

# The Front Porch

## Citywide Newsletter

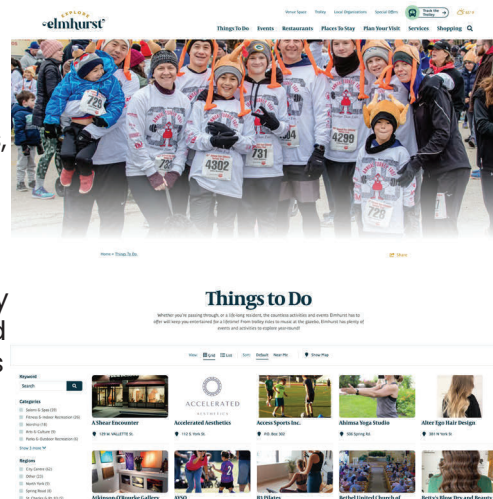
### Check out the new & improved Explore Elmhurst Website at [ExploreElmhurst.com](https://ExploreElmhurst.com)

The City of Elmhurst manages the Explore Elmhurst marketing campaign as part of our visitor & tourism initiatives. The campaign has proven to be a successful initiative that provides an outlet for residents and visitors to discover what there is to do and see in Elmhurst. The campaign includes a new website, social media pages, and the City's Explore Elmhurst trolley program.

The City hired leading destination management website provider, Simpleview. Along with a new and improved website, Simpleview led the City through the Explore Elmhurst rebranding process. With many creative sessions, a site visit to Elmhurst by the Simpleview team, and feedback from the Explore Elmhurst Advisory team, a new logo that is modern with key elements that convey our destination's personality was chosen. A visual identity process unveiled the following:

- **Destination Attributes:** seasonal, bustling downtown, rich history, Illinois Prairie Path, close to Downtown Chicago
- **Destination Personality:** refined & desirable, well-educated, friendly & caring, motivated, family & community oriented
- **Visual Identity:** Effortless & Stylish

The new website, [ExploreElmhurst.com](https://ExploreElmhurst.com), displays a modern, clean, and organized layout that provides residents and visitors with easy access to information on what there is to see and do in Elmhurst. Community partners including local businesses and organizations have extranet access to the site, where they can contribute content including community events, activities, and special offers. The new logo and website reflect the growth of our community and are designed to provide our community with a central location for community offerings.



## Elmhurst Zoning Rewrite

### COE is in the process of a Zoning Rewrite

The City of Elmhurst has been working with the consulting firm Camiros to comprehensively rewrite the City's Zoning Ordinance for the first time since 1992. A draft of the revised Elmhurst Zoning Ordinance has recently been released.

Open houses to learn more about the project and provide input on the draft ordinance are planned

for September 20th from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. and September 21st from 3 p.m. – 8 p.m. at City Hall.

Highlights of the new document include improved organization and graphics, a modernized use table and updated regulations to assist in implementation of recent City Plans. The draft ordinance along with the Technical Report and presentations can be found on the project website- [elmhurstzoning.com](https://elmhurstzoning.com). Comments and questions can also be submitted through the project website. Additionally, stakeholders can sign up through the website for updates on the project.

Questions can be directed to City Planner, Eileen Franz at [eileen.franz@elmhurst.org](mailto:eileen.franz@elmhurst.org).

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### Aldermen

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6th Ward - Emily Bastedo, Guido Nardini

7th Ward - Mike Brennan, Rex Irby

**City Hall Holiday Hours** City Hall will be closed for the Labor Day holiday on Monday, September 4th. The City Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 5th.

City Hall will also be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday on Thursday, November 23rd & Friday, November 24th.

Refuse pick-up will be delayed by one day for the remainder of the week for both of these holidays.

## Fire Department Open House, Sun. Oct. 8th

Please join the Elmhurst Fire Department on Sunday, October 8th from 12 p.m. – 4 p.m. at Fire Station #2 (601 S. York Street, Elmhurst) as they celebrate National Fire Prevention Week. The event, which includes fire safety education, fun activities, and light refreshments, will focus on this year's theme "Cooking Safety Starts with You." Guests will learn fire prevention and safety techniques through a series of educational demonstrations. Additional activities include station tours, Lutheran Charities comfort dogs, fire safety trailer, and a child passenger safety seat booth. All are welcome to attend!



## Mayor's Message

Fall is here, which means that many of us are gearing up for all that this season brings to Elmhurst. In this edition of our newsletter, you will read about many fall festivities, including the Fall Fest, Patriots Day and Veterans Day Ceremonies, and Dan Gibbon's Turkey Trot, to name a few. I hope to see you at many of these events.



Autumn is a season of change and transformation, and it serves as a great time in the year to reflect on the progress we've made, the challenges we've overcome, and the opportunities that lie ahead. During this time at City Hall, we also begin planning the budget for the upcoming fiscal year. The City's budget is more than just numbers; it reflects our priorities, values, and commitment to the well-being of our community. There are several areas of focus that we highlight during this process, all which connect to our City's Strategic Plan. Several key points include the following:

**Public Safety/Improved Infrastructure:** The safety and security of our community members is paramount. Our budgeting reflects resources that support our police, fire, and emergency services, ensuring that they have the tools and training they need to keep our community safe. This area also includes our Public Works plans to improve community roads and support infrastructure.

**Fiscal Responsibility:** City Council and Staff carefully analyze expenditures and revenues to guarantee that funds are allocated efficiently and transparently.

**Support for Local Businesses / Strategic and Cohesive Development:** We allocate resources to provide incentives, grants, and support programs to help our business thrive and contribute to a vibrant economic landscape. Our budget planning reflects our strategic goals for cohesive development, both residential and commercial.

**Community Engagement and Collaboration:** Our budget reflects the initiating and development of engagement and collaboration with other government entities as well as private property and business owners. This means improving how we provide information to our stakeholders and our interaction with residents, neighboring municipalities, and businesses. By initiative and developing avenues of engagement and partnerships, we can leverage resources and utilize competitive approaches to tackling issues both big and small.

When we align our resources with our priorities, we can focus on what it takes to make Elmhurst an even better place to live, work, and thrive. For an overview on the City's Strategic Plan, please visit [Elmhurst.org/strategicplan](http://Elmhurst.org/strategicplan).

I'd like to express my deepest gratitude to our community and the members who volunteer their time and efforts towards ensuring that Elmhurst remains a vibrant and thriving place to live. Thank you for being the heart of our community, and for the honor of serving as your mayor. I wish all of you and your families a wonderful season.

Sincerely,  
Scott M. Levin Mayor



# Community Safety

## CodeRED

CodeRED is an emergency alert system used to call, email, or text residents to alert them of major emergency situations. Residents can register their home, cell, and work phone numbers to be sure they always receive alerts. Sign up online at [elmhurst.org/codered](http://elmhurst.org/codered) or download the CodeRED mobile app to be sure you never miss an emergency notification.

## Prescription Drug Takeback Event

The Elmhurst Police Department will be holding a Prescription Drug Takeback event on Saturday, October 28th from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. in the police station parking lot. You can drive-thru and easily drop off any medications. Safely discarding unused medications prevents prescription drugs from ending up in the water system or the hands of kids.



## Traffic & Back to School Safety

As our children head back to school, we would like to remind everyone to please drive with care through our neighborhoods. Children who do not ride a bus are encouraged to walk or bike in groups, or with parents, to alleviate congestion around schools. Parents who drive their children are encouraged to follow established school pickup and drop-off plans. Residents are also reminded that even hands-free cell phone use is prohibited in school zones.



## Save Our Pets Program

Our pets are part of our family, which is why it is important to consider them in an emergency. If you have a pet you would like to be rescued in the case of a fire or other type of evacuation, you can fill out a form and receive a "save our pets" window sticker. If our first responders see this sticker in the front window of your home when performing a rescue, they will know to look for an animal inside to be saved. To submit the form and receive your sticker in the mail, visit [elmhurstfiredepartment.org/saveourpets](http://elmhurstfiredepartment.org/saveourpets).

**IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY  
PLEASE RESCUE PETS INSIDE**



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**ELMHURST  
FIRE DEPARTMENT**

## Protect Your Pets From Fire

Did you know that house fires affect over 500,000 pets each year in the United States? Here are a few tips on how to prevent your pets from starting fires and protecting them in the event of a fire.

- **Extinguish open flames.** Pets are curious and could be drawn to open flames on stoves, candles and fireplaces.
- **Invest in flameless candles.** Using battery-operated candles instead of having a burning candle prevents fires from being started when pets knock candles over with their tails.
- **Secure young pets.** Keep puppies and kittens away from potential fire hazards when you are away from home
- **Alert firefighters of pets in the home.** Stick a window cling on a front window with the number of pets in the home (see our Save Our Pets program) so firefighters know how many pets they are looking for.



## Do you know someone between the ages 14 through 21 who is interested in Law Enforcement?

The Elmhurst Police Department is announcing an Open House to recruit for their youth Police Explorer program on October 17th, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the Police Station. The Police Explorers is a youth based program designed for anyone between the ages of 14 through 21 who is interested in a career in law enforcement. The Police Explorer program allows members to participate in events such as: police ride-alongs, explorer competitions, community service, character development, and physical fitness, as well as learning good citizenship. If you are interested in joining the program, you are invited to attend the Open House! For more information, please visit [elmhurstpoliceexplorers.com](http://elmhurstpoliceexplorers.com).



**Patriot's Day Ceremony** Please join the City of Elmhurst in our special ceremony to proudly remember those who gave their lives to save others on that tragic day 22 years ago. The Ceremony will be held on Monday, September 11th at Fire Station #2 (601 S. York St) from 8:30a.m. – 9:30 a.m.



**Fall Leaf Pickup** A free leaf collection for residents who live within city limits will take place on November 1st – 3rd, and again November 29th – December 1st, on your regular refuse collection day. Leaves must be kept separated from other yard waste and placed at the curb in clearly marked cans, cardboard boxes, or Kraft paper bags. Cans and boxes will be left on the parkway following collection. Although leaves may be placed in marked cans, please be aware that a combination of precipitation and low temperatures may cause the contents to freeze. Frozen cans cannot be emptied by our service provider. All yard waste pickup ends on December 1st.

**Project Fire Buddies** The Elmhurst Fire Department is excited to partner with Project Fire Buddies to offer support and give back to children who are fighting critical illnesses. Visit [projectbuddies.org](http://projectbuddies.org) to learn more about how firefighters are making a difference in our community.



### Veterans Day Ceremony

Every year on Veterans Day, the City of Elmhurst hosts a ceremony to remember and honor those who served in our armed forces. On Friday, November 10th, we welcome you to gather at the Veterans Memorial in Wilder Park at 10:30 a.m., where the ceremony will take place, and join us in thanking the brave individuals who have served our country.



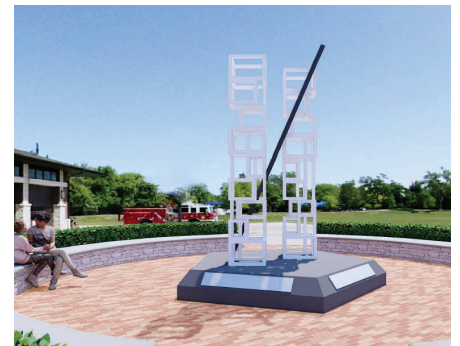
**Utility Billing** The City's utility bills will now be printed and mailed by an outside provider. The new bill will have a refreshed look and will allow the City to retire printing equipment that has exceeded its useful life. The bills will also be mailed directly from Carol Stream, which shortens the mailing time to customers. An insert will be included with the customer's first updated bill, explaining the new layout.

**Dan Gibbons Turkey Trot** Don't miss the annual Dan Gibbons Turkey Trot on Thanksgiving morning! Some 9,000 runners and walkers will gather at the starting line to burn calories and raise money to help the hungry and needy. The Dan Gibbons Turkey Trot is pleased to benefit numerous organizations, including DuPage Pads, United Community Concerns Association, People's Resource Center, West Suburban Community Pantry, Loaves & Fishes Community Services, and Catholic Charities – DuPage County. For course information, race day schedule, history, or to register online, visit the Turkey Trot website at [dangibbonsturkeytrot.com](http://dangibbonsturkeytrot.com).

**Sparky Club** Sparky Club is for any child up to 10 years old who is interested in learning more about fire safety and Elmhurst Fire Department events. As a club member, children receive four envelopes a year containing a letter from Sparky, engaging activities, safety tips, and information about upcoming Fire Department events. The envelopes also contain special stickers each season. To sign up, visit [elmhurstfiredepartment.org/sparkyclub](http://elmhurstfiredepartment.org/sparkyclub).



**First Responders Memorial Plaza** At this time, Elmhurst firefighters, the City of Elmhurst, the businesses of Elmhurst, and the citizens of Elmhurst are moving forward with a new piece of public sculpture created to memorialize the fateful day of 9/11. With a piece of rail given to the City from the twin towers, local sculptor, Jason Peot, will create a vibrant, moving, multi-faceted, 9/11 memorial to be placed near Fire Station #2 on York Street in Elmhurst.



To complete this project, Elmhurst firefighters will need to raise approximately \$150,000. Over the next several months, firefighters will be seeking support for this effort. Contributions of any amount will be sought during this time. It is hoped that this new sculpture can be created and installed by September 11, 2024.

**Ways to donate:** Donations can be made online at [Elmhurst.org/firstrespondersmemorial](http://Elmhurst.org/firstrespondersmemorial), or in person at Elmhurst City Hall.



**Rock the Block** Send the summer off in style at a two day party with all your neighbors and friends in Downtown Elmhurst! There will be delicious menu options from many City Centre restaurants and cold adult beverages available for sale from on-street bars. The fun starts at 4 p.m. on Friday, September 8th with headliners Too Much Molly Band and Hello Weekend. Saturday music opens at 11 a.m. and headliners include ARRA and Sixteen Candles. Free family fun zone with activities and games for the kids on Saturday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please visit [elmhurstcitycentre.com](http://elmhurstcitycentre.com) for full details.



### Trick-or-treating Hours

Official trick-or-treating hours on the night of Halloween in Elmhurst are 3:30 – 7 p.m. Children should always be accompanied by a responsible adult and should only approach well-lit homes in safe places.



**Electric Aggregation Notices** Letters have been mailed to residents from the City's new aggregation provider, MC Squared. Approximately 20% of residents will be moved to MC Squared and will receive information on how to opt out, should they wish to do so. The remaining 80% of customers will either remain on their own program (solar/hourly/own provider) or will remain with ComEd. Those customers will receive information on how to opt in to the program should they choose. The new aggregation program will run from October 2023 to October 2024. It features 5% green energy and guarantees to match the ComEd rate. This year's program has no civic contribution. For more information, visit [elmhurst.org](http://elmhurst.org).

**Farmers Market** Don't miss out on the Elmhurst Farmer's Market, which will continue to be held on Wednesday mornings until October 25th. The market is open weekly from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. and hosts over 25 booths selling fresh produce, handmade goods, and more. You can find the farmer's market on the corner of York and Vallette.



### October 26, 2023 is Sustainability Day

Sustainability Day was created to remind the community of the importance of caring for the environment and the steps to do so. Celebrated the last Wednesday of October, on Sustainability Day, people gather to discuss and plan for the future and how to be more sustainable. The City of Elmhurst will be planning an event at City Hall on Sustainability Day. Please visit [elmhurst.org/sustainability](http://elmhurst.org/sustainability) for more information.



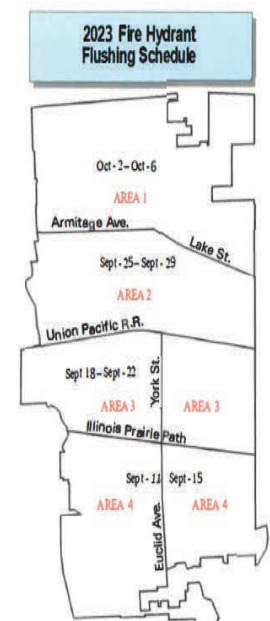
**City Fire Inspections** The primary reason for fire inspections is to keep all building occupants safe from potential fire hazards.

Regular inspection, testing, and adherence to the national fire codes, make working and living environments safer, so citizens and visitors in our community are protected. These fire codes set the minimum requirements to safeguard the occupants of a building, and to protect the building structure from various threats and exposures.



### Fire Hydrant Flushing

City of Elmhurst Water Distribution crews will begin the annual fire hydrant flushing program on Monday, September 11th. Crews will flush and inspect every city owned fire hydrant (Approx 2,400). The flushing program is divided into 4 sections working North to South. Due to additional data entry and water metering in the field the hydrant flushing duration will take eight (8) weeks and should be completed by October 31st. Please refer to the 2023 Fire Hydrant Flushing map. Start date is accurate with area dates being considered "tentative." Signs will be placed out in each area a week in advance to notify residents of programmed flushing.





## Imagine a Day Without Water

Imagine a Day Without Water is a national day of action bringing together communities and policymakers to highlight how water is essential, invaluable, and in need of investment. This year, the day of action will take place on October 19, 2023.

When a community experiences water contamination or shortages, they have no water to drink, prepare meals, bathe their children, wash their hands, flush the toilet, or do laundry. Firefighters can't put out fires, and farmers cannot water their crops. Hospitals would close without water.

The Imagine A Day Without Water day of action embodies the pillars of One Water: water equity, water affordability, and sustainable, integrated water management.

Sign the #OneWater Pledge and learn more ways to take action at [imagineadaywithoutwater.org](https://imagineadaywithoutwater.org).

## Learn Not to Burn Poster Contest Winner

Congratulations to Millie F. on winning the Learn Not to Burn poster contest! Millie is a 4th grader at Jefferson Elementary School.

The Elmhurst Fire Department's public education division teaches the Learn Not to Burn program to all fourth grade students in Elmhurst schools. Winners receive a gift card, ownership of the trophy for the year, and bragging rights!



## Fall Recycling Events

**Electronics & Textile Recycling:** The next quarterly electronics & textile/clothing recycling event will be held on October 28 at the Public Works Facility (985 S. Riverside Drive, Elmhurst). Acceptable drop-off items include old electronics, such as computers, printers, VCRs, and other electronics, and clothing and textiles, such as towels, tablecloths, and other household items. There may be fees for certain electronic items, such as flat screen TVs and monitors. For a more detailed list of acceptable and unacceptable items, visit [elmhurst.org/electronicsrecycling](https://elmhurst.org/electronicsrecycling).



**Cooking Oil Recycling:** The City holds an annual collection of cooking oil that takes place the Saturday after Thanksgiving. This year, on November 25th, bring your used cooking oil to the Public Works Facility at 985 S. Riverside Drive in Elmhurst from 9:00 a.m. – noon, where the oil will be collected and recycled. Dropping it off at the event instead of dumping it down the drain can prevent future problems with sewer lines.

**Pumpkin Recycling:** Elmhurst will again collect used pumpkins the first Saturday after Halloween (Nov 4th) at the Public Works Facility, 985 S. Riverside Drive in Elmhurst from 9:00 a.m. – noon. By recycling your pumpkins, you can reduce the volume in landfills and the pumpkins are instead composted for reuse as rich nutrients for soil.





### Elmhurst Craft Beer Fest returns September 16

One of the most exciting annual events taking place at the museum returns for the 8th year Saturday, September 16! Join us outdoors on the beautiful museum grounds to enjoy beer, seltzers, and ciders from over 50 breweries, with an emphasis on local brewers, plus live music and food. This popular fundraiser is hosted by the Elmhurst Heritage Foundation with support from many community sponsors and it generates key funding for programs and events at the museum and Churchville Schoolhouse. For tickets and additional information, please visit [elmhurstcraftbeerfest.com](http://elmhurstcraftbeerfest.com). Discounted tickets are available prior to September 9.



### The Bicycle: Two Wheels to Adventure closes September 17

If you haven't had a chance to experience our exciting summer exhibit, *The Bicycle: Two Wheels to Adventure*, be sure to visit the museum before the exhibit closes this September (remember, admission to the EHM is free!). In addition to learning about the history of bicycles through examples of iconic bicycles, artifacts, and timeless photographs, see a special display on Elmhurst adventurer, educator, and World's Most Traveled Man, J. Hart Rosdail, and hear colorful tales from his record-setting journeys across the globe on his trusted bicycle, Jacqueline.



### Lost Chicagoland Department Stores opens October 6

The EHM team is hard at work preparing a new exhibit just in time for the holiday season. *Lost Chicagoland Department Stores* will invite you to take a nostalgic trip back to the heyday of Chicago area department stores like Marshall Field & Co., Sears, Carson Pirie Scott, and more. From October 6, 2023 – January 28, 2024, visitors will learn about the eclectic history of these iconic retailers through an array of artifacts, images, video, and memorabilia. Exhibit collaborator, historian, and author Leslie Goddard will share many fascinating stories and items from popular city and suburban department stores of the past.

### Fall Programs & Special Events

We have a busy fall calendar here at the museum. With a range of events and programs, there is something for everyone! Join us for *The Freedom Machine: Women Cyclists in the Victorian Era* lecture at 2 p.m. Sunday, September 10, before *The Bicycle: Two Wheels to Adventure* exhibit closes this fall. Led by Author Chris Sweet, the lecture will showcase and discuss the rich history of Illinois women cyclists from the 1860s-1900.

As we enter the spooky season, the EHM is thrilled to bring back *Graveside Stories Cemetery Walk*, from 6 – 9 p.m. Friday, October 6 and 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. Saturday, October 7. The museum is collaborating with GreenMan Theatre Troupe to bring past residents of Elmhurst to life through this all-ages walk through St. Peter and St. Mary Cemeteries. Tours will depart from the cemetery gates every 15 minutes and Friday night tours will be lantern-lit.

Additionally, we're offering a free inside look into the *Lost Department Stores of Chicagoland* exhibit at 12 p.m. Sunday, November 12. Curator of Exhibits Sarah Cox will lead participants through highlights of the exhibit while hearing highlights about the history of Chicago and suburban department stores. Heading into the holiday season we will also be hosting a *Holiday Gift Wrapping Workshop* at 2 p.m. Saturday, November 18. Hannah Sundwall, owner and founder of Gift Wrap Boss, will teach attendees fundamental professional techniques including seamless wrapping, bow making, and tips on how to wrap oddly-shaped presents. Additional events, tickets, and more information on these programs and can be found online at [elmhursthistory.org](http://elmhursthistory.org).



## Women in Leadership Event Update

The City of Elmhurst Economic Development Commission and Explore Elmhurst hosted a Women in Leadership Luncheon on Wednesday, July 12. The event saw over 75 people in attendance. Guests were able to participate in a keynote address provided by the inspirational Gayle Keller, network, and enjoy a luncheon provided by Elmhurst University. We are incredibly grateful to our sponsor, Elmhurst Bank and would like to thank them again for their support in making this event happen.

Keynote speaker, Gayle Keller is a former Microsoft sales executive who spent the last 20+ years in tech and felt called to empower females by contributing to closing the gender gap in the S.T.E.A.M. fields after seeing firsthand the gender biases that still exist in the workplace. Gayle is also a resident of Elmhurst. Her keynote topic was Sustainable Empowerment: Taking Calculated Risks in Your Career.

The Economic Development Commissions next event is part three of The Future of Entrepreneurship series! Scheduled for October 12, 6-8 p.m. at the Elmhurst History Museum, this event will feature a panel of Elmhurst professionals discussing the ins and outs of starting and growing your business. The event will culminate with a private tour of the new history museum exhibit: Lost Chicago Department Stores. Please visit [elmhurst.org/edevents](http://elmhurst.org/edevents) for additional details on this and other events.



## Around Town Business Updates

The following list is a peek into a few of the new and expanding businesses throughout Elmhurst since May 2023.

- Marshmallow Play – 572 N. Michigan St.
- Pike Lagree – 591 N. York St.
- Original 8 Muay Thai & Fitness – 507 W. Wrightwood Ave.
- Hair Rebellion Chicago Hair – 693 W. North Ave.
- Yorky's Car Wash – 828 N. York St.

The following businesses are coming soon!

- Kong Dog – 113 Schiller St.
- Phase Three Brewing – 494 S. Spring Rd.
- Village Eye Care – 601 St. Charles Rd.
- Boba Heaven – 573 N. York St.
- Modern Plate & Stage – 119 N. York St.
- Ella's Italian Pub – 100 N. York St.
- Five Below – 209 S. IL Route 83



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# EXPLORE elmhurst COMMUNITY CALENDAR

September - November 2023

## ONGOING

**Through Oct. 9 Short and Scary Writing Contest** Scare us with an original super short story or poem. Create a spooky work that's 15 sentences or less. Winners get a Barnes & Noble gift card, a spot in our Kids' Ink magazine, and an opportunity to read their entry live in the Library on Oct. 28. Deadline for entries is Monday, Oct. 9. Submit entries online at [elmlib.org/scary](http://elmlib.org/scary). For Kids Gr. K-8. **Elmhurst Public Library**

**Starting Sept. 9 Picasso: Fifty Years Later** As part of the worldwide exhibitions marking the 50th Anniversary of Pablo Picasso's death, the Elmhurst Art Museum will host an exhibition dedicated to the famed Modern artist. With multiple galleries of his work, the show will pay tribute to his lasting influence and legacy. The three-part exhibition will include an introduction with works by Picasso and his contemporaries such as Alexander Archipenko, Wifredo Lam, Fernand Léger, and Joan Miró; a gallery dedicated to the demanding process of Picasso's printmaking; and a presentation of contemporary figurative artists today. Presenting Sponsor: Wintrust Bank. Additional sponsorship by Anonymous, Sally J. and Raymond J. Allen, Marcia Goltermann, Gigi and James Owens, Gary Metzner & Scott Johnson, Discover DuPage, and the Illinois Office of Tourism. This program is partially supported by a grant from the Illinois Arts Council Agency. [elmhurstartmuseum.org](http://elmhurstartmuseum.org) • **Elmhurst Art Museum**

**Sept. 9 - Oct. 20 Elmhurst Artists' Guild Fall Member Show** The Elmhurst Artists' Guild will be hosting a Fall

Member show for six weeks starting on Sept. 9th and running through Oct. 20th. Member artists can display work in 4 member shows throughout the year. An Opening reception with a guest judge will be on Sept. 15th from 7 - 9 pm. EAG is located at 150 S. Cottage Hill, Elmhurst, IL. [elmhurstartmuseum.org](http://elmhurstartmuseum.org) • **Elmhurst Art Museum**

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**Through Oct 25 Elmhurst Farmers Market** Every Wednesday morning, June 7th through October 25th - hours 7 am until 1 pm - a wide variety of farmers, vendors, and more - free parking. [elmhurstfarmersmarket.com](http://elmhurstfarmersmarket.com) • **Vallette and York**

## SEPTEMBER

**Sun Sept 3 • 12 - 7 p.m. Register to compete in the 'Cue for a Cause on September 3** It's time to get your team together for the 2023 'Cue for a

Cause on September 3, benefitting the Elmhurst Walk-In Assistance Network. Do you have the award-winning recipe that could take it all? It's time to test it out. Registration is now open, but space is limited, so sign up now to show your barbecue chops. Compete in ribs or chicken or both to win the giant grand champion trophy, cash prize, and bragging rights to the "Best barbecue in Elmhurst!" All skill levels welcome. [elmhurstwalkin.org](http://elmhurstwalkin.org) • **York and Vallette**



**Fri Sept 8 • 2 - 3:30 p.m. Klunkerz: A Film About Mountain Bikes** View the 2006 documentary that gives a fascinating account of the earliest days of mountain biking using archival footage from the late 1960s and early 1970s, photographs, and interviews with those who were there. These cycling enthusiasts rode modified pre-WWII bicycles down California slopes, often risking life and limb. It was from these humble beginnings that a billion-dollar industry, a new form of recreation, and an Olympic event were born. Co-presented with Elmhurst Public Library. Not rated, 1 hour, 23-minute running time. No reservation required. [elmhurstpubliclibrary.org](http://elmhurstpubliclibrary.org) • **Elmhurst Public Library**

**Sat Sept 9 • 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Touch a Truck** Climb and explore a variety of vehicles at Elmhurst Park District's

Touch a Truck in Berens Park. New this year - a quiet hour from 9-10 am designed for kids who love trucks, but not the noise. [epd.org](http://epd.org) • **Berens Park**

**Sun Sept 10 • 2 - 3 p.m. The Freedom Machine: Women Cyclists in the Victorian Era** Illinois was at the center of a massive bicycle boom in the late 1800s with women at the forefront challenging Victorian social norms by advocating for dress reform and women's rights. Some of the best female racers in the country hailed from Chicago, and they disproved contemporary myths about women's physical fragility. Based on his original research for a forthcoming book, author Chris Sweet will present and discuss the rich history of Illinois women cyclists from the 1860s-1900. Reservations Required at [elmhursthistory.org](http://elmhursthistory.org) • **Elmhurst History Museum Education Center**

**Tue Sept 12 • 7 - 8 p.m. Emancipation to Inauguration: Chicago's Black Experience** African American History in Chicago is deep and rich. Clarence Goodman takes us on a trip through Chicago history to learn more about everything from DuSable to Obama. Live in-person and on Zoom. Registration required. [elmhurstpubliclibrary.org](http://elmhurstpubliclibrary.org) • **Elmhurst Public Library**

**Wed Sept 13 • 4 - 5 p.m. Chicagolandia: How Latinos Remade the Suburbs** Antonio Ramirez is a social justice advocate and associate professor of Latino history at Elgin Community College. At this year's Cesar Chavez lecture at Elmhurst University, Dr. Ramirez will explain the Chicagolandia Oral History Project, which documents the lives, work and culture of Latinx suburban communities around Chicago, while exploring the impact of those communities on the changing nature of Chicago and its suburbs. Admission is free. RSVP for the event by visiting [elmhurst.edu/cultural](http://elmhurst.edu/cultural) • **Elmhurst University, Frick Center, Founders Lounge**

**Sat Sept 16 • 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Spring Road Fall Fest** Bring your kids to enjoy

carnival games, pony rides and feed the petting zoo animals. Be sure to take photos with our photo cutout boards and barn backdrop. We will have some snack food and drinks you can purchase with CASH only. Bring Cash for the concessions and to purchase feed for the animals. [springroad.com](http://springroad.com) • **Wild Meadows Trace Park**



**Sat Sept 16 • 1 - 6 p.m. 8th Annual Elmhurst Craft Beer Fest** We are happy to announce the Elmhurst Heritage Foundation is brewing up the 8th Annual Elmhurst Craft Beer Fest. Mark your calendars and save the date: Saturday, September 16, 2023. Plan to sample craft beer, cider and seltzers from 50+ breweries while enjoying music on the grounds of the Elmhurst History Museum. Buy your ticket now at [tickettailor.com/events/elmhurstheritagefoundation/939878](http://tickettailor.com/events/elmhurstheritagefoundation/939878) All this, while helping us generate funds which benefits exhibits and educational initiatives at the Elmhurst History Museum and Churchville Schoolhouse. We are actively looking for sponsorship on multiple levels, volunteers and breweries who may wish to participate. Learn more about the fest and contact us at [elmhurstcraftbeerfest.com](http://elmhurstcraftbeerfest.com) with any interest or questions. We hope you will continue to help us by supporting this worthwhile event that benefits the greater Elmhurst Community. Let us together raise a glass to the bright future we are expecting around the corner! Cheers! **Elmhurst History Museum**

**Sun Sept 17 • 1 - 2 p.m. Conversation with Liz Flores and Richard Hull** Join us for a special conversation with exhibiting artists Liz Flores and Richard Hull. They will share processes and concepts of their work, speak

to how they view the works of Pablo Picasso, and answer visitor questions. [elmhurstartmuseum.org](http://elmhurstartmuseum.org) • **Elmhurst Art Museum**

**Tue Sept 19 • 5 - 7 p.m. Concert in the Park** A free concert in Berens Park! Industrial Drive will take to the stage, performing rock hits from across the decades. Concert begins at 5:30 pm, but activities begin at 5 pm. [epd.org](http://epd.org) • **Berens Park**

**Thu Sept 21 • 6 - 8 p.m. The Long Shadow Discussion and Dinner** We invite you to dinner and a discussion about the documentary The Long Shadow, directed by Frances Causey. In this documentary, filmmaker and investigative journalist Francis Causey explores the roots of racism and the shameful legacy of American slavery from the founding of America to its insidious ties to racism today. Cost is \$10 per person to cover the cost of food. Please watch the documentary before attending the event. Sign up at [tinyurl.com/yv726zazat](http://tinyurl.com/yv726zazat) • **First United Methodist Church of Elmhurst**

**Sat Sept 23 • 1 - 4 p.m. Family Day: Picasso & Pastels** Join us in September and get inspired by the rich works found in Picasso: Fifty Years Later. Then, create your own unique still life painting through oil pastels. [elmhurstartmuseum.org](http://elmhurstartmuseum.org) • **Elmhurst Art Museum**

**Thu Sept 28 • 7 p.m. Difficult Conversations** Join the Elmhurst AAUW Branch and ComeUnity/Coffee Break for Social Justice as they aim to bring people together by fostering a thoughtful dialogue and gentle discussion about racial issues. The first program in the series will include a video and follow-up discussion on difficult conversations. Attendees will watch as African-American musician Daryl Davis discusses his experience creating dialogue with the Imperial Wizard of the Ku Klux Klan. Davis's experience demonstrates that dialogue about racial issues can be civil and effective. The program and follow-up discussion will be led by Jim Percic of the



ComeUnity Planning Committee. Free to attend. Pre-registration is requested. Pre-registration is required. Please call **630-993-8193** to reserve a space in this program. **elmhurstarea-il.aauw.net • 151 E. St. Charles Rd.**

**Sat Sept 30 • 6 - 10 p.m. Elmhurst-Yorkfield Food Pantry 40th Anniversary Celebration**

On Saturday, September 30th, the Elmhurst-Yorkfield Food Pantry (EYFP) will be hosting a 40th Anniversary Celebration at the River Forest Country Club from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Tickets are available for \$75/per person. Each ticket for the celebration includes a buffet dinner and two drink vouchers. The evening will have entertainment such as live music from The Bill Riddle Trio, DJ/dancing, games, raffles and a silent auction. **eyfp.org • River Forest Country Club**



**Sat Sept 30 • 7 - 9 p.m. ESO Presents "Elgar's Enigma"** Join the Elmhurst Symphony for an incredible 2023/2024 Season! Our season opens with American composer Michael Abel's buoyant and colorful Outburst, the soaring melodies of Four Last Songs by Richard Strauss, featuring internationally-acclaimed soprano Amanda Majeski, and the beautiful Variations on an Original Theme ("Enigma") by Edward Elgar. Buy tickets online at **ElmhurstSymphony.org • Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church**

## OCTOBER

**Fri Oct 6 - Sat Oct 7 Graveside**

**Stories Cemetery Walk** Learn about the history of Elmhurst through the unique perspectives of past residents during this family-friendly cemetery walk presented in collaboration with GreenMan Theatre Troupe. Tours depart from the cemetery gates every

15 minutes. Friday night tours will be lantern-lit. Limit: 10 per time slot. No strollers please. The cemeteries are located near Myrtle and Alexander St. on the Elmhurst University campus. Friday, October 6 6:00-9:00 p.m., Saturday, October 7 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. \$12/person. Reservations Required at **elmhursthistory.org • 120 East Park Ave**



**Sat Oct 7 • 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Family**

**Fall Fest** Get your costumes ready and bring the family to The Depot at Wild Meadows Trace (511 S York St) for Safety Town trick-or-treating plus fall festivities! **epd.org • Wild Meadows Trace Park**

**Mon Oct 9 - Tue Oct 31 Elmhurst**

**Lions Pumpkin Patch** It's the thrill of the hunt! Find your great pumpkin among tons of options: towering or tiny, warty or shiny, even ghostly white ones. Festive fall photo opportunities, too. Your pumpkin purchase will benefit local community programs and services. Wild Meadows Trace Park, the Prairie Path at York St. **elmhurstlions.org • Wild Meadows Trace Park**

**Wed Oct 11 • 4 -5 p.m. Telling Our Stories: Moving Illinois Forward for LGBTQ+ Justice**

Michael Ziri is the director of public policy at Equality Illinois, the state's civil rights organization for LGBTQ+ people. At this year's William R. Johnson Lecture at Elmhurst University, he will discuss legislative initiatives focused on equality in Illinois. Admission is free. RSVP for the event by visiting **elmhurst.edu/cultural • Elmhurst University, Frick Center, Founders Lounge**

**Fri Oct 13 - Sat Oct 14 Elmhurst Lions**

**Candy Day** Help those in need and get a sweet treat in return. Look for Lions

Club members in bright yellow vests who will be giving away rolls of candy and collecting donations for Candy Day. Proceeds benefit services and programs for visually and/or hearing impaired adults and children. Donation sites include: Jewel Food Store at Schiller and Palmer Drive, Elmhurst Train Station and key intersections along York Rd from Grand Ave. south to Butterfield. **elmhurstlions.org**

**Fri Oct 13 - Sat Oct 14 • 7:30 p.m.**

**Spooky Stories and Songs of the Season** GreenMan Theatre Troupe's annual presentation of scary stories and seasonal songs for adults and older children will be Friday and Saturday October 13 and 14 at 7:30. Cost is \$10.00. **greenmantheatre.org • First United Methodist Church, 232 S York**

**Sat Oct 14 • 1 - 2 p.m. Lecture: Picasso: Printers, Art Dealers, and Lovers by**

**Jay Clarke** Don't miss this lecture by Jay Clarke, the Art Institute of Chicago's Rothman Family Curator of Prints and Drawings, connecting Picasso exhibitions at the Elmhurst Art Museum and the Art Institute of Chicago. Learn how the two shows explore Picasso's legacy fifty years after his death. **elmhurstartmuseum.org • Elmhurst Art Museum**

**Thu Oct 19 • 1 - 2:15 p.m. and 7 - 8:15 p.m. One Book, One Elmhurst Book Discussion - Three Girls from Bronzeville**

*Three Girls from Bronzeville: A Uniquely American Memoir of Race, Fate and Sisterhood* By Dawn Turner. This fast-paced, redemptive memoir by a Chicago journalist and novelist depicts her coming-of-age along with that of her younger sister, Kim, and best friend, Debra, in their historic Bronzeville neighborhood of Chicago. Read about their joys, dreams for future careers, and vows of forever friendship. Yet their paths veer in dramatically different directions, facing heartbreak, loss, and even a murder charge. Live in-person and on Zoom. Registration required. **elmhurstpubliclibrary.org • Elmhurst Public Library**

**Sun Oct 22 • 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Fall Family Fest** Enjoy family fun, crafts and games at the Lions Club pumpkin patch. This free event is hosted by the Elmhurst Leo Club. Leos are dedicated area high school students who organize and participate in service projects. At the patch, pumpkins are available for purchase. Proceeds will benefit community organizations. Wild Meadows Trace Park, the Prairie Path at York St. [elmhurstleos.org](http://elmhurstleos.org) • **Wild Meadows Trace Park**

**Sun Oct 22 • 2 - 3 p.m. Remembering Chicagoland Department Stores** Remember dressing up for lunch in Marshall Field & Co.'s Walnut Room or picking out Christmas gifts from the Sears and Montgomery Ward catalogs? Popular historian and author Leslie Goddard looks back at the great department stores that once dominated Chicago area retail, from the grand shopping palaces clustered on State Street to the cozy local stores on suburban main streets. Reservations Required: [elmhursthistory.org](http://elmhursthistory.org) • **Elmhurst History Museum**



**Thu Oct 26 • 7 - 8 p.m. One Book, One Elmhurst: Author Visit with Dawn Turner** Join us for an evening with Dawn Turner, author of *Three Girls from Bronzeville: A Uniquely American Memoir of Race, Fate and Sisterhood*. Dawn Turner is an award-winning author and journalist who has spent over a decade writing about race, politics, and people whose stories are often dismissed and ignored. Turner will speak about her book, her journalism past, and growing up in Chicago. Book signing to follow. Presented with Elmhurst University and the Friends

of the Elmhurst Public Library. Live in-person and on Zoom. Registration required. [elmhurstpubliclibrary.org](http://elmhurstpubliclibrary.org) • **Elmhurst University, Frick Center**

**Sat Oct 28 • 1 - 4 p.m. Family Day: Cubism Portraits** Explore the works found in Picasso: Fifty Years Later and discover Cubism, the process that Pablo Picasso and others used to reinvent traditional portraiture. Families will create their own fragmented and abstracted portrait sculptures with oil pastels and 3D materials! [elmhurstartmuseum.org](http://elmhurstartmuseum.org) • **Elmhurst Art Museum**

## NOVEMBER

**Fri Nov 3 - Sat Nov 4 Wilder Mansion Holiday Market** You're invited to GL Marketing for the Arts' 12th annual Holiday Market! One of a kind artisan and seasonal gifts. Over 55 artisans and gourmet food vendors, including kids' clothing, pottery, stationary, fiber, jewelry, mixed media, painting, and gourmet food. Free admission. [rglmarketingforthearts.com](http://rglmarketingforthearts.com) • **Wilder Mansion**

**Fri Nov 10 - Sun Nov 19 Blithe Spirit by Noel Coward** GreenMan Theatre presents *Blithe Spirit* by Noel Coward, directed by David Soria. Charles Condomine and his second wife, Ruth, get more than they bargained for when they invite a medium, Madame Arcati, to hold a séance at their home. The séance succeeds in summoning the ghost of Elvira, Charles' first wife. However, Charles is the only one who can see her. The production will open November 10 and run for 2 weekends, with 8 performances scheduled. Showtimes are 7:30 pm Fridays and Saturdays and 2:00 pm matinees on Saturdays and Sundays. The production closes November 19th. Tickets: \$20 adults; \$15 students and seniors. For further information call **630-464-2646** or click [GreenManTheatre.org](http://GreenManTheatre.org) • **First United Methodist Church, 232 S York**

**Sun Nov 12 • 12 - 1 p.m. Lost Chicagoland Department Stores** Curator of Exhibits Sarah Cox will lead

participants through highlights of the Lost Chicagoland Department Stores exhibit. Includes exclusive access to museum galleries while hearing highlights about the history of Chicago and suburban department stores while viewing an array of fascinating artifacts and images. Reservations Required: [elmhursthistory.org](http://elmhursthistory.org) • **Elmhurst History Museum**

**Sun Nov 12 • 4 - 6 p.m. The Ukrainian Symphony** CSO Principal Trumpet Esteban Batallán makes his solo debut with the Elmhurst Symphony! Join us for a Sunday afternoon performance including Carl Maria von Weber's *Der Freischütz* Overture, Alexander Arutiunian's Concerto for Trumpet and Orchestra, Camille Saint-Saëns' Violin Concerto No. 3: I., Pyotr Ilych Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 2 ("Ukrainian"). Violinist Cecilia O'Malley, Winner of the 2023 Stanger Young Artist Competition, also performs. [elmhurstsymphony.org](http://elmhurstsymphony.org) • **149 Brush Hill Road**



**Sat Nov 18 • 1 - 2 p.m. Picasso: Fifty Years Later - Lecture with Christine Poggi** In partnership with Istituto Italiano di Cultura, the Elmhurst Art Museum is proud to present a lecture by Christine Poggi (Ph.D.), Art Historian and Professor of Fine Arts at New York University. Poggi is the author of *In Defiance of Painting: Cubism, Futurism, and the Invention of Collage*. [elmhurstartmuseum.org](http://elmhurstartmuseum.org) • **Elmhurst Art Museum**

**Sat Nov 18 • 1 - 4 p.m. Family Day: Print Like Picasso!** Families will explore printmaking techniques inspired by Picasso: *Fifty Years Later* to create their own colorful prints to take home. [elmhurstartmuseum.org](http://elmhurstartmuseum.org) • **Elmhurst Art Museum**