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Citizen Volunteers to be Honored

Residents who have served on one of the more than 25 volunteer citizen advisory boards and commissions during 2005 will be honored by the Village of Oak Park at a special event scheduled for 7 - 9 p.m., Thurs., April 27, at Cheney Mansion, 220 N. Euclid Ave.

“It is important to recognize the volunteers because of their great contributions to the community,” said Village Clerk Sandra Sokol, whose office coordinates the candidate recruitment and selection process for all of the Villages boards and commissions.

In addition to honoring volunteers whose terms expired in 2005 as well as current volunteers, the *Volunteer of the Year* also will be announced during the event. Members of the boards and commissions nominate candidates for the award. The Citizen Involvement Commission then votes on the nominations to select the winner.

The Village Board relies on the boards and commissions to advise them on a broad range of issues, conduct in-depth investigative work, review proposals, evaluate research and hold meetings that create the public record for citizen sentiments on possible future official actions. The Village's volunteer boards and commissions address a wide range of topics, from the Farmers' Market and urban forestry to historic preservation and zoning.

For more information on the event, or volunteering to serve on a board or commission, call 358.5670, email clerk@oak-park.us or visit www.oak-park.us.

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