

2022 Village Newsletter

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GET TO KNOW THE CANDIDATES!

APRIL 5TH is Election Day! We have **4 candidates running for 3** Board of Trustee seats – let’s get to know them!



Kelli Stein

Why did you choose to run?

As a Village Trustee for Elmwood Park, I will listen to residents and work with the board of trustees and committees of Elmwood Park. We are fortunate to live in a wonderful village, but that does not come

without hard work, creative problem solving, and effective decision-making. There are many aspects of the village that make it a desirable location for neighbors to live and raise their families. I’m ready to serve all residents to continue Elmwood Park’s success and make it even better for the future.

Profession? Teaching Specialist and Lecturer at UW-Parkside

Qualities you’ll bring to the Board? I live with my husband Rick and our 11-year-old son Jack. I have a BBA from UW-Whitewater and an MS in Organizational Change Leadership from UW-Platteville. I am also a graduate of the RAMAC Leadership Racine program. Before moving to Elmwood Park 12 years ago, I was involved with the City of Racine serving as the 10th District Alderperson. Active in Racine Founders Rotary Club, United Way of Racine County, Junior League of Racine, and the Racine County Food Bank. On each of these boards, I built relationships and gained experience working with other dedicated individuals to achieve goals, solve problems, and make improvements.



Lynda Studey

Why did you choose to run? I chose to run while working closely on projects with another Racine County Village - I wanted to bring that dedication and commitment to the community that my family has called home for the past 10 years.

Profession? I am the Executive Director for the Greater Union Grove Area of Commerce. Within my position I curate business relations and benefits for the Greater Union Grove area, facilitate 8 committees, organize many community events and programs such as; The 4th of July Parade, Union Grove Public Market, Pumpkin Chuckin Fest, Christmas comes to Union Grove and Leadership Union Grove, just to name a few.

Qualities you’ll bring to the Board? With my background in volunteerism, board management, business, community organization, sponsorship procurements and large-scale events I feel I have a unique skill set that would be beneficial for the future of our community.



Wendy Spencer

Why did you choose to run? I decided to run for Trustee because of my 15 years from when I previously served.

Profession? Recently retired as an Event Coordinator, but still keep busy as President of 4th Fest of Greater Racine.

Qualities you’ll bring to the Board? My goal has always been to listen to village residents and act on their concerns. I think our current board had done a very good job and being a part of that would be my pleasure.



Brian S. Johnson

Why did you choose to run? I am the only incumbent running again as a Village Board Trustee, having enjoyed the last 3-1/2 years on the board and giving back as well as helping to move the village forward.

Profession? VP of Business Development for a Pharmaceutical & Food Industry Company

Qualities you’ll bring to the Board? I am outgoing, and push for change when needed, proud to live in the village and to serve my neighbors. I have been involved in girls softball as a board member and have coached for 20 years. I am also involved in other organizations with my work industry

2022 Events!!!

Be sure to put these dates on your calendar!

Website: [Vil.ep.wi.us](http://vil.ep.wi.us)
Find us on Facebook: Search
"Village of Elmwood Park
Administration"

Rummage Sale – June 17-18

Village-wide

This is the annual Village-wide Rummage Sale to sell items, clean out your closets, and greet your neighbors

"Tunes on Taylor" – June 21st from 6-9PM

Taylor Complex

Enjoy live music, food and drinks at the Taylor Complex for a great evening to get together and socialize

National Night Out – Aug 2nd from 6-9PM

Taylor Complex

Join us for fun for all ages that encourages awareness and a strong sense of community

Car Show – Sep 17th

Taylor Complex

Our annual Car Show is set for this Saturday to check out a huge collection of vehicles and enjoy various snacks, refreshments, and raffles!

Christmas Party – Dec 10th

Village Hall

Let us come together from the cold to share food, stories, and fun and get into the holiday spirit!

Upcoming 2022 Projects:

The Village of Elmwood Park has a few different planned projects for 2022.

At the Taylor Complex, leftover 2021 infrastructure funds are being used to reconstruct the Taylor Complex municipal driveway. This will replace the existing drive, increase parking for tenants and events, and extend the drive from the Southside of the property to the North. Also at the Taylor Complex, we are currently investigating with an architect a plan to replace windows throughout the buildings. Doing so will decrease long-term energy costs for the property. The Taylor Complex makes up ~45% of the Village's income streams that help to offset the tax base. These projects make up solid investments to increase the value and utilization of the property moving forward.

Also, with leftover funding from the 2021 road construction project, we plan to crack fill and clean up areas in the remainder of the Village not yet tackled with complete reconstruction. We are hopeful these repairs will extend the life of these roads as we await the appropriate timing to complete phases 2 and 3 of the village-wide road and utility reconstruction projects.

Finally, we are well-aware of the lamp system outages throughout the Village. Multiple breaks in the system have been discovered by our electrical contractor, RIC Electric. Because of this, we are investigating both short-term and long-term solutions. Long-term solutions may involve re-wiring the entire system from lamp to lamp. Thank you for your patience as we learn about all our options and determine the most cost-effective solution for our Village.

We hope you are ready for an exciting break from Winter!

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