## March 2013

## Changes to the City's Refuse & Recycling Program

he City recently approved a new residential solid waste program. The new five-year contract with Allied Waste/ Republic for refuse and recycling services includes several changes that are anticipated to result in savings for homeowners, more recycling and less waste going to landfills. The new system will involve two toters, one for refuse and one for recycling. Every home in the City will get a 65-gallon recycling toter and either a 65-gallon or a 95-gallon refuse

During March, the 65-gallon recycling toters will be delivered to each residence in the City that currently receives refuse and recycling services via Allied Waste.

The refuse program will be rolled out as follows. A flyer will be mailed to all residents who currently receive refuse and recycling services through Allied Waste. The purpose of this flyer is to solicit responses as to the type of refuse toter a resident wants.

If you currently have 33-gallon service, you will automatically receive a 65-gallon refuse toter and you do not have to respond to the City with a selection. If you currently have 33-gallon service and you want a 95-gallon toter, you must check the box on the flyer and return the portion that is to be mailed to the City. You may also make your selection online at the web address included on the flyer.

If you currently have 95-gallon service and you wish to continue to receive 95-gallon service, your toter will not be switched out and you do not need to respond to the City. If you currently have 95-gallon service and want to switch to 65-gallon, please check the box on the flyer and return the portion that is to be mailed back to the City. You may also make your selection online at the web address included on the

Currently it is anticipated that the refuse toters will be delivered during March and April.

You may keep your old recycling bin if you so desire. If not, there will be a drop-off facility set up at City Hall for the return of your recycling bins. Recycling bins are recyclable and will be recycled.

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## Mariano's Grand Opening

hop well. Eat well. Live well. This is the philosophy that Mariano's Fresh Market plans to bring to the Elmhurst community when they open their doors for the first time this spring.

Mariano's mission is to provide the freshest high quality foods from local growers and producers, and from around the world

— in a friendly neighborhood shopping environment. In addition to Mariano's produce, meat/seafood, deli/cheese and other departments, the new store will feature a sit-down sushi bar, a wood-fired pizza oven, a full-service pharmacy, catering and an Italian coffee shop that serves authentic gelato.

Elmhurst elected officials and staff are eager to join residents in welcoming Mariano's to Elmhurst. In 2012, 67 new businesses registered in the City of Elmhurst, some of which include Amy's Hallmark, Splatter's Create & Party, Valhalla Battle Games, El Faro Distributors, Yogun Fruz, Hamburger Jones, NuCrepes, and Courageous Bakery.





## Valor Award Presented to Elmhurst Officer

Officer Richard Moulis was awarded the Medal of Valor at the Elmhurst City Council meeting on January 22 for his response to a serious and potentially life-threatening incident. On that occasion, Officer Moulis was the first to respond to the scene of a domestic battery call. Upon hearing shouting from inside the residence, he immediately entered to ensure the safety of the victims. Once inside, he encountered a man armed with a large knife who was threatening three other individuals with the knife. In spite of the danger to himself, Officer Moulis intervened, disarmed the man and took him into custody. His prompt, courageous and possibly life-saving actions are to be commended.

# Elmhurst Officer Receives MADD Hero Award

Officer Matthew McCollum of the Elmhurst Police Department was recently awarded the Mothers Against Drunk Driving Hero Award in recognition of his efforts to help eliminate drunk driving on Elmhurst streets. Officer McCollum made 73 DUI arrests during 2011. In addition to his other duties, McCollum is a Police Academy Instructor, which gives him the opportunity to train other officers in the administration of DUI field sobriety testing. Officer McCollum's efforts are helping to make our streets a little safer for everyone.



# April 9, 2013 Consolidated Election

Municipal elections will be held on Tuesday, April 9. On the ballot for the City will be the offices of Mayor, City Clerk, Treasurer and one Alderman in each of the City's seven Wards. The individuals elected to these City Council positions will serve four-year terms.

### **Voter Registration**

The last day to register or update voter information prior to the Consolidated Election is March 12. DuPage County residents can register during normal business hours at Elmhurst City Hall in the Administration Office.

### **Early Voting**

Early voting will take place from March 25 through April 6. Please note, Elmhurst City Hall will not be an Early Voting location for the April election. Please visit www.dupageco.org/election for Early Voting sites in DuPage County.



# City's Refuse & Recycling Program continued

Regarding your current 33-gallon refuse can, you may keep that as well. If you want to dispose of your refuse can, write in large letters on the front of it "Please Take." Do not throw out your 33-gallon receptacle until you have received either a 65- or 95-gallon toter.

Please note: Recycling toters will be put out ahead of refuse toters. There may be several weeks between the two deliveries.

The City appreciates your patience as this new program is rolled out. It is a complicated process involving numerous steps and every household in Elmhurst. While the "roll out" may be slightly disruptive, in the end, every resident in Elmhurst will be paying less for their refuse and recycling services and will continue to receive the same excellent service as in the past.

For residents that formerly had 33-gallon service and will be receiving 65-gallon service in the future, the cost for monthly service will drop from \$15.16 to \$14.93. For people who have 95-gallon service and will continue with 95-gallon service, your monthly rate will drop from \$21.95 to \$20.70. In addition, the new prices for refuse and yard waste stickers will be \$3.00 for refuse and \$3.25 for yard waste.

Spring cleanup and the fall free leaf pickup will continue as in the past. Please visit www.elmhurst.org, and click on the link for "New Refuse and Recycling Program" for additional information. The new rates will become effective April 1, 2013.

## Alive at 25

otor vehicle accidents are the leading cause of death for young people between the ages of 15 and 20. In 2009, a total of 2,336 drivers in that age group were killed in traffic accidents and another 196,000 were injured. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, young drivers between 15 to 20 years old are responsible for 11 percent of fatal traffic accidents and 14 percent of accidents reported to the police, even though they represent only 6.4 percent of licensed drivers.

The Elmhurst Police Department offers an excellent four-hour course called "Alive at 25" to help young drivers, ages 16 to 24, understand their unique driving risks and accept greater responsibility for their driving behavior. They learn that inexperience, distractions and peer pressure all create unique driving hazards for young drivers and that speeding, alcohol and drugs greatly increase their risk of being killed or injured. "Alive at 25" will be offered at the Elmhurst Police Department on the following Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m: March 23, April 20, and May 18. For more information or to register for the class, call 630-530-3050 or email jennifer.mckeown@elmhurst.org.



# **April 27: Prescription Take-Back Day**

he Elmhurst Police Department will again participate in Take-Back Day on Saturday, April 27, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the parking lot of the Elmhurst Police Department. This event is sponsored by the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) in an effort to reduce prescription drug abuse. Look through your medicine cabinets and bring expired or unwanted medications.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), drug overdose death rates in the United States have more than tripled since 1990. In 2008, 36,000 people died from drug overdoses, with the majority overdosing on prescription drugs. Prescription painkillers (or opioid pain relievers) are to blame in nearly three quarters of such tragedies. Contrary to popular belief, far more people between the ages of 45 and 54 die each year as a result of drug overdoses than those between the ages of 15 and 24. To avoid accidental overdose, carefully follow these suggestions:

- Use prescription painkillers only as directed by a health care provider.
- Prevent misuse and abuse by never selling or sharing prescription medications with others.
- Store prescription painkillers in a secure location and dispose of them properly when no longer needed (see below).
- Get help immediately if you suspect you may have a substance abuse problem.
- Unwanted or expired medication should be disposed of properly to keep them out of the hands of other people and prevent contamination of our water supply. Never flush a prescription drug down the toilet unless the drug label or patient information specifically instructs you to do so. If there are no specific disposal instructions on the label, mix the medication with an undesirable substance, such as used coffee grounds or kitty litter, place it in a sealable bag or container, and discard it with household trash.
- Never leave prescription medications in medicine cabinets where they are accessible to people other than the person for whom they were prescribed. Another disposal option is to take your expired or unwanted medications (prescription or over-the-counter) to the National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day on April 27.

# College to Host Recycling Extravaganza

As you do your spring cleaning this year, consider whether the items you're planning to put at the curbside for collection might be recycled or used by someone else. Instead of tossing such items out with the trash, bring them to the Recycling Extravaganza at Elmhurst College on Saturday, April 20th. Acceptable items include electronics (see information below), books, clothing, bicycles and much more. In 2012 a total exceeding 85,805 pounds of recyclables was diverted from landfills during this one-day event. Your contributions will benefit many worthwhile organizations and will ultimately help other individuals and families. For a complete list of items accepted and event location, visit www.elmhurst.edu/sustainability.

Please remember that Illinois legislators passed the Electronic Projects Recycling and Reuse Act (Public Act 97-0287) in 2011, making it illegal for consumers to dispose of many electronic devices in the trash and making it illegal for landfills to accept such items. For a complete list of banned items, visit www.epa.state.il.us/land/electronic-wasterecycling/index.html.

# Keeping Children Safe When Traveling

Community Safety

The proper use of child car safety seats saves the lives of hundreds of infants and children each year. CDC statistics show that child safety seats reduce the risk of death in car crashes by 71 percent for infants and 54 percent for children between the ages of one and four. For children between the ages of four and seven, booster seats reduce injury risk by 59 percent when compared to using seat belts alone. All children younger than 13 years of age should ride in the back seat to avoid potential injury caused by air bag deployment. Child passenger safety is a top priority for the Elmhurst Police and police officers actively enforce safety seat laws.

The ultimate responsibility for children's safety rests with the parent or operator of the vehicle. To help parents make sure their child safety seats are properly installed and their children are properly secured in them, the Elmhurst Fire Department offers free car seat inspection and instruction as a community service. Car safety seat sessions take approximately one hour and are performed by trained and certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians. For an appointment or more information, please call 630-530-3090.



## IEMA Updates "Ready Illinois" Website

The Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA) recently launched an updated Ready Illinois website (www.Ready.Illinois. gov) to help people prepare for various types of emergencies. IEMA Director, Jonathon Monken, described the Ready Illinois website as "... a 'one-stop shop' for information on what to do before, during and after a disaster."

The website not only offers guidance on how to prepare and plan for emergencies, it also provides current weather conditions from the National Weather Service and real-time emergency updates during disasters, including road closures, shelter locations and much more. During the blizzard in February of 2011, the site had more than two million hits in a three-day period. Information on the Ready Illinois website can be translated into six other languages. With tornado season coming soon, now is the time to create or update your emergency preparedness plan by visiting www.Ready.Illinois.gov.

## **Crime Prevention Tips**

he Elmhurst Police Department offers the following tips to reduce the likelihood of becoming a victim of crime.

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Always be alert to suspicious activity, individuals and vehicles in your neighborhood. Get a license plate number and a description of the person or vehicle, and call 911 immediately. If something doesn't look right, it probably isn't.

Call 911 if you hear someone repeatedly ringing your doorbell, or knocking urgently on your door or that of a neighbor to determine if anyone is at home.

Most residential burglaries occur during daylight hours when residents are at work or school. Set your burglar alarm every time you leave home, even for a short time. Display security system signs or decals on your doors and windows.

If you won't be home until after dark, use both interior and exterior lighting. Put some interior lights on timers, and install interior and exterior motion detection lighting.

Make sure doors and windows are locked when you leave home. Lock vehicles and roll windows up, even when the cars are parked in your driveway. Never leave valuables, such as purses, wallets, cash, computers, GPS units and other electronics, in sight. Leave unneeded credit cards, passports and electronics safely at home.

We can work together to make our community and our neighborhoods safer by taking all reasonable precautions to protect our homes, families and property. Be aware of what's going on around you. If a person, vehicle or activity appears suspicious, don't hesitate — call 911 right away.



## March 9: St Patrick's Day Parade

hether you claim Irish ancestry or not, don't miss an afternoon of family fun at Elmhurst's annual St. Patrick's Day parade on Saturday, March 9. The parade will feature everything from leprechauns and men in kilts, to bagpipes and little Irish dancers. As in past years, the parade will step off at noon from the corner of Spring Road and Wilson Street. For more information or to view photos from past parades, visit www.elmhurststpatsparade.com.

## **City Council to Go Paperless**

Por many years, packets of information have been photocopied, collated and hand-delivered weekly to members of the City Council prior to Council and standing committee meetings. The packets, sometimes consisting of 150 or more sheets of paper, contained copies of agendas, minutes, accounts payable summaries, committee reports, resolutions, ordinances and other information.

This time-consuming and labor intensive process will soon be a thing of the past. Late last year the City Council approved the purchase of hardware and an innovative paperless agenda system called BoardDocs (also being used by School District 205). This cloud-based system is supported by most mobile devices and will allow the city to quickly and easily publish, revise and track agenda items and support documents. The use of BoardDocs will help the city to reduce costs, increase transparency and boost efficiency by greatly reducing the time spent producing and delivering Council packets. The system is modern, reliable, affordable and easy to learn. Over time it will save the city reams of paper and many manhours.





## March — May 2013

## **ONGOING**

#### March 14-March 16 March 21-March 23

#### Theatre: Pride's Crossing

By Tina Howe. Directed by Christine Cummings. This is a story of perseverance, the past and the potential magic of seizing the moment. Ninety-year-old Mabel Tidings, the first woman to swim the English Channel, relives memories triggered by current events. Scenes from her past 80 years create a portrait of a remarkable lady despite the social confines of the time.

Elmhurst College Mill Theatre, 253 Walter St. 8 p.m. all days For tickets call 630-617-3005

#### March 19-April 11

#### Works in Ceramic: Variations from Center

This show is composed of large-scale and small scale ceramic works of sculpture. Artist Bob Dixon balances traditional construction methods against more original concepts to achieve an equilibrium between structure and spontaneity. Artist reception Tuesday, March 19, from 4:30-6:30 p.m., with artist's talk at 5 p.m.

Elmhurst College Barbara A. Kieft Accelerator

ArtSpace

200 block of West Park Avenue Viewing hours: Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday 12 noon - 4 p.m.

FREE For information call 630-617-6110

#### **Through March 20**

#### Women's History Exhibition

Traveler: A Sabbatical Exhibition by artist Lynn Hill, Elmhurst College faculty member, who produces photographs, collages and artist books inspired by recent travel. Travel imagery includes school children in a Cape Town township, women in the Kutch villages of Khari and Khavda and the imaginative sensibility of Oxford. Artist reception is Wednesday, March 6, from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

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

#### **Through April 12**

#### **City Centre Dining Rewards Program!**

Spend \$200 and get a FREE \$25 Elmhurst
City Centre gift certificate. All residents are
invited to participate! Spend a minimum of \$10
at five different Elmhurst City Centre dining
establishments totaling \$200 or more from 3/1 to
4/12. Bring your receipts into the City Centre office
and get your FREE \$25 gift certificate.

#### April 15-May 15

#### **Spirito! Singers Auditions**

Spirito! Singers is an exceptional choral organization based in the western suburbs with rehearsals held in both Elmhurst and LaGrange. Three ensembles include Bravura, young women in 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade, Ragazze, girls in 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> grade of Elmhurst and LaGrange, and the Men of Spirito!, who are 18 years old and up. Auditions for the 2013-2014 season will be held from April 14<sup>th</sup> to May 15<sup>th</sup> in LaGrange and Elmhurst. Info or an audition: 630-941-0744

#### **Through April 20**

#### Art on the Run

Families are invited to make art inspired by Open House: Art About Home. Enjoy the exhibition before sharing a free creative experience with your children led by EAM's staff and volunteers. For all ages. Projects change every two weeks.

Elmhurst Art Museum Saturdays 10 a.m.-2 p.m. No registration required

#### **Through April 21**

#### Elmhurst Goes to the Fair

Last call to view this extended exhibit about Chicago's two World's Fairs. Learn about the experiences of international fair promoter Thomas Barbour Bryan who was instrumental in bringing the 1893 fair to Chicago. Hear about local artist Caroline Wade and get to know a young Elmhurst girl who made frequent visits to the 1933 fair. Explore rare artifacts from the Elmhurst Historical Museum's collection of World's Fair memorabilia. Sponsored by York Theatre/Classic Cinemas.

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

#### April 25-April 28 May 2-May 4

#### Theatre: Comedy of Errors

By William Shakespeare. Directed by Janice Pohl. Comedy's roots are showing in a play of mistaken identities with identical twins being separated at birth. Elizabethan theatre tips its hat to Italian commedia, including stock stereotypical characters. The *Comedy of Errors* takes no prisoners as it takes pot shots at marriage, friendship, identity, laws and villainy.

Elmhurst College Mill Theatre 253 Walter Street 8 p.m. all days except 2 p.m. Sunday, April 28 Tickets: 630-617-3005

#### April 29-May 31

#### **Spring Capstone Exhibition**

Elmhurst College graduating art majors show their talents. Meet the artists on Saturday, May 11, from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Elmhurst College Frick Center at 190 Prospect Avenue and the Barbara A. Kieft Accelerator ArtSpace on the 200 block of West Park Avenue

Viewing hours: Frick Center is open each day until midnight

Accelerator ArtSpace is open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 12 noon-4 p.m. FREE Info: 630-617-6110

#### **Through April 30**

#### Open House: Art About Home

Open House: Art About Home focuses on artists' representations of home and includes work by Alberto Aguilar, Gabrielle Garland, Marvin Hyers and William Mebane, Alyssa Miserendino, Ann Toebbe and Don Baum. Inspired by the museum's McCormick House, a mid-century modern home designed by Mies van der Rohe, the exhibition considers experiences, contents, memories and realities of home today.

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#### **Through May 19**

#### On the Road to Glory: Fred Lorenzen

The story of NASCAR legend and Elmhurst native Fred Lorenzen comes to life through photos, artifacts and exciting race footage depicting a local hero who etched his name in the annals of racing history. Find out how this Midwestern outsider, known as "Fearless Freddie," got the inside track in the early days of professional NASCAR racing to become a fan favorite, winner of the 1965 Daytona 500, a Hollywood actor and much more. See the Fred Lorenzen tribute car, an exact replica of Lorenzen's #28 1964 Ford Galaxie on Museum Day (May 19) from 1-5 p.m. This exhibit is supported by Chicagoland Speedway.

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

#### **Through May 31**

#### **Elmhurst Photo Boutique Classes**

Photographer Erica Benson will be holding photography classes throughout the year. The four-week class covers camera functions, lighting, composition and how to photograph various subjects.

Elmhurst Photo Boutique \$75 for two people.

For more information contact the instructor at 630-400-7242 or benson erica1@gmail.com

#### Minerals in Food: Featuring the Rock Café

Nutritious foods contain minerals that are important to maintaining a healthy body. This exhibit is presented in collaboration with the "Got Fit in Elmhurst" campaign to promote healthy eating (www.gotfitinelmhurst.com). The Museum's exhibit will show a sampling of some important minerals found in food and how they help the body function. The Rock Café features three balanced meals made of stone. Warning: Eating rocks will lead to broken teeth!

Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art Regular museum hours and admission

## **MARCH**

#### Saturday-2

#### **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. Live animals are used to demonstrate how dinosaurs are related to animals living today.

Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art
Interactive lecture for ages four years to adult.
2 p.m. 50 minutes
Admission \$4

Reservations recommended: 630-833-1616

## Collage Your Home: Children's Workshop with Exhibiting Artist Ann Toebbe

Based on her own work, artist Ann Toebbe will lead a class in which young artists use paint, paper, glue and other materials to construct their house from memory. Participants will draw the front and back of their homes and bedroom and transform their sketches into bold colorful paper paintings. The artworks will then fold to create a house that flips open. Ages 4-10.

Elmhurst Art Museum, 10-11:30 a.m. Registration: 630-834-0202

## **MARCH**

#### Sunday-3

#### **Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra Concert**

"Great Love Stories" features one of Chicago's most recognized personalities in classical music, WFMT program host Carl Grapentine, as narrator along with members of the DuPage Dance Academy, who will bring to life great love stories depicted in symphonic music by Offenbach, Faure and Ravel. Also on the program is the winning piece of the orchestral dances voted on last season by ESO concertgoers.

Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church 149 West Brush Hill Road 3 p.m. Adults \$29, seniors \$27, students \$7; group and family rates available.

#### **Tuesday-5**

#### Narcissism: A Defense

Laura Kipnis, cultural critic and Northwestern University professor, gives the Genevieve Staudt Intercultural Lecture. *The New York Times* says Kipnis' provocative, wide-ranging books combine "sharp analysis with blistering wit to challenge prevailing notions about love and sex, power and desire, hubris and retribution in American life."

Elmhurst College Frick Center, 4 p.m. Tickets are \$10: www.elmhurst.edu/tix Info: 630-617-3390

#### Thursday-7

#### My Undocumented Life

Over 15 years as a working journalist, Jose Antonio Vargas has interviewed some of the most accomplished people in America, worked for *The New Yorker* and *The Washington Post* and shared in a Pulitzer Prize. For 14 of those years, he hid the fact that he is an undocumented immigrant. The Rudolf G. Schade Lecture Series.

Elmhurst College Hammerschmidt Chapel 7 p.m. Admission \$10 For tickets: www.elmhurst.edu/tix Info: 630-617-3390

#### Saturday-9

#### Elmhurst St Patrick's Day Parade

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

Info: www.elmhurststpatsparade.com.

#### Rockin' Lock-In

Grab your friends and join us for a fun night! We'll have open gymnastics, slice of pizza, pop, a DJ, dodgeball, dancing and more. Parent-signed waiver must be presented. Ages 9-11 (fourth through six graders).

Wagner Community Center, 7-10 p.m. Cost \$10. Registration: www.epd.org or Call: 630-993-8901

#### **Echoes of Earth**

"Echoes of Earth" is the story of a life-changing journey taken by science illustrator L. Sue Baugh to document some of the world's oldest rock and mineral sites. This multimedia presentation will show the breathtaking beauty of these ancient sites and our deeply intimate connection to this remarkable planet. Book signing and rock samples on display after the lecture.

Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art 2 p.m. 60 minutes. Regular admission Reservations recommended

#### Sunday-10

## From Auld Sod to New Prairies: The Irish in America

Folksinger Lee Murdock combines storytelling and music to interpret the lives of working people. Experience the music and stories of Irish immigrants through traditional folk ballads, chanteys and work songs. Join us in the Education Center for this special musical presentation for families of all ages. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Elmhurst Historical Museum Education Center 1 p.m. FREE

#### Friday-15

#### Friday Night Artist Talk

Exhibiting Artist Alyssa Miserendino and Screening of Short Documentary Film "Our World Insideout: Brazil." Miserendino will discuss her project begun in 2004 with documentation of her own abandoned childhood home, as well as images of homes in foreclosure, particularly in the Chicago area. A short film by director Isabela Alzuguir will be shown in conjunction with the artist's talk

Elmhurst Art Museum 6:30 p.m. No registration required

#### Saturday-16

#### Elmhurst College Evening for Scholarships

The fourth annual Elmhurst College Evening for Scholarships gala, a fundraiser for student scholarships, will be emceed by CBS 2 Chicago news anchor Rob Johnson and will also feature a live auction.

Elmhurst College Frick Center 6 p.m. Cocktails 7 p.m. Dinner Tickets: \$200 per person; \$2500 for a Light of Knowledge sponsor table Additional sponsorships available. For information call 630-617-3407

#### Sunday-17

#### **Spring Band Concert**

Elmhurst College Wind Ensemble, directed by Judith Grimes, and Symphonic Band, directed by Ross Kellan, will present their annual spring concert.

Elmhurst College Hammerschmidt Chapel 3 p.m. FREE Info: 630-617-3515

#### Thursday-21

## It's History: NASCAR, From Beaches to Billions

Award-winning sportswriter Jerry Bonkowsi, who has covered NASCAR and other sports for nearly 20 years, will be joined by Bernie Bernacki, a collector of racing memorabilia from Chicago-area tracks. These experts will provide an insider's perspective on the auto racing world, discuss how the sport has changed over the years and share rare photos of racing's heyday in Chicago. Part of the ongoing "It's History" series of adult lectures and programs.

Elmhurst Historical Museum Education Center 7 p.m. FREE

#### Friday-22

#### Teen Flashlight Egg Hunt

Grab your flashlight and hunt for prize-filled eggs in Wilder Park under the stars! Eggs will be filled with candy, gift certificates, money and other great prizes.

Wilder Park 8 p.m. FREE

#### Saturday-23

#### Breakfast With the Easter Bunny

Join us for breakfast with the Easter Bunny! We will decorate bunny face pancakes for breakfast, color bunny pictures, have photos taken with the Easter Bunny and end the event with the Bunny Hop! Ages 1-10.

The Abbey, 9:30 - 11 a.m. 407 West St. Charles Road \$13 resident, \$16 non-resident

#### Wednesday-27

#### Older Adults and Depression

S.A.L.T. (Seniors and Lawmen Together) and Elmhurst Senior Services present "Older Adults and Depression," an informational session given by Shaukat Jamal, M.D., Board Certified Geriatric Psychiatrist with Metropolitan Family Services.

Elmhurst Police Department 1 p.m.

#### Saturday-30

#### **Egg Hunt**

Hop on over to Wilder Park for the biggest Easter event Elmhurst has seen yet! Bring your own basket to collect all your newfound goodies and don't forget a camera for a photo with the Easter Bunny. The hunt starts promptly at 10 a.m. and will be over within seconds, so get there early! Ages 1-10.

Wilder Park FREE

#### Easter Egg Hunt at the Gazebo

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 us at our Egg Hunt for Dogs. Prizes and treats will be hidden in colorful eggs throughout Wilder Park. Dogs must be leashed and accompanied by an adult age 16 or over. Don't forget a basket to collect your goodies and a camera for pictures with the Easter Bunny! Wilder Park

10:30 a.m. FREE

## **APRIL**

#### Thursday - 4

#### Meet & Greet NASCAR Legend Bobby Allison

Hard-driving NASCAR legend Bobby Allison makes a special appearance at the museum in conjunction with the On the Road to Glory exhibit. Allison will greet visitors, pose for photo ops, and sign autograph cards provided by the museum (\$5 each). Note: No additional merchandise will be signed. Don't miss this chance to see one of NASCAR's greatest drivers in person!

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#### 5-7 p.m. **Friday-5**

## Book Discussion: Blackbird House by Alice Hoffman

Elmhurst Art Museum partners with Elmhurst Public Library for a book discussion. Alice Hoffman's *Blackbird House* weaves an interconnected web of tales that center on one remote farmhouse in Cape Cod over the course of 200 years. Book available through Elmhurst Public Library. Space is limited.

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6:30-8 p.m. To register call 630-834-0202.

#### Friday - Sunday/5-14

## GreenMan Theatre: The Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett

GreenMan Theatre Troupe presents the classic children's book *The Secret Garden* as its 2013 Showcase production. Linda Roberts, who has extensive acting and directing credits in the Chicagoland area, has adapted this story about rebirth and the healing power of love and care. A family production directed by Linda Roberts and made possible by a generous donation from BMO-Harris Bank.

First United Methodist Church, 232 S. York Rd. Tickets: 630-464-2646 or visit www.greenmantheatre.com

#### Saturday-6

#### **Rock and Mineral Identification**

Geologist Sara Johnson presents an introduction to rocks and minerals. Learn how to make a basic mineral test kit. Hands-on identification procedures include observation skills and hardness tests. Great for teachers and rockhounds, this program qualifies for a Boy & Girl Scout merit badge. All materials are provided. Ages eight years to adult.

Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art 10:30 a.m. 75 minutes. Admission \$5 Reservations required. Call 630-833-1616



#### Saturday-6

#### The Elmhurst Senior Commission

An informative presentation to identify your stressors. Do you have the tools to assess your own or others' emotional health? Have you been concerned about a relative or friend? Are you as comfortable talking to your doctor about your emotional health as you are about your physical health? Presented by Katie Andersen, Community Liaison from Linden Oaks.

Elmhurst City Hall, 209 North York

10 a.m.

Reservations: 630-306-7077

#### Sunday-7

## Holocaust Guestship Lecture: The Eichmann Trial

In 1962 the conviction of Nazi leader Adolf Eichmann by an Israeli court electrified the world. Historian Deborah Lipstadt examines the dramatic effect that the courtroom testimony had on a world that, until the trial, had commemorated the Holocaust without fully understanding what its victims and survivors had actually experienced.

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

#### Wednesday-Thursday/10-18

#### District 205: Very Young Moderns

Very Young Moderns is EAM's annual exhibition showcasing the creative spirit of young artists from District 205 elementary and middle schools. Opening Reception is Friday, April 12, from 3:30-5:30 p.m.

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#### Thursday-11

#### **Girlfriends Getaway**

Grab the girls and enjoy a night filled with fabulous shopping, hospitality, special offers and services. Receive your free goodie bag and one night only coupon in the "Girlfriends Lounge" (City Centre Offices) and be entered to win \$250 in City Centre gift certificates.

City Centre, 5-9 p.m. FREE

#### Saturday-13

## Experience Elmhurst in a New Light: A Tour with Alberto Aguilar

Tour the museum's home base with Artist-in-Residence Alberto Aguilar. Discover unfamiliar moments from Elmhurst's history, as well as current under-the-radar happenings. All ages.

Elmhurst Art Museum 2 p.m. Registration: 630-834-0202

#### Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra at Mayslake

Come for a glorious afternoon of music from the High Baroque, featuring ESO concertmaster Rika Seko, violin, Dutch soprano Josefien Stoppelenburg and ESO musicians as they perform favorites from the period, including Bach's Orchestral Suite No. 3 with its famous "A on the G String" and Brandenburg Concerto along with Handel's Occasional Suite and recently rediscovered Gloria.

Mayslake Peabody Estate 1717 West 31<sup>st</sup> Street, Oak Book, 2:30 p.m. Adults \$25, seniors, \$23, students \$7 Call ESO at 630-941-0202.

#### Sunday-14

#### Staglieno: The Art of the Marble Carver

Sculptor Walter Arnold presents the hidden sculptural treasures of Camposanto di Staglieno in Genoa, Italy. Learn about the tools and techniques the marble carvers use to transform massive blocks of stone into some of the world's most dramatic and symbolic memorials.

Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art 2 p.m. 60 minutes Regular museum admission. Reservations recommended.

#### Sunday-14

#### **Spring Choral Concert**

Concert Choir and Chamber Singers directed by Susan Moninger, and Women's Chorus directed by Donna Tallman, present their annual choral concert.

Elmhurst College Hammerschmidt Chapel 2 p.m. FREE Info: 630-617-3515

#### Thursday-18

## Drop Dead Healthy: One Man's Quest for Bodily Perfection

The best-selling humor author A.J. Jacobs immersed himself in a series of radical lifestyle experiments. He sought spiritual enlightenment, sharpened his mind and worked to become the world's healthiest person. Co-sponsored by the Elmhurst Public Library and the Friends of the Elmhurst Public Library with support from Elmhurst College.

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

#### It's History: Visiting the Lincolns

Michael Krebs and Debra Miller portray President and Mrs. Abraham Lincoln in residence at the White House. Audience members are guests at the executive mansion just before the President and Mrs. Lincoln leave for Ford's Theater on April 14, 1865. This one-hour period piece brims with prairie wisdom, humor and melancholy on a night that changed the nation forever. Part of the ongoing "It's History" series.

Elmhurst Historical Museum Education Center 1 p.m. FREE

#### Friday - 19

#### Pizza Competition

The District 205 Foundation hosts second Elmhurst Top Pizza Competition. Sample pizza from local restaurants and vote for your favorites! Family friendly fundraiser benefits educational initiatives in Elmhurst Public Schools.

York High School Commons 5:30-7:30 pm. Cost \$10 Visit www.elmhurst205.org/foundation.

#### Saturday-20

#### **Dynamic Earth Day**

Designed to demonstrate the earth's unique treasures, visitors experience activities such as sifting for fossils and minerals, creating fossil and crystal imprints and building earth puzzles. Activities for ages five years to adult.

Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art

Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Estimated time for each activity is 10 to 30 minutes. Regular museum admission.

#### Rockin' Lock-In

Grab your friends and join us for a fun night! We'll have open gymnastics, slice of pizza, pop, a DJ, dodgeball, dancing and more. Parent-signed waiver must be presented. Ages 9-11 (fourth through six graders).

Wagner Community Center, 7-10 p.m. \$10 resident and non-resident Registration: www.epd.org or 630-993-8901

#### Saturday-20

#### Birding at Eldridge

Search for birds in the many habitats at Eldridge Park. All ages. Cost is per family.

Eldridge Park Lower Rec Building 9-10:30 a.m. \$10 residents, \$12 non-residents

## Elmhurst College Recycling Extravaganza

The Recycling Extravaganza will accept electronics and a number of other used items to be recycled and reused. For more information and a list of acceptable items, visit www.elmhurst. edu/sustainability.

Elmhurst College Alexander Street Parking Lot 9 a.m.-12 noon

#### Sunday-21

#### Elmhurst Choral Union: Operapalooza

Elmhurst Choral Union and orchestra lead a romp through opera choruses and solos from Wagner, Verdi, Bernstein and more.

Elmhurst College Hammerschmidt Chapel 190 Prospect, 3 p.m. Adults \$25, seniors \$23, students \$10 Tickets: elmhurstchoralunion.org or

#### Thursday-25

800-838-3006

#### Why Go to the Movies?

Are we witnessing the end of a favorite American pastime — going to the movies? Michael Phillips, *Chicago Tribune* film critic, explores the industry trends and the impact of technology.

Elmhurst College Frick Center 7 p.m. Admission \$10. Info: 630-617-3390

#### Friday-26

#### MLB Pitch, Hit & Run Competition

This free, one-day event enables participants to compete in three different events — pitching, running and hitting. The winner of each age and gender group will advance to the sectional competition. Ages 7-14.

Berens Park, 5:45-8:45 p.m. FREE

#### Saturday-27

Annual Clean Up of the Illinois Prairie Path Sponsored by the Elmhurst Bike Task Force. Volunteer hours will be given.

9 a.m.-noon

Email biketaskforce@elmhurst.org or call 630-240-0219.

#### Sunday-28

#### Cooked: A Natural History of Transformation

The best-selling author of *The Omnivore's Dilemma*, Michael Pollan celebrates the special place that cooking occupies in human life. He examines how cooking involves us – with the soil, plants and animals, history and culture, the farmers who provide our sustenance and the friends and family whom we choose to serve.

Elmhurst College Hammerschmidt Chapel 7 p.m. Admission \$10 Info: 630-617-3390

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#### Friday-Sunday/3-19

## GreenMan Theatre: "After the End of the World"

Greenman's season will come to a close with the spring mainstage production of "After the End of the World," which deals with the theme of endings, beginnings and other apocalyptic scenarios. This collection of short plays and one acts will take on this theme from a variety of perspectives.

First United Methodist Church, 232 South York Tickets: 630-464-2646 or www.greenmantheatre.com

#### Saturday-Sunday/4-5

#### Art in the Park

Elmhurst's 17th Annual Art in the Park will feature over 100 artists and their original creations, including one-of-a-kind jewelry, ceramics, photography, sculpture, furniture, glass, wood, fiber, mixed media and painting. The event will also feature kids' activities. Wilder Mansion will be open for coffee, pastries and lunch on both days and an assortment of food including gourmet gifts will be available for sale. The Elmhurst Art Museum will be open free to the public from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The event is produced by RGL Marketing for the Arts, Inc. and sponsored by the Elmhurst Park District.

Wilder Park, 175 Prospect Avenue 10 a.m. – 5. p.m. Info: roz@rglmarketingforthearts or visit rglmarketingforthearts.com



#### Saturday-Sunday/4-5

Art in the Park: Lapidary Museum

West Suburban Lapidary Club members will be demonstrating the different forms of lapidary art. Admission is free to the Museum for both days, so come in, take a look and learn something new about lapidary art.

Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art FREE. Regular museum hours.

#### Sunday-5

#### Race Day at Berens

Come out and enjoy a behind-the-scenes look at historical and modern-day race cars. Attractions will include modern and vintage stock cars, an NHRA drag car, race car drivers, a pit crew and an official race day car trailer. Donations will be taken for the People of Elmhurst Parks Foundation and the Elmhurst Heritage Foundation. All ages.

Berens Park 10 a.m.-noon FREE

#### Wednesday-8

#### National Bike to School Day

National Bike to School Day will be coordinated by the Safe Routes to School Committee of the Elmhurst Community Bike Task Force, using federal Department of Transportation grant monies that are paying for new bike racks, helmets, speed feedback signs and other educational materials. Held in conjunction with District 205, this day provides an opportunity for schools across the country to join together to encourage children to safely bicycle or walk to school.

Info: www.walkbiketoschool.org www.facebook.com/ElmhurstCUSD205

Mayor Richard M. Daley: An Appraisal

Keith Koeneman writes about Chicago history, politics and culture. His book *First Son: The Biography of Richard M. Daley,* will be published this spring by the University of Chicago Press. Built on unprecedented access to the key players in the long Daley administration, *First Son* tells the story of a complicated leader—sensitive and tough, impatient and persistent – who as mayor not only ran but also embodied Chicago.

Élmhurst College Frick Center 7 p.m. Admission \$10 Info: 630-617-3390

#### Thursday-9

#### Jazz at the Mill

Catch the Elmhurst College Jazz Band, directed by Doug Beach, and 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

#### Saturday-11

#### **Rock & Mineral Identification**

Geologist Sara Johnson presents an introduction to rocks and minerals. Learn how to make a basic mineral test kit. Hands-on identification procedures include observation skills and hardness tests. Great for teachers and rockhounds, this program qualifies for a Boy & Girl Scout merit badge. All materials are provided. Ages eight years to adult.

Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art 10:30 a.m. 75 minutes. Admission \$5 Reservations required. Call 630-833-1616

#### Saturday-11

#### **Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra Concert**

In an historic Elmhurst event, the ESO welcomes renowned American bass Samuel Ramey, who will sing music from one of his most famous roles, Mephistopheles by Boito. Also on the program are the Elmhurst Choral Union, the Elmhurst College Choir and the Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church Choir along with music by Wagner and Berlioz.

Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church 149 West Brush Hill Road, 7 p.m. Adults \$29, seniors \$27, students \$7; group and family rates available.

#### Saturday-18

#### 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 Parade: 1 p.m. All activities FREE

## The Spirito! Singers Spring Concert: Peace Like a River

A day of beautiful and inspirational music. Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church 149 West Brush Hill Road, 7 p.m. Tickets are \$20 Inc: www.spiritosingers.org or call 630-941-0744

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

Bring your family and create your own readyto-install rain barrel. Design and paint the rain barrels and then, while the kids are on a nature hike, the adults will learn rain barrel installation and maintenance along with other stormwater retention techniques. Beverages and a snack will be provided. Age 3 and older.

Eldridge Park Lower Rec Building 10:30 a.m-1 p.m. \$85 resident, \$106 non-resident, \$40 rain barrel only

#### Sunday-19

#### **Elmhurst Museum Day**

Hop aboard the trolley to celebrate the cultural arts and International Museum Day with all four Elmhurst museums. Park at one museum and ride the complimentary trolley to each location for free admission, amazing exhibits, fun activities, crafts and more. Collect a stamp at all four museums to be entered in a drawing for great prizes. Light refreshments at the Elmhurst Historical Museum. All ages welcome.

Elmhurst Art Museum, Elmhurst Historical Museum, Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art and Theatre Historical Society of America 1-5 p.m. FREE No registration required. Info: 630-833-1457

#### Museum Day at the Lizzadro

See the exhibit "Minerals in Food Featuring the Rock Café." Children and adults can create a rock critter to take home. All ages welcome.

Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art 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**

375 W. First St., 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

#### Thursday-23

#### Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra at Mayslake

Join the Symphony's strings under the direction of conductor Alison Gaines for a wonderful evening of "Music for Film and Theatre," with composers and styles from Mozart to Mancini. Come to hum along and test your music, theater and movie trivia knowledge as the Elmhurst Symphony Strings serenade you.

Mayslake Peabody Estate 1717 West 31st Street, Oak Book 7:30 p.m. Adults \$25, seniors \$23, students \$7. Call ESO at 630-941-0202.

#### Friday-31

#### **Hershey Track & Field Competition**

Come out and show off your running, jumping and throwing skills for a chance to advance to the state meet in Chicago or even the national meet in Hershey, Pennsylvania. Participants compete in events such as the 50, 100, 200 and 400-meter dash, 800 and 1600-meter run, softball throw and standing long jump. Ages 9-14

York High School Track 5:30-8:30 p.m. FREE





#### Vehicle Sticker Reminder

City vehicle stickers must be purchased and displayed by May 1 on all vehicles registered or garaged within city limits. Stickers are sold at a discount from March 1 through the end of April. After May 1, vehicle stickers are sold at full price. If your application does

not arrive in the mail, you may print one from the city's website, www.elmhurst.org, pick one up at City Hall or call to have one mailed to you. Although you may purchase your sticker(s) in person, residents are encouraged to mail the completed application and fee to City Hall or drop it in the white drop box in the parking lot. Your sticker(s) and receipt will be returned to you by mail. The money collected through the sale of vehicle stickers goes into the city's General Fund and is used for roadway maintenance and construction.

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

The city's annual Spring Clean-Up will be held on your regularly scheduled refuse collection day during the week of April 24 for residents living within city limits. For a complete list of acceptable and unacceptable items, visit the city's website at www.elmhurst. org. Items other than large appliances, furniture and bulk items must be placed in bags, cans or boxes weighing no more than 50 pounds each. For more details, visit the city's website at www.elmhurst.org or contact Community Development in person or by phone at (630) 530-3020.

## **Citizens Police Academy**

Over the last 12 years, hundreds of Elmhurst citizens have gained a working knowledge of law enforcement and the Elmhurst Police Department by participating in the Citizen's Police Academy. This free 12-week program is designed to help participants develop greater understanding of and partnership with the police by learning about laws that govern police decisions, police responsibilities, personnel issues, demands and equipment. The next session of the Citizen's Police Academy will run from Wednesday, March 13, through Wednesday, June 5. Weekly blocks of instruction are held from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Each session is open to 25 students over the age of 21 who live or work in Elmhurst. More information and an application can be found on the city's website, www.elmhurst.org. If you have additional questions, please contact Commander Robert J. Nicholas at (630) 530-3057.

## **Help Prevent Street Flooding**



Heavy springtime rainfall can cause street flooding, especially if storm drains are clogged with leaves and debris. Residents can help by raking debris away from storm drains in front of their homes to allow stormwater to easily flow into the city's storm sewer system.

## **Annual Fire Hydrant Flushing**

Community fire hydrants are flushed annually to ensure that they are operating properly and that an adequate amount of water is available for the Fire Department during an emergency. Public Works personnel will conduct the annual hydrant flushing between April 1 and 30. The operation will take place Monday through Friday between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Signs will be posted in affected areas before the work begins. (See map for details.)



#### A Helping Hand for Seniors

Senior Chore Days will be held on the first three weekends in May. This special program is sponsored by the City of Elmhurst and the DuPage Senior Citizens Council to assist eligible seniors with springtime chores, including replacing storm windows with screens, cleaning up winter debris or planting a few flowers. Interested seniors and potential volunteers are asked to contact the DuPage Senior Citizens Council at (630) 620-0804.

#### **Carbon Monoxide and Portable Generators**

With the possibility of severe weather this spring and the potential for power outages, the Fire Department would like to remind residents of some safety precautions regarding the use of portable generators. Generators produce carbon monoxide and can be extremely dangerous, even deadly, if not ventilated properly. They should never be used indoors, even in an open garage, or near windows, doors or vents. Use only undamaged, heavy-duty, three-pronged extension cords and always turn off the generator before refueling.

Although the 2012 citizen survey results indicated that only about 10% of residents don't have carbon monoxide detectors in their homes, the Elmhurst Fire Department would like to remind them that CO detectors are not only mandatory, but they save lives. Purchase and install one on every level of your home.

#### **Yard Waste Collection**

Residents are reminded that yard waste collection will resume during the week of April 1 on your regularly scheduled refuse collection day. The following are considered yard waste: leaves, brush, shrubbery trimmings, twigs, dead flowers and weeds with the soil removed. A clearly visible yard waste sticker is required for each bag or container. Residents may also dispose of two bundless.

each bag or container. Residents may also dispose of two bundles of brush each week at no additional cost. For more information on yard waste, recycling and refuse collection, visit the city's website at www.elmhurst.org.





## **Tornado Season – Are You Prepared?**

mericans live in the most severe weather-prone country on earth, a country that is impacted by an average of 10,000 thunder storms, 2,500 floods, 1,000 tornadoes, and two hurricanes that make landfall each year. In addition, the U.S. suffers from powerful winter storms, intense summer heat, high winds, wild fires and other potentially deadly weather. Your best defense is to be prepared and informed by knowing the local warning systems, and investing in a NOAA Weather Radio.

Nature's most violent storms – tornados – are spawned by powerful thunderstorms and can strike with little or no warning, causing fatalities, injuries and widespread property damage in a matter of minutes. Two-thirds of Illinois tornadoes occur during March, April and May. They can occur at any time of day or night, but are most likely between the hours of 3 and 9 p.m. A

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#### Aldermen

1st Ward - Paula Pezza, Diane C. Gutenkauf 2nd Ward - Bob Dunn, Norman Leader 3rd Ward - Michael Bram, Dannee Polomsky 4th Ward - Stephen W. Hipskind, Kevin York 5th Ward - Chris Healy, Scott Levin 6th Ward - Steven M. Morley, Jim Kennedy 7th Ward - Mark A. Mulliner, Patrick Wagner tornado appears as a rotating, funnel-shaped cloud that extends from a thunderstorm to the ground, with whirling winds that can reach 300 miles per hour. Some are clearly visible, while others may be obscured by rain or low-hanging clouds. A cloud of debris may mark the location of a tornado even if the funnel is not visible. The damage path may be more than a mile wide and 50 miles long. Before a tornado hits, the wind may die down with the air becoming unusually still.

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It is crucial to be familiar with the terms that are used to identify a tornado hazard. A "Tornado Watch" means that conditions are favorable for tornadoes to develop. If a "Tornado Watch" is issued, take these precautions to lessen the danger:

- 1) Account for family members at home.
- 2) Have an emergency kit ready.
- 3) Move cars inside a garage or carport, if possible.
- 4) Move yard equipment and lawn furniture inside, if time permits.
- 5) Watch the sky for weather changes and monitor conditions on a NOAA Weather Radio, commercial radio or television.

A "Tornado Warning" means that a tornado or strong rotation has been sighted or indicated by weather radar. Take shelter immediately if a "Tornado Warning" is issued for the Elmhurst area. At home take shelter in the basement under something sturdy or in a small room in the center of the house, such as a closet or bathroom. Stay away from windows and outside walls. At work, at school or at a shopping mall, go to the designated shelter area or to the center of the building on a low level. Stay away from large open rooms, such as auditoriums or gymnasiums, and rooms with windows. Never take shelter in a car in the parking lot. If you are in a mobile home or automobile, leave the vehicle and find a safe structure. If you are unable to find a safe structure, lie down in a low area with your hands covering the back of your head and neck. Be prepared. Be informed. Be safe.





### **Elmhurst Historical Museum**

120 E. Park Ave., Elmhurst

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

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

## Hop Aboard the Trolley for Elmhurst Museum Day

on't let the trolley pass you by! On Sunday, May 19, from 1-5 p.m., the annual Museum Day celebration takes place in Elmhurst. The city of Elmhurst is fortunate to have four unique museums to foster one of the most vibrant cultural arts scenes in the western suburbs – the Elmhurst Art Museum, Elmhurst Historical Museum, Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art, and Theatre Historical Society of America – all located within walking distance from downtown Elmhurst. Museum Day is an



opportunity to visit them all for FREE admission, interesting exhibits, crafts and activities, and lots more. Participants visiting all four museums will be eligible to

win some great prizes, and a complimentary trolley will shuttle guests between all four locations.

At the Elmhurst Historical Museum, visitors will be able to see the Fred Lorenzen #28 Tribute Car – an authentic replica of Lorenzen's 1964 Ford Galaxie – on the museum grounds. In addition, cookies and lemonade will be on hand for Museum Day participants. Take advantage of this special opportunity to explore YOUR local cultural gems. Hop aboard the trolley for the 17th annual Elmhurst Museum Day.

### 2013 Exhibition Schedule

Elmhurst Historical Museum is proud to present an eclectic and engaging array of exhibits throughout the year. For the most current information, visit www.elmhursthistory.org. Following is the planned schedule of exhibits for 2013:

## **Through May 19, 2013**

On the Road to Glory: Fred Lorenzen

The story of NASCAR legend and Elmhurst native Fred Lorenzen comes to life in an exciting new exhibit detailing his impressive career and personal triumphs and tribulations...a heartfelt story of determination and grit.

## **Extended through April 21, 2013**

Elmhurst Goes to the Fair

See artifacts and photos from Chicago's two World Fairs and hear the stories of three locals whose personal stories were connected to the fairs.

## May 31 - August 25, 2013

Shutter to Think: The Rock & Roll Lens of Paul Natkin

The rock-and-roll photography of Chicagoan Paul Natkin brings the music scene of the '70s and '80s to the museum in a fun and colorful exhibit.

## September 1 - October 20, 2013

Our Lives, Our Stories

Learn about the incredible personal experiences of "The Greatest Generation" in this national traveling exhibition on the men and women who fought for their country during World War II.

## November 8 - April 20, 2014

Sandburg in Elmhurst

The famed prairie poet, journalist and author will be profiled in an original exhibit on one of Elmhurst's well-known residents.

# FOUNDATION

## Foundation Membership Has Its Privileges

The Elmhurst Heritage Foundation invites all Elmhurst residents to become members in 2013. Members receive many benefits including: invitations to exclusive exhibit receptions, the Heritage Connection member newsletter, discounts at the Museum's gift shop, reduced rates for programs and children's activities, and benefits at other museums across the country through the Time Traveler's program. Please join us today! Call 630-833-1457 or visit www.elmhurstheritagefoundation.org.





## Elmhurst Fire Department: One of the Best

The Elmhurst Fire Department was recently notified by the Insurance Services Office (ISO)

that the department continues to hold a Public Protection Classification (PPC) rating of Class 2, placing the department in an elite group of fire departments nationwide. When evaluating a fire department's ability to respond to and mitigate fire emergencies, ISO looks at three main areas: 1) fire alarm and communication systems, including telephone systems and lines, staffing and dispatching systems; 2) the fire department itself, including equipment, staffing, training and geographic distribution of fire companies; and 3) the water supply system, including condition and maintenance of hydrants, and a careful evaluation of the amount of available water compared to the amount needed to suppress fires.

Fire departments are rated from Class 1 (superior) to Class 10 (fails to meet ISO minimum criteria). Of more than 2,500 Illinois fire departments rated by ISO, Elmhurst is one of only 65 with a Class 1 or 2 rating. ISO statistics show a distinct relationship between excellent fire protection and low fire losses in a community. The ISO Public Protection Classification rating is used by the insurance industry in marketing and underwriting, and to help establish premiums for residential and commercial fire insurance. The Elmhurst Fire Department is committed to providing high levels of fire protection, prevention, education and emergency medical services to the Elmhurst community.

The City of Elmhurst Public Works Department provides top quality operation and care of our water supply system and that is reflected in our continued superior ISO classification.

Congratulations

## Hats Off to the Elmhurst Public Library

en years ago this October, the last book from the old library in Wilder Mansion was passed along a human chain of over 450 people to the new library, which then opened its doors to the public. The library has something for everyone, including a story room and puppet stage for children, a cozy lounging area for teens, study rooms for students of all ages, a drive-up window, a coffee bar, self check-in and check-out, and wireless internet access. These amenities provide the backdrop for the employees who spend their workday helping visitors pursue interests to enrich their lives, help them develop a love for learning and access information on a myriad of topics. The fortunate individuals who work at the Elmhurst Public Library rank it very highly in terms of organization health and employee engagement — so high that the Chicago Tribune recently named the library as one of the top 100 places to work in the Chicago area.

The Elmhurst Public Library was also ranked a Four Star Library by the *Library Journal* in its annual review of public libraries nationwide. In 2012, 7,570 libraries nationwide were rated by the *Library Journal* and the Elmhurst Public Library placed seventeenth in the nation and sixth in Illinois in its category. The ranking is based on circulation, visits, facilities, programs, collections and technology.

To quote Dr. Seuss, "The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go." The EPL is a great place to read, learn and go.



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