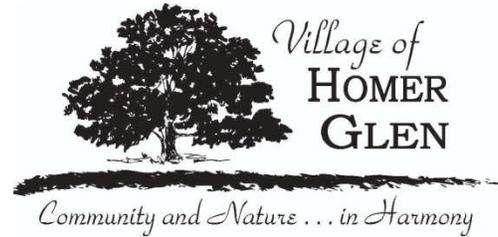


# Media Release



## Village of Homer Glen Fines Three Tobacco Establishments For Selling to a Person Under the Age of Eighteen

**Homer Glen, (October 12, 2012)**

In September, an underage volunteer accompanied an undercover Will County Sheriff's Deputy in unscheduled visits to determine if Homer Glen tobacco licensed businesses would sell tobacco to minors. The following three Homer Glen businesses sold tobacco to a minor: 1) Smoker's Expo at 12330 W. 143<sup>rd</sup> St.; 2) Tobacco Express at 14162 S Bell Rd.; and Eddy's Tobacco at 12147 W. 159<sup>th</sup> St. Mayor Daley held a hearing on October 9<sup>th</sup> where he heard testimony from representatives of Tobacco Express and Eddy's Tobacco. Both establishments plead guilty and were each fined \$500.00. Smoker's Expo was absent from the hearing and the Mayor charged the establishment the maximum fine of \$750. Mayor Daley stated "Tobacco Express and Eddy's Tobacco are first time offenders; I could have fined them a lower penalty but I want them to know I will not tolerate cigarette sales to minors in Homer Glen." "Smoker's Expo was fined the highest amount possible because they did not show up for the hearing." Mayor Daley concluded. The Mayor will be scheduling another license hearing shortly to determine if Smoker's Expo will have their tobacco license suspended.

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