



OCTOBER 2020

# DISCOVER CHANNAHON

*Information & News for the Channahon Community*



## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

There is much discussion, and we are being asked by numerous people whether or not the Village is canceling Halloween in Channahon. We are not.

This is not a political statement. This is not a protest. This is not a stand against "loss of freedoms." Rather, it is a rational choice. We believe that trick-or-treating can be accomplished safely. Treats are already individually wrapped and sealed. And the outdoors allows for social distancing. Human beings are social animals and traditions and rituals are important for the psychological health and the overall well-being of the community.

Here's what we ask:

1. We ask that you consider wearing a mask (not the Halloween kind) if interacting closely with others.
2. Do not leave bowls of candy on your porch that multiple people will touch.
3. If you are uncomfortable with handing out candy, please do not turn on your porch light. Additionally, there is a printable page available on the Village's website ([www.channahon.org](http://www.channahon.org)) or available for pick up at Village Hall (24555 S. Navajo Drive) to post on your door, letting trick-or-treaters know you are not participating.
4. If you are uncomfortable with your children trick-or-treating, it is always your

choice as a parent not to send them.

5. We encourage everyone to practice social distancing to the extent possible...and IT IS possible when you're walking around outdoors.
6. Enjoy Halloween. Be safe. We can participate in trick-or-treating while still taking necessary precautions and respecting the concerns and decisions of others who may not be comfortable participating.

Halloween trick-or-treat hours for the Village of Channahon are from 4-7 p.m. on Saturday, October 31.



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Visit [www.channahon.org](http://www.channahon.org) to sign up.*

## HIRING OF THREE NEW POLICE OFFICERS

With the recent retirement of Officer Mike Devine, the imminent retirement of Sgt. Jackubowski in December, and the budgeted addition of a 26th officer; the police department would like to stay on pace with the replacement of personnel to minimize overtime costs, not unduly burden FTO staff, and most importantly avoid any disruption to the delivery of services. After an extensive interview process, a hiring panel identified Ethan Anderson, Catherine Price and Christopher Smith as the top candidates for a position with the police department.



Mr. Smith is a graduate of Dunbar Vocational Career Academy High School in Chicago, and attended Malcom X College. He is currently employed by Marriott Corporation, where his supervisors and peers gave Mr. Smith high praise for his professional demeanor, customer service and de-escalation skills.

Ms. Price is a Channahon resident and graduate from Minooka Community High School, attended Joliet Junior College where she obtained her Associates Degree in Psychology, and went on to attend Trinity Christian College where she obtained her Bachelors of Arts in Psychology and Criminal Justice. Ms. Price interned with the Joliet Police Department and our Police Department, where she received a letter of commendation from former Chief Jeff Wold.

Mr. Anderson is a graduate of Vista Murrieta High School, attended Mount San Jacinto Junior College, and California Coast University. He went on to work as a correctional officer in California before becoming certified as a police officer in Illinois. Mr. Anderson comes to us from the Elwood Police Department, where he was a patrol officer, and holds many certifications beneficial to our agency. Some of those include: Advance Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement, Breath Alcohol Operator, Juvenile Officer, Rescue Task Force, REID interview and interrogation, Advance Sexual Assault Investigator, Taser Instructor, Mental Health Crisis Intervention, and CPR. He is currently a member of the ILEAS Mobile Field Force. Additionally, he is familiar with our P1 CAD and Records management systems, and WESCOM radio processes.

Mr. Smith, Ms. Price and Mr. Anderson were presented to the Village Board during the board meeting on Monday, August 17th and were administered the Oath of Office to the position of Patrol Officer by Mayor Missey.

## Local Business SPOTLIGHT

**Business Name:** Kiddie Kampus Learning Center, Inc.

**Business Address:** 24735  
W. Eames Street, Unit 7



**Owner:** Margaret Loughran & Stephanie Paschke

**Founded/Established:** 2008

**Product/Service Offered:** Childcare center and preschool

**What makes your business unique to the Channahon area?** Kiddie Kampus brings both quality childcare and early learning education to your neighborhood. When you walk through Kiddie Kampus' doors you will see and feel the difference. You will notice that we have created a warm, inviting and fun learning environment. We want our children to feel like Kiddie Kampus is their home away from home.

**What do you enjoy most about doing business in Channahon?** We aren't just your typical daycare center, we are family owned and moms ourselves. We are unique because our teachers and staff go above and beyond to love, nurture and make sure every child's needs are met. We aren't a one size fits all establishment.

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## FALL LEAF COLLECTION

Fall means falling leaves! As the next season “falls” upon us, please remember that the monthly fees for the Village’s current refuse disposal service includes weekly yard waste pickup. Place leaves at the curbside in your yard waste cart or in biodegradable bags on your designated refuse service day. **Please note that plastic bags or rigid containers are not acceptable receptacles for yard waste.**

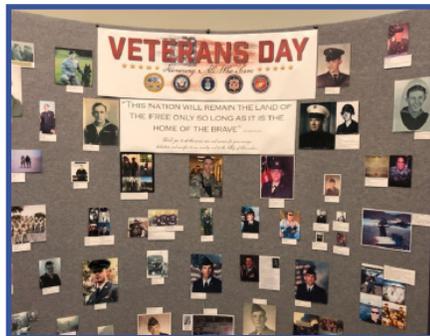
Yard waste service will continue through the months of October and November and will end the week of December 14th. As a reminder, yard waste carts can be utilized for extra refuse from December 21st through April 1st.

If you do not have a yard waste cart and would like one, or if you have any service-related questions, please contact Environmental directly at (815) 725-4555.



## HONOR YOUR VETERAN

In honor of Veterans Day, the Village of Channahon would like to pay tribute to those who have selflessly served our country by displaying their photos in the lobby of the Village Hall throughout the month of November. We ask that you please help us pay tribute to these men and women by sending us or dropping off photos of the veteran(s) you wish to honor. Please include the veteran’s name, their home town, branch of service and when/where they served.



Photos can be dropped off or mailed to Channahon Village Hall at 24555 S. Navajo Drive, Channahon, IL 60410.

## WHAT IS THE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION?

The Planning & Zoning Commission (PZC) of the Village of Channahon are a group of seven appointed residents that serve to provide recommendations to the Village Board regarding issues of land use and structures. Common items brought before the Planning & Zoning Commission include commercial site plans, subdivision plans, zoning amendments, and requests for variations. The Planning & Zoning Commission is also tasked with conducting public hearings, to be able to provide a comprehensive recommendation to the Village Board. The term of a commissioner is five years, and commissioners may be appointed for multiple terms. If you have interest in serving on this commission, please contact Mike Petrick, Director of Community Development & I.S. at [mpetrick@channahon.org](mailto:mpetrick@channahon.org).



## Local Business SPOTLIGHT

**Business Name:** Romar Cabinet & Top Co Inc.

**Business Address:** 23949 S. Northern Illinois Drive

**Owner/Manager:** Anthony DeAngelis - President

**Founded/Established:** 1976

**Product/Service Offered:** Custom cabinets and tops

**Slogan/Motto:** From dream kitchens to libraries, Romar gives our clients the cabinetry solutions that fit their lifestyle.

**What makes your business unique to the Channahon area?** We are a custom shop, we take customer’s ideas and make them a reality.

**What do you enjoy most about doing business in Channahon?** The residents, whether they are old or new, have pride in their homes. We are proud to be a part of helping them make their houses a home with our custom cabinets.

**When you’re not working, where in Channahon do you like to spend your time?** Enjoy supporting local businesses, the meat market, bars and restaurants. Take advantage of the great trails in town, and the Park District.

**Fun Fact:** Romar has been in business for 40+ years, and we have been in Channahon for 23 years.

**Know of a Channahon business that should be featured in an upcoming spotlight? Email [sthompson@channahon.org](mailto:sthompson@channahon.org)**



## 2020 EARLY VOTING INFORMATION

### **Village of Channahon**

24555 S. Navajo Drive, Channahon  
815-467-6644

October 19 - October 30, Monday through Friday  
8:30-11:30 a.m. and 1:30-4:30 p.m. (no early voting from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.)  
Will County residents only

### **Will County Clerk's Office\***

302 N. Chicago Street, Joliet  
815-740-4615

September 24 - October 16, Monday through Friday  
8:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
[www.thewillcountyclerk.com](http://www.thewillcountyclerk.com)



### **Grundy County Clerk's Office\***

111 E. Washington Street, Morris  
815-941-3222

September 24 - October 2, Monday through Friday  
8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
[www.grundyco.org](http://www.grundyco.org)

*\*Weekend voting hours are listed on the individual County's website*

## CONSOLIDATED ELECTION APRIL 6, 2021

Notice is hereby given for the Consolidated Election on April 6, 2021 for local elected officials for the Village of Channahon. Petitions and election materials are available for circulation at the Village of Channahon, 24555 S. Navajo Drive, Channahon, IL 60410, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Positions up for election are three (3) Village Trustee, all of which are four (4) year terms.

Petitions must be received no earlier than Monday, December 14, 2020 and no later than Monday, December 21, 2020. Position on the ballot is determined by time and receipt of the petitions. Should more than one petition be filed at the same time, by mail or in person, on December 14, 2020 at 8:30 a.m., or any other time, then a lottery to determine ballot order will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, December 28, 2020 at the Village of Channahon.



## UPCOMING COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE & VILLAGE BOARD MEETINGS

Monday, October 5, 2020  
6:00 p.m.

Monday, October 19, 2020  
6:00 p.m.

Monday, November 2, 2020  
6:00 p.m.

Monday, November 16, 2020  
6:00 p.m.

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