



David Palya, Treasurer

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Background:

David was elected City Treasurer in 1997. David was born, raised and educated in Lockport Township. Prior to his retirement from Lockport High School, David was known as "Mr. P" to the many students David taught throughout his teaching career. During his teaching career, he taught Technology, Vocational and Drivers Education classes. He was the Cooperative Education Coordinator (Co-op), delivering world of work experiences to the many students he taught by teaching them real world work skills. The program he promoted and developed became a model for World of Work Programs throughout the state.

David lives in Lockport with his wife Lucy. They have a grown daughter and son.

Education:

Lockport High School, Joliet Junior College, National College of Education, Governors State University, Chicago State, B.S. M.S. Northern Illinois University.

Previous Elected Offices Held:

David has previously served on the Lockport Township Fire District. He was instrumental in expanding the fire district to include the Weber Road and I-355 corridors. David was the President of the School to Work Program, also known as the Illinois Cooperative Education Coordinators Association.

Volunteer Activities:

David is a member of the Loyal Order of the Moose, Joliet Rivals Club and the Founders Club. In addition, he is always willing to assist senior citizens and individuals in need with home repairs and general maintenance.