512.**

Parents and guardians must complete consent forms and bring immunization records on the day of the appointment. Children 14 years and under must be accompanied by a parent/guardian.

[www.vil.bellwood.il.us](http://www.vil.bellwood.il.us)



## Job Opening: PACE Van Driver

- Driver applicants must be 21 or older.
- Applicants must have held a driver's license for five years without breaks or suspensions prior to the date of application.
- Applicants must pass a criminal background check.
- Drivers must successfully pass drug/alcohol testing.
- To be eligible to operate a Pace vehicle, applicants must meet the following driver standards/qualifications:
  - o No Class I or II convictions.
  - o No Class III or IV convictions in the past two years. However, consideration will be given to a potential driver who has only one Class III or IV conviction in the past five years.
  - o No pattern of driving violations on the applicant's record.

(Roosevelt Middle School Graduation continued from page 2)

Speakers also included School Board President Sondra McClendon and Bellwood Mayor Andre Harvey. The Roosevelt Middle School Concert Band performed and students sang "Roar" by Katy Perry under the direction of conductor Clarence Williams.



- o No convictions/suspensions of driving while intoxicated or impaired by alcohol or drugs.
  - o Not currently in receipt of a traffic violation.
  - o Drivers must successfully pass a Pace Driver Training Course.
  - o Driver must be a Bellwood resident.
- If you are interested, complete an application and submit a resume to the Bellwood Human Resource Office, 3200 Washington Blvd., Rm. 206 no later than July 30. The Village of Bellwood is an EOE/ADA compliant employer.

## Job Opening For Electrician

### Overview

Advise management on whether continued operation of equipment could be hazardous. Install new electrical equipment and repair equipment when breakdowns occur as quickly as possible. Replace items such as circuit breakers, fuses, switches, electrical and electronic components or wire. Ensure maximum production quantity and quality. Electrician will work an 8 hour shift schedule, 5 days a week and after hours when needed.

### Job Requirement

Must have a high school diploma or a General Education Development certificate. Must have an electrical license, certification of registration and two years of experience. Knowledge of equipment and tools, including their design, use and maintenance. Knowledge of materials, methods and the tools involved in the construction or repair of buildings, homes or any other structures. Excellent communication, administrative and interpersonal skills. Must have a valid Illinois driver's license.

### Duties

Repair or replace wiring, equipment and fixtures, using hand tools and power tools. Install, tools and power tools. Install, maintain or repair electrical wiring, equipment, and fixtures. Perform physically demanding tasks, lay conduit and moving and lifting heavy objects. Provide preliminary sketches and cost estimates for materials and services.

**Salary:** In accordance with the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

**If Interested:** Applicants can complete an application at the Village of Bellwood, Human Resources Department, 3200 Washington, Bellwood, Illinois 60104, Room 206. EOE/ADA.

## Apply For Maintenance Worker Opening

### Overview


This position requires skilled operation of equipment in the repair and maintenance of Village streets, alleys, infrastructure and properties.

### Job Requirement

A high school diploma or GED is required. Would prefer one year of work related experience in public works maintenance, concrete and asphalt; or any equivalent combination of training and experience that consists of knowledge, ability and skills in construction such as dry-wall, repairing or replacing wiring and fixtures, plumbing, and using hand and power tools.

### Duties

A portion of time will be spent operating loaders, street sweepers, backhoes, skid steers, bucket trucks, and other medium and heavy equipment. Employees may be assigned tasks of similar or higher level classifications to gain experience and training to increase your skill level. Maintenance tasks of a semi-skilled or unskilled nature are performed when not operating equipment. Install, maintain or repair electrical wiring, equipment, and fixtures. Also assist with snow and ice management as conditions require. This position consists of both scheduled and unscheduled overtime for emergencies and special projects, including weekends and holidays. At times, work may involve that of a Water/Sewer worker during periods of need or employee absence.




# ROUTE 317

## WESTCHESTER

# NEW POSTED

# STOPS ONLY POLICY

## EFFECTIVE SUNDAY, JUNE 11, 2017



Beginning Sunday, June 11, 2017, Pace Route 317 will operate under a Posted Stops Only policy. Buses on this route will stop to pick up and drop off passengers only at bus stop signs with the Pace logo and route number.

This change is taking place for several reasons:

- To improve passenger and motorist safety
- To provide better information for riders
- To improve the route's on-time performance

A handout listing all the designated bus stop locations for Route 317 will be available on board buses, online at PaceBus.com and by calling Pace Customer Relations at (847) 364-7223, option 3.

Please sign up for e-mail and text alerts about Route 317 by visiting PaceBus.com.

E.L. 05-31-17 Remove 06/25/17

**For More Information**

Call the RTA Travel Information Center at (312) 836-7000 TTY (847) 364-5093  
www.pacebus.com

