

E L M H U R S T

# The Front Porch

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## Stormwater Projects Receive APWA Awards

On January 26, the City of Elmhurst Engineering and Public Works Department received two awards from the American Public Works Association (APWA) Suburban Branch.

The City received a 2017 Public Works Project of the Year award for the Walnut/Myrtle/Evergreen Stormwater Improvement project (Environmental Category – less than \$5 million) and an award for the Southwest Wet-Weather Flow Facility (Structures Category- \$5 million to \$25 million).

The APWA Public Works Project of the Year Award was established to promote excellence in the management and administration of public works projects by recognizing the alliance between the managing agency, the consultant/architect/engineer, and the contractor who, working together, complete public works projects.

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## Have you signed up for our E-News?

Stay on top of events, updates and happenings in your city by signing up for our E-Newsletter. This monthly news contains quick updates from the City of Elmhurst. To sign up, visit [www.elmhurst.org](http://www.elmhurst.org), then go to "Residents" and "City Newsletter."



## Emergency Alerts



Safety is a priority in Elmhurst, which is why we offer several ways to notify the community during a crisis. We want our residents to have access to important emergency information at all times. Visit [www.elmhurst.org](http://www.elmhurst.org) and subscribe to the following tools the City uses to communicate during an emergency:

- CodeRED Emergency Alert System
- City of Elmhurst Twitter Page
- "Eye on Elmhurst" News Flash
- City of Elmhurst Facebook Page

## Elmhurst at Top of the List "Best Place Buy a Home"

Elmhurst was recently recognized by *Crain's Chicago Business* as the #2 Best Place to Buy a Home in the Chicago Suburbs.

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## Elmhurst History Museum Celebrates 60th Anniversary

The Elmhurst History Museum celebrates its 60th Year!

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## Stormwater Improvement Project Update

The City of Elmhurst undertook multiple stormwater infrastructure improvement projects in 2016 which were aimed at reducing overland flooding in several areas of the City. The City substantially completed 4 stormwater infrastructure projects in 2016:

- Walnut/Myrtle/Evergreen
- York/I-290
- Geneva Avenue
- Webster Avenue

The City also began construction in 2016 on 3 additional stormwater infrastructure projects:

- Harrison Street
- Crescent Avenue/Cambridge Avenue
- Madison Early Childhood Center

The 3 projects currently in construction will resume again in the spring when weather permits and are anticipated to be substantially completed by late May.

Furthermore, the City intends to start construction on 2 additional stormwater infrastructure projects (Pine Street/Avon Road, Washington Street) in the spring of 2017 with substantial completion later in 2017.



### Stormwater Management on Residential Properties

Residents are reminded that gutter downspouts must be directed to the front or the rear of their property. Sump pump discharge that is above ground must be directed to an area on your property that can absorb this water before it reaches any adjacent properties or a city sidewalk. It is important for property owners to do their best to manage the stormwater that is generated from their property.



To address flooding in the southwest portion of Elmhurst, the City is also beginning to undertake a new major stormwater improvement project that will add a minimum of 18 acre-feet of detention. The detention portion of this project will be located just south of Butterfield Road, on land that the City recently purchased. This project is currently in the early design phases and construction is anticipated to begin in the summer of 2017.

In total the City is anticipated to invest approximately \$24.5 million in construction costs from 2015-2018 to complete these projects and will provide nearly 98 acre-feet of stormwater detention to the City's infrastructure. These improvements will provide 100-year overland flood protection for over 230 homes throughout the City.

### APWA Awards - *(continued from Page 1)*

#### Congratulations Tony!

In addition, long time City employee and current Engineering Department staff member Tony Cuzzone (Utilities Capital Projects Administrator) was honored with the 2017 Community Involvement Award. This award is aimed at recognizing public works employees who are also leaders in their community. Tony has certainly led by example with his many years of community service and volunteerism with organizations such as the Dan Gibbons Turkey Trot, Annie Ryan Run, York Township, and the American Water Works Association.





## Community Safety

### Citizen Police Academy

The Citizen Police Academy is a 12-week program designed to give Elmhurst citizens a working knowledge of their police department and of general law enforcement practices. The program provides participants with a better understanding of some of the challenges faced by police officers in the field. Each weekly block of instruction is held from 6:30-9:30 p.m. on consecutive Wednesday evenings. The next session begins on Wednesday, March 1st and continues through May 17, 2017. The program is free of charge but is limited to 25 students per session. Participants must be over the age of 21 and live or work in the City of Elmhurst. For more information and/or to pick up an application, please visit the Elmhurst Police Department or contact us by email (policeinfo@elmhurst.org) or phone (630-530-3061).

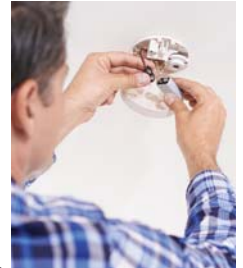


### Spring Fire Safety

As spring approaches, thoughts turn to cleaning up from the long winter, making repairs around the home and enjoying the outdoors.

#### Inside the home:

- Check and clean your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.
- Check your fire extinguishers.
- Check for overloaded or damaged extension cords.
- Prepare for storm related outages (make sure supplies like batteries and bottled water are stocked and available).
- Practice exit drills with your family so everyone knows what to do in case of an emergency.
- Properly store household chemicals and never mix cleaning agents.



#### Outside and around the yard:

- Make sure your address numbers are up and visible from the street.
- Clean up yard debris. Cut back dead limbs and grasses.
- Maintain a clear "fire zone" of 10' around structures. Clean up leaves and debris and consider using stone or non-combustible mulches.
- Check outdoor grill outlets and other electrical appliances
- Get your grill cleaned and serviced. Check all propane tanks and lines for leaks and damage.
- Keep 100' of garden hose with an attached nozzle connected and ready for use.



Keeping these safety tips in mind will help to make spring a much more enjoyable experience for everyone.

### Coyote Sightings

The sightings of coyotes in Elmhurst have been brought to the attention of the City of Elmhurst. If you see a coyote in your neighborhood, please contact the Police Department at (630) 530-3050 and alert neighbors. Intentional and unintentional food sources can be a key factor in reducing close encounter with coyotes. If possible, keep garbage cans inside; keep barbeque grills clean; and do not let pets run loose or be unattended. See [www.coyotecoexistence.com](http://www.coyotecoexistence.com) for more information.



### Crossing Guard Positions Available

Would you like to work with children, help keep them safe, provide a service to your community, and get paid to do so? Consider working as a Relief Crossing Guard! Relief School Crossing Guards occasionally fill in during the school year when coverage is needed. For further information and to apply, please use the following link to view this and any other City employment opportunities: <https://cityofelmhurst.peopleadmin.com>.

## City Council Approves 2017 Budget

Using revenues responsibly and providing essential services in an effective manner continues to be a top priority for Elected Officials and City Staff. On December 19, 2016, the City Council approved the 2017 City of Elmhurst budget, the City's operational plan for the new fiscal year. A detailed review of anticipated revenue, proposed capital improvements and operation expenditures was collected and presented to the City Council. To view the 2017 City of Elmhurst budget, please visit [www.elmhurst.org](http://www.elmhurst.org) and click on 2017 Budget under "Quick Links"

## 2016 City Financial Overview

### Affirmation of the City's AAA Bond Rating

The City of Elmhurst AAA bond rating from Standard & Poor's Rating Service was affirmed with the issuance of General Obligation Bond Series 2016. The upgrade was achieved in 2013. The AAA rating is the highest rating that can be assigned. This rating is very significant to the City's ability to issue debt at low interest rates. It reflects the City's strong economy, powerful flexibility and performance, well-built liquidity position and management. In Illinois, 30 of 310 rated municipalities have an AAA rating.

**Sales Tax Revenue Increase:** Sales tax revenue increased by 2% in 2016 compared to 2015. In the last three years, sales tax has increased approximately 20%. Total sales tax revenue represents about 29% of the City's total General Fund revenue.

**Property Tax Reduction:** For the third consecutive year, the City Council significantly reduced the debt service on the property tax bill. The 2016 debt service on the tax bill was reduced by \$937,000 in addition to \$590,000 on the 2015 tax bill and \$500,000 on the 2014 tax bill. Therefore, the debt service reduction for the 2016 tax bill compared to 2013 is \$2,027,000 or about \$83 per average household. Starting with the 2014 tax levy the City Council approved a five year plan to once again abate all debt service levies and the plan was accomplished in three years.

## Mayor's Message



On January 10, 2017 I had the opportunity to present the annual "State of the City Address" to the community. I was pleased to report that the City finished 2016 in a strong financial position with several exciting developments and projects underway. We look to 2017 with great enthusiasm, anticipating what the coming year holds in store.

In 2015, the City Council and staff participated in a strategic planning process, incorporating ideas from various stakeholder groups. The resulting top three issues that were made priorities were Stormwater Project and Policies, Economic Development and sustaining the City's financial position. We continue to focus on these important issues.

As we begin 2017, the City of Elmhurst maintains reserves which are fully funded and we continue to increase sales tax revenue. The City Council continues to be diligent about reducing the debt service on the property tax bill. All of this hard work has been recognized by the Government Finance Officers Association who awarded the City of Elmhurst with an award for budgeting and reporting.

Our financial stability is certainly related to the stability in our housing market. Our building stock continues to see commercial and residential investments. With more than 128 single-family home permits, we have double the permits of any other DuPage County municipality. Crain's Chicago Business just designated Elmhurst as one of the best places to own a home, but we "Elmhurstians" have known that for quite some time!

Elmhurst is open for business and is booming. To enhance our economic development efforts, the City hired a full-time Business Development Coordinator. Over 85 new businesses registered and opened in 2016. Some of the development highlights include:

Elmhurst 255 – at York and Hahn Street – is finished with 192 units above retail spaces; Lakeside Bank at 165 S. York Street; LA Fitness at former Waverton site; FFC Fitness Center and Addison Luxury Apartments on Addison. Programs such as the free Explore Elmhurst Trolley, Rock the Block, and the craft beer festival are drawing more visitors to Elmhurst and helping boost foot traffic and sales throughout Elmhurst.

Stormwater mitigation has been top of mind of residents and City Staff. This was our year to make a difference. Of the projects completed, we are pleased to have received two awards from the American Public Works Association for the Walnut/Myrtle/Evergreen Stormwater Improvement project and the Southwest Wet-Weather Flow Facility. Check the Stormwater web site, [www.elmhurststormwaterplan.org](http://www.elmhurststormwaterplan.org), for project updates.

There are so many other exciting accomplishments of 2016 - to view the full State of the City address, visit [www.elmhursttv.com](http://www.elmhursttv.com). Elmhurst citizens are second to none – they deserve the best. City elected officials and staff strive to provide them with the best services and policies. I want to thank the residents of Elmhurst for their support. It is my honor and privilege to serve them and City of Elmhurst.

Sincerely,

Steven M. Morley, Mayor

**CRAIN'S**  
CHICAGO BUSINESS.

### Elmhurst Named #2 Best Place to Buy a Home

The ranking was based on good schools, low crime and relatively easy access to transportation.

The article described the City as "a walkable, historical town with strong schools, parks and transportation—with a college and museums to boot."



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## ELMHURST

### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

March - May 2017

## ONGOING

### Ongoing Exhibit

#### By All Accounts: The Story of Elmhurst

Come see the new enhancements to this interactive journey through Elmhurst history. New components include the story of the Glos mansion and family, a feature on Elmhurst veterans and veteran organizations, and families will love the new "I-Spy" flip books to experience the exhibit. Coming soon: a "History Highlight" section showcasing a rotating selection of special objects and photos from the collection.

Elmhurst History Museum • Free  
elmhursthistory.org or (630) 833-1457

### Ongoing Exhibit closing March 12

#### In Her Own Right: Marion Mahony Griffin

Final weeks! Learn about the life, work and legacy of the first woman architect in Illinois—Prairie School innovator, Marion Mahony Griffin—a Chicagoan of immense but often overlooked importance.

Elmhurst History Museum • Free  
elmhursthistory.org or (630) 833-1457

### Ongoing through March 17

#### Multiple Visions II

Members of the Elmhurst College Department of Art will display their distinctive artistic visions during Multiple Visions II, the College's Art Faculty Exhibition, beginning on January 30. "This exhibit highlights 12 artists, 12 voices, each showing a group of recent work, and each expressing a very individual concept and style in their work," said Suellen Rocca, Elmhurst College's curator and director of exhibitions. Free and open to the public.

Elmhurst College Frick Center - Founders Lounge  
(630) 617-6110 • elmhurst.edu/events

### Ongoing through March 26

#### Special Exhibit "Fabergé Style Carvings"

This exhibit features replicas of Fabergé's original hard stone carving designs including flower studies, figurines and animals made in Idar-Oberstein, Germany.

Lizzadro Museum • lizzadromuseum.org

### Ongoing through March 31

#### Elmhurst Artists' Guild presents Michael Klaus Schmidt solo art exhibition

Michael Klaus Schmidt is an award winning artist and illustrator. Raised in the Chicago area, his work has appeared in shows around the country and internationally, including Chicago, San Francisco, London, Toronto, New Orleans and more.

Elmhurst Art Museum - Elmhurst Artists' Guild Gallery • Free with museum admission  
elmhurstartistsguild.org



### Ongoing Exhibit March 7 - April 18

#### The Elegant Universe: Art and Science

Lindsay Olson's artistic practice grows out of an intense curiosity about the ways our society is supported by science and technology. As Fermilab's first artist in residence, she was inspired to create a body of work that reflects the beauty of the research and dedication of the scientists.

Elmhurst College - Barbara A. Kieft Accelerator ArtSpace • Free • elmhurst.edu/events

### Now through April 30

#### York Distinguished Alumni Program (YDAP)

The York Distinguished Alumni Program (YDAP) recognizes and honors York High School alumni who have distinguished themselves through significant and extraordinary accomplishments or through service and an outstanding contribution to society. To nominate a deserving alum for 2017 and/or for further information, please visit [www.elmhurst205.org/17Nomination](http://www.elmhurst205.org/17Nomination) or contact Melea Smith /Debbie Hollstein in the District 205 Office of Communications/Alumni Relations at (630) 941-4719.

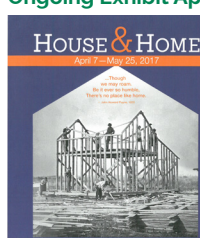
### Ongoing April 2 - May 12

#### Elmhurst Artists' Guild Spring Member Show

See the latest works from more than 50 outstanding Chicago-area artists during this exhibition at the Elmhurst Artists' Guild Gallery, located at the Elmhurst Art Museum. Paintings, sculptures, ceramics and photographs are included. Free public opening reception Friday, April 7, 7 - 9 pm

Elmhurst Art Museum - Elmhurst Artists' Guild Gallery • Free with museum admission  
elmhurstartistsguild.org

### Ongoing Exhibit April 6 - May 25



#### House & Home

What makes a house a home? Examine the American answer to this question in this traveling exhibit from the National Building Museum in Washington, D.C. making its Midwest debut. *House & Home* embarks on a tour of houses both familiar and

surprising, through past and present, to explore the varied history and many cultural meanings of the American home. Exhibit made possible through the National Endowment for the Humanities' NEH on the Road initiative, organized by the National Building Museum, Washington, D.C. and toured by Mid-America Arts Alliance. Local sponsors: L.W. Reedy Real Estate and Elmhurst 255 Downtown Apartments.

Elmhurst History Museum • Free  
elmhursthistory.org or (630) 833-1457

### Ongoing Exhibit May 14 - June 23

#### Elmhurst Artists' Guild presents: Randal Stringer solo art exhibition

EAG member Randal Stringer's art has a highly-rendered digital painting style through which he explores themes that reflect a wide variety of subject matter. He is a commercial designer and artist for clients in advertising, design and publication. Free public opening reception Fri., May 19, 7 - 9 pm

Elmhurst Art Museum - Elmhurst Artists' Guild Gallery • Free with museum admission  
[www.elmhurstartistsguild.org](http://www.elmhurstartistsguild.org)

## MARCH

### Friday, March 3

#### School's Out Family Workshop: Fairy Garden Jars

Marion Mahony Griffin was a talented artist and developed a strong connection to nature from her upbringing in the woods north of Chicago. She believed that fairies existed as helpers to humans and that teaching children to believe in fairies would expand their creativity and imagination. This special workshop will encourage participants to use their imagination to create tiny gardens to capture fairies. Kids and their caregivers participate together. Appropriate for all ages! Cost: EHF Members: \$10/ adult child pair, \$5 additional person. Non-members: \$15/adult child pair, \$7 additional person. RSVP: [elmhursthistory.org](http://elmhursthistory.org) (Family Programs Section)

Elmhurst History Museum Education Center  
1 - 2:15 pm • [elmhursthistory.org](http://elmhursthistory.org) or (630) 833-1457

### Saturday, March 4

#### 21st Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade!

Come join the fun for the Elmhurst St. Patrick's Day on Saturday March 4th starting at noon. The parade will begin at the intersection of Wilson Street and Spring Roads and continue north on Spring Road in Elmhurst. Take the Explore Elmhurst Express Trolley to and from the parade! Hop on at any of the 6 trolley stops from 9:30 am - 11 am and post parade until 5:30 pm (trolley service stops during the parade). Visit [ExploreElmhurst.com/trolley](http://ExploreElmhurst.com/trolley) for route details.



### "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. See live animals and how they are related to dinosaurs.

Lizzadro Museum • 2 pm  
\$5 per person, Museum Members Free  
[lizzadromuseum.org](http://lizzadromuseum.org)

### Sunday, March 5

#### One Earth Film Festival

Elmhurst Cool Cities and Elmhurst College once again partner with the One Earth Film Festival to bring you *TIME TO CHOOSE*, an environmental documentary addressing the challenges of climate change and our race against the clock to implement solutions.

Elmhurst College - Schaible Science Center • 1 pm • Free, with suggested \$5 donation  
[elmhurstcoolcities.org](http://elmhurstcoolcities.org)  
(630) 426-9789



### Thursday, March 9

#### **Tweets, Speeches and Storytelling: Messages from the 2016 Election**

As chief speechwriter and senior aide to President Barack Obama, Jon Favreau was at the center of the storm for two successful presidential campaigns. Favreau explores the messages and moments that had the biggest impact on the 2016 election.

Elmhurst College - Hammerschmidt Memorial Chapel • 7 pm • \$10; free for Elmhurst College students, faculty, staff and alumni  
elmhurst.edu/tix

### Saturday, March 11

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

Geologist Sara Kurth presents and introduction to rocks and minerals. Learn to identify minerals through basic hands-on identification including observation skills and hardness tests. Great for rockhounds, Boy and Girl Scout merit badges and Teachers Professional Development credit. Scout groups require adult supervision. 75 minutes - Ages 8 years to Adult Reservations Required (630) 833-1616

Lizzadro Museum • 10:30 am  
\$5 per person, Museum Members \$3  
lizzadromuseum.org

#### **Rockin' Jewelry For Kids**

This beginner's class allows children to make their own gemstone jewelry to keep. Choose two different types of jewelry to make with stones from the Museum Shop and learn how to work with jeweler's tools. Great for Girl Scout Jewelry Badge, parties of 10 or more are encouraged to schedule a private class 75 minutes - Ages 8 to 16 years Reservations Required (630) 833-1616

Lizzadro Museum • 1:30 pm  
\$10 per person • lizzadromuseum.org



#### **School District 205 Foundation Gala - "The Future is Now"**

Join a community of friends ready to support a learning revolution by raising funds that will promote future ready learning and innovation in Elmhurst Public Schools. The 2017 Foundation Gala - "The Future is Now," promises to be an elegant and entertaining evening featuring open bar, plated dinner, raffles, awesome mini and live auctions, and an opportunity to hear about new trends in learning spaces and education. Space is limited for this important fundraiser so purchase tickets early.

The Hyatt Lodge, McDonald's Oak Brook  
Campus \$175 per person, 6 pm  
www.elmhurst205.org/2017gala

#### **Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra's Latin Sensations Concert**

Enjoy the scintillating rhythms and brilliant melodies of vibrant Latin gems! The DuPage Dance Ensemble will bring Gershwin's Cuban Overture to life, and guitarist Colin Davin will delight you with Rodrigo's Concierto de Aranjuez. Also enjoy music by Villa-Lobos, Milhaud and Marquez.

Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church • 7 pm  
Adults \$32; seniors \$30; students \$9; group and family rates available • elmhurstsymphony.org

### Sunday, March 12

#### **Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra's Family Concert "We've Got Rhythm"**

This concert, especially for families, features the DuPage Dance Ensemble, which joins the ESO to present a toe-tapping afternoon of Latin favorites, featuring Gershwin's "Cuban Overture" and music by Villa-Lobos and others. Luscombe's Music hosts an instrument "petting zoo" at 2:00 pm Join the fun!

Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church • 3 pm  
Adults \$9; students \$6 • elmhurstsymphony.org



### Friday, March 17 - Sunday March 19

#### **Elmhurst Children's Theatre: Spring Musical - CATS!**

The children of Elmhurst Children's Theatre present Andrew Lloyd Webber's masterpiece - CATS! The singing and dancing sensation is sure to please all audiences! Groups of 12 or more can reserve advance seating and a backstage tour.

Bryan Middle School • Tickets \$8 at the door  
Friday, March 17 at 7 pm; Saturday, March 18 at 2 pm and 7 pm and Sunday, March 19 at 2 pm  
elmhurstchildrenstheatre.com

### Saturday March 18

#### **Stars & Cat's Eyes: Light Effects in Gems**

Stars! We look to the sky for stars! Did you know stars are also hidden in the earth, encased in gems? Come for a presentation and discussion presented by Sakina Bharani, Gemologist and Museum Docent, to learn more about the special gems that show stars and cat's eyes. Learn why they form and where they are found. See some stars up close! 60 minute lecture - Youth to Adult Reservations recommended

Lizzadro Museum • 2 pm • Regular Museum Admission, Museum Members Free • lizzadromuseum.org

#### **ECAF Presents: Party For A Purpose - Beer, Bands & Bowling**

3 bands, Bowling, Food, and open bar Raffles with great prizes

Fitz's Spare Keys • 7 - 10 pm  
\$50/\$55 at the door  
www.ecaf4kids.org

### Sunday, March 19

#### **Bridal Show at Wilder Mansion**

Find everything you need to plan your perfect wedding - taste and sip decadent offerings from our preferred caterers, get exclusive deals and individual consultations from some of the best wedding vendors in Chicagoland, and sample salon stylings from the pros. From stationary to make-up artists, fine art photographers to models in designer wedding gowns, there is something for every style and budget.

Wilder Mansion • 11 am-3 pm • wildermansion.org

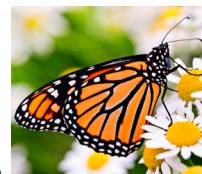


### Tuesday, March 21

#### **Plight of the Monarch**

Pat Miller is known as the "Queen of the Monarchs." As a Master Gardener, Master Naturalist and Plant Technician for the Morton Arboretum, and a Monarch Watch Conservation Specialist, Miller knows education and awareness are key issues in protecting this wonderful creature." Over the past 20 years, there has been an alarming decline in suitable breeding habitat for monarchs in the Midwestern cornbelt. Learn how you can help improve and increase the amount of habitat, and help restore monarch populations. This presentation is one in a series of events as part of the Elmhurst Garden Club's 2017 Year of the Monarch. Sponsored by the Elmhurst Garden Club, Elmhurst Cool Cities Coalition and Elmhurst Public Library.

Elmhurst Public Library • 7 - 8:30 pm  
(630) 426-9789 • elmhurstcoolcities.org



### Thursday, March 23

#### **Elmhurst Commission on Youth Teen Job & Volunteer Fair**

Learn of summer volunteer and paid work opportunities with local organizations. No registration required. Sponsored by the Elmhurst Commission on Youth with partnerships from Elmhurst Kiwanis, Elmhurst Junior Women's Club, Elmhurst Park District, District 205, Elmhurst Library, and Elmhurst YMCA.

York High School Commons  
3-6 pm • (773) 882-7105

## APRIL

### Saturday, April 1

#### **Electronics and Recyclables Drop Event**

Accepting computers, video game consoles, cell phones, servers, lawn mowers / snow blowers, coppers, brasses, leads, pots and pans, cords / wires, circuit boards, household batteries, auto / marine / sump pump batteries, etc. Everything is free except for old TV's.

Immanuel Lutheran • 8 am -2 pm  
www.HeavenlyAngelsRecycling.com

### Thursday, April 6

#### **Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra Musicians at Mayslake: All That Jazz**

ESO Assistant Conductor Alison Gaines and selected Elmhurst Symphony Musicians join forces in a jazz concert at Mayslake Peabody Estate that will leave you wanting more. Enjoy an evening of great music to welcome in spring!

Mayslake Peabody Estate, Oak Brook • 7:30 pm  
Adults \$25; seniors \$23; students \$7  
esoboxoffice@gmail.com • (630) 941-0202

### Saturday, April 8

#### **Community Conversations sponsored by Elmhurst Senior Commission: Maintaining a Positive Outlook as We Age**

This presentation will be provided by a representative from the National Assoc. of Mental Health (NAMI).

Elmhurst City Hall • 10 am • Reserved seating.  
(630) 306-7077

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

(see March 11 listing for details)

#### **Rockin' Jewelry For Kids**

(see March 11 listing for details)



**Tuesday, April 11****Creativity/Connectivity: Music and the Humanizing of Technology**

Eric Whitacre is a Grammy-winning composer and conductor whose concert music has been performed throughout the world. A sought-after guest conductor, he has worked with Hollywood composer Hans Zimmer and pop icons Imogen Heap and Annie Lennox.

Elmhurst College Hammerschmidt Memorial Chapel • 7 pm [elmhurst.edu/tix](http://elmhurst.edu/tix)  
\$10; free for Elmhurst College students, faculty, staff and alumni

**Wednesday, April 12****AAUW presents: The Gender Pay Gap**

Guest Speaker Lisa Cherry of the AAUW-Illinois Gender Equity Fund will describe the pay gap in the United States and how it affects women of all ages, races and education levels. Equal Pay Day is April 4th. This is how far into 2017 women must work to equalize the salaries men earned in 2016.

Elmhurst Public Library • 7 pm • Free  
[info@aauwelmhurst.org](mailto:info@aauwelmhurst.org) • [aauwelmhurst.org](http://aauwelmhurst.org)

**Thursday, April 13****Flashlight Egg Hunt in Wilder Park**

Teens, grab your flashlights and join your friends in the frenzy as you search for prize eggs filled with candy, gift certificates and other great prizes. This event is free and ages 11-16 are welcome.

Wilder Park • 8 pm • FREE  
[www.epd.org](http://www.epd.org)

**Friday, April 14****School's Out Family Workshop: Our Home Story**

Homes can come in all shapes and sizes and can be rented or owned. Families will tell the story of their home and create a memory keepsake. Participants are asked to bring a 3" x 5" picture of their home or to send a digital image of their home to [ehmprograms@elmhurst.org](mailto:ehmprograms@elmhurst.org) prior to the workshop. Appropriate for families of all ages. Cost: Members: \$10/adult child pair, \$5 additional person; Non-members: \$15/adult child pair; \$7 additional person. RSVP: [elmhursthistory.org](http://elmhursthistory.org) (Family Programs Section).

Elmhurst History Museum Education Center  
1 - 2:15 pm • [elmhursthistory.org](http://elmhursthistory.org)

**Saturday, April 15****Easter Family Fun**

Hop on down to the heart of downtown Elmhurst for a FREE movie at the York Theatre and meet the Easter Bunny for photos! Movie starts at 11 am and the Easter Bunny will be in City Centre Plaza from 1-2 pm.

York Theatre 11 am • City Centre Plaza 1 - 2 pm  
[elmhurstcitycentre.com](http://elmhurstcitycentre.com)

**Spring Road Easter Egg Hunt**

Visit with the Easter Bunny - Bring your basket to collect candy filled eggs!

The Gazebo at the Prairie Path on Spring Road.  
1 pm (sharp) • FREE

**Egg Hunt in Wilder Park**

Celebrate spring with the whole family, including the four-legged ones. Visit with the Easter Bunny and be ready for the hunt at 10 a.m. sharp. The egg hunt will be followed by our Doggie Eggstravaganza at 10:30 a.m., when the fun goes to the dogs. Prizes will be awarded for best doggie costume, so make sure to dress for the occasion. Presented by Edward Elmhurst Health.

Wilder Park • 10 am • FREE • [epd.org](http://epd.org)

**Wednesday, April 19****House & Home Story Time**

Children and their caregivers will do an activity together after reading the story *In a People House*, by Dr. Seuss (writing as Theo. LeSieg). Geared for children ages 3-6. Presented in partnership with the Elmhurst Public Library. Cost per child: Members: \$3/child; Non-members: \$5/child. RSVP: [elmhursthistory.org](http://elmhursthistory.org) (Family Programs Section).

Elmhurst History Museum Education Center  
9:30 - 10:30 am • [elmhursthistory.org](http://elmhursthistory.org)

**Friday, April 21****Mother Son Dance**

Calling all moms! It's your turn to have a special night with your favorite guy! Come join us for an evening of dinner and dancing. A photo of you and "your guy" is included. Registration is not taken at the door, so register early.

Diplomat West • 6 - 9 pm  
\$30 residents/\$38 non-residents per person  
[epd.org](http://epd.org)

**Saturday, April 22****Courts Plus Health & Wellness Fair**

Jump start your fitness goals and visit with health vendors and representatives. Meet with a personal trainer, receive free samples and free giveaways and be entered into raffle prizes and giveaways. Those who stop in will receive a free 2 week trial membership to Courts Plus.

Courts Plus • 9 am - 12 pm • [epd.org](http://epd.org)

**Sunday, April 23****Remembering Elie Wiesel**

In 2012 when Elie Wiesel received the *Chicago Tribune* Literary Prize, *Tribune* critic Howard Reich interviewed him about his life and works. The two struck up a friendship that last until Wiesel's death. Reich will talk about Wiesel and his classic book *Night* during a special Holocaust Service of Remembrance and Lecture.

Elmhurst College Frick Center,  
Founders Lounge • 7 pm • Free • [elmhurst.edu](http://elmhurst.edu)

**Thursday, April 27 - Sunday, April 30****Elmhurst College Theatre presents: The Trojan Women**

Troy's captive women, royalty and commoners alike, await their fates at the hands of Greek conquerors after the invasion and destruction of their home. This adaptation aims to find new life in an ancient tragedy that some have called the greatest anti-war play ever written.

Elmhurst College Mill Theatre  
Thurs. - Sat. - 8 pm; Sunday 2 pm  
[mill@elmhurst.edu](mailto:mill@elmhurst.edu)

**Thursday, April 27****Elmhurst District 205 Foundation's Top Pizza Taste of Elmhurst**

The tradition continues with this year's sixth Top Pizza Taste of Elmhurst family friendly fundraiser sponsored by The Elmhurst District 205 Foundation.

Guests will taste a variety of local pizzeria standard and specialty pizzas then vote for their favorites in multiple categories. Grab dinner before or after activities, or before the always amazing York High School musical. Proceeds from this fundraiser support educational enhancements that benefit all 13 public schools.

York Community High School Commons  
5:30 - 7:30 pm • \$10 per person  
[www.elmhurst205.org/foundation](http://www.elmhurst205.org/foundation)

**The Benefits to Reducing Food Waste**

Food waste has negative economic, environmental and social impacts. Learn how much food is wasted; ways to reduce our impact -- tips on food storage, buying "ugly" veggies, composting, food scrap recycling; and how new legislation and nearby communities are making a difference.

Elmhurst Public Library • 7 pm • Free  
[elmhurstcoolcities.org](http://elmhurstcoolcities.org)

**Sunday, April 30****Elmhurst Choral Union & Orchestra: Totally Mozart**

Guest soloists join Elmhurst Choral Union and a professional orchestra for Mozart's Requiem and Solemn Vespers, under conductor Scott Uddenberg. Elmhurst Choral Union is an outstanding auditioned chorus performing classical masterworks and great choral music of all eras.

Hammerschmidt Chapel • 3 pm  
\$25 adults, \$23 seniors, \$10 youth  
[elmhurstchoralunion.org](http://elmhurstchoralunion.org) • 800-838-3006

**Elmhurst Neighborhood Tour: How the City Developed Over Time**

Explore the history of different neighborhoods throughout Elmhurst during this bus tour, beginning with the 1870s when people built homes to escape post-fire Chicago. Learn how different developers invested in the city as reflected by the diverse eras of 20th century development. The tour will be led by EHM's curator of collections, Nancy Wilson, whose vast knowledge will add to the depth of this experience. Cost: \$20 members, \$25 non-members. RSVP: [elmhursthistory.org](http://elmhursthistory.org) (Adult Programs Section)

Elmhurst History Museum • 2 - 4 pm  
[elmhursthistory.org](http://elmhursthistory.org)

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**Tuesday, May 2****Seinfeld: How a Show About Nothing Changed Everything**

In the New York Times bestseller *Seinfeldia*, TV historian and entertainment writer Jennifer Keishin Armstrong celebrates creators and fans of the American television phenomenon Seinfeld, going behind the scenes to deconstruct the groundbreaking creation of comedians Larry David and Jerry Seinfeld.

Elmhurst College Frick Center, Founders Lounge  
7 pm • \$10; free for Elmhurst College students, faculty, staff and alumni  
[elmhurst.edu/tix](http://elmhurst.edu/tix)

**Wednesday, May 3****House & Home Story Time**

Come to EHM this spring as we explore houses and homes. Children and their caregivers will do an activity together after reading the story *The City Kid & the Suburb Kid*, by Deb Pilutti and Linda Bleck. Geared for children ages 3-6. Presented in partnership with the Elmhurst Public Library. Cost per child: EHF Members: \$3/child; Non-members: \$5/child. RSVP: [elmhursthistory.org](http://elmhursthistory.org) (Family Programs Section).

Elmhurst History Museum Education Center  
9:30 - 10:30 am • [elmhursthistory.org](http://elmhursthistory.org)

**Thursday May 4, 2017 - Saturday, May 6****The Trojan Women**

Troy's captive women, royalty and commoners alike, await their fates at the hands of Greek conquerors after the invasion and destruction of their home. This adaptation aims to find new life in an ancient tragedy that some have called the greatest anti-war play ever written.

Elmhurst College Mill Theatre • 8 pm  
[mill@elmhurst.edu](mailto:mill@elmhurst.edu)

### Friday, May 5 - Sunday, May 21

#### GreenMan Theatre Troupe - Tale of Two Cities

Christopher Walsh's stirring adaptation of Charles Dickens' classic is an epic story of revenge and redemption. Dickens used the French Revolution as the backdrop to ask probing questions about social upheaval, sacrifice, and love.

First United Methodist Church • Tickets \$17  
www.greenmantheatre.org

### Friday, May 5

#### Elmhurst Junior Women's Club presents: Ticked Pink

Mothers, daughters and women of all ages come shop a variety of great vendors and enjoy appetizers, desserts and beverages for a great cause! Join the Elmhurst Junior Women's Club for Ticked Pink a benefit to raise funds to support the Elmhurst Memorial Hospital Breast Health Center. The marketplace will be brimming with purses and handbags, jewelry, makeup, skincare, stationary and so much more. Younger girls will discover games, crafts, dancing, nail and face painting!

Diplomat West • 6 - 10 pm  
\$30 (adults) \$15 (children under age 10)  
elmhurst-juniors.org

### Saturday, May 6 - Sunday, May 7

#### Elmhurst's 21st Annual Art in the Park presented by Brewpoint Coffee

A juried show of Fine Art, Craft and Design, over 100 artists from around the Midwest will be showing and selling their creations in Wilder Park. 15 food vendors and an interactive kid's court and entertainment. At the Lizzadro Museum (Saturday 10 am-5 pm, Sunday 1 - 5pm, FREE admission), members of the West Suburban Lapidary Club will be demonstrating forms of lapidary art. Take the Explore Elmhurst Express Trolley to and from the park! Visit ExploreElmhurst.com/trolley for route details.

Wilder Park • 10 am - 5 pm both days  
Free Admission • www.rglmarketingforthearts.com



### Saturday, May 6

#### Musical Monuments Concert

The drama and charm of Northern Europe come alive with masterworks by Grieg (Piano Concerto in A minor), Sibelius (Violin Concerto in D minor) and Brahms (Symphony No. 1 in C minor). Pianist Adam Neiman and Stanger Young Artist winner, violinist Karisa Chiu, star in this grand season finale.

Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church • 7 pm  
Adults \$32; seniors \$30; students \$9; group and family rates available • (630) 941-0202  
esoboxoffice@gmail.com

### Sunday, May 7

#### Hunting for Your Home's History Workshop

This workshop will lead participants through the steps of how to research your own home's history. Learn where to find primary source documents, online resources, and discover the archives of local institutions, including resources at the Elmhurst History Museum. Instructor Jean Guarino, PhD, an independent writer and researcher specializing in the fields of architecture and historic preservation, will lead the way tapping into her experience developing landmark nomination reports for historic buildings and teaching at the college/university level. Cost: EHF Members: \$15; Non-members: \$20. RSVP: elmhursthistory.org (Adult Programs Section).

Elmhurst History Museum Education Center  
2 - 4:30 pm • elmhursthistory.org

### Thursday, May 11

#### One Nation Under Contract: The Outsourcing of American Power

In her book *One Nation Under Contract*, international relations scholar (and Elmhurst College alumna) Allison Stanger documents in stunning detail the extent to which the U.S. has outsourced national security and foreign policy functions to private contractors.

Elmhurst College Frick Center, Founders Lounge.  
7 pm • \$10; free for Elmhurst College students, faculty, staff and alumni • elmhurst.edu/tix

### Lecture: Americans and their Homes

The American home—whether in the 21st or the 19th century—enables us to understand the aspirations of its occupants. Join author and history professor Michael H. Ebner to explore the exterior and interior attributes of homes in Elmhurst, DuPage County, and the Chicago metropolitan area. This visually enriched presentation will emphasize the changing norms and expectations that Americans—past and present—associate with their home place. Cost: Members: FREE; Non-members: \$5. RSVP: elmhursthistory.org (Adult Programs Section)

Elmhurst History Museum Education Center  
2 - 3 pm • elmhursthistory.org

### Saturday, May 13

#### All Church Yard Sale and Green Garden Fair

Live green. Why buy new when you can come shop thru our array of gently used treasures such as household items, kitchenware, women, men's and children's clothing, accessories, jewelry, and you name it! You will also be able to purchase organic/native plants and compost for your summer garden and receive green gardening/living tips from local environmental action organizations. Proceeds benefit our Church Ministries.

First Congregational United Church of Christ  
elmhurstucc.org

### Rock and Mineral Identification Class

(see March 11 listing for details)

### Rockin' Jewelry For Kids

(see March 11 listing for details)

### Sunday, May 21

#### Elmhurst Museum Day 2017

Join in a worldwide celebration commemorating the important cultural value of museums with a fun, educational afternoon at Elmhurst's own museums. Jump on board the Explore Elmhurst trolley to visit Elmhurst Art Museum, Elmhurst History Museum, Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art, and Wilder Park Conservatory for free admission, activities, exhibit tours, refreshments, and more. Complimentary lemonade and cookies at Elmhurst History Museum. More info: www.elmhursthistory.org or call (630) 833-1457.

Elmhurst History Museum, Elmhurst Art Museum, Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art & Wilder Park Conservatory 1 - 5 pm • FREE!



### Monday, May 29

#### 99th Annual Elmhurst Memorial Day Parade and Post-Parade Military Ceremony

"Always Remember" is the theme of Elmhurst's Annual Memorial Day Parade and Post-Parade Military Ceremony, presented by the Elmhurst Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Elmhurst American Legion T.H.B. Post 187, Veterans of Foreign Wars Villa Park Post 2801, City of Elmhurst and Elmhurst Park District.

9:30 am - Parade steps off from York and Third Streets, 11 am - Post-Parade Military Ceremony in Wilder Park • (630) 834-6060

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

##### Elmhurst Art Museum

150 Cottage Hill Ave. • (630) 834-0202 www.elmhurstartmuseum.org

##### Elmhurst City Centre

2 City Centre • (630) 993-1600  
www.elmhurstcitycentre.com

##### Elmhurst Choral Union

P.O. Box 1493 • (630) 758-1100  
www.elmhurstchoralunion.org

##### Elmhurst College

190 Prospect Ave. • (630) 617-5186  
www.elmhurst.edu

##### Elmhurst History Museum

120 E. Park Ave. • (630) 833-1457  
www.elmhursthistory.org

##### Elmhurst Park District

375 W. First St. • (630) 993-8901  
www.epd.org

##### Elmhurst Public Library

125 Prospect Ave. • (630) 279-8696  
www.elmhurstpubliclibrary.org

##### Elmhurst School District 205

162 S. York St. • (630) 834-4530  
www.elmhurst205.org

##### Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra

Performances at Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church • 149 W. Brush Hill Rd.  
Mailing Address P.O. Box 345  
(630) 941-0202  
www.elmhurstsymphony.org

##### Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art

220 Cottage Hill Ave. • (630) 833-1616  
www.lizzadromuseum.org

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All-Access City Guide available at  
ExploreElmhurst.com.

For information on placing an event in the next Front Porch Newsletter or on the Explore Elmhurst online community calendar, contact [explore@elmhurst.org](mailto:explore@elmhurst.org).



## Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade

Join us for the 21st annual St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, March 4th starting at noon. The parade will begin at the intersection of Wilson Street and Spring Roads and continue north on Spring Road in Elmhurst. The 2017 Grand Marshall is Elmhurst's very own Mayor Steve Morley. Don't miss the Elmhurst Trolley – it will make a special appearance in the parade and will be running through town after the parade (until 5:30 pm).



## Know an Amazing Kid?

The City of Elmhurst's Commission on Youth is currently seeking nominations for its annual Exemplary Youth Service awards, which will be presented on Wednesday, April 26, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at Sandburg Middle School. All volunteers, nominators, and their guests will be invited to the City of Elmhurst Exemplary Youth Service Awards and all nominated volunteers will be recognized as part of the program. Visit <http://www.elmhurst.org/youthaward> for more information and for the nomination form.

## Teen Job/Volunteer Fair

The Elmhurst Commission on Youth is holding a Teen Job/Volunteer Fair on Thursday, March 23rd from 3-6 p.m. at York Community High School Commons at 355 St. Charles Rd. in Elmhurst, IL. Organizations can have their listings included in the program book by registering online at the following link by Wednesday, March 2: <http://elmlib.org/teenjobfair> Job Fair questions may be directed to Patty McKernan at 630-878-7622 or [Patricia@capitaltele.com](mailto:Patricia@capitaltele.com). Volunteer Fair questions may be directed to Jackie Tamer at 773-882-7105 or [jackietamer@gmail.com](mailto:jackietamer@gmail.com).

## Upcoming Consolidated Election



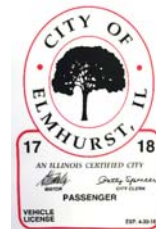
The Consolidated Election for municipal, park board, and school board elections will be held on Tuesday, April 4, 2017. Early voting will take place from Monday, March 20, 2017 through Saturday, April 1, 2017 at City Hall, Council Chambers. The hours are Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 7:30 p.m. and Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

## Water Meter Changout Program

This year's City budget includes funds to change out every residential and commercial water meter throughout the City. When this program begins the City and/or the City contractor will require access to every house to change out the meter. The new meters will provide a more accurate accounting of water consumption. Once the program begins, every household and business will be contacted individually to schedule appointments. We expect this work to begin Summer - Fall 2017 and be completed by the Summer of 2018. Watch for more information on the City's website and in the next Front Porch.

## Vehicle Sticker Reminder

City vehicle stickers must be purchased and displayed by May 1<sup>st</sup> on all vehicles registered or garaged within city limits. Stickers are sold at a discount from March 1 through April 30. Applications will be mailed to residents, and are available to download at [www.elmhurst.org](http://www.elmhurst.org). Stickers can be purchased in person, online or by mail. Money collected through the sale of vehicle stickers goes into the City's General Fund and is used for roadway maintenance and construction.



## Keep Inlets Clean

To lessen street flooding, the City is asking the public to help clean the inlets and storm drains in front of their residences or businesses. Use a rake or a shovel to clear leaves, limbs, and debris from the storm drain. Do not put your feet or hands into the storm drain because of potential hazards that have collected in the drain. Do not try to remove the grate, only the debris on top of the grate.

The best time to inspect the storm drain in front of your house or business is prior to a rain event and right after a rain, snow, or ice storm. If a clogged storm drain cannot be cleared, notify the City that help is needed. Call 630-530-3020 and report the specific location.

Please do not rake or blow the leaves from your yard into the street. Bag them at the curb and prepare them for curbside pickup by your garbage hauler. For leaves that have fallen into the street, please keep them out of the channel right along the curb, where they will block the path of rainwater. Rake them at least one foot from the curb.



## Placement of Refuse Containers

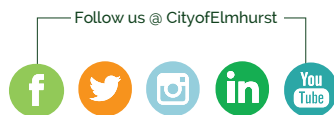
On scheduled pickup days, all garbage and recycle containers are to be placed on the city parkway no more than 24 hours before pickup and must be brought back on to private property within 12 hours from collection. Please place the cans on the City parkway and not on the street and at least 3 ft. away from any permanent objects such as fire hydrants and streetlights.

## Spring Clean-Up

The City's annual Spring Clean-Up will be held on the following Saturdays – April 22nd for those with a Wednesday garbage pick-up, April 29th for those with a Thursday pick-up, and May 6th for those with a Friday pick-up. For a complete list of acceptable and unacceptable items, visit the City's website at [www.elmhurst.org](http://www.elmhurst.org). Items other than large appliances, furniture and bulk pieces must be placed in bags, cans or boxes weighing no more than 50 lbs. each.

### City of Elmhurst

209 N. York St., Elmhurst, IL 60126  
(630) 530-3000 • Website: [www.elmhurst.org](http://www.elmhurst.org)  
To learn about job opportunities through the City of Elmhurst, please visit [www.elmhurst.org](http://www.elmhurst.org).



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

Steven M. Morley, Mayor  
Patty Spencer, City Clerk/OMA Officer  
Elaine Libovicz, City Treasurer

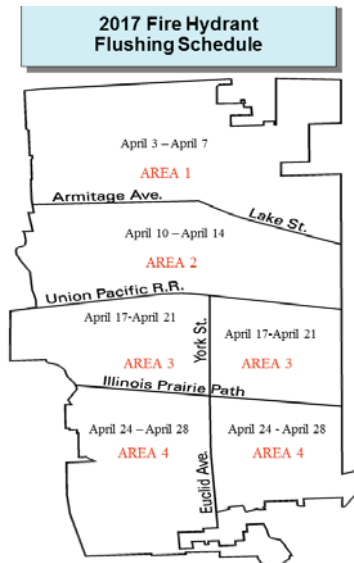
Administration.....630-530-3010  
Community Development .....630-530-3030  
Police (non-emergency) .....630-530-3050  
Fire (non-emergency) .....630-530-3090  
Elmhurst Historical Museum ... 630-833-1457  
Elmhurst Public Library .....630-279-8696  
Request for Public Records • [foia@elmhurst.org](mailto:foia@elmhurst.org)  
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#### Aldermen

1st Ward - Marti Deuter, Mark Sabatino  
2nd Ward - Bob Dunn, Norman Leader  
3rd Ward - Dannee Polomsky, Michael J. Bram  
4th Ward - Noel Talluto, Kevin L. York  
5th Ward - Scott Levin, Chris Healy  
6th Ward - Jim Kennedy, Michael Honquest  
7th Ward - Mark A. Mulliner, Patrick Wagner

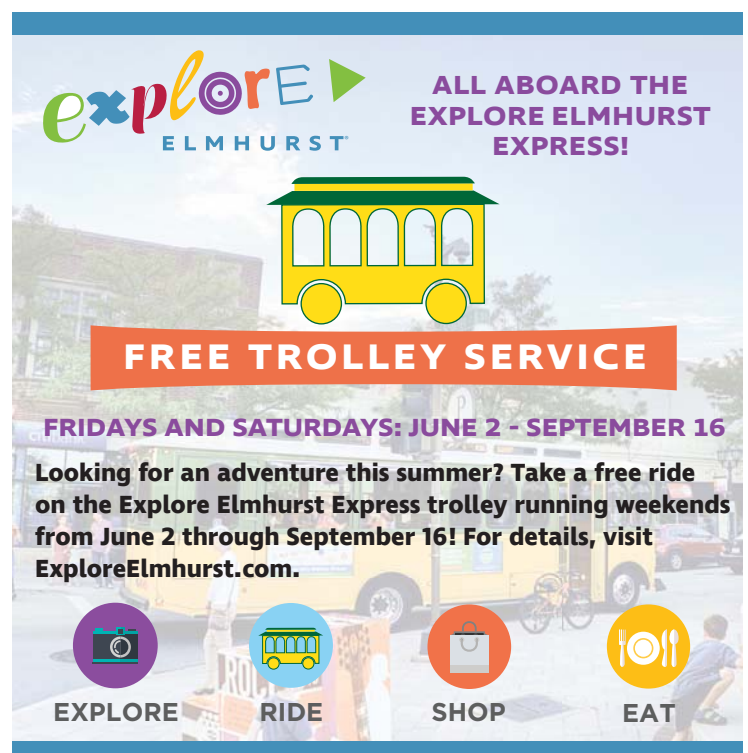
## Fire Hydrant Flushing

Each year, community fire hydrants are flushed 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 annual hydrant flushing April 4- April 29. The operation will take place Monday through Friday between 7:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Signs will be posted in affected areas before the work begins.



## City Code Updates - Exterior Surfaces

Spring is here! Check the outside of your home for possible damages caused by the harsh winter elements. City code requires all exterior surfaces of your home including but not limited to, doors, door and window frames, porches, trim, decks and fences be maintained in good condition. Exterior wood shall be protected from the elements by paint or other protective covering or treatment. Peeling or chipping paint on any exterior wood surfaces must be removed and the surface repainted. All exterior metal surfaces must be maintained and kept free of rust or corrosion.



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## Exhibit News

### House & Home Exhibit Opens April 6:

EHM's new exhibit, *House & Home* from the National Building Museum in Washington, D.C., attempts to answer the question: *What makes a house a home?* The exhibit makes its Midwest debut here in Elmhurst, and features interactive displays, a huge array of artifacts and rare photos, videos, scale models and much more. The exhibit is an *NEH on the Road* traveling exhibit, and takes the visitor on an eclectic tour of houses both familiar and surprising. Be sure to check the calendar section in this newsletter for many interesting programs, tours, family workshops and more. The latest information can be found at [www.elmhursthistory.org](http://www.elmhursthistory.org).



### Last Call for *In Her Own Right*

If you have yet to experience our exhibit profiling architect and Prairie School innovator Marion Mahony Griffin, don't delay. This fascinating portrait of the often-unheralded work of Illinois' first woman architect is a must-see, so be sure to catch it before it closes on March 12.



### New features added to *By All Accounts*

Have you seen the enhancements in our 2nd floor gallery yet? Our *By All Accounts: The Story of Elmhurst* exhibit has been expanded with a feature on the Glos family and home, a section on Elmhurst veterans, a new History Spotlight showcasing a rotating selection of special objects and photos from the collection—plus a new "I-Spy" flip book interactive for families to use when exploring the exhibit. Come check it out!



### *Disco Demolition* descends on Elmhurst June 9th

We're gearing up for summer, when our latest creation—the rocking, rolling Disco Demolition exhibit—blasts into town. The exhibit examines the historical and cultural impact of one infamous July night in 1979 when the wheels came off of a seemingly simple baseball and radio station promotion that became one of the most unlikely and memorable events in Chicago's rich baseball history. Exhibit partners include writer Dave Hoekstra, Steve Dahl and photographer Paul Natkin.



### Volunteers Needed: Come Learn and Grow with EHM



The Elmhurst History Museum is currently in need of volunteers for the following roles:

#### 1) Special Event Volunteers for Museum Day, Sunday, May 21

Roles include greeting visitors, running family-friendly activities, and orienting people in the galleries.

#### 2) Summer Family Programs

Volunteers are needed to assist with family programming and special events from June–August. This is a great opportunity for teen and college-age volunteers looking to gain experience in education programs.

If you are interested in any of these opportunities, please contact [volunteers@elmhurst.org](mailto:volunteers@elmhurst.org) or call (630) 833-1457. Thank you!

### Family Programming Input Requested

What types of programs does your family enjoy? EHM is working on revamping some of our Family Programs offerings, and we'd appreciate your input. If you'd be willing to share your ideas, please take a brief 5-minute survey at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RPYBZVD> or email your ideas to [EHMprograms@elmhurst.org](mailto:EHMprograms@elmhurst.org).



### Save the Date: Elmhurst Museum Day Sun. May 21, 1-5 p.m.

Free admission, trolley, activities and more at 3 Elmhurst museums, Wilder Park and Wilder Park Conservatory!



## Elmhurst History Museum Celebrates 60th Anniversary



This year marks the 60th anniversary of the Elmhurst History Museum. It all started in 1957 on the third floor attic of the Glos Mansion with only 300 artifacts in the collection and just 500 visitors in its first six months of operation. The Elmhurst Historical Museum (as it was called back then) began as a City of Elmhurst department charged with recording the town's history and keeping its records.

Fast forward 60 years, and EHM has grown with two moves (to Wilder Mansion and back to the Glos Mansion) and a name change, and has

evolved into an award-winning regional history museum with nearly 10,000 artifacts in the collection and drawing more than 10,000 annual visitors from across the Chicagoland area and the U.S. In addition, the museum now has an Education Center, and manages the Churchville Schoolhouse National Register of Historic Places property. It's been a busy six decades!

Sixty years is a long time, and the Elmhurst History Museum continues to move forward finding new ways to fulfill its mission to engage people with history. But we couldn't do it without you! On behalf of the EHM staff and Elmhurst Heritage Foundation, thanks so much to residents and the City of Elmhurst for your support over these 60 years.



## Elmhurst 255 Parking Deck - Now Open!



The Public Parking Lot at the new Elmhurst 255 mixed use development is now open. As part of their Redevelopment Agreement with the City, Elmhurst 255 hosts a first floor open air public parking garage with 150 covered parking spots. The parking is easily accessible from the north and south sides of the structure via public alleyways. The parking is a mix of both 3-hour free shopper parking and employee-reserved parking.



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