

### **Elmhurst Police Department Receives Illinois Law Enforcement Accreditation**

The City of Elmhurst is proud to announce the Elmhurst Police Department has been awarded the prestigious TIER 1 Accreditation recognition by the Illinois Law Enforcement Accreditation Program Council (ILEAP). The ILEAP Accreditation is awarded only after an extended process that includes in-depth review of the policies and procedures of the Elmhurst Police Department as well as a review of department practices, selection and hiring, achievements, and training. Additionally, there is also a (2) day on site assessment where trained assessors from the Illinois Association



also a (2) day on site assessment where trained assessors from the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police interview officers and supervisors, tour the department, complete ride-alongs, oversee lockup procedures, inspect the evidence room, view records maintenance, review investigation procedures and methods, and take feedback from the citizens of our community.



Chief Michael Ruth states, "This accreditation helps showcase the professionalism and best practice methods that officers of the Elmhurst Police Department proudly display in our community every day." The ILEAP Accreditation allows the Elmhurst Police Department an objective assessment by the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police to ensure compliance with best and most modern recognized practices and professional standards in policing.

Members of the Elmhurst Police Department have been working diligently over the last 2 years to prepare for the ILEAP Accreditation review. Every division of the Elmhurst Police Department worked hard to prepare and obtain the accreditation and we would like to thank the men and women of the Elmhurst Police Department as well as our community members for their great support.

# Stormwater Management Projects Continue in Southwest Elmhurst

Stormwater Management Projects continue with construction nearly complete on two infrastructure projects aimed to reduce overland flooding. These significant projects will assist 121 homeowners on the southwest area of Elmhurst; which has historically been the largest area affected by overland flooding



in the last decade. The projects include the Southwest Elmhurst Stormwater Mitigation Project (SESMP) - Phase I and Phase II projects. The Phase I project consists of installing new relief storm sewers along Jackson Street, Prospect Avenue, Parkside Avenue, Bryan Street, and Harrison Street that will drain into a new 19.6 acre-foot detention basin located on City-owned property south of Messiah Lutheran Church along Butterfield Road. The Phase II project is located on City-owned property at 250 W. Jackson, next to Jackson School and Christ United Church. This project involves a newly created 11.8 ac-ft detention basin, which will relieve overland flooding. The City has completed nine stormwater mitigation projects since 2015. After these projects are complete, the City will have spent over \$25M in construction costs to help relieve 350 homes that have experienced stormwater issues. Please visit elmhurststormwaterplan.org for more project information.







**Upcoming Consolidated Elections The** FORGET TO Consolidated Election for municipal, park, library and school districts will be held on Tuesday, April 2, 2019. Early voting will take place from Monday, March 18, 2019 through Saturday, March 30, 2019 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.

Vehicle Sticker Reminder City vehicle stickers must be purchased and displayed by May 1st on all vehicles registered or garaged within city limits. Stickers are sold at a discount from March 1 through April 30. Applications have been mailed to residents, and are available to download at 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.

**Summer Permit Requests** Thinking of installing a patio, pool, driveway or fence this Summer? Think ahead and get your permit request to the City this Spring. Please plan accordingly for a 6-8 week permit approval process.



Want to be able to track your water usage in near real time? Sign up for Water Smart NOW! Prevent internal home leaks from causing high bills. Visit www.elmhurst.org/ watersmart to sign up. Call Customer Service at 630-530-3110 with questions and assistance.

New Public Arts Commission The Elmhurst Public Arts Commission has been established. The Commission's task is to implement a citywide plan for the promotion and thoughtful placement of public art that includes, but is not limited to, sculpture, murals, and paintings. The group of commissioners appointed by Mayor Morley, are committed to the support of public art that improves the business climate and aesthetic appeal of our city.

Are you signed up for CodeRED? The City of Elmhurst utilizes CodeRED when an incident has or will occur that requires residents to take action for the safety of themselves or others.



The system distributes emergency messages via telephone, email and text messaging with the capability of sending the information to the entire city or a selected area of the City. The area selected is a deliberate decision made by the City Manager or Incident Commander. One of the main factors in this decision involves what area of the community is required to take action. It is critical for residents to ensure that they are signed up for CodeRED messages, in the event that the City requires them to take action. To sign up for CodeRED, please visit www.elmhurst.org/codered.



# Mayor's Message

The City of Elmhurst, along with its citizens and businesses, enjoyed another terrific year in 2018. This past January, I was honored to give an update of the state of our City, where I shared some of our City's accomplishments and reviewed what's ahead. You can view the video by visiting www.elmhursttv.com. Below are just a few topics that were covered.

Our City's name "Elmhurst" will be 150 years old at the end of this year. The meaning was derived from "Elm" due to the amount of Elm trees and "hurst" which is the German word for forest.

The City of Elmhurst today has 17 elected officials, 18 boards and commissions with well over 100 volunteers, 291 full time employees, 200 part time employees and in total over 650 people working hard to make Elmhurst the great City that it is. I want to thank all of these people and the residents of Elmhurst for all of your continuous hard work.

The City's finances are as strong as they've been in two decades. Our finance department continues to receive awards for budgeting plans and financial reporting. For the 5th year in a row we've maintained our AAA Bond rating, which allows us to issue bonds and borrow money at the absolute lowest rate possible. Because of this rating we have been able to refinance debt and save the residents of Elmhurst over \$4.5 million.

New residential and business development was valued at \$195 million in 2018. We ended TIF 1 in our downtown area, but started a new Downtown TIF, which will allow us to continue to develop areas in our downtown that we feel still need attention. In 2018, we finalized our Subarea Plans, which identify 5 priority areas in town that can be further developed.

Planning and development is a slow and tedious process that requires patience, flexibility and a little bit of vision and luck. Although tedious, if you don't have a plan, you will never get to where you want to be. Anything that happens in the development of Elmhurst isn't an accident. We are in the constant cycle of planning, evaluating and executing. In 2019, we will continue with the execution of our planning and with the development of our city.

With the changing of the season to Spring, we can be sure to expect rain. We understand the stormwater issues that residents have faced and continue to work to improve this area. We are in the process of completing 2 stormwater management projects, which will bring the total to 11 projects complete since 2015. These projects aim to help over 350 homes that have historically been affected by overland flooding.

On April 17th, I am honored to be presenting the annual Exemplary Youth Service Awards. It is a special time of the year when we recognize children in our community who have gone above and beyond with service for others. If you have someone in mind that you would like to nominate for this award, please visit the City's website, www.elmhurst.org.

Spring brings some signature events to the city. Be sure not to miss the Elmhurst St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 9th, Art in Wilder Park on May 4th and 5th, and the Elmhurst Memorial Day Parade.

I hope you all have an enjoyable Spring season. It is my honor and privileged to serve the residents and the City of Elmhurst.

Sincerely,

Steven M. Morley, Mayor



# Community Safety

Coyote Sightings The sighting of coyotes in Elmhurst has been brought to the attention of the City of Elmhurst and the Elmhurst Police Department. In the Midwest, coyotes breed from January through March, which increases the likelihood of seeing them, often in pairs,



during the daytime. There are several steps that residents who encounter coyotes should take. If a coyote is sighted. Please contact the Elmhurst Police Department and alert neighbors. The police department's response will be situational, depending on the nature of the call.

Elmhurst Police Chief Mike Ruth explaines, "If the animal is injured or aggressive, we would attempt to have the animal dispatched. If there is just a sighting, we would monitor the situation as coyotes generally do not like to get too close to people."

Intentional and unintentional food sources can be a key factor in reducing close encounters with coyotes. The following actions can be taken to minimize encounters with coyotes and to protect domestic pets.

- · If possible, keep garbage cans inside
- Do not let pets run loose or leave unattended
- Keep pet food and water dishes inside
- Do not feed the coyotes
- Do not run from a coyote
- · Repellents or fencing may help
- Report aggressive, fearless coyotes immediately
- Do not create conflict where it does not exist

Visit www.coyotecoexistence.com for more information.

Severe Weather Warnings Spring weather can bring severe storms to the area. When severe weather, such as a tornado threatens the community, Outdoor Warning Sirens will be activated. If severe weather is approaching Elmhurst, and the warning sirens are heard, seek shelter immediately and monitor a television or radio for further instructions. The City activates a monthly scheduled test of the City's emergency warning siren system at 10 a.m. on the first Tuesday of every month. If you hear the alarm at this time, please be reminded that it is only a test. Sign up at www.elmhurst.org or www.weather.com to get notifications of severe weather conditions.



Change your clocks, Change your smoke alarms
As we change our clocks ahead on March 10th, take
the time to change your smoke alarm and carbon
monoxide detector for the safety of everyone in your
home.

Video Sharing Program In an effort to reduce crime by identifying and apprehending individuals involved in criminal activity, the Elmhurst Police Department has developed a Video-Sharing Partnership Program.



The video sharing partnership works on a volunteer basis with property owners who have private video security systems that record public areas such as streets, sidewalks, parking lots, etc. Police who respond to burglaries, assaults, and other crimes will be able to identify nearby locations with cameras so they can quickly contact the registered video partner who may have recorded footage that could aid in the investigation.

Property owners who register a security camera are only contacted if a criminal incident takes place in the vicinity of that camera. Police personnel may ask to review footage from the camera owners. This partnership is not intended for active or live feed surveillance nor is it intended for checking on what citizens are doing in their neighborhoods. Elmhurst Police will never have remote or direct access to any private video systems; owner permission is needed to view, download, or copy any recorded incident. All information is housed in a secure database and you can unsubscribe at any time. There is no fee and your information will be kept confidential. To register your security camera, visit www.elmhurst.org/policevideoshare.

Benefits of a Knox HomeBox The residential Knox HomeBox program is available to residents with special needs. A Knox HomeBox is a rapid-entry system designed to provide secure emergency access to a home or property to those living alone or with a history of medical or mobility issues. When a fire breaks out or there is a medical emergency, a Knox HomeBox allows the Fire Department to gain immediate access to the home without forced entry damage or delay. The boxes have an attached door hanger and are meant to be placed over the top of the resident's front entry door. Inside the box, a key to the residence is securely placed for access by the Elmhurst Fire Department only. For information on obtaining a Knox HomeBox, please call 630.530.3090.



**Are you unknowingly killing your trees?** The City of Elmhurst appreciates your efforts to care for your trees by providing a mulch bed around the base of your tree. *HOWEVER, DID YOU KNOW...?* 

Research shows that planting trees too deep, or piling mulch too high, is a leading cause of tree death.

Studies show that many trees are planted too deep, or are 'fooled' into thinking they are planted too deep because mulch is piled against the trunk of the tree. While the correct amount of mulch at the base of the tree is very beneficial, too much can cause disease, rot, pest infestation, and winter freeze damage. The trunks of trees were not designed to be buried in soil, or remain wet for extended periods of time. These conditions are not natural to the tree and may negatively impact its health.

Residents are strongly encouraged to NOT pile mulch at the base of trees, or to have a discussion with their landscaper about not continually adding soil or mulch around the base of trees.





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**2019 Spring Clean-Up Dates** The City's Annual Spring Clean-Up will be available on the following Saturdays:

- If your normal collection date is Wednesday, your Spring Clean-Up will be on Saturday, April 27th.
- If your normal collection date is Thursday, your Spring Clean-Up will be on Saturday, May 4th.
- If your normal collection date is Friday, your Spring Clean-Up will be on Saturday, May 11th.

Please do not put material at the curb for Spring Clean-Up until the day prior to the event. It is illegal to put electronics at the curb for pick-up at any time. For a full list of acceptable items, please visit **elmhurst.org**. Please call the Public Works Department at (630) 530-3020 or Republic Services at (708) 345-7050 with any additional questions.

Recycling Smoke Detectors Did you know that Elmhurst Fire Stations 1 & 2 and City Hall collect smoke detectors for recycling? Smoke detectors have a life span of 10 years and should be replaced after that period. Many smoke detectors are ionized and contain a small amount of radioactive materials and household hazardous waste sites will not accept them. How do you know if your smoke detector is ionized? The back of the detector will have a warning about the material. Please call 630-530-3090 for more information.

Elmhurst College Recycling Extravaganza-Without Electronics-on April 13 On Saturday, April 13, Elmhurst College will host its annual Recycling Extravaganza from 9:00 a.m. to noon in the Alexander Street parking lot. The event is a place to bring a variety of items that will be recycled, reused and kept out of landfills. Because the City of Elmhurst now offers quarterly electronics recycling, the Elmhurst College Recycling Extravaganza will NOT be collecting electronics. Acceptable items include building supplies, clothing, bicycles, books, home goods and much more. Paper shredding will also be available. To keep traffic moving smoothly throughout the event, participants are asked to categorize and sort their items before attending. For more information and a complete list of items that will be accepted at the event, visit elmhurst.edu/sustainability or email sustainable@elmhurst.edu.

The Team Behind Elmhurst's Vibrant Trees National Arbor Day is April 26, 2019. It is a day to celebrate the importance of trees. Elmhurst is known for its tree lined streets, and we sure do appreciate all that our Forestry Division does to keep those trees healthy and vibrant! Here are a few facts provided by the City's Forestry Superintendent, Mark Stevens.

The Forestry Department is responsible for maintaining all trees on public properties and parkways. This includes the trimming, planting, grinding of stumps, and restoration of parkways. There are seven full-time employees in the Forestry Department, many of which are certified arborists.

Elmhurst has over 30 different varieties of trees throughout the City. The Department plants around 600 trees each year and has an ongoing tree-trimming schedule with a goal to touch every tree in Elmhurst at least once every eight years.

When it comes to the health of trees, some factors can include incorrect mulching and dealing with Emerald Ash Borer and Dutch Elm Disease. Forestry can be a dangerous job and safety is a primary concern when it comes to staff. Residents are urged to call the City rather than try to trim parkway trees themselves. It is a job that requires experience and knowledge.

Stevens spends Arbor Day at a different Elmhurst school each year, where a celebration takes place, which includes the planting of a new tree. Another favorite part of his job includes watching the cycle growth of a planted tree and seeing them flourish.



# **MARCH - MAY 2019**

# **ONGOING**

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

Take an interactive journey through Elmhurst history! See the award-winning tabletop map filled with photos from various eras, and explore fascinating object towers on different themes, from businesses to community, and watch a video on Elmhurst history. Check out the latest History Spotlight, a rotating display of special objects and photos from the museum's collection.

Elmhurst History Museum  $\cdot$  Free  $\cdot$  elmhursthistory.org

#### Ongoing

#### Special Exhibit: Rock Cafe

This popular exhibit features 3 meals made of stone. Warning: Eating rocks leads to broken teeth! Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art · Regular Museum Admission · lizzadromuseum.org

# Ongoing: Feb. 23 - Mar. 2

#### Restaurant Week

Try something - or some place - new! Enjoy specials and featured dishes in your own downtown. Visit our website for participating City Centre Restaurants and details. Elmhurst City Centre · Cost varies by restaurant elmhurstcitycentre.com

#### Ongoing: Through Mar. 17

#### Heart's Desire: Reflections on Love & Marriage

Last call! Contemplate the power of love represented in unique 19th and 20th-century wedding gowns, photos of the Elmhurst brides who wore them, and an array of exquisitely-detailed valentines spanning 100 years.

Elmhurst History Museum • Free • elmhursthistory.org

#### Ongoing: Through Apr. 20 The Whole World a Bauhaus

Touring the globe (Buenos Aires, Mexico City, Elmhurst, and Karlsruhe), this exhibition celebrates the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Bauhaus, a legendary German school that revolutionized modern thinking



and artistic approaches to industrialization. Photographs and documents combine with art and design pieces by Bauhaus masters and students—such as Mies van der Rohe, Walter Gropius, Wassily Kandinsky, Josef and Anni Albers, László Moholy-Nagy, Marcel Breuer and more.

Elmhurst Art Museum · Adults \$12.00; Seniors (65+) \$10.00; Students with School ID Free, Ages 18 and under Free • elmhurstartmuseum.org

#### Ongoing: Mar. 8 - Mar. 17 Violet

In the blink of an eye, everything can change. For Violet, it was the day her papa's axe blade flew off its handle and struck her in the face. But now she's on a Greyhound, bound for a TV evangelist, believing in a miracle. While faith keeps her believing she'll soon have a new face, this musical journey will be about healing many other scars as well.

Mill Theatre - Elmhurst College • Fri.-Sat., March 8-9, 2019, at 8:00 pm; Sun., March 10, 2019, at 7:00 pm; Thu.-Sat., March 14-16, 2019, at 8:00 pm; Sun., March 17 at 2:00 pm • For tickets, email mill@elmhurst.edu

#### Ongoing: Mar. 29 - Apr. 28 Sign of the Times: The Great American Political Poster

The hardworking American political poster first appeared in the 1844 presidential election, and it has attempted to catch both eyes and votes through the use of powerful visual language ever since. This national traveling exhibit showcases a variety of presidential



#### Ongoing: Apr. 12 - Apr. 28 Moon Over Buffalo

"Moon Over Buffalo" by Ken Ludwig is a laugh-out-loud farce stuffed with "comic invention, running gags, and a neat sense of absurdity " (The New York Post). In the play, Charlotte and George Hay are on tour in Buffalo, doing "Cyrano de Bergerac" and "Private Lives" in repertory, when they receive word that Frank Capra, the famous Hollywood director, is coming to town to see their matinée. This could be their last chance at stardom!

First United Methodist Church • Fri. and Sat. at 7:30 pm; Sun. at 2:00 pm • \$17; \$15 students and seniors · greenmantheatre.org

#### Ongoing: Apr. 25 - May 5 Kindertransport

Following Kristallnacht in November 1938, the Movement for the Care of Children from Germany was formed. In nine months almost 10,000 unaccompanied children were sent to Britain, most of them Jewish. Diane Samuels interviewed adults who were these Kinder, these children who survived the Holocaust, weaving their experiences of loss, guilt and discovery into the play.

#### Save the Date! Coming May 31 **Explore Elmhurst Express Trolley**

The Explore Elmhurst Express Trolley is back for another fun-filled summer! Hop onboard for special events and to enter our weekly raffle. Ride the free trolley around the City to visit community events, restaurants, museums, and shops. Visit our website for more information and to track the trolley.

Fridays and Saturdays: 12:00 pm - 12:00 am · Free exploreelmhurst.com

Mill Theatre - Elmhurst College. • Thu.-Sat., Apr. 25-27, 2019, at 8:00 pm; Thu.-Sat., May 2-4, 2019, at 8:00 pm; Sun., May 5 at 7:00 pm • For tickets, email mill@elmhurst.edu

### Ongoing: May 11 - Aug. 18

#### Worlds of Wonder: Remembering Chicagoland's **Amusement Parks**

Chicago has had its share of jaw-dropping, awe-inspiring amusement parks, from the rotations of the first Ferris wheel at the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition to the ups-and-downs of The Bobs at Riverview. Celebrate Chicago's



favorite destinations for fun and thrills, from early trolley parks to suburban attractions like Kiddieland, Dispensa's Kiddie Kingdom and others. Learn about the signature rides and iconic venues through rare photos, video, memorabilia, ads and more.

Elmhurst History Museum • Free • elmhursthistory.org

# **MARCH**

#### March 1

#### Wild For Fashion 2019

Elmhurst Panhellenic Foundation a non-profit association of college alumnae women, will hold its annual dinner and fashion show, "Wild for Fashion 2018 on Friday, March 1, 2019. The event raises money for scholarships to help deserving



Elmhurst students to attend college. With the help of the local business community, as well as other generous donors, we have successfully raised over \$359,000 for area students for over 85 years.

Hyatt Lodge Oakbrook • 6:00 pm • \$65.00 (773) 726-7009

#### Elmhurst Public Library Storytimes in the Neighborhood: Fire House

Join us in the neighborhood for a Storytime with the EPL librarians. We'll feature people you should know as we share stories and songs throughout Elmhurst.

Fire Station 2, 605 S York St (Park at Smalley Pool) 1:30 pm • Free • (630) 279-8696

#### March 2

#### Rock & Mineral ID

Geologist Sara Kurth presents an introduction to rocks and minerals. Learn to identify minerals through basic hand-on identification including observation skills and hardness tests. Great for rockhounds and scouts, adult supervision is required.

Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art • 10:30 am \$8.00 per person · lizzadromuseum.org

#### Rockin' Jewelry for Kids

Children can 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. Completes Girl Scout Jeweler's badge. Adult supervision required.

Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art • 1:30 pm \$12 per person • lizzadromuseum.org





#### **Medley of Melodies**

Elmhurst Choral Union singers perform a lively mix of choruses and solos from pop, jazz, and more. Tickets are not required for this musical evening of giving back to the community. Free-will donations will be taken to benefit Elmhurst Choral Union's programs.

First United Methodist Church • 7:00 pm • Freewill donation • elmhurstchoralunion.org/concerts

#### Elmhurst Symphony Concert: Classical Delights

Enjoy an evening of "Classical Delights," spotlighting Mozart's Symphony No. 41 in C major (Jupiter)—one of the greatest musical creations to ever emerge from the human mind--along with Mozart's Concerto for Violin



No. 5 in A major, featuring acclaimed violinist Jasmine Lin as soloist; and a fun-loving romp in Prokofiev's "Classical" Symphony.

Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church • 7:00 pm • Adults \$35; Seniors \$32; Students \$12 - group and family rates available • elmhurstsymphony.org

#### March 3

#### One Earth Film Festival

For the 5th consecutive year, Elmhurst Cool Cities Coalition and Elmhurst College will host a One Earth Film Festival screening. This year's documentary, Paris to Pittsburgh, explores the social and economic impacts of climate change-fueled disasters and features voices from local leaders and everyday Americans from Pittsburgh to Puerto Rico. The film will be followed by a Q&A period with environmental advocates. Tickets: one earthfilm festorg

Schaible Science Center, Elmhurst College • 1:00 pm Free, with suggested \$8 donation • (630) 426-9789

#### March 6

# Teen Trends & Risky Behaviors: Alcohol/drugs, vaping, & sexting

The Elmhurst Police Department's School Resource Officers will be discussing trends in the community for teen use of alcohol, drugs, vaping and sexting. There will be time for q&a as well. Parents and students are welcome to attend. Free. No registration required.

Elmhurst Public Library • 7:00 pm • Free youthcommission630@gmail.com

#### March 7

#### Elizabeth Barrett Browning: The Story of the Sonnets

Three years after their elopement and marriage, Elizabeth and Robert Browning welcomed the birth of their son Pen and mourned the death of Robert's mother. Struggling to raise her beloved husband's spirits and to prove that love doesn't die, Elizabeth (portrayed by



professional actress Debra Miller) considers revealing to Robert the romantic sonnets she wrote inspired by letters from their 18-month courtship. Priority to Elmhurst Public Library cardholders. Registration required at EPL

Elmhurst Public Library • 7:00 pm • Free elmhurstpubliclibrary.org

#### March 8

# Elmhurst Public Library Storytimes in the Neighborhood: Elmhurst History Museum

Join us in the neighborhood for a Storytime with the EPL librarians. We'll feature people you should know as we share stories and songs throughout Elmhurst.

Elmhurst History Museum - Education Center • 1:30 pm Free • (630) 279-8696

#### March 9

#### 23rd Annual Elmhurst St. Patrick's Day Parade

Step off is at 12:00 pm from Wilson St & Spring Rd heading North, ending at the railroad one block South of St. Charles Rd in front of Silverado Grill. Visit elmhurststpatsparade.com for more information.

#### March 13

# Gender-Based Environmental Shame: A Problem for Everyone

Sarah Fredericks studies how guilt and shame affect the way we think and behave in response to environmental sustainability issues. An assistant professor of environmental ethics at the University of Chicago, her research focuses on sustainability and environmental justice.

Frick Center, Founders Lounge, Elmhurst College 4:00 pm • \$10 • elmhurst.edu/cultural

#### March 15

#### Elmhurst Public Library Storytimes in the Neighborhood: Edward-Elmhurst Hospital Library

Join us in the neighborhood for a Storytime with the EPL librarians. We'll feature people you should know as we share stories and songs throughout Elmhurst. Edward-Elmhurst Hospital Library, 155 E. Brush Hill Rd 1:30 pm • Free • (630) 279-8696

#### March 16

#### **Teen Design Competition Workshop**

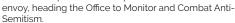
Just as Bauhaus students were encouraged to use the materials and technologies of their day, teens will be introduced to a variety of methods to fabricate their creative designs in advance of the Teen Design Competition on April 13th. Design professionals will teach skills and provide advice on how to construct their projects. Teens interested in all media are encouraged to attend. Sponsored by the OPUS Foundation.

Elmhurst Art Museum • 1:30 pm • Free elmhurstartmuseum.org

#### March 19

# The Rise of Anti-Semitism in the World: A View from the State Department

Hannah Rosenthal, daughter of a rabbi and Holocaust survivor, recently retired as head of the Milwaukee Jewish Federation. Under President Obama, she served the U.S. State Department as a special



Frick Center, Founders Lounge, Elmhurst College 7:30 pm • Free • elmhurst.edu/cultural

#### March 20

#### Teen Job/Volunteer Fair

Learn about volunteer and paid work opportunities with local organizations. Wednesday, March 20th 3-6pm. York High School Commons. Grades 6-12. No registration required.

York High School Commons • 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm Free • youthcommission630@gmail.com

#### March 23

#### Dino Discoveries

Children become dinosaur detectives with "Paleontologist Illinois Bone" 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 of Lapidary Art • 2:00 pm • \$5 per person • lizzadromuseum.org

#### March 27

#### Spring Break History Hunt

Looking for affordable family fun this Spring Break? Families are invited to visit the Churchville One-Room Schoolhouse and Fischer Farm for a history-themed scavenger hunt through the buildings and grounds. At the Schoolhouse, kids will participate in early 20th-century lessons, play old-fashioned games, practice penmanship, and make a craft while supplies last. At Fischer Farm, tour the buildings and visit the animals. Drop in, no registration required. All ages (accompanied by an adult).

Churchville Schoolhouse, 3N784 Church Rd., Bensenville • 11:00 am - 2:00 pm • Free elmhursthistory.org

#### March 30

# Discussion and Oral Histories of the McCormick House

Mies van der Rohe's McCormick House has been part of Elmhurst's history since it was built in 1952. Join us as we record memories of this



historically significant building, including conversations with former McCormick House residents. Co-organized with the Elmhurst History Museum.

Elmhurst Art Museum • 1:30 pm • Free with museum admission • elmhurstartmuseum.org

#### March 31

#### Lincoln vs. Douglas Debate

Political gladiators Abraham Lincoln and Stephen

Douglas meet again in Elmhurst City Council Chambers to discuss the turbulent times of the 1850s as America spiraled toward Civil War. Watch two accomplished first-person presenters George Buss (Lincoln) and Tim Connors (Douglas) recreate highlights from this historic series of seven



debates that took place across Illinois at a crucial time in our country's history. Registration required: elmhursthistory.org or call 630-530-6879.

Elmhurst City Hall Council Chambers • 2:00 pm Free to Members, \$5 Non-Members elmhursthistory.org

# **APRIL**

#### April 4 Bridal Party at Wilder Mansion

Learn all the 'I Dos' (and don'ts) of wedding planning and experience the award-winning historical Wilder



Mansion. Visit with premier vendors in the industry while you enjoy live entertainment, cake, wine samples and more. This event is free, but all guests need to register by April 3 at Noon to weddings@epd.org. Registration will also be available at the door.

Wilder Mansion • 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm • Free wildermansion.org

#### April 6

#### Family Day Workshop

We invite you and your family to participate in handson art activities inspired by the Bauhaus and our current exhibition.

Elmhurst Art Museum • 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm • Free with museum admission • elmhurstartmuseum.org

# **ExploreElmhurst.com**

### Chinese Symbolism: Interpreting the Birds and the Bees

In this lecture, learn to appreciate the art of Chinese brush painting, as well as in jade carvings. Educator Yvonne Wolf discusses three typical motifs—flower and bird, animal and tree, and mountain and water—and how to



interpret these works by applying the principles of yin and yang. These motifs communicate prosperity and fulfillment in a highly balanced relationship.

Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art • 2:00 pm • \$8 per person • lizzadromuseum.org

#### April 10

#### **Community Conversations: Food Waste in Elmhurst** Howard Killian from Elmhurst Public Works and Kay

McKee from SCARCE share their knowledge about food waste programs in Elmhurst and how food waste effects our community and world.

Elmhurst Public Library • 7:00 pm • Free (630) 279-8696

#### April 11

#### Top Pizza Taste of Elmhurst

The tradition continues with this year's Top Pizza Taste of Elmhurst family friendly fundraiser sponsored by The Elmhurst District 205 Foundation. Guests will taste a variety of local pizzerias



a variety of tocat pizzerias 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 and programs that benefit all Elmhurst Public Schools.

York High School • 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm • \$10 elmhurst205.org/foundation

#### Elmhurst Symphony Musicians at Mayslake

Enjoy an evening in the beautiful surroundings of Mayslake Peabody Estate when the Young Lake Harp Duo (Janelle Jansen Lake and Nicole Luchs Young) brings you enchanting music of Claude Debussey, John Thomas and Alphonse Hasslemans interspersed with water-themed poems in this, National Poetry Month.

Mayslake Peabody Estate • 7:30 pm • General admission \$25; students \$12 • elmhurstsymphony.org

### April 13

#### Courts Plus Health and Wellness Fair

Discover tips and resources for maintaining a healthy lifestyle at the Courts Plus Health and Wellness Fair. Raffle prizes and giveaways, free health screenings and free samples from local vendors. Stop by and receive a two-week free trial!

Courts Plus • 9:00 am - 12:00 pm • Free courts-plus.com

### Recycling Extravaganza 2019

The Elmhurst College Recycling Extravaganza is a great place to bring items to be recycled, reused and kept out of landfills. Several nonprofit groups will be there to collect building supplies, clothing, bicycles, home goods and much more. Paper shredding also will be available. Because the City of Elmhurst now offers quarterly electronics recycling, the College event will not be collecting electronics. More information is available at www.elmhurst.edu/sustainability.

Elmhurst College • 9:00 am - 12:00 pm • Free sustainable@elmhurst.edu

#### **Teen Design Competition**

In celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Bauhaus, we invite area teens to submit their own architecture and design proposals. This juried competition will be on view at the museum, and will celebrate creative design of today's young creatives. Designed objects in any 3D medium are welcome, the use of today's industrial materials and technologies is encouraged. Sponsored by the OPUS Foundation.

Elmhurst Árt Museum • Drop off: 10:00 am -12:00 pm; Reception: 3:30 pm • Free elmhurstartmuseum.org

#### Easter Egg Hunt at Berens Park

Egg hunt for ages newborn to 5th grade. Plenty of eggs and candy, inflatables, and games. Fun for the whole family.

Berens Park • 10:00 am • Free armand@bethelelmhurst.org

#### **Electronic and Recycling Drop Off Event**

Recycle your old electronics! Bring your old electronics, metal, computers, x-rays etc. and we will be happy to recycle them safely for you. Please see our website for a more detailed list of items for the event.

Immanuel Lutheran Church • 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm Free • immanuelelmhurst.org

#### **Multi-Strand Bead Stringing**

For those times when a single strand is not enough, learn to combine various beads and chain to create one piece of jewelry with a layered look. Students will receive kits with sufficient materials to complete a 3-strand necklace. Use of stringing wire, crimp tubes, 3:1 connectors and various clasps will be taught. Tools for use in the class will be provided or students may bring their own. Round nose, chain nose and crimping pliers plus wire cutters will be used.

Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art • 1:00 pm \$35.00 per person • lizzadromuseum.org

#### April 14

### The Poetry of Carl Sandburg, Music of Chris Vallillo

Popular folk musician Chris Vallillo, described as "Illinois's pre-eminent prairie-poet singer-songwriter," presents a combination of Carl Sandburg's poetry paired with his own original music and several selections from Sandburg's American folk song collection. Vallillo's style is often compared to Sandburg, and he is known for evoking the people and places of rural America.

Elmhurst History Museum Education Center • 2:00 pm \$5 • elmhursthistory.org

#### April 18

## Flashlight Egg Hunt

Teens, grab your flashlights and join Elmhurst Park District for the Flashlight Egg Hunt in Wilder Park. Join your friends in the frenzy as you search for prize eggs filled with candy, gift



certificates and other great prizes. Ages 11-16. Wilder Park • 8:00 pm • Free • epd.org

#### April 20

#### Egg Hunt/Doggie Eggstravaganza in Wilder Park

Join Elmhurst Park District at our annual spring event in beautiful Wilder Park! Come early to meet with the Easter Bunny, who arrives at 9:00 am, and then be ready for the egg hunt at 10:00 am sharp. After the egg hunt is completed, we will then have a dog costume contest, followed by a doggie egg hunt. Presented by The Schiller Team, Suburban Bank & Trust and Edward-Elmhurst Health.

Wilder Park • 10:00 am • Free • For ages 1-10 • epd.org

#### Easter Egg Hunt at Wild Meadows Trace Park

Come join us for fun and visit with the Easter Bunny! Thousands of candy-filled eggs will be scattered for an egg hunt that starts romptly at 1:00 pm. Don't be late to this event! Meet and Greet with the Easter Bunny starting at 12:30 pm.

Wild Meadows Trace Park at the Prairie Path on Spring Road • 1:00 pm • Free • info@springroad.com

#### April 26 - 28

#### **Pirates of Penzance**

Set sail with this classic comedy that boasts one of the most famous patter songs in musical theatre history. Join ECT for this hilarious farce of sentimental pirates, bumbling policemen, dim-witted young lovers and an eccentric Major-General.

Sandburg Middle School • Apr. 26 at 7:00 pm; Apr. 27 at 2:00 pm & 7:00 pm; Apr. 28 at 2:00 pm • Tickets are \$8 at the door • elmhurstchildrenstheatre.com

#### April 27

#### Wedding Decor Resale Shop

Keep your wedding or upcoming special event on budget! Find slightly used & unused wedding décor items such as vases, candles, centerpieces, shoes, guest books and more! Contact Heather at hsinon@epd. org to host a table for \$20 and sell gently used items

Wilder Mansion • 10:00 am - 1:00 pm • Free wildermansion.org

#### Elmhurst Police Department Prescription Drug Takeback

Look through your medicine cabinets and bring expired or unwanted medications. For those unable to attend, please remember the Elmhurst Police Station houses a permanent drop-off box for safe disposal of prescription drugs.

EPD Parking lot • 10:00 am - 2:00 pm • Free

#### Soirée 2019: Celebrating Bauhaus100

Join us for the Elmhurst Art Museum's Soirée 2019, celebrating the centenary of the Bauhaus. The event, presented by EAM's Sustaining Fellows will include cocktails, a multi-course dinner, entertainment, and live and silent auctions filled with artworks by established and emerging artists as well as a fabulous selection of vacations and experiences.

Elmhurst Art Museum • 6:00 pm • Individual Ticket \$375; Collector Table \$3,500; Patron Table \$5,000 elmhurstartmuseum.org

### April 28

#### Stars, Stripes & Strategy: A Brief History of the Presidential Campaign Poster Join Elmhurst History Museum

Executive Director Dave Oberg for a sweeping analysis of more



than two centuries of famous and infamous presidential campaign posters, and the underlying strategies that drove them. Explore images of iconic campaign posters and even a few local stories of presidents and presidential candidates who visited Elmhurst over the years. Registration required: Online at elmhursthistory. org (Adult Programs section) or call (630) 530-6879.

Elmhurst History Museum • 2:00 pm • Free elmhursthistory.org

#### Elmhurst Choral Union & Orchestra: Liszt & Schubert

Elmhurst Choral Union, guest soloists, and professional orchestra perform Liszt's Coronation Mass and Schubert's Mass in G, under conductor Scott Uddenberg. Both composers are best known for other musical pursuits. Liszt was the star pianist of his day, and his piano compositions continue to please (and challenge) pianists. Schubert is famous for his symphonies and his songs. Tickets are available from elmhurstchoralunion.org, (800) 838-3006, or at the door.

Hammerschmidt Memorial Chapel • \$25 adult; \$23 senior; \$10 youth • elmhurstchoralunion.org

#### **Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra Spring Gala**

Join friends and members of the Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra for its annual Spring Gala to celebrate the Symphony's 58th season with dinner, libations, conversation and music! Call the ESO office for details and ticket information.

Cantigny Golf • 5:00 pm • Call (630) 941-0202 for pricing • elmhurstsymphony.org

#### Children of the Holocaust

A senior editor at National Public Radio, Uri Berliner recently revealed the moving story of how his father escaped the Nazis when his parents put him on a Kindertransport, a children's rescue train. Berliner will share that story and those of other Holocaust survivors during the annual Holocaust lecture at Elmhurst College.



Frick Center, Founders Lounge, Elmhurst College 7:00 pm • Free • elmhurst.edu/cultural

#### April 29

#### From Prairie to Tree Town: Tales of Old Elmhurst

Learn the fascinating story of how the tiny settlement of Cottage Hill grew into the thriving community of Elmhurst that we know today. This program will explore our early pioneer heritage, the arrival of the railroad, pivotal events that shaped our community and some of the interesting men and women who called Elmhurst home. Presented by Dave Oberg, Executive Director of Elmhurst History Museum.

Elmhurst Public Library • 7:00 pm • Free (630) 279-8696

#### April 30

#### The Niebuhr Lecture at Elmhurst College

Antje Jackelén has been the archbishop of the Church of Sweden since 2014, when she became Sweden's first woman archbishop. Before that, she was a professor of systematic theology/religion and science at the Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago, and also was director of the Zygon Center for Religion and Science.

Hammerschmidt Memorial Chapel, Elmhurst College • 7:00 pm • Free • elmhurst.edu/cultural

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#### May 4

#### Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra Concert: Mahler Immersion!

"Mahler Immersion!" presents a season finale for the ages—Mahler's epic Symphony No. 5, one of the most dramatic journeys in the symphonic repertoire. Also on the program is Brahms' Academic Overture, with the York High School Symphonic Strings. This is a night of music you will not want to miss.



Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church • 7:00 pm Adults \$35; Seniors \$32; Students \$12; Group and family rates available • elmhurstsymphony.org

#### May 4 & 5

#### Art in Wilder Park with the Lizzadro Museum

Members of the West Suburban Lapidary Club will be demonstrating forms of lapidary art.

Lizzadro Museum • May 4, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm; May 5, 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm • Free • lizzadromuseum.org

#### Elmhurst's 23rd Annual Art in Wilder Park

Elmhurst's 23rd Annual Art in Wilder Park Presented by Main Street Candy & Toys will feature over 100 Midwest Artists, Kid's



Court, Food Court, and Entertainment. Wilder Mansion will be open for coffee, pastries, and lunch both days between 10:00 am-3:00 pm. Elmhurst Art Museum and Lizzadro Lapidary Museum will also be open.

Wilder Park • May 4 & 5, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm • Free rglmarketingforthearts.com

#### May 11

#### Green Garden Fair

Saturday, May 11 From 9:00 to noon, the First Congregational UCC will be holding their fifth annual Green Garden Fair. Pick up pre ordered certified organic vegetable and herb seedlings and/or purchase additional seedlings at the Fair. You'll also be able to purchase other items to help your garden grow, and learn how to live more sustainably from a variety of "green" exhibitors. The event will be held in the church basement.

First Congregational Church, 235 S. Kenilworth 9:00 am - 12:00 pm • Free • elmhurstucc.org

#### May 16

#### Taste of the Town: Food for Life

Save the Date for Taste of the Town: Food for Life, an Elmhurst food and drink sampling featuring food, wine and beer tastings, cooking demonstrations by local chefs, and music. Proceeds will benefit United Community Concerns Association to help feed local families in need. Wilder Mansion • 6:00 pm • 10:00 pm • \$60 in advance/\$70 at the door • ucca-elmhurst.org

#### May 18

#### **Spring Road Pet Parade**

All kinds of animals are invited to participate! Onsite pet adoption will also be available. Featuring free face tattoos, pet portraits, moon jump, and pet tricks!

Spring Road (from the Prairie Path to Silverado Grill)

Gather in the parking lot of Silverado Grill at 11:30 am; 1:00 pm parade start • Free info@springroad.com

#### May 19

#### Elmhurst Museum Day

Celebrate the 23rd Annual Museum Day in Elmhurst, a special event commemorating the important cultural value of museums to communities worldwide. Jump on board



the Explore Elmhurst trolley to visit three Elmhurst museums for free admission, family-friendly activities, exhibit tours, refreshments, and more. Activities include:

Elmhurst History Museum: Explore the new Worlds of Wonder exhibit inside the Glos Mansion and participate in amusement park-themed crafts and activities on the Museum grounds (weather permitting). Complimentary face painting, lemonade, and cookies.

Elmhurst Art Museum: View the current exhibits and participate in a hands-on art project in this award-winning contemporary art museum located in a rare single-family home designed by Mies van der Rohe.

**Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art:** Tour the museum's expansive collection of jade carvings, gems, and more. See the Rock Cafe, an exhibit with three meals made of stone, and join a stone hunt to collect rocks, minerals, and fossils to take home.

Elmhurst History Museum, Elmhurst Art Museum, Lizzzadro Museum of Lapidary Art • 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm Free • elmhursthistory.org or (630) 833-1457

#### May 27

### 101st Annual Elmhurst Memorial Day Parade

Step off at 9:30 a.m. at Third and York. Following the parade will be a Post-Parade Military Ceremony at Wilder Park.

# 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

### **Spring Road Business Association**

www.springroad.com (630) 782-1234

# York & Vallette Business District yorkandvallette.com

(630) 832-4550



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.





Citizen's Police Academy Citizen's Police Academy (CPA) is one of the most popular community programs put on by the Police Department, providing residents with an opportunity for an "up close and personal" view of their police department. The next session will begin on March 13, 2019! Classes are held for 12 consecutive Wednesday evenings, and the program is free of charge but limited to those who live or work in Elmhurst. Applications are available on the City website (Elmhurst. org) or at the front desk of the police department. For more information, please contact policeinfo@elmhurst. org or phone (630-530-3061).

**EPD Prescription Drug Take Back** The Elmhurst Police Department will hold their Prescription Drug Take Back Event in conjunction with the Elmhurst College Recycling Extravaganza Event on Saturday, April 13th, from 9 a.m. to noon in Elmhurst College's Alexander Street Parking Lot. A second collection will occur on Saturday April 27th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Elmhurst Police Station parking lot. Prescription painkillers (or opioid pain relievers) are to blame in nearly three quarters of tragedies caused by drug overdose. If they're in your home, get rid of them! Look through your medicine cabinets and bring expired or unwanted medications. For those unable to attend. please remember the Elmhurst Police Station houses a permanent drop-off box for safe disposal of prescription drugs.

Adopt a Fire Hydrant The Elmhurst Fire Department is asking for residents help by adopting a fire hydrant near your home. It is vital for fire responders to quickly gain access to hydrants in order to extinguish a fire. By adopting a fire hydrant, you would be volunteering to clear all snow, grass/weeds and any debris from around the fire hydrant. You will also be asked to call Public Works if there is any damage or leaks. Families will get an adoption plaque bolted to the hydrant with their name on it. This is a free volunteer service and there are 2,400 hydrants looking to be adopted in Elmhurst. To apply, call 630-530-3090 or visit www.elmhurst.org/firedepartment.

Stop the Bleed/CPR The Elmhurst Fire Department and Edward/Elmhurst Hospital have collaborated to provide "Stop the Bleed" and "Hands Only CPR" program to businesses and the public. This program is designed to teach people life saving techniques to stop bleeding and then provide CPR until EMS arrives. The class is offered to businesses and larger groups throughout the year and can be arranged by contacting the Elmhurst Fire Department. Class dates are March 18, August 8, and October 17 at 7pm. Residents can register by calling (630) 530-3090.

Be Alarmed! Elmhurst Smoke Alarm Installation "Be Alarmed!" is a fire safety education and smoke alarm installation program administered cooperatively between the Illinois, Fire Safety Alliance (IFSA) the Office of the Illinois State Fire Marshal (OSFM) and the Elmhurst Fire Department. This program allows the Elmhurst Fire Department to distribute fire safety materials as well as install 10-year concealed battery smoke alarms in residential homes. Do you need a smoke alarm?? If your smoke alarm is over 7 years old then YES YOU DO! Call the Elmhurst Fire Department at 630.530.3090 to schedule an appointment for a residential smoke alarm installation.

**Hydrant flushing** City of Elmhurst Water Distribution crews will begin the annual fire hydrant flushing program on Monday April 29<sup>th</sup>. Crews will flush and inspect nearly 2,400 City owned fire hydrants during the course of the program. The flushing program is divided into five sections, south to north. The hydrant flushing process takes five weeks and will be



completed by the end of May. Normal flushing will occur between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Residential sanitary sewer line backup The sanitary sewer system is the network of underground pipes that carry wastewater from your sinks, toilets, showers, bathtubs, and interior floor drains to the wastewater treatment plant where it is cleaned and treated before discharging into Salt Creek. Sanitary sewer back-ups don't occur often but when they do, reporting them is the most important step. Typically the problem will be found on the lower level of your home.

- If this occurs, CALL THE CITY FIRST! The City will determine if you need a plumber.
- During normal business hours call City Hall 630-530-3000 or after hours and weekends call the Police Department at 630-530-3050 and report the address of the sewer back-up. City staff is on call 24 hrs, 7 days a week and will respond to determine the source of the back-up, whether it is a city or homeowner issue.
- If City staff determines the sewer back-up is a homeowner problem, City staff will advise the homeowner to call a plumber that specializes in rodding sewer lines.
- If City staff determines the city sanitary main sewer is backed up, the sanitary main sewer will be flushed ASAP to clear the blockage.



Business Development News Professional Ultimate Frisbee<sup>TM</sup> team, the Chicago Wildfire, will be making Elmhurst their home this Spring. The Chicago Wildfire is Chicagoland's first ever professional Ultimate Frisbee<sup>TM</sup> team, competing in the American

Ultimate Disc League (AUDL). Combining the non-stop movement and athletic endurance of soccer with the GHICAGO aerial passing skills of football, Ultimate Frisbee is a non-contact team sport played by players with a flying



disc. Two teams of seven players compete on a football-sized field. Each team defends one end zone, and the object is to score by catching a pass in the opponent's end zone. The Wildfire play in the Midwest division, which is comprised of teams from Minnesota, Madison, Chicago, Indianapolis, Detroit, and Pittsburgh. You can catch the Wildfire at Elmhurst College for their home opener on May 4th and throughout the season. Learn more about the team at Chicago-wildfire.com and look for partnerships with the Wildfire at local Elmhurst businesses.

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209 N. York St., Elmhurst, IL 60126 (630) 530-3000 · Website: www.elmhurst.org

To learn about job opportunities through the City of Elmhurst, please visit www.elmhurst.org.











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

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

| City Manager630-530-3010                       |
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| Community Development630-530-3030              |
| Police (non-emergency)630-530-3050             |
| Fire (non-emergency)630-530-3090               |
| Elmhurst History Museum 630-833-1457           |
| Elmhurst Public Library630-279-8696            |
| Request for Public Records - foia@elmhurst.org |
| EMERGENCY 9-1-1                                |

#### Aldermen

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City code reminders Please be a courteous neighbor and comply with the following:

- Placement of refuse containers On scheduled pickup days, all garbage and recycle containers are to be placed on the city parkway. Containers placed on the street are at risk of not being picked up. As a reminder, please place containers 3 ft. away from any permanent objects such as fire hydrants and streetlights.
- Gutter downspouts on residential property 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
- Grass and leaf blowings Discharging cut grass or blowing leaves into the street is against City code. Grass and leaves that are discharged into the street will eventually clog sewer inlets causing streets to flood.
- Maintaining exterior surfaces 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.

FOG: COOL IT, CAN IT, TRASH IT Fats, oils, and grease (FOG) are one of the leading causes of sewer overflows. There are simple steps which residents can take to prevent FOG from adversely affecting their homes and communities. The easiest way to solve grease problems and prevent blockages is to keep FOG out of the sewer system. FOG represents one of the largest problems for sewer utilities and their customers. Blockages due to coagulated grease in pipes are thought to be the leading cause of sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs). SSOs are backups in either the public sewer or residential plumbing. Although often unintentional, the injection of FOG into the sewer system poses a significant risk to household plumbing and public sewer systems. When it comes to disposing FOG, please remember to COOL IT, then CAN IT into a disposable containers, and TRASH IT.

Looking for a rewarding place to work? The City of Elmhurst is hiring! Visit elmhurst.org and look under the "JOBS" tab for all available positions.

# **ELMHURST HISTORY MUSEUM**

# **Elmhurst History Museum**

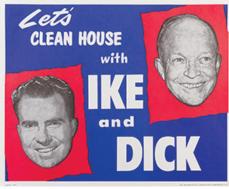
120 E. Park Ave., Elmhurst • Phone: 630-833-1457 elmhursthistory.org • EHM@elmhurst.org • FREE Museum Hours: Sun., Tues.-Fri. 1-5 p.m. & Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Closed Mondays & Holidays



## Hail to the American Presidential Campaign **Poster**

The hard-working American political poster first

appeared in the 1844 presidential election, and it has attempted to catch both eyes and votes through powerful visual language ever since. The Elmhurst History Museum is proud to present a national traveling exhibit that showcases this

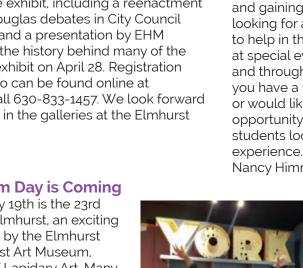


often overlooked art form. Sign of the Times: The Great American Political Poster will be open from March 29 through April 28, 2019 and features 50 different posters that chronicle a variety of styles and campaign slogans from the 1864 presidential campaign through the 2012 election. The exhibit includes colorful, high-quality reproductions of the most exciting and rarely-seen presidential campaign posters in our country's history.

The museum has scheduled a number of special programs connect to the exhibit, including a reenactment of the historic Lincoln Douglas debates in City Council Chambers on March 31, and a presentation by EHM Director Dave Oberg on the history behind many of the posters featured in the exhibit on April 28. Registration is required, and more info can be found online at elmhursthistory.org or call 630-833-1457. We look forward to seeing you this spring in the galleries at the Elmhurst History Museum.

### 23rd Annual Museum Day is Coming

Mark your calendars: May 19th is the 23rd annual Museum Day in Elmhurst, an exciting event for all ages hosted by the Elmhurst History Museum, Elmhurst Art Museum, and Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art. Many different family-friendly activities, free exhibit admission and tours, refreshments and more are in the works for this special day to celebrate the cultural value of museums in our community. Ride your bike or hop on the Explore Elmhurst trolley and join in the fun.



### Looking Ahead: 2019 Exhibits at EHM

Following is the schedule of exhibits at Elmhurst History Museum for the reaminder of this year...come explore your hometown history museum:

March 29-April 28 Sign of the Times: The Great American Political Poster

May 17-August 18 Worlds of Wonder: Remembering Chicagoland's Amusement Parks

September 6-October 13 The Power of Children: Making a Difference



November 8-March 29, 2020 On the Right Track: By Rail to Chicago & Beyond

### **Become a Museum** Volunteer

Do you like history and museums, learning, working with people, and gaining new skills? We're looking for a few more volunteers to help in the EHM gift shop and at special events this summer and throughout the year. Whether you have a few hours to share



or would like a weekly commitment, this is a perfect opportunity for retirees or high school and college students looking to expand their work and volunteer experience. To join our volunteer team, please contact Nancy Himmes at 630-530-3325.





### **City Now Offering Quarterly Electronics Recycling**

**Event** The City will host a series of Electronic Recycling events at the Public Works Facility (985 S Riverside Drive). These quarterly events will be held in cooperation with DuPage County. The remaining event dates for 2019 are April 27, July 27 and October 26 from 8am - noon. For a list of acceptable items, please visit www.elmhurst.org/electronicrecycling.

Know an amazing kid? If you know of a kid or group of kids who have done wonderful service for others in Elmhurst, show them how proud you are by nominating them for the City's Exemplary Youth Service Awards! The City of Elmhurst's



Commission on Youth will be holding this annual event on Wednesday, April 17, 2019, at 7:00 PM at Bryan Middle School. All volunteers, nominators, and their guests will be invited to the City of Elmhurst Exemplary Youth Service Awards ceremony and all nominated volunteers will be recognized as part of the program, which will be presented and honored by Mayor Morley. Nominees must be in elementary school through high school. For more information and to obtain the nomination forms, please visit http://www.elmhurst.org/1291/Exemplary-Youth-Service-Award. Nominations will be accepted until March 9, 2019. Questions email Jackie at youthcommission630@gmail.com.

Lock it or Lose It With recent crime trends escalating in the Chicagoland area, it is imperative now more than ever that residents lock their doors for the overall safety of themselves, their neighbors, and the Elmhurst community.

The reality is that criminals are targeting areas where they know residents are leaving doors unlocked. Elmhurst is one of the areas that has been targeted. Together as a community, we can take a stance against this targeted crime by making a simple change in our lifestyle habits by **LOCKING OUR DOORS**.

Three elements must be present for a crime to occur: **Desire**, **Ability**, and **Opportunity**. If any one of these elements is removed, the triangle cannot be formed and the crime will not occur. You cannot



eliminate a criminal's desire to commit a crime, and you have no control over a criminal's ability to commit a crime. You can, however, remove the criminal's opportunity to burglarize your home or vehicle by locking your doors and windows and securing your property out of view.

You can help yourself, your family and your neighbors by:

- Always locking your vehicles, house, garage, and bicycles.
- Immediately calling 9-1-1 to report suspicious noises, people, or cars.

Together, we can prevent burglary and theft in Elmhurst

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