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### Status of Stormwater Comprehensive Plan

Following the dramatic rainstorms during the summer of 2010, and the resultant damage from flooding and sewer backups, the City Council engaged consulting engineers Christopher B. Burke Engineering Ltd. and RJN Engineers to develop a comprehensive plan to mitigate such events in the future. In February 2011,

Burke Engineering was charged with assessing the stormwater issues and RJN was asked to evaluate sanitary sewer problems. Their findings were presented to the City Council, the Mayor's Stormwater Task Force and the public at-large on Monday,

December 5, 2011, at a City Council Meeting.

The Burke portion of the report focused on adding water detention areas and increased pumping capacities to help mitigate flooding. These recommendations will be implemented with numerous other tools to protect private homes from overland flooding. In addition, the

City will look to install green infrastructure on public and private property to help mitigate stormwater runoff.

In an effort to resolve sanitary issues, RJN has completed extensive field inspection and flow monitoring as well as the construction of

a computer model that simulates the City's sanitary sewer system. During rain events, the sanitary sewer system gets overtaxed with clean water that enters

the sanitary sewer system via inflow and infiltration. The RJN studies analyzed the sources of this inflow and infiltration, and



found that the vast majority come from private property connections. The RJN report includes a series of projects and programs the City can undertake to help mitigate sanitary sewer backup.

The Mayor's Stormwater Task Force has been asked to compile comments and questions for submission to the consultants for their response. Work is ongoing as the

City endeavors to reduce the problems caused by the disastrous rains in recent history. The full findings are available on the City's website at www.elmhurst.org where you can click on "Flood Plan Presentations" under "Eye on Elmhurst."

### **Elmhurst Bids Farewell to Police Chief Neubauer**

Following an outstanding 37-year career with the Elmhurst Police Department, Chief Steve Neubauer recently left to assume the role of Chief of Police in Tinley Park. Neubauer was 21 years old when he began working as an Elmhurst police officer in 1974. He had just graduated from Triton College with an Associate of Science Degree in Police Science. In 1979, he earned a Bachelor of Arts in Social Justice from Lewis University where he later obtained a Master of Science in Criminal Justice in 2000.

Chief Neubauer worked in every division in the department as he made his way up the ranks before



Chief Neubauer served the City of Elmhurst for 37 years.

being sworn in as Chief in 2002. The many accomplishments during Neubauer's tenure include a highly successful peer jury system for first-time juvenile offenders, a neighborhood order ordinance in which property owners were asked to take responsibility for the unlawful activities of their renters, and the break-up two years ago of a teenage heroin problem, just to name a few. Deputy Chief Dominic Panico has been named interim police chief during the search for a new chief.



### Historic Homes Receive Landmark Status

Five years ago the City Council enacted the Historic Preservation Ordinance to promote historic and architectural preservation in Elmhurst. To be eligible for Historic Landmark status, a building must be more than 50 years old and meet other criteria. The first buildings to receive landmark designation were the publicly owned Glos Mansion (current home of the Elmhurst Historical Museum) and the Glos Mausoleum. The John L. Pentecost house was the first private residence to receive landmark designation (see *The Front Porch*, Issue 1, 2009 at www.elmhurst.org). Since then, two more homes in the community have been named landmarks: the homes at 301 S. Arlington and 208 S. Arlington.

The Anderson home at 301 S. Arlington was designed and built by Berkeley Brandt for his family circa 1918. The house was purchased in 1941 by Joseph Lizzadro, founder of the Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art. Charles Anderson and his wife, the former Angela Lizzadro, purchased the house in 1999. The home is a fine example of the Arts & Crafts Movement that was architecturally

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significant in the Chicago area between 1900 and 1940. The original exterior elements include clinker brick with limestone accent; green terra cotta tile roof; and concrete foundation, floors and walls.

The home at 208 S. Arlington, known as "Robinwood," was designed by Joy Wheeler Dow and built in 1908 for George H. and Bernice Porter Miller. The home, now owned by Ms. Donna Almerico, is a beautiful example of the English Cottage style and brings together a number of different characteristics of early twentieth century revival styles, including the symmetry of the Colonial Revival, the gable and overhang of the Flemish Revival, the materials and warmth of detail of the English Cottage Revival, and the underlying sensibility of the Arts and Crafts movement.

The application for landmark status can be found on the City's website at www.elmhurst.org.

### **Electric Aggregation**

any local governments in Illinois and across the country are bundling or aggregating residential and small commercial retail electric accounts to seek bids for a cheaper supply of electricity.

At present, ComEd customers receive electricity at a price set by the Illinois Power Agency, a governmental body that secures electricity on the wholesale market on behalf of ComEd. By bundling residential and small commercial accounts, a municipality can go into the open market to seek a lower rate for power than the rate secured by ComEd. Electricity is still distributed by ComEd through its distribution system, regardless of the source of the power. Consumers will still be billed by ComEd, regardless of the supplier, and still only receive one bill.

The first step was to place a referendum question regarding electric aggregation on the March 20, 2012 ballot. The specific language of the referendum question, provided by the state statute, is as follows: "Shall the City of Elmhurst have the authority to arrange for the supply of electricity for its residential and small commercial retail customers who have not opted out of such a program?"

If the referendum passes, the City of Elmhurst will hold public hearings, develop a plan of governance, and seek bids for electricity from suppliers for residents and small businesses. The City is not obligated to enter into any agreement — if bids are not lower than what is available through ComEd — no change will be made. If a bid is selected, residents and small businesses will receive a notice giving them the chance to choose if that price is the best one for them by either doing nothing (which keeps them in the program) or by opting out.

For more information, please visit the City's website and click on the Electric Aggregation icon on the home page.

### St. Patrick's Day Parade

It is sometimes said that everyone is Irish on St. Patrick's Day. Whether you are Irish every day or only once a year, don't miss the fun at the 16<sup>th</sup> annual St. Patrick's Day parade on Saturday, March 10th. The parade will step off at 12 noon from the corner of Spring Road and Wilson Street, and will feature Irish dancers,

bagpipes, leprechauns, marching bands, clowns, choral groups and much more. For more information or to view photos from past parades, please visit www. elmhurststpatsparade.



# **Preparing for Severe Weather**

The United States is the most severe weather-prone country on earth, according to the National Weather Service. The U.S. is impacted by an average of 10,000 thunderstorms, 2,500 floods, 1,000 tornadoes and 10 hurricanes each year. About 90% of presidentially declared disaster areas are related to severe weather that results in about 500 deaths and almost \$14 million in property damage annually.

It is vital for individuals and families to be knowledgeable and prepared in the event of severe weather or any other type of emergency. Here are some steps you can take to prepare your family.

Be aware that in a disaster, either natural or man-made, emergency responders may not reach everyone in the community for many hours or even several days. Build an emergency kit that contains all the basic items your household would need to survive on your own for at least 72 hours. For a list of suggested items, please visit www.ready.gov/basic-disaster-supplies-kit.

Prepare a family emergency communication plan so that family members know where to go, what to do and how to contact each other. For a sample plan, go online to www.ready.gov/sites/default/files/documents/files/familyemergencyplan[1]\_0.pdf.

Consider purchasing a NOAA Weather Radio with a warning alarm tone and a battery back-up to provide warnings in advance of severe weather.

Before tornado season arrives, select a safe area in your home that is away from windows, doors and exterior walls, such as a basement, or an interior room, hallway or closet. Hold frequent tornado drills so that family members know what to do in case of a tornado when they are at home, work or school.

Teach family members the meaning of tornado watches and warnings. A TORNADO WATCH means that a tornado is possible. Watch the sky and stay tuned to NOAA Weather Radio, or commercial radio or television for more



information. A TORNADO WARNING means that a tornado has been sighted or is indicated by weather radar. Watch the sky for danger signs, such as a dark or greenish sky; large hail; a large, dark, low-lying cloud (particularly if rotating); or a loud roar that sounds like a freight train. Take shelter immediately if you see a storm approaching or see any of these signs.

If you are outdoors or in your car, listen for the sound of Elmhurst's severe weather outdoor warning sirens. If you hear the sirens or see any of the danger signs, go inside and seek shelter immediately. Be aware that there is no "all clear" tone from the outdoor sirens because such a signal would be confusing in the event of additional warnings. Stay tuned to your NOAA weather radio, or a local radio or TV station.

For more information about tornadoes and ways to prepare for severe weather, visit the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) website at www.readv.gov/tornadoes.



### **Elmhurst Designated a StormReady Community**

Last November, Elmhurst's StormReady application was approved by the National Weather Service. This means that the City has the distinction of being designated a StormReady Community for the next three years. This program was established by the National Weather Service to help local governments develop more timely and effective hazardous weather-related warnings to the public. To be StormReady, a community must meet the following requirements:

- Establish a 24-hour warning point and emergency operations center
- Have more than one way to receive severe weather warnings and forecasts, and to alert the public

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- Create a system that monitors local weather conditions
- Promote the importance of public readiness through community seminars
- Develop a formal hazardous weather plan, which includes training severe weather spotters and holding emergency exercises

Being designated as a StormReady community by the Weather Service is a good measure of the community's emergency warning program for weather hazards.





### Got It - Shop Elmhurst First



During the Fourth Quarter of 2011, Got It! has championed the importance of Shop Elmhurst First to residents and businesses alike using a variety of print and web advertising, event sponsorships and marketing, promotional signage, and product giveaways.

Elmhurst is not immune to the challenges we all face in these tough economic times. Elmhurst residents and businesses can help control taxes

by keeping retail dollars in Elmhurst. Whether planning a large purchase, or simply making everyday purchases, think Elmhurst before shopping online or driving to a nearby mall. Retail sales provide revenue for vital city services including police, fire and street maintenance. Research shows that when you shop at a locally owned, independent store, 68 cents of every dollar spent stays in Elmhurst. For an Elmhurst national chain business, 43 cents of every dollar stays in Elmhurst. An Elmhurst auto dealer generates \$100 dollars of sales tax for every \$10,000 auto value.

In addition to helping to fund crucial City services, shopping in Elmhurst has many other advantages, including convenience, competitive prices, great selection and friendly service. Many local businesses are owned by Elmhurst residents and provide employment for neighbors and friends. No matter what you need, chances are very good you will find it in Elmhurst, so please support the community's various retail areas to make Elmhurst a vibrant and diverse business community. Remember — whatever you're looking for — SHOP ELMHURST FIRST.

### Elmhurst to Host Citizen's **Police Academy**

Since the first Citizen's Police Academy was held in Elmhurst in the fall of 2000, more than 300 citizens have participated and were able to gain a working knowledge of law enforcement and the Elmhurst Police Department. The Citizen's Police Academy is a free 12-week program designed to help participants develop greater understanding and partnership between the police and citizens. Participants complete the program with a better understanding of the laws that govern police decisions, as well as personnel issues, procedures, responsibilities, demands and equipment. Each session is open to a maximum of 25 students over the age of 21 who live or work in Elmhurst. Weekly blocks of instruction will run from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. beginning on Wednesday, March 14th and ending on June 6th. More information and an application can be found on the City's website at www.elmhurst.org. Additional questions can be directed to Commander Robert J. Nicholas at (630)530-3057.

### Mayor's Message



t my third State of Our City Aevent at the Community Bank of Elmhurst on January 17, I concluded my remarks with this quote: "The only thing that stands between a man and what he wants from life is often the very will to try and the faith to believe that it's possible." Not only do I personally feel this way, but I feel that

this quote also applies to our City and its future.

With a strong and engaged City Council, and with the ongoing efforts of City staff and other involved citizens, Elmhurst enjoyed a solid 2011 and is poised for an exciting 2012 of challenges and accomplishments.

There were 57 new home permits issued in Elmhurst last year, a 20 percent increase over 2010. There were also 42 home additions and 132 interior remodeling permits, with an overall total of 1,830 permits issued. All of these not only represent new investments by individuals and businesses in our City, but they represent belief in our collective future.

The new Elmhurst Memorial Hospital, Park Place of Elmhurst, the shopping complex at St. Charles Road and Route 83, Navistar moving on to County Line Road, Chamberlain Group's new facility on Grand Avenue, excellent new retail businesses throughout the City — all are just a few significant examples of what is again happening in Elmhurst.

I am confident that in the year ahead we will see action and movement on the Addison Street parking deck project and Hahn Street, the redevelopment of the former hospital site on Berteau Avenue and new construction at The Atrium, as well as other endeavors that may still be under discussion. Although many of these discussions never lead to projects, many are the beginning of ideas of what's right for Elmhurst.

The mechanics to fulfill our ongoing desires in building a stronger Elmhurst include our potential new Tax Increment Financing (TIF) districts, public-private partnerships, an excellent Chamber and our other business organizations.

As we tackle our power, flooding and infrastructure issues, we will look at all options with the understanding that they will require time, dollars and patience.

Elmhurst as a City in 2011 was emerging and stretching again as was our nation. Although it takes time, it is my hope that in 2012 we continue to have faith and continue to believe that our connected efforts will be rewarded.

Peter P. DiCianni Mayor





### March — May 2012

# **ONGOING**

#### Permanent Exhibit

#### The New Rock and Mineral Experience

The new permanent exhibit hall in the lower level of the Museum features 26 new exhibits. Learn how a tree turns to stone, how hard jade is, what minerals make up granite and see fossils through geologic time. Touch a meteorite or touch a screen to view short videos on jade carving, cabochon cutting, faceting and an introduction to the Museum exhibits. Interact with the Illinois map and fluorescent mine, as well.

Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art

Regular Museum hours and admission

#### **Through March 15**

### Women's History Exhibition

Artist and chairperson of the Elmhurst College Department of Art Mary Lou Stewart shows work from her 2011 sabbatical in this exhibition. These large-scale pieces are made of multiple handpainted and stamped panels, each with a distinct rhythmic pattern. Reception on March 7, 4:30-6:30 p.m.; Artist's talk at 5 p.m.

Elmhurst College Frick Center Monday-Friday: 8 a.m.-midnight Saturday: 8 a.m.-10 p.m. Sunday: 10 a.m.- midnight Info: 630-617-6110 FREE

### Video Sculptures

Joan Truckenbrod probes indigenous rituals and ceremonies embedded in the digital realm. These installations engage invisible and visible phenomena from the natural world with contemporary social patterns.

Barbara A. Kieft Accelerator ArtSpace 200 block of West Park Avenue Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday 12-4 p.m. Info: 630-617-6110 FREE

### March 16 - March 24

#### **Very Young Moderns**

A variety of media is showcased in this exhibit highlighting the work of talented young artists.

Elmhurst Art Museum Opening Reception March 16 3:30 - 5:30 pm

### March 16 -March 31

#### **Portfolio**

These programs for high school seniors demonstrate commitment and high competency in visual art. Every high school in DuPage County, and this year, selected schools adjacent to the county, will be invited to select and submit artwork in portfolio format of their five most accomplished art students. Of this pool, twentyfive portfolios are selected for exhibition.

Elmhurst Art Museum Opening Reception March 16 6 - 8 p.m.

### Through March 18

Alert Today, Alive Tomorrow: Living with the Atomic Bomb, 1945-1965

The dropping of the atomic bomb on Japan in1945 marked the end of World War II, but resulted in a new threat:

the uncertainty of the Atomic Age. This new traveling exhibition explores the ways in which Americans lived with the daily fear of atomic war and how government responded to the growth of atomic powers and the onset of the Cold War.

Elmhurst Historical Museum Tuesday-Sunday 1-5 p.m. FREE

### April 3 - May 6 **ECO Elmhurst: Shaping the Future of Elmhurst**

The City of Elmhurst goes green with the help of local ecology clubs from Elmhurst elementary, high school and college students. See student projects exploring ways to reduce, reuse and recycle and learn how to become a greener citizen. Sponsored by Inland Bank-Member FDIC.

Elmhurst Historical Museum Tuesday-Sunday 1-5 p.m. FREE

### April 6 - June 9

### Peggy Macnamara

Artist-in-Residence and an Associate of the Zoology Department at the Field Museum of Natural History, Chicago, Peggy Macnamara's watercolor collections display relationships, patterns, and nuances in these large-scale works.

Elmhurst Art Museum

### **Gordon Powell**

Chicago artist Gordon Powell's wood assemblages allude to aerial landscapes, contour maps, urban detritus or faded graffiti. Powell marries components of painted wood together into abstract puzzle pieces which refer his clear interest in architecture, building methodology and structural complexities.

Elmhurst Art Museum

### Michael X. Ryan

Chicago-based artist Michael X. Ryan creates drawings, mappings, wood reliefs and installations that focus on patterns made or discovered in places he has lived and visited. Continuing his practice of investigating specific sites, this exhibition will include works developed through research collected on the Elmhurst Quarry.

Elmhurst Art Museum

### **Mario Treio**

Mario Trejo's work visually explores the expansive concepts of eternity and infinity through the use of hundreds of thousands of marks in each work as a method of testing the artistic limits of time, space and numerical systems.

Elmhurst Art Museum

#### April 20-May 6

GreenMan Theatre: The Matchmaker Delightful Thornton Wilder comedy inspired the hit musical "Hello Dolly." Dolly Levi, a marriage broker at the turn of the 20th century in Yonkers, NY, is hired to find a local merchant a wife. After mistaken identities, a secret rendezvous, separated lovers and a trip to night court, everyone ends up with their perfect match. Corporate funding provided by BMO Harris Bank.

United Methodist Church 232 South York, Elmhurst Fri.-Sat.: 7:30 p.m. Sun.: 2 p.m. For tickets call 630-464-2646 or visit www.greenmantheatre.com

### May 11-September 18

### Sweet Home Chicago: The History of **Chicago's Candy Making Capital**

From Fannie May to Brach's Candies, Tootsie Rolls, Frango Mints, Lemonheads and more. Chicago has a tasty history of making candy loved the world over. Learn about Chicago's sweet history and how candy and the City of Chicago grew up together. All ages.

Elmhurst Historical Museum Tuesday-Sunday 1-5 p.m. FREE

### Through May 31

### Special Exhibit: Household Jades of 19th Century China

Daily life dishes, personal ornaments and display objects incorporating historic forms and detailed symbolism.

Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art

# **MARCH**

### Thursday-1

### The Future of Weather

Are tornadoes, tsunamis and hurricanes our new weather normal? Heidi Cullen is a researcher for Climate Central, a nonprofit journalism and research organization that reports on climate change. The author of The Weather of the Future, she is a visiting lecturer at Princeton University.

Elmhurst College Frick Center 7 p.m. FREE Info: 630-617-3390

### Saturday-3

### **Dinosaur Discoveries**

Children become dinosaur detectives with "Paleontologist Illinois Bones" to learn about the world of dinosaurs. Fossils and props are used to create an awareness of dinosaur characteristics. Ages 4 to adult.

Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art 2 p.m. - 50 minutes, \$4/person Museum members \$2 Reservations recommended: 630-833-1616

# **MARCH**

#### Tuesday-6

# H. Richard Niebuhr: A Centennial Appreciation

One of today's most prominent interpreters of religion and culture, Martin Marty, an ordained Lutheran minister, teaches at the Divinity School of the University of Chicago. The lecture marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the graduation of Niebuhr from Elmhurst College, where he later served as president.

Elmhurst College Frick Center 7 p.m. FREE Info: 630-617-3390

### Friday, Saturday 9-10

### Wilder Mansion 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Envision: Women in Art, Design & Wellness

A marketplace to shop, enrich and nourish. One-of-a-kind art, unique seasonal St. Patrick and Easter gifts, plus gourmet food vendors. Presented by BMO Harris Financial Advisors. Produced by RGL Marketing for the Arts, Inc. Sponsored by the Elmhurst Park District.

Wilder Mansion, Friday, 4-9 p.m. Benefit to support Dare to Dream Get Educated (supported by the AAUW) Tickets: \$20 at the door (cash/check/Visa/ Master Card)

Saturday: 11 a.m.-5 p.m. FREE rglmarketingforthearts.com

### Saturday-10

### Elmhurst St Patrick's Day Parade on Spring Road

Begins 12 noon at Wilson and marches north up Spring Road.

Info: (630) 834-0300

# Community Conversations: What is S.A.L.T.?

Elmhurst Police Detective Dan Bishop, representing "Seniors and Lawmen Together," will share important information regarding crime trends targeting senior citizens and identify theft updates. Sponsored by the Senior Citizens Commission.

Elmhurst City Hall, 10 a.m.

Reservations required: 630-305-7077

### **Rock and Mineral Identification**

Geologist Sara Johnson presents an introduction to rocks and minerals. Great for teachers and rockhounds, this program qualifies for Boy and Girl Scout merit badges.

Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art 1 p.m. Ages 8 years to adult-75 minutes Admission: \$5 per person Museum members: \$3

Reservations required: 630-833-1616

### Second Saturday: Molly McCracken Kumar

Make your own stamps and stencils, then print on patterned paper. Trade stamps with a sibling or friends to create layered images. Turn your designs into greeting cards, magnets and bookmarks. All ages welcome and remember to bring your parent! Materials and instruction included.

Elmhurst Art Museum, 11 a.m. – 12 noon FREE

### Saturday-10

### The Music of Jane Austen Recital and Tea

This program of romance, humor and beautiful music celebrates the 200th anniversary of *Sense and Sensibility* and features composers loved by Jane Austen, complemented by Elmhurst Symphony Music Director Stephen Alltop's historical narrative. Music by Stephen Alltop, piano, and Josefien Stoppelenburg, soprano/violin. Tea by Café Amano follows the program.

Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church 1:30 p.m. Tickets: \$35 Call 630-941-0202.

#### Sunday-11

### Sunday Funday:

### **Butterfly Fridge Magnets**

Find the first butterflies of the spring season at EHM. Kids will decorate a fluttering butterfly magnet to use for displaying notes or artwork. Drop-in family craft workshop for ages 4-12 accompanied by an adult. No reservations required.

Elmhurst Historical Museum Education Center 1-3 p.m. Non-members \$2 Members FREE

#### Thursday-15

### The Cold War in Our Own Backyard

Chris Sturdevant, director of the Cold War Museum/Midwest Chapter, brings a local perspective to the nation's response during the Cold War era. Find out how Midwesterners viewed Civil Defense efforts and learn about munitions plants scattered throughout the countryside and the long-term Cold War effects.

Elmhurst Historical Museum Education Center 7 p.m. (museum open 5-9 p.m.) FREE

# The Marketplace of Ideas: Reform and Resistance in the American University

Louis Menand is one of the more trenchant observers of the forces that shape higher education in the U.S. A professor of English at Harvard and staff writer for *The New Yorker*, Menand won the 2002 Pulitzer Prize in history for *The Metaphysical Club: A Story of Ideas in America*.

Elmhurst College Hammerschmidt Chapel 7 p.m. FREE Info: 630-617-3390



Bring your own basket to collect all your newfound goodies and don't forget your camera – Wilder Park, 10 a.m. sharp, Saturday, April 7.

#### Sunday-18

#### Music@Bethel Presents Spektral Quartet

Hailed as one of the top five classical performances of 2010 by *TimeOut Chicago*, the Spektral Quartet's adroit musicality and innovative programming promise to bring a new twist to the concept of classical strings.

Bethel United Church of Christ 315 East St. Charles Road, Elmhurst, 3 p.m. Adults \$20 Seniors \$18 Students \$5 Family \$45 Call 630-279-4040 or visit www.musicatbethel.com

### Friday-23

### **Pinot & Picasso**

Beginners welcome—our teaching artists will guide you through the painting process in a fun, and easy series of steps. Jazz up your night with complimentary wine and scrumptious chocolates catered by Elmhurst's own Chow. By evening's end, go home with your own brag-worthy picture. All materials provided. Ages 18 and up

Elmhurst Art Museum, 6 - 9 p.m. \$38/participant

# **APRIL**

#### Saturday-7

### **Park District Egg Hunt**

Hop on over to Wilder Park for the BIGGEST egg hunt Elmhurst has ever seen! Bring your own basket to collect all your newfound goodies and don't forget your camera for a picture with the Easter Bunny.

Wilder Park, 10 a.m. sharp

### **Spring Road Easter Egg Hunt**

Bring your basket to collect candy-filled eggs! At the Gazebo at the Prairie Path on Spring Road 1 p.m. (sharp) FREE

### Doggie Eggstravaganza!

Dogs that enjoy the thrill of the hunt or just like to romp can join the first-ever Egg Hunt for Dogs! Prizes and treats will be hidden in colorful holiday eggs throughout Wilder Park. Dogs must be leashed, wearing current rabies tags and accompanied by an adult age 16 or over. Prizes will be awarded for best costume!

Wilder Park, 10:30 a.m.

#### Thursday-12

#### **Democracy and Global Security**

Educated at Oxford and MIT, Kathleen Troia McFarland is a Fox News analyst who served as a Deputy Secretary of Defense under President Ronald Reagan, a research assistant to Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and a member of the National Security Council under presidents Richard Nixon and Gerald Ford.

Elmhurst College Frick Center 7 p.m. FREE Info: 630-617-3390

### **Girlfriends Getaway**

Sample City Centre service businesses and merchants during a fun-filled night designed especially for women. Pick up your FREE tote bag filled with goodies while supplies last.

Elmhurst City Centre Office, 5 p.m. Watch the website for special Getaway deals: www.elmhurstcitycentre.com

### Saturday - 14

### Recycle Electronics — and More!

Drop off your old electronics, batteries, metal, clothing and textiles, new or slightly used building supplies, working and nonworking bicycles, working sewing machines, eyeglasses, and books. Paper shredding will be available. For a complete list of acceptable items, visit www.elmhurst.edu/sustainability. Participating organizations: Elmhurst College, Elmhurst Bicycle Club, Elmhurst Lions Club, SCARCE, Cornerstone Used Books, DuPage County, Creative Recycling, St. Vincent DePaul Society and DuPage Habitat for Humanity ReStore.

Parking lot at the Corner of Park and Myrtle (north of the Elmhurst College Mill Theatre), 9 a.m.-12 noon Info: sustainable@elmhurst.edu

### Second Saturday: Mario Trejo

Be inspired by the scientific and structural artistic investigations of Mario Trejo. Students will create a project using a pre-inked scratchboard to capture repeated marks and indentations against a dark surface. All ages welcome and remember to bring your parent! Materials and instruction included.

Elmhurst Art Museum, 11 - 12 noon, FREE

#### Sunday-15

### **Eco Elmhurst Family Day**

The entire Elmhurst community is invited to view "Eco Elmhurst: Shaping the Future of Elmhurst," a display of local school eco-club projects depicting how a new generation is initiating positive environmental changes to save the planet. Meet Cool Cities leaders and the Elmhurst Park District Green Team. Participating schools will be recognized at 1:30 p.m. and children are invited to make a special eco-craft in the Education Center. Sponsored by Inland Bank-Member FDIC.

Elmhurst Historical Museum

1-3 p.m. FREE

### **Elmhurst College Spring Choral Concert**

The Elmhurst College Concert Choir, Chamber Singers and Women's Chorus present their annual spring choral concert

Elmhurst College Hammerschmidt Chapel 2 p.m. FREE Info: 630-617-3535

### **Holocaust Guestship Lecture**

In his latest book, *In the Garden of Beasts*, the author and historian Erik Larson explores 1933 Berlin and the rise of the Nazis through the eyes of the American ambassador to Germany and his family. Hailed by *The New York Times* as "a marvelous writer – superb at creating characters with a few short strokes," he is also the author of No. 1 *New York Times* bestseller *The Devil in the White City* about the World's Columbian Expositon in 1893.

Elmhurst College Frick Center 7 p.m. FREE Info: 630-617-3390

### Thursday - 19

### **Elms Among Us**

Dr. Kunso Kim, Morton Arboretum's head of collections, will discuss the legacy of elm trees and his ongoing work studying elms, the return of the elm tree and the fight against Dutch elm disease. For those who care to share, Morton Arboretum staff members will record memories of growing up with elms.

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### Saturday-21

## Community Conversations: Senior Services and You

Sponsored by the Senior Citizens Commission, a panel of experts share their expertise in Elmhurst senior services. Space is limited.

Elmhurst City Hall, 10 a.m. Reservations: 630-306-7077

### **Eco Family: Windowsill Herb Gardening**

This class will show you how to prepare, grow and maintain your own windowsill herb garden. All materials, including seeds, soil and growing trough, are included.

Eldridge Park Recreation Building 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Residents \$50 Non-Residents \$63

### Sunday - 22

### Elmhurst Choral Union: Spiritual Romantics

Elmhurst Choral Union, orchestra, and soloists explore human and divine love, featuring Bruckner's rapturous Mass no. 1 and choruses by Wagner.

Elmhurst Choral Union Elmhurst College Hammerschmidt Chapel 190 Prospect Avenue, 3 p.m. Adults \$25, Seniors \$23, Students \$10 Info: elmhurstchoralunion.org or

630-758-1100

### Thursday - Saturday 26 - 28

### Theatre: Little Shop of Horrors

This musical places its rags-to-riches theme on Skid Row and uses the musical flourishes of rock and roll, doo-wop and Motown.

Elmhurst College Mill Theatre 253 Walter Street, 8 p.m. General Admission \$7 Info: 630-617-3005

### Saturday - 28

### **Annual Prairie Path Clean-Up**

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The Prairie Path at the Old Train Depot at York Street

9 a.m. to 12 noon (rain or shine) To sign up, send an email to biketaskforce@elmhurst.org.



Visiting
the Fossil
exhibit in the
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### Saturday-28

### Music@Bethel presents Kmang Kmang

This Avant World Rock group was founded by the classically trained guitarist and composer Barney Ung. Their music comes from a slowly distilled mix of Ung's musical passions: the subtle force of the classical guitar tradition, the sounds of Spain and Brazil, his emerging understanding of his roots as a Cambodian-American. The result embodies a post-rock, jazz-inflected dismantling of indie songwriting of emotional, complex songs without words.

Bethel United Church of Christ 315 E St. Charles Road, Elmhurst, 3 p.m. \$20 adults, \$18 seniors, \$5 student, \$45 family Call 630-279-4040 or visit www.musicatbethel.com

### Sunday-29

### It Gets Better:

### **Creating Hope for LGBT Youth**

In September 2010, the author Dan Savage and his partner Terry Miller created a YouTube video to inspire hope for LGBT youth facing bullying and harassment. That first video sparked the "It Gets Better" project, which to-date has inspired more than 20,000 user-created videos, including submissions from athletic teams, the staff of Google, Facebook and Pixar, the President of the United States and the students of Elmhurst College.

Elmhurst College Hammerschmidt Chapel 7 p.m. FREE Info: 630-617-3390

## MAY

### Tuesday-Wednesday 1-2

#### Jazz at the Mill

Come hear the Elmhurst College Jazz Lab Band directed by Mike Pinto; vocal Group Blue directed by Gayle Bisesi; the College Jazz Band directed by Doug Beach; and the vocal jazz ensemble *Late Night Blues* directed by Susan Moninger.

Elmhurst College Mill Theatre 253 Walter Street 7:30 p.m. FREE Info: 630-617-3515

### Thursday-3

### Jazz Combo Night

Hear the Elmhurst College Jazz Band. Silverado Bar and Grill 447 Spring Road, Elmhurst, 5-10 p.m. Reservations: Silverado – 630-833-1602



### Thursday-3

# Elmhurst Symphony Strings Play Gershwin and Ellington

The ESO String Ensemble will show that strings can swing, too, when they perform their own lush and bluesy interpretations of favorites by Gershwin and Ellington. The group will play upbeat tunes as well as some memorable ballads, accompanied by colorful commentary. This concert will have you tripping down memory lane and tapping your toes to these catchy jazz standards.

Mayslake Peabody Estate 1717 W 31st St., Oak Brook 7:30 p.m.

\$25 for adults; \$ 7 for students; groups 10 or more \$20

Call 630-941-0202

### Saturday, Sunday 5-6

#### 16th Annual Art in the Park

Over 100 artists from the Midwest. Kids activities. Produced by rglmarketingforthearts. com.

Wilder Park

10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday

### Sunday-6

## Elmhurst College Philharmonic Orchestra Concert

Joanne May, Conductor
Elmhurst College
Hammerschmidt Chapel

3 p.m. FREE Info: 630-617-3515

### Monday-7

### **Elmhurst College Band Concert**

Wind Ensemble, Judy Grimes, conductor. Symphonic Band, Ross Kellan, conductor.

Elmhurst College Hammerschmidt Chapel

7:30 p.m. FREE Info: 630-617-3515

### Saturday-12

### **Eco Family: Rain Barrels**

Our special Eco Family offering will teach the whole family the importance of rain barrels in our community. You'll leave with your own ready-to-install rain barrel.

Eldridge Park Recreation Building 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Residents \$88 Non-Residents \$110

### **Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra Concert**

The ESO's "Season Finale" features rising star Inna Faliks, one of the most in-demand pianists of her generation, who will play Prokofiev's "Piano Concerto No.1 in D-flat Major." Also on the program are Mendelssohn's "Hebrides Overture," which perfectly captures the windswept beauty of this Scottish Isle, and Berlioz' "Symphonie Fantastique," a tour-de-force for any orchestra, that reflects the audacity and genius of the composer.

Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church 149 West Brush Hill Road, Elmhurst 7 p.m. Adults \$31 Students \$7 Group and family rates available

### Saturday-12

### Second Saturday: Gordon Powell

Mimic artist Gordon Powell by using painting, drawing, and collage techniques on wood. Construct a personalized piece of contemporary art that explores the classic puzzle form frequently utilized by the artist. All ages welcome and remember to bring your parent! Materials and instruction included.

Elmhurst Art Museum, 11 - 12 noon, FREE

### Thursday-17

### **Truth and Justice in America**

Bob Woodward has won nearly every journalism award in the nation, including the 1973 Pulitzer Prize for his work with his Washington Post colleague Carl Bernstein on the Watergate scandal. Judge William J. Bauer (Elmhurst Class of 1949) is a senior judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit. The two old friends reunite for a remarkable evening at Elmhurst College to discuss issues at the heart of the American experience in democracy.

Elmhurst College Hammerschmidt Chapel 7 p.m. FREE Info: 630-617-3390

### Sweet Home Chicago: Chicago's Candy History

For most of its history Chicago produced an astonishing one-third of all candy made in the U.S. What made Chicago the sweet spot for producing candy? Find out this and the answer to many curious candy questions from "Sweet Home Chicago" exhibit cocurator, author and lecturer Leslie Goddard. After the presentation, browse the exhibit in the museum galleries. Refreshments will be served following the program.

Elmhurst Historical Museum Education Center, 1 p.m. FREE

### Saturday May 19

### Spring Road Pet and Bike Parade

Pre-parade festivities include moon jump, face painting, pet portraits and bike decorating. March your pets, decorated bikes or stuffed animals in the parade. Afterwards, show off your pet's talent with pet tricks.

The parking lot of Ahlgrim Funeral Home (567 Spring Road)
11:30 a.m.: Pre-parade festivities begin

1 p.m.: Parade All activities FREE

### Bike Rodeo

Join the Elmhurst Park District staff, community volunteers, Vallette Business Association and the Elmhurst Chamber of Commerce for a morning of bike safety and fun riding tips.

The Depot, 511 South York Street 10 a.m. - 12 noon. All ages

### Sunday-20

### **Elmhurst Museum Day**

Celebrate Elmhurst's cultural landscape and International Museum Day with all four Elmhurst museums. Park at one museum and ride a complimentary trolley to each location for free exhibits, fun activities and a chance to earn great prizes. Complimentary refreshments available at Elmhurst Historical Museum. All ages.

Elmhurst Art Museum
Elmhurst Historical Museum
Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art
Theatre Historical Society
1-5 p.m. FREE

### Addresses for organizations regularly featured in the Elmhurst Community Calendar

### **Elmhurst Art Museum**

150 Cottage Hill Ave., Elmhurst, IL 60126 (630) 834-0202

www.elmhurstartmuseum.org

### **Elmhurst City Centre**

2 City Centre, Elmhurst, IL 60126 (630) 993-1600

www.elmhurstcitycentre.com

#### **Elmhurst Choral Union**

P.O. Box 1493, Elmhurt, IL 60126 (630) 758-1100 www.elmhurstchoralunion.org

#### **Elmhurst College**

190 Prospect Ave., Elmhurst, IL 60126 (630) 617-3390 www.elmhurst.edu

#### **Elmhurst Historical Museum**

120 E. Park Ave., Elmhurst, IL 60126 (630) 833-1457

www.elmhursthistory.org

### **Elmhurst Park District**

225 Prospect Ave., Elmhurst, IL 60126 (630) 993-8901 www.epd.org

### **Elmhurst Public Library**

125 Prospect Ave., Elmhurst, IL 60126 (630) 279-8696 www.elmhurstpubliclibrary.org

### **Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra**

Performances at Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church, 149 W. Brush Hill Rd., Elmhurst, IL 60126 Mailing address:

P.O. Box 345, Elmhurst, IL 60126 (630) 941-0202

www.elmhurstsymphony.org

### Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art

220 Cottage Hill Ave., Elmhurst, IL 60126 (630) 833-1616 www.lizzadromuseum.org

# The Elmhurst Community Calendar is Sponsored by:

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For more information about the Elmhurst Community Calendar, please call (630) 833-1457.





# **April 28 is Prescription Drug Take-Back Day**

The Police Department considers it a priority to prevent prescription drug abuse and, at the same time,

keep unwanted and expired medications out of our municipal water supply. Many of us, however, don't know how to properly dispose of unwanted or expired medications, and either flush them down the toilet or throw them away, leading to both safety and environmental hazards. The City will participate in the National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day sponsored by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) on Saturday, April 28. During last fall's collection, 170 pounds of medications were turned in for destruction. Nationwide, 188.5 tons of medications were turned in at the 5,327 take-back events last October. Since the event was first held in 2010, close to 500 tons of medications have been removed from circulation. Residents are urged to look through their medicine cabinets and bring expired and/or unwanted prescriptions and over-the-counter medications to the parking lot of the Elmhurst Police Station on Saturday, April 28 between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

### Recycle Electronics – and More!

Residents are reminded that electronic waste cannot be disposed of with regular refuse or recycling. A free recycling event will be held on April 14 from 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon in the Mill Theatre parking lot at Elmhurst College. Acceptable items include televisions, monitors, CPUs, scanners, printers, fax machines, ink jet and printer cartridges, stereo equipment, VCRs, telephones (including cell phones) and rechargeable batteries. Besides electronics, they will be accepting CFLs and fluorescent lights, bicycles, helmets, bike seats and child carriers, sewing machines, wheelchairs, rulers, buttons, yarn and clean school supplies. Unacceptable items include smoke detectors, hazardous materials, gas-powered engines or any device that is radioactive or contains mercury. For further information and a complete list of acceptable and unacceptable items, please visit the website at www.Elmhurst.edu/sustainability or email any questions to sustainable@elmhurst.edu

### **Annual Spring Clean-Up**

Elmhurst's annual Spring Clean-Up for residents living within the corporate limits will take place on the regularly scheduled refuse collection day during the week of April 16. Acceptable items include appliances, furniture, carpet rolls (no more than five feet in length and two feet in diameter), fixtures, up to two cubic yards of construction and demolition debris (equal to eight 33-gallon cans), landscape timbers in three-foot pieces, hardened paint in cans, and bulk items. Items other than large appliances, furniture and bulk items must be placed in bags, cans or boxes weighing no more than 50 pounds each.

Please be aware that the following items are not accepted during Spring Clean-Up: ammunition, large automotive parts, car batteries, tires, boats, snowmobiles, snow blowers, riding mowers, hazardous or medical waste, concrete blocks, bricks, cement, asphalt, radioactive materials, explosives and fluids. For a more detailed description of Spring Clean-Up, visit the City website at www.elmhurst.org, call (630) 530-3020 or stop by the Community Development counter in City Hall.

### **Senior Chore Days This Spring**

Some older Elmhurst residents need help with springtime chores, such as removing storm windows and installing screens, cleaning up debris from winter storms or just planting some flowers to beautify their outdoor space. Volunteers are needed to lend a helping hand during Senior Chore Days, to be held the first three weekends in May. Interested seniors and volunteers are asked to contact the DuPage Senior Citizens Council at (630) 620-0804 for more information.

### **Yard Waste Collection Resumes**

Yard waste collection will resume on your regular refuse collection day during the week of April 2nd. Yard waste includes leaves, brush, shrubbery trimmings, twigs, dead flowers and weeds (with soil removed). A clearly visible



yard waste sticker is required for each bag or container. Residents may dispose of two bundles of brush each week at no additional cost. For instructions on proper disposal of yard waste and brush, please visit www.elmhurst.org.

# Can Your Address be Seen in an Emergency?

Are the numbers of your home address visible from the street? The ability to read house numbers is crucial in an emergency. City Code requires that your home's address numbers should be in a conspicuous place on the building and at least 4" high.

Please take the time to be sure your house numbers are visible from the street. Remember, this small action could save a life in the event of an emergency.

# **Annual Fire Hydrant Flushing Schedule**

Every year fire hydrants in the community are flushed to ensure that they are operating properly and will provide adequate water for emergency use. Personnel from the Public Works Department will conduct this year's flushing operation between the dates of April 2 - 27. The work takes place Monday through Friday between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. Signs will be posted in affected areas before the work begins. (See map for details.)





### March 2012

### **Permits Available at City Hall**

Residents planning a remodeling or construction project this spring are reminded that permits are required for the following types of construction:

- New home construction
- Interior remodeling and additions
- Electrical or plumbing work
- Siding and window replacement
- Porches, patios, decks, fences, gates, signs and driveways
- Sheds, accessory buildings, and attached or detached garages
- Swimming pools and hot tubs
- Air-conditioning installation
- Generators and outdoor fireplaces

Community Development personnel can also provide information about block parties, code enforcement, economic development, planning and zoning. For more detailed information about building permits and codes, visit the City's website at www.elmhurst.org. Personnel from the Building Department, the Public Works Department and the Fire Department are all available to answer your questions at the Community Development counter in City Hall.

### City of Elmhurst

209 N. York St., Elmhurst, IL 60126 (630) 530-3000

Website homepage: www.elmhurst.org email: webmaster@elmhurst.org

City Hall Hours
Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Peter P. DiCianni III, Mayor Patty Spencer, City Clerk David Dyer, City Treasurer

### Aldermen

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# Community Safety

### **Testing Your Home for Radon**

Radon is a cancer-causing radioactive gas that you can't see, smell or taste. It is a natural result of the breakdown of uranium in rocks, water and soil. Radon can get into the air you breathe in your home or workplace by moving through cracks and holes in the foundation. Once in a building, it becomes trapped and can potentially build to unsafe levels. The greatest exposure to radon gas is usually in the home where people normally spend a great deal of time. The EPA estimates

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that radon causes more than 21,000 lung cancer deaths each year, making it second only to smoking as a cause of lung cancer. If you smoke and have high levels of radon in your home, your lung cancer risk is especially high.

Testing is the only way to know if your home has unsafe levels of radon gas. Low-cost, do-it-yourself radon test kits can be purchased online or through local hardware stores and other retail outlets. If your home is found to have high levels of radon gas, there are effective radon reduction systems that are reasonably priced. Another option is to hire a qualified tester to do the testing for you. For more information or a list of licensed measurement and/or mitigation specialists, go to www.radon. illinois.gov/ or call the Illinois Emergency Management Agency at 800-325-1245.

### Alive at 25

Statistics show that motor vehicle accidents kill nearly 6,000 young people annually in the U.S., making crashes the #1 cause of death for people between the ages of 16 and 24. Another 325,000 are seriously injured each year. About 20 percent of new teenage drivers are involved in a crash during their first year as licensed drivers. Among the factors that contribute to teenage motor vehicle accidents include speeding, inexperience, use of alcohol and party drugs, distractions, peer pressure and driving with other teens in the car. The Elmhurst Police Department offers a free fourhour program called "Alive at 25," to help young drivers make better driving decisions and take responsibility for their own driving behavior. This highly interactive program was developed by the National Safety Council. Instruction is provided through workbook exercises, interactive media segments, group discussions, role-playing and short lectures, which are designed to help young drivers develop the convictions and strategies needed to keep them safer on the road. The class is held monthly and is open to all teens who attend local public or private high schools. For more information, please visit the City's website at www.elmhurst. org or call the Police Department at (630) 530-3050.



### **Elmhurst Historical Museum**

120 E. Park Ave., Elmhurst

Phone: 630-833-1457 www.elmhursthistory.org

### Museum Hours: Tuesday-Sunday, 1-5 p.m.

### Duck and Cover: "Alert Today, Alive Tomorrow" Descends upon Elmhurst



Baby Boomers of a certain age will undoubtedly have many memories stirred by the Elmhurst Historical Museum's latest exhibit, "Alert Today, Alive Tomorrow." This new traveling exhibition from ExhibitsUSA is making its national debut in Elmhurst at the Elmhurst Historical Museum through March 18, 2012. The exhibit chronicles America's response after the dropping of the atomic bomb in 1945 and the resulting

new threat: the uncertainty of the Atomic Age.

"Alert Today, Alive Tomorrow" explores the ways in which Americans lived with the daily fear of atomic war from 1945 to 1965, and how government responded to the growth of atomic powers during the Cold War. Through engaging period artifacts and displays, the exhibit shows how Americans were inundated with multi-media propaganda



### Become a Member of the Elmhurst Heritage Foundation

The Elmhurst Heritage Foundation — the support organization for the Elmhurst Historical Museum and the historic Churchville Schoolhouse — is pleased to announce year two of its membership program. Last year more than 200 memberships – including corporations, individuals, seniors, and families — were added to the new program and it continues to grow. The Foundation invites every resident to become a member and take advantage of many valuable benefits including:

- \* Invitations to special members-only receptions and programs
- \* 10% discount in the Museum Gift Shop
- FREE kids' programs for Family Members
- \* Reduced fees for programs and events
- \* Membership in the nationwide Time Traveler program

This year, a special incentive has been added for those renewing or starting a membership. Suburban Bank & Trust of Elmhurst has generously offered to donate \$10 for every new membership or renewal in 2012! So don't delay in order to start receiving your benefits ASAP. It's easy to join the Foundation – call 630-833-1457, pick up an enrollment form at Elmhurst Historical Museum or City Hall, or go to the Elmhurst Heritage Foundation's website at <a href="https://www.elmhurstheritagefoundation.org">www.elmhurstheritagefoundation.org</a> to enroll online. Thank you for your support as we work together to preserve "Our Town, Our History, and Our Heritage."

### Save the Date: Elmhurst Museum Day

### **Sunday, May 20, 2012**

Hop aboard the trolley for FREE fun for all ages at all four Elmhurst Museums:

- \* Elmhurst Historical Museum
- \* Elmhurst Art Museum
- \* Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art
- \* Theatre Historical Society of America

Go to www.elmhursthistory.org for details.

"Sweet Home Chicago: The History of Chicago's Candy-Making Capital"

New exhibit opens May 11, 2012







### City Vehicle Stickers – May 1 Deadline

The annual sale of city vehicle stickers helps fund roadway maintenance and construction, which

are essential to the safe and efficient flow of vehicular traffic throughout the community. A vehicle sticker is required on any vehicle registered or garaged within the Elmhurst corporate limits, and must be purchased and affixed to the lower right corner of the vehicle's windshield no later than May 1 each year. Stickers are sold at a discount from Thursday, March 1, through Monday, April 30. If your renewal application does not arrive in the mail, please print one from the City's website, pick one up at City Hall or call 530-3118 to have one mailed. To save time and avoid long lines, vehicle stickers may be purchased online at www.tmainc.org:8443/XSaLTWebs/tmaXapp/online?MUNI=ELM or mailed to the City. Your receipt(s) and sticker(s) will be mailed to you. Please notify the City if your license number changed when you obtained new Illinois license plates.

Beginning this year, the senior discount will be available for the purchase of one sticker per senior citizen age 65 or over with proof of age and vehicle registration in the same name. Vehicle stickers for senior citizens will be sold at a rate of 50 percent of the regular sticker fee. The senior discount applies only to passenger vehicles, motorcycles, recreational vehicles or trucks weighing less than 4,800 pounds. For more information or a vehicle sticker application, please visit the City's website www.elmhurst.org/index. aspx?nid=218 or call (630) 530-3118.



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