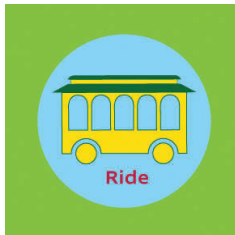


The Front Porch

C i t y w i d e N e w s l e t t e r

Explore Elmhurst Summer Trolley Rolls Through Town!



Back after a 2-year break, the Explore Elmhurst Express Trolley offers visitors and residents a FREE 30-minute ride around the lively City of Elmhurst. Making six stops across the City, this fun and easy trip runs every Friday and Saturday, June 3 through September 17 from noon to midnight.

The Explore Elmhurst Express is equipped with GPS, which allows riders to track the trolley's location by visiting [ExploreElmhurst.com](https://www.exploreelmhurst.com). This experience is free and no tickets are required. Everyone is invited to take this fun ride around town.

The route travels to different shopping districts in Elmhurst, making stops near shops, restaurants, and entertainment. Riders will also enjoy listening to the Elmhurst University Jazz Band and a historical narrative about the City.

The trolley is handicapped accessible and ADA-compliant. Collapsible and small strollers that fit in the seating area are welcome aboard. Onboard storage is unavailable and it is against fire code to place strollers, bikes, or belongings in the trolley's aisle.

TROLLEY ROUTE

- 1 Stop 1: York and Park
- 2 Stop 2: York and Schiller
- 3 Stop 3: Second and Addison
- 4 Stop 4: Cottage Hill and Virginia
- 5 Stop 5: Spring and the Illinois Prairie Path
- 6 Stop 6: York and Vallette



Track the trolley! Don't waste your time thinking about when the trolley will arrive at each stop. The trolley will be equipped with GPS and can be tracked using [ExploreElmhurst.com](https://www.exploreelmhurst.com).



The Explore Elmhurst Express will have a series of special events and activities throughout the summer so follow the Explore Elmhurst Facebook and Instagram for the most up-to-date information. Riders will also have the opportunity to enter to win weekly prizes every time they ride the trolley. For more information, please visit

[ExploreElmhurst.com/trolley](https://www.exploreelmhurst.com/trolley).

SAVE THE DATE FOR THESE SIGNATURE EVENTS IN ELMHURST!

Farmers Market The Elmhurst Farmers Market is one of Elmhurst's great local markets and a family-friendly must-do event, popular with locals and visitors alike. Enjoy boutique style shopping every Wednesday from 7am to 1pm from June to October in the York & Vallette Business District. Follow the **Elmhurst Farmers Market on Facebook** for regular updates on each week's event!

Rock the Block Send the summer off in style with Elmhurst City Centre's Rock the Block Party. Always the weekend after Labor Day, this year's event will be Friday, September 8 (4 pm to 11 pm) and Saturday, September 9, (11 am to 11 pm). All your favorite bands will be back – 7th Heaven, Wedding Banned, American English, ARRA, Sixteen Candles and more. Great local food tents and beer/wine – fun with the whole neighborhood! Don't plan your block party during the Rock the Block Party! All the details can be found at [elmhurstcitycentre.com](https://www.elmhurstcitycentre.com).

Craft Beer Fest Back by popular demand, the Elmhurst Heritage Foundation is brewing up the 7th Annual Elmhurst Craft Beer Fest! Mark your calendars and save the date for Saturday, September 17, 2022. Plan to sample craft beer, cider and seltzers from 50+ breweries while enjoying music on the grounds of the Elmhurst History Museum. Learn more at [elmhurstcraftbeerfest.com](https://www.elmhurstcraftbeerfest.com).

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Aldermen:

1st Ward - Marti Deuter, Jennifer Veremis

2nd Ward - Bob Dunn, Jacob Hill

3rd Ward - Chris Jensen, Dannee Polomsky

4th Ward - Brian Cahill, Noel Talluto

5th Ward - James Nudera, Tina Park

6th Ward - Emily Bastedo, Michael Honquest

7th Ward - Michael Brennan, Mark A. Mulliner

City Hall Hours - City Hall will be closed in observance of Independence Day on Monday, July 4. The City Council standing meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 5, at 7:30 p.m.

5th Ward Meeting - Fifth Ward residents are invited to a town hall meeting hosted by Alderwoman Tina Park and Alderman Jim Nudera on July 12 at 7 pm at City Hall, Conference Room 2. This is an opportunity to hear updates on City programs and other City activities. Please bring your comments, ideas, and concerns. For more information, visit elmhurst.org.

Outstanding Senior Citizen Service Award

Nominations - The Elmhurst Senior Commission is currently seeking nominees for its 2021/2022 Outstanding Senior Citizen Service award.

Eligibility Requirements:

- 1) Nominee must be an Elmhurst resident (Elmhurst address)
- 2) The award is focused on individual achievement.
- 3) The service must be voluntary and unpaid.
- 4) The service must have occurred between September 1, 2021, and the present.

For more information or to receive a nomination form, visit elmhurst.org.

Mayor's Message

Summer is here, and I am pleased to say that our vibrant city has so much to do this season. As we come out of the pandemic, we welcome back some signature activities and events. The outdoor dining experience of the downtown, Spring Road and other area restaurants truly has a resort town feeling. We hope that residents take advantage of the opportunities to explore and enjoy what Elmhurst has to offer.

Public Art - If you are walking or driving near downtown area along the train tracks, you may notice some new and interesting artwork. The City's Public Arts Commission which was formed in 2018, is really making an impact with new public art programs and initiatives. Approved just this past year, is the City's public art mural program. The first mural was done by Elmhurst University. The mural "Be Bold, Be Elmhurst" was created by Elmhurst University faculty artists, Andrew Sobol and Rafael Blanco. The artwork is on display on Faganel Hall's North Wall, facing the railroad tracks at Park and Prospect Avenues in Elmhurst. I highly encourage you to take a look. Also on display is the City's newest piece of public art called, "Portal", an o-shaped armature with glass that changes colors under certain conditions. The joyful twelve-foot steel and glass sculpture was created by Chicago-based artist Nicole Beck, and is located in the new Larch Park near downtown Elmhurst. The City's Public Arts Commission was established to implement a Citywide plan for the promotion and thoughtful placement of public art that enhances the business climate and promotes the overall aesthetic appeal of our community. We are very proud of the work that we have seen as a result of this group!

Traffic Safety - While enjoying your summer days, please remember to keep our children safe by watching your speed while driving. Please stay alert and obey traffic signs and signals. We are hearing a heightened concern from the community regarding traffic safety. As resident of a block that sees a lot of cut-through traffic and has many young children, I see a lot of cars traveling well in excess of the 25 MPH limit applicable to our residential streets. I see the same speeding behavior on other residential streets as I walk through the City. Who is speeding down our residential streets? In large part, WE ARE! Remarkably, from the stickers on the vehicles and from what our police data tells us, many of the speeding vehicles are driven by our own residents. As our long-standing slogan exhorts: It's our town, let's slow down!

In the near future, the City will undertake a number of steps to identify and study traffic issues in the area. This will include a neighborhood traffic study starting in the first ward near Elmhurst University. The study will consist of outlining an area and studying the traffic patterns and drivers' behavior over an extended period of time. The information collected will be presented to City Council with recommendations. Another step we are taking regarding traffic safety concerns includes the placement of new speed data collecting equipment. The equipment will be strategically placed by the Elmhurst Police on residential streets with high reports of speed complaints. This will allow us to have the most accurate data when determining what next steps to take. The community can also expect to see a public awareness campaign geared towards educating residents on the importance of reducing speed and following speed limit signs while driving.

Also in the near future, the City will be forming a Bike Pedestrian Advisory Group. The purpose of this group will be to analyze the City's Bike and Pedestrian Plan, approved just last month, and make recommendations to staff and the Council on next steps to take. Our goal is to make Elmhurst the most walkable and bikeable municipality in the Chicago area. If you are interested in applying to be part of this group, please visit elmhurst.org.

Ukraine - Finally, I would like to thank all who organized and participated in an event that was held in Wilder Park a few months ago in support of Ukraine. I am very proud to be part of a community where our residents, civic partners, and various community members can come together and stand united as we support the people of Ukraine. Video footage from the event can be found on Elmhurst TV YouTube Page. I invite you to watch it and hope that you join me in feeling moved by our community effort to raise awareness, and that you find it in your hearts to donate to the people of Ukraine.

I wish you a wonderful summer, and hope to see at some of the upcoming events!

Sincerely,
Scott M. Levin, Mayor



Community Safety

Traffic Safety Program Elmhurst's City Officials are hearing heightened concerns from community members regarding traffic safety. This primarily includes motorists not following traffic signs and speeding on residential streets. In an effort to gain essential data and to properly assess these issues, the City will be conducting a series of traffic studies along with collecting speed data using new monitoring equipment. The City is also working on a public safety awareness campaign that will be launched toward the end of the summer. Please stay safe by watching your speed, following traffic signs and signals, and staying alert while driving!

Police Resume Bike & Summer Mobile Patrols

The Elmhurst Police Department Bicycle Patrol Unit and the Summer Mobile Patrol Unit provide officers with opportunities for community engagement while on patrol. The Bicycle Unit and Summer Mobile Patrol Unit have grown and evolved into an integral part of the department's enforcement and community relations efforts. Both units are used on a daily basis with officers either riding the bicycles on regularly scheduled shifts or signing up to ride the summer mobile patrol unit. Several patrol vehicles are equipped with bike racks, so officers can take bicycles with them on a daily basis. The program has been well-received by the public and promotes a greater relationship between the officers, our youth, and the community.

Neighborhood Roll Call The Elmhurst Police Department hosts the Neighborhood Roll Call program throughout the summer months in which Elmhurst Police Officers visit neighborhoods around the city and talk with residents. This is an opportunity for citizens to get to know the officers in their community, as well as become up to date on City events and to ask questions. It also provides an opportunity to bring up any concerns to the officers directly. For more information on the Neighborhood Roll Call program, visit elmhurst.org/NRC.

Scott's Law Motorists are reminded of the hazards that exist for emergency personnel responding to emergencies. Scott's law is intended to protect emergency personnel from motorists at emergency scenes, increasing the penalties for drivers who fail to yield to emergency vehicles or cause accidents or injury to public safety or service personnel at roadside emergency scenes. Offenders can expect to be fined up to \$10,000 and have their driver's license suspended for up to two years. Please follow these precautions when approaching an emergency vehicle with its lights activated. Slow down and proceed with caution. Yield the right-of-way by changing into a lane not immediately adjacent to the emergency vehicle. Be prepared to pull over to the right-hand side of the roadway and stop if directed to do so. Be watchful of the movement of emergency personnel and equipment. The law applies to all vehicles displaying flashing lights, including highway maintenance vehicles.

Bonfire Safety Stay safe when enjoying bonfires this summer! Never build a bonfire on a high-wind night. Make sure the area where you start your bonfire is at least 25 feet away from any structure and anything that can burn. Clear away dry leaves and sticks, overhanging low branches and shrubs. Attend to the campfire at all times and watch children and pets around the fire at all times. Never use gasoline or other flammable or combustible liquids. Keep a bucket of water or garden hose nearby in case the fire begins to spread. For your neighborhoods' safety, a permit is required for all fire pits. There is no cost to the permit, and you can register online at elmhurst.org/fire.



Curfew Hours Parents and teens are reminded that young people under the age of 18 must abide by City curfew regulations all year. The Elmhurst curfew is enforced from 11pm until 6am Sunday through Thursday, and from midnight to 6am on Friday and Saturday. Anyone under the age of 18 in a public area after curfew must be accompanied by a parent, legal guardian, or another responsible companion at least 21 years of age who has been approved by the teen's parent or legal guardian - the only exception being if they are engaged by a business or occupation approved by the state for a person over the age of 18.

Bike Safety When riding your bike, remember to exercise bike safety by following the Bicycle Rules of the Road. Some important safety tips include wearing a helmet and making sure your bike is equipped with reflectors and lights if riding at night. Become familiar with the Bicycle Rules of the Road, which are available at the police department or online at elmhurst.org.

When leaving your bike unattended, even if for only a short while, please lock your bike with a sturdy high-quality lock. We also urge you to register your bicycle with the Elmhurst Police Department, free of charge. In the unfortunate circumstance of a bike being stolen, a registered bike provides the police department with a greater probability of tracking and recovering it.

Pool Safety The typical drowning victim is age 4 and younger and doesn't make any noise when slipping into the pool to go after a toy or other object. To keep your child safe near water, remember the ABC & D's of drowning prevention:

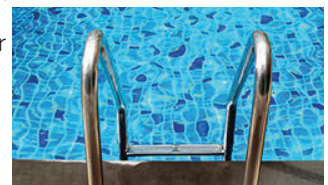
Adult Supervision: Always designate an adult to watch children around the pool or spa and always know where your children are when you are inside your house.

Barriers- Install a 48 ft. tall, non-climbable fence around the pool with a self-closing gate along with alarms on back doors and windows so you know when they have been opened.

Classes- Take a CPR and rescue techniques class and have your child take swimming classes, but know that does not make him or her drown-proof.

Devices- Keep a phone by the pool at all times along with other rescue tools, like a shepherd's hook and lifesaving ring. Have non-swimmers wear personal flotation devices (life jackets, not arm floaties) near all bodies of water.

Other tips: Close back doors if your pool doesn't have a fence. Also, drain kiddie pools after every use and look immediately in the pool when your child is missing. Always remove toys from the pool after playing in the pool and store them securely away.

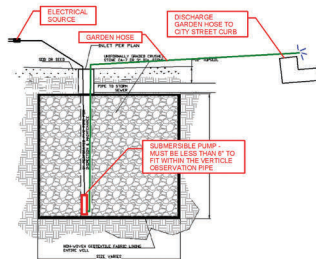


Firework Safety Many fireworks related injuries over the 4th of July could be avoided by taking basic safety precautions. Only those fireworks that are legally sold in Illinois are legal to possess and use in Elmhurst. Children should never be allowed to use fireworks of any type without a responsible adult providing supervision. Even sparklers burn at temperatures in excess of 1,000 degrees and can cause severe burns. Keep in mind that when police respond to reports of fireworks in neighborhoods, the fireworks are confiscated and the offender(s) may be arrested.

Peer Jury The Elmhurst Police Department manages the City's Peer Jury Program. The program serves as an innovative, alternative tool used to divert non-violent, first-time juvenile offenders from formal court action. Operating on the philosophy that it is better to prevent crime than to punish it, police youth officers have several options in juvenile cases to hold them accountable for their actions. Peer Jury is a positive approach to juvenile crime that often has a greater impact on the juvenile offender than court. Communities that have established peer juries have seen a 95% success rate of completion by the teen offenders. The Elmhurst Police Department will be looking for jurors once the school starts in fall, using the recruiting partnership with D205 York High School, Immaculate Conception and Timothy Christian High School Guidance Counselors to find kids who would be a good fit to serve as Peer Jury members. Anyone interested should talk to their school guidance counselors. Thank you to the 2022 Senior Class Peer Jurors who have served the community, and are now off to their next adventure!

Standing Water on Residential Property

Seasonally, rain events can cause backyard standing water in areas that are naturally low or are part of a natural drainage path. These types of situations are common in the springtime and during seasonal periods of heavy or extended rain. Generally, most backyard standing water is considered to simply be a nuisance and the water will most likely infiltrate into the soil on its own. Because of this, the City of Elmhurst asks residents to only report standing water that persists for at least 48 hours after the conclusion of a rain event. The exception to this would be if the standing water is causing structural flooding to a home or garage.



Dry well Maintenance The goal of a dry well is to provide underground stormwater storage during a rain event. If your dry well isn't properly maintained, the dry well will not have the storage originally designed for it and ultimately water will pond at the surface. The easiest way to maintain a dry well is to purchase or

rent a submersible utility pump. The pump will need to be connected to an extension cord and a garden hose. Lower the pump into the vertical observation pipe and run the hose to water your yard's landscaping or to the City's curb. This should be done seasonally or after a large rain event.

Cooling Centers High temperatures and humidity can pose a health and safety threat. To request a well-being check for someone who may be suffering from the heat call 9-1-1. A Cooling Site is an air-conditioned facility where residents can go to find relief from extreme heat. During business hours, Elmhurst City Hall, the Elmhurst Police Station, and the Elmhurst Public Library are designated Cooling Centers within Elmhurst. For a full list of Cooling Sites in DuPage County, visit dupagecris.org.

Grass Trimmings in Streets In Illinois, it is illegal to put grass clippings onto any public roadway as it may cause injury to motorists or become a traffic hazard. The debris can also cause potential hazards by collecting in the storm drain which may cause street flooding. As a public safety reminder, please never put grass trimmings in the street, and continue to check the storm drain in front of your home or business and remove debris to prevent street flooding.

Cross Connection Control Program

The Cross Connection Control Program is designed to ensure the safety of all water consumers in Elmhurst. This program provides protection from the entry of unwanted and possibly dangerous material into the drinking water supply. When a direct connection exists between the public water supply and water which has been polluted or contaminated there exists the danger of a back-flow carrying the contamination with it. If the public water supply should lose pressure or if the point of use should develop a higher pressure than the public water supply a back-flow could occur. Any home with an in-ground irrigation (sprinkler) system, a water treatment system, swimming pool, fountain or private well used for irrigation is required to have an RPZ. All commercial and manufacturing sites, doctors' and dentists' offices, parks and playgrounds, golf courses, etc. are required to have an RPZ. Any place where water is being used for anything other than traditional domestic use requires an RPZ. If you have an RPZ device, you are required to get it inspected annually. The City of Elmhurst has contracted with Back-flow Solutions, Inc. (BSI) to manage the back-flow inspection program. BSI serves as the primary contact for back-flow inspections within the City. You can contact them at (800) 414-4990 or at bsionlinetracking.com.



Stormwater Update This summer the City of Elmhurst, in a continuation of its ongoing Citywide flood-mitigation effort, has plans to construct a new 3 ac-ft detention basin at the open field north of Jackson School. In this area, the Southwest Elmhurst Stormwater Mitigation Project - Phase III project (as it will be called) will help reduce the 100-year flooding depth by 0.5 feet and will remove an additional nine homes from the potential 100-year structural flooding risk. This new detention basin will be connected to the larger existing City stormwater basin to the west with storm sewer piping and the new basin at the school site will only take on water during larger storm events, not smaller events.

District 205 and the City have partnered on this project through an intergovernmental agreement and the school intends to continue to use the new basin area as a play area for school use. The bottom of the detention pond will be a grass field, approximately 150 feet by 240 feet, which is 4-5 feet below the adjacent playground area and roadways (Jackson Street and Mitchell Avenue). Access to the bottom of the grass detention basin will be provided by a new concrete ramp near the school's existing playground area. Please visit elmhurststormwaterplan.org for more project information.



After completion of the SESMP Phase III Improvement Project, the City of Elmhurst will have completed 14 stormwater improvement projects which reduce/eliminate structural overland flooding for 473 homes, and will have created approximately 131 ac-ft of new detention storage since 2015.

Blood Drive A blood drive will take place at City Hall, 209 N. York St, on Tuesday, July 26. COVID-19 has impacted blood supply and donations are needed. To schedule an appointment, please call 877-258-4825 or visit vitalant.org.

Elmhurst Stands United in Support of Ukraine

The City of Elmhurst, Elmhurst District 205, Elmhurst Park District, Elmhurst Public Library, and Elmhurst University joined in organizing an event held at Wilder Park on Wednesday, April 6 to support the people of Ukraine. Video footage from the event can be found on Elmhurst TV's YouTube page. Thank you to the event participants, organizers, and our community partners who made this possible.



Recycling Events The City of Elmhurst hosts a quarterly recycling event for disposing electronics and textiles at the Elmhurst Public Works Facility (985 S. Riverside Dr.). The next drive will take place on July 30 from 8 am to noon, and residents are encouraged to drop off any unwanted items that would otherwise end up in a landfill. For more information visit elmhurst.org.

Block Party Permits Neighborhood block parties are a great way for neighbors to get together and enjoy the summer season. Please remember to call the Public Works Department at (630) 530-3020 to schedule your block party. Fire Department personnel are happy to attend and provide information about fire trucks and the equipment they carry, answer questions and provide fire hats and photo opportunities for children. If you would like the Fire Department to participate in your block party, please call (630) 530-3090. To request Police Department personnel to attend, please call (630) 530-3038.

Elmhurst's Public Safety Night Out Save the date! The City of Elmhurst's Police & Fire Departments will be hosting National Night Out on Tuesday, August 2, 2022. The event will take place at Berens Park in the east parking lot from 6-8:30 p.m. This will be a memorable experience at this safety-focused event, including kids' games and activities, giveaways, demonstrations, music, and a chance to get to know members from our public safety team!



Cops & Bobbers Fishing Derby

Join the Elmhurst Police Department on June 12 from 9 a.m. - noon at Eldridge Park Adventure Day for the Cops and Bobbers kids fishing derby! PRIZES will be awarded to kids who catch the longest fish or the most fish in three different age categories. Bring your fishing pole and gather the kids for a memorable fishing event at Eldridge Park Pond! This is a great chance for kids to meet the police officers who patrol their community!



Public Arts Mural Program The City of Elmhurst Public Arts Commission is thrilled to announce that murals have been approved and will start to be created and displayed in our hometown. Their purpose is to enliven public spaces, and are designed to make you think, feel, appreciate and spark discussion.

The first piece is located at Faganel Hall on the campus of Elmhurst University. It faces north, adjacent to the train tracks. It was created by Elmhurst University faculty artists, Andrew Sobol and Rafael Blanco. We hope you're inspired by this initial installation and look forward to new murals dotting our cityscape soon!

Sparky's Elmhurst Fire Safety Club

The Elmhurst Fire Department invites all kids (up to 10 years old) who reside in Elmhurst to become members of Sparky's Elmhurst Fire Safety Club! Join by submitting a form at Elmhurst.org/sparkyclub. Sparky will reply back quarterly by mail with fire safety tips, activities, and information on upcoming events!



Solicitor Notice A permit to solicit door-to-door is required for any and all persons and organizations that are seeking to obtain orders, prospective customers, subscriptions, gifts or contributions. If a "No Solicitor Invited" notice is displayed, the solicitor must immediately leave the premises. Residents can request a "No Solicitors Invited" decal from the City Clerk. Residents are encouraged to ask solicitors for their City issued badges with their names and information.

If you have any concerns regarding any person soliciting in your neighborhood, please call 9-1-1. Let them know your location and that there is a solicitor in the vicinity who is in violation of the City's Municipal Code. By reporting the violation immediately, an officer can respond when the solicitor is in the area.

Adopt a Fire Hydrant The Elmhurst Fire Department invites residents to "adopt a fire hydrant" near you. This means being responsible for clearing any snow, weeds, or debris surrounding the hydrant to allow for easy access for firefighters in an emergency. You may also need to contact the Public Works Department if you notice damages or leaks. To sign up, fill out the form found at elmhurst.org/firehydrant.

July 31, Special Kids Day - City Works! In partnership with Elmhurst's Special Kids Day organization, on Sunday, July 31, the City of Elmhurst will create a unique experience for individuals with special needs; a "City Works" tour to learn how cities operate. This will include information from different departments with demonstrations and hands on activities, public safety tips, and a fun opportunity tailored for individuals with special needs to interact with the City employees and elected officials who provide vital services to the community. Register for a time slot between 11 am - 3 pm at Elmhurst.org/cityworksdays.



Roadway Resurfacing This summer, the City will undertake several roadway improvement projects throughout the City. First, the City will be performing our normal annual Contract Paving Program where both asphalt and concrete streets are resurfaced. Second, a reconstruction of Van Buren Street (west of Spring Road to Salt Creek) and Crescent Avenue (Poplar Avenue) will take place using REBUILD IL grants. Lastly, Brush Hill Road will also be reconstructed (from Euclid to Salt Creek) using MFT funds. All of these improvements are necessary as the roadways need routine resurfacing maintenance or have met their useful life and need to be reconstructed. The 2022 Contract Paving Program will commence in May and go through Labor Day. Both the Van Buren/Crescent and Brush Hill reconstructions will start this summer and be completed this fall. Affected residents and businesses will be notified of exact construction dates in advance of the work commencing.

First Street Bridge Rehabilitation Project The City of Elmhurst is receiving roughly \$3 million between 2020-2022 through the State of Illinois's REBUILD Illinois Capital Program. These grant funds are being provided to the City for specific transportation projects including bridge work. The City owns two bridges, the First Street and Park Avenue bridges over Robert Palmer Drive. First Street was built in the 1970s and currently needs a bridge deck overlay to prevent increased damage to the bridge in the future. The City has programmed REBUILD grant funds for the overlay of this bridge deck in the summer of 2022. The scope of the project will include a bridge deck overlay, parapet wall repairs, beam and bearing painting, and sidewalk repairs. The project will take place this summer, with the construction timeline restricted between June 6 - August 5. During construction, the bridge will be closed to traffic, so a detour route will establish a safe and efficient bypass of the bridge.

Water Quality Month August is National Water Quality Month. National Water Quality Month is dedicated to educating the public on clean water, as it is vital to our individual health, our collective agricultural needs, and the needs of our environment. National Water Quality Month reminds us to take a moment to consider how important these water sources are not just to humans, but also to the other inhabitants of these ecosystems— whether it be the fish that live in the water or the plants and animals that rely on these lakes and rivers for water just like we do. By thinking about the little things that you do on a daily basis that could have a negative effect on water quality, you'll be one step closer to making a difference. Stay tuned for ways that the City of Elmhurst will be celebrating Water Quality Month. This will include the presentation of our annual water quality report. For more information on the National Water Quality Month campaign, visit nationalwaterqualitymonth.org.



Call J.U.L.I.E. Before You Dig If you are planning any home improvement projects that involve digging, remember to call J.U.L.I.E. (811 from a cell phone or 800-892-0123) before beginning work. J.U.L.I.E. will notify member utility companies to send locators to mark their underground utilities with paint and/or flags. Once you know the approximate location of utility lines, you can dig safely.



Garage Sales

Municipal regulations allow up to two garage sales in a calendar year. Remember to place signs advertising such events on private property, either your own or that of others (with their permission). Signs may not be placed on telephone poles or parkway trees.



Employee Spotlight!

Kevin Fecske, Assistant Utility Superintendent

How did you get into the wastewater field? I started in the wastewater field by chance. I was looking for a career change and knew I wanted to get into public works to give back to the community. I was able to get my foot in the door through a part-time position for a village and then moved into a full-time position in the wastewater division at the Village of Barrington. Once I started to learn about wastewater, I found I enjoyed the process of continuously learning and being able to make repairs to systems and equipment.

What attracted you to come work for the City of Elmhurst? While at a training seminar, I met an employee with the City of Elmhurst Public Works Department and learned there was an opening in the wastewater division. The information I learned about the position felt like it could be a good fit for me. I felt I would be able to continue to progress professionally and join a great public works department and city. When I met with City staff for my interview, I found everyone to be extremely supportive and I could envision myself working along side them to provide exceptional services to the residents of Elmhurst.

What do you enjoy the most about working as an Assistant Utility Superintendent for the City of Elmhurst? As the Assistant Utility Superintendent, I enjoy working with the team to accomplish our goals and projects. I enjoy project design and developing solutions for repairs and processes.

What do you like to do for fun? In my spare time I enjoy going on walks with my wife and two dogs, Sophie, a pug mix, and Zelda, a Boston Terrier. I also like to keep busy with projects around the house and yard work.



Elmhurst History Museum

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Museum Hours: Sun., Tues.-Fri. 1-5 p.m. & Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.,
Closed Mondays & Holidays

Eat Your Heart Out: Iconic Chicagoland Foods opens on June 24

Ketchup on a hot dog? Should your Italian beef be dipped or dry? Tavern style or deep dish? Chicagoans have strong opinions about those foods that have made the city famous – namely the trifecta of pizza, hot dogs and Italian beef. This summer, the Elmhurst History Museum takes on the hotly debatable topic that is close to our hearts (and waistlines): the iconic foods of Chicago and its suburbs.



The new exhibit, Eat Your Heart Out: Iconic Chicagoland Foods, opens this summer at the Elmhurst History Museum and will be on display from June 24 through October 2, 2022. Visitors will learn about the origins of the "big three" and other well-known Chicago eats through engaging displays, photographs, artifacts, and memorabilia. The history of many classic Chicago food traditions will be explored as well as the often colorful innovators and establishments that earned the devotion of generations of foodies, from Lou Malnati's and Portillo's to Johnnie's, Nick and Vito's and many more.



To expand on the exhibit themes, the Elmhurst History Museum's menu of programs will also be Chicago food-focused. Check out the calendar section of this newsletter and visit the museum's website to learn about the monthly Museum Maker Monday drop-in programs for families, the Picnic on Park event on July 10, a lecture with popular historian Leslie Goddard, a Family Pizza Workshop, Trivia Night at Pints, and lots more. For more information, go to elmhursthistory.org in the Programs section. Whet your appetite for a culinary cultural history adventure at the Elmhurst History Museum this summer... and let the food fights begin!

org in the Programs section. Whet your appetite for a culinary cultural history adventure at the Elmhurst History Museum this summer... and let the food fights begin!

Vintage Baseball Returns to Elmhurst University in June

The Elmhurst Heritage Foundation is proud to be bringing back one of summer's special traditions here in Elmhurst – the Vintage Baseball Game – on Saturday, June 4 starting at 2 pm on the Elmhurst University Mall (in front of Hammerschmidt Chapel). This old-fashioned baseball game played by the wildly different rules of 1858 will be a "Town vs. Gown" format with university faculty members and alumni pitted against the City of Elmhurst. Bring a picnic and lawn chair and get ready to cheer, jeer, and enjoy an afternoon of old-school family fun. More info at elmhursthistory.org.



Become a Museum Volunteer We are looking for a few volunteers to help around the museum this summer. If you're looking for a way to engage with the community and gain valuable experience, come join us! Our current need is for program and event assistance and gift shop greeters. Adults and college or high school students age 16+ are encouraged to apply. For more information, visit the volunteer section of our website for an application or e-mail dave.oberg@elmhurst.org or call 630-530-3325.

Elmhurst Craft Beer Fest

The Elmhurst Heritage Foundation is brewing up the 7th Annual Elmhurst Craft Beer Fest. Mark your calendars and save the date: September 17, 2022. Plan to sample craft beer, cider and seltzers from 50+ breweries while enjoying music on the grounds of the Elmhurst History Museum. All this, while helping us generate funds which benefits exhibits and educational initiatives at the Elmhurst History Museum and Churchville Schoolhouse.



We are actively looking for sponsorship on multiple levels, volunteers and breweries who may wish to participate. Learn more at elmhurstcraftbeerfest.com. Let us together raise a glass to the bright future we are expecting around the corner! Cheers!

Sustainable Elmhurst: Take Steps to Save Energy in your Home

Reducing your energy consumption not only reduces your heating and cooling costs, but benefits the environment. This summer, add improving the efficiency of your home to your summer maintenance checklist.

- Install a smart thermostat to track your energy consumption and adjust temperature settings in your home for peak energy efficiency.
- Purchase energy efficient products that are ENERGY STAR labeled and switch from incandescent to LED light bulbs.
- Unplug idle electronics, also known as "vampire" devices, when you're not using them to reduce energy loss.

Insulation isn't just for the winter months. Look for opportunities to seal your home against air leaks using caulk and weather stripping. Replace your HVAC filter regularly. A dirty filter slows air flow and can make your system work harder. Use the U.S. EPA's online Energy Home Advisor tool to get recommendations on how to save money and improve the efficiency of your home. Start by creating your Energy Star profile here: www.energystar.gov/campaign/assessYourHome. Residents can also find savings on energy efficient products through ComEd's Energy Efficiency Program. Learn more here:

www.comed.com/WaysToSave/ForYourHome/Pages/RebatesDiscounts.aspx.



Save Our Pets

Program Keep your pets safe in the event of an emergency! The Elmhurst Fire Department is encouraging all pet owners to participate in the City's "Save Our Pets" program. The purpose of the program is to allow first responders to quickly identify a home with pets, so that in case of an emergency, they know what type of pets live in the home, and how many to look for. Pets are family; let us know who from your pet family we need to rescue in case of an emergency. For more information, visit elmhurst.org/saveourpets.

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



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Outdoor Dining

Outdoor dining is in full swing in Elmhurst! It is awesome to see our lively business district areas filled with people enjoying the area, including outdoor dining. Please remember that there is ample parking in the downtown parking decks. If biking, please walk your bikes; riding bikes on the sidewalks in the business districts is not permitted. Also as a reminder to anyone who needs to hear it, please be courteous to business owners while enjoying our lovely city!

Use Elmhurst Connect to Report Street

Maintenance and Repair Issues Have you used Elmhurst Connect? Elmhurst Connect is an online and mobile issue reporting and service request system for the City of Elmhurst. Community members are able to identify issues and report those service requests directly to the City of Elmhurst. Reminder! If you see a street repair that needs to be addressed, please use the Elmhurst Connect system. This allows our streets division to document and quickly respond to the issue. Visit elmhurst.org/elmhurstconnect for more information.

WaterSmart The City of Elmhurst WaterSmart Program offers residents the ability to actively manage their water usage. As we move into the summer season when residents begin outdoor watering, filling pools, and using outdoor hoses more frequently, WaterSmart is a great asset for residents to manage their home water usage.

WaterSmart provides a secure, web-based portal with your hourly and historical water usage, as well as leak notices. You can also set water-use alerts, based on your preferences, at any time. This service is part of our commitment to provide you with the best tools to manage your water use and bill.

The WaterSmart Portal will help you track your water use at macro and micro levels and provide the following:

- View your use in near real-time. Be alerted to leaks.
- Sign up for alerts and take control of your water use and avoid surprises.
- Get personalized, step-by-step actions on ways to save.

Are you in control of your water spend?

WaterSmart helps you track your home's water use and spending with an easy-to-use web and mobile portal.

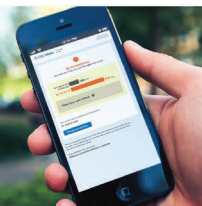
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elmhurst.org/watersmart



LOG ON

Register to access your data



GET NOTIFIED

Sign up for alerts



SAVE

Money saving actions

For more information about this program, visit the City's website at elmhurst.org/watersmart. Please register to receive the benefits of WaterSmart today!



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AUGUST

Tue Aug 2nd 6:00pm - 8:30pm National Safety Night Out The City of Elmhurst's Police Department will be hosting National Night Out on Tuesday, August 2, 2022. The event will take place at Berens Park in the east parking lot from 6-8:30 p.m. The Elmhurst Fire Department will join the Police Department in creating a memorable experience at this safety focused event, including kids' games and activities, giveaways, demonstrations, music, and a chance to get to know members from our public safety team! **Berens Park • [Elmhurst.org/safetynightout](https://www.elmhurst.org/safetynightout)**

Wed Aug 3rd • 4:00pm - 5:30pm Family Pizza Making Workshop Hone your cooking skills with Chef Holston, Executive Chef at Cantigny, as he presents a fun and tasty pizza making workshop. Participants will learn pizza history, decorate their own chef hat, and create a small personal sized pizza to bake at home. Learn to make pizza dough from scratch and take it home for later use. Ingredients contain potential allergens including gluten, dairy, and corn (no substitutions available). Participants must sign a waiver. Ages 6+ with an adult. Limit: 25 participants. Advance reservations required. Cost: \$20/person. **Elmhurst History Museum • [elmhursthistory.org](https://www.elmhursthistory.org)**

Thu Aug 4th - Sun 7th AAUW Used Book Sale Attention Book Lovers! Thousands of used books, CDs, and DVDs will be available at the Annual Used Book Sale sponsored by the Elmhurst Branch of AAUW, a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization. Well organized into over 30 different categories, the four-day sale features a large children's section, as well as a collector's area. Proceeds benefit local scholarships and national AAUW research and programs for women. Barrels for donating books and other items will be available at several locations beginning in mid-July. Thursday 6-9 pm; Friday 9 am - 8 pm; Saturday 9 am - 3

pm; Sunday 11 am - 3 pm. Free admission on all days except for Opening Night (Thursday) when there is an entrance fee of \$10 per person. Special \$10 Bag Sale on Sunday. For details contact info@aauwelmhurst.org or call 630-834-1426 **Sandburg Middle School, 345 E. St. Charles Road • elmhurstarea-il.aauw.net**

Fri Aug 5th • 7:30pm - 9:00pm Movie in the Park Grab a picnic blanket and join Elmhurst Park District at Wilder Park for a showing of *Jurassic Park*. Movie begins at dusk. Free admission. Movies in the Park is a partnership between Elmhurst Park District and Elmhurst Public Library. Sponsored by The Hinton Agency - Farmers Insurance, Elmhurst Bank and The Schiller Team. **Wilder Park • [epd.org](https://www.epd.org)**

Sat Aug 6th - Sat 27th • 10:30am - 12:30pm Storytelling Class by GreenMan Theatre GreenMan Theatre Troupe will once again be conducting our August Storytelling Class. Class sessions are currently planned for August 6, 13, and 27 from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. Participants may choose to learn stories aimed at a variety of ages to suit their personal interests. The class will cover how to tell a variety of story types. We will focus on "spooky stories," because after the class, we will "morph" into rehearsals that will become the performance of Spooky Stories and Songs of the Season in October. Students do not have to perform in the show to attend the class. Fees: \$25/GreenMan Theatre Troupe Members, \$30/Non-Members. For more information and to register for the class, please contact Carolyn Thomas-Davidoff, Education Chair, at thomdav@comcast.net or call GreenMan at (630) 464-2646.. **First United Methodist Church of Elmhurst, 232 S. York St. • [greenmantheatre.org](https://www.greenmantheatre.org)**

Mon Aug 8th • 11:00am - 3:00pm Museum Maker Monday Join us for the final Museum Maker Monday of the summer. Drop in at the museum on a special day reserved for kids and their caregivers only. Families can explore exhibits, play games, complete a craft, and bring a picnic to enjoy outdoors (weather permitting). This month we'll be making a Hot Dog Craft, available while supplies last. Appropriate for

elementary age children accompanied by an adult, no registration required. Free admission. **Elmhurst History Museum • [elmhursthistory.org](https://www.elmhursthistory.org)**

Thu Aug 11th • 6:30pm - 8:30pm Music at the Gazebo Come listen to the Elmhurst School of Rock & the StingRays. The StingRays is a Rock n' Roll Oldies Band that plays music from the 50's, 60's & 70's. The bands starts at 6:30 pm. Bring your lawn chair or blanket and enjoy an evening of musical entertainment as the sun sets for the day! Please note that these events are on Elmhurst Park District property, so please refrain from consuming alcoholic beverages in the park, per Elmhurst Park District policy. **Wild Meadows Trace Park • [springroad.com/our-events](https://www.springroad.com/our-events)**

Sat Aug 20th • 10:00am - 2:00pm Local Author Fair Meet local authors who discuss, answer questions, sell, and sign copies of their books. Want to participate? Applications are accepted May 21-July 22. Apply at [elmlib.org/authorfair](https://www.elmlib.org/authorfair). Find a full list of authors and events at [elmlib.org/](https://www.elmlib.org/) authorfair starting August 8. **Elmhurst Public Library**

Sat Aug 20th • 5:00pm - 9:00pm Park Palooza End the summer on a high note! Join Elmhurst Park District in Berens Park from 5-9pm for family games, music on the lawn and a beer garden. Performing on stage will be Gen Fuze (5-6:30 p.m.) and The Student Body (7-9 p.m.). Sponsored by The Hinton Agency - Farmers Insurance, Elmhurst Bank, Edward-Elmhurst Health and Kelly Stetler Real Estate. **Berens Park • [epd.org](https://www.epd.org)**

Sun Aug 28th • 2:00pm - 3:00pm Iconic Chicago Foods Lecture Chicago is the birthplace of some of the most unique dishes in the nation. Cultural historian Leslie Goddard takes a look at five iconic Chicago foods: deep-dish pizza, Italian beef sandwiches, hot dogs, cheesecake, and Frango® mints. Learn the stories behind each of these signature foods and how they reflect Chicago's patterns of immigration, cultural traditions, and creativity. Reservations required. Free to members of the Elmhurst Heritage Foundation, \$5 non-members. **Elmhurst History Museum • [elmhursthistory.org](https://www.elmhursthistory.org)**

ONGOING

Through July 31st Summer Reading Summer Reading is a program for community members of all ages! Read your way through the summer with us and earn prizes along the way. Find details at [elmlib.org/summer](https://www.elmlib.org/summer). **Elmhurst Public Library**

Ongoing StoryWalk This summer, enjoy *Over in the Forest: A Woodland Animal Nature Book* by Marianne Berkes. Story Walk installations promote early literacy, physical activity, and family time together in nature. The first panel is found near the playground at Eldridge Park and follows the path going west between the soccer fields. Presented by Elmhurst Public Library and Elmhurst Park District. **Eldridge Park • [elmhurstpubliclibrary.org](https://www.elmhurstpubliclibrary.org)**

Ongoing Elmhurst Farmers Market Every Wednesday morning, June 1st through October 26th - hours 7 am until 1 pm - a wide variety of farmers, vendors and more - free parking. **541 S York St • [elmhurstfarmersmarket.com](https://www.elmhurstfarmersmarket.com)**



Ongoing Explore Elmhurst Express Trolley Back after a 2-year break, the Explore Elmhurst Express Trolley offers visitors and residents a FREE 30-minute ride around the lively City of Elmhurst. Making six stops across the City, this fun and easy trip runs every Friday and Saturday, June 3rd through September 17th from 12 noon to 12 midnight. **[ExploreElmhurst.org/trolley](https://www.exploreelmhurst.org/trolley)**.

June 15th - August 10th Wednesday Night Live Summer Concerts Join your friends and neighbors for Wednesday Night Live this summer in City Centre! Some of the regions' best tribute bands

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will be in the North York Plaza from 6 pm to 8 pm every Wednesday from June 15 to August 10th. Enjoy tributes to The Rolling Stones, The Foo Fighters, Jimmy Buffet and more! The full line up can be found on our website at www.elmhurstcitycentre.com. • **North York Plaza in Downtown Elmhurst, 254 North York Street**

June 17th - August 14th Raul Ortiz: More is More While a fan of modernists Loos, Corbusier, and of course Mies, Raul Ortiz's paintings do not prescribe to the "Less is More." His abstract paintings, rooted in modernism, make references to ethnographic patterns, decidedly contemporary color choices, and references to botanical forms. Collage-like in appearance, Ortiz's finished paintings come about through the addition and eventual edit of overlapping patterns and forms. The result, Ortiz's intent, is to carve out visual swells and hollows in an otherwise flat space. **Elmhurst Art Museum • [elmhurstartmuseum.org](https://www.elmhurstartmuseum.org)**

June 18th - August 14th Nature's Blueprints: Biomimicry in Art and Design "Nature's Blueprints" is a family-friendly show featuring interactive learning stations that explore ways we can be inspired by nature's incredibly resourceful designs. Families will enjoy hands-on stations about natural emulation in art and design. Visit this show or attend one of our weekend STEAM workshops to discover how art, design, and environmental science can lead to extraordinary inventions that improve our lives. Exhibition support provided by Explore Elmhurst. A program of ExhibitsUSA, a national division of Mid-America Arts Alliance and the National Endowment for the Arts. **Elmhurst Art Museum • [elmhurstartmuseum.org](https://www.elmhurstartmuseum.org)**

Ongoing Eat Your Heart Out: Iconic Chicagoland Foods Chicago's food fame rests on three pillars: pizza, hot dogs, and Italian beef. Learn about the origins of these and other iconic Chicagoland eats and weigh in on whether there is ever a time when ketchup belongs on a hot dog. Italian beef is consumed

wet or dry, or if pizza should be cut in squares or triangles. Explore the history of many classic Chicago and suburban specialties as well as some of the eclectic neighborhood joints and eateries that served them. Let the food fights begin! NOTE: During July, we are collecting canned goods for Yorkfield Food Pantry to help prevent food insecurity in our community. Please bring donations to EHM or Elmhurst Public Library. Thank you! Free admission. **Elmhurst History Museum • [elmhursthistory.org](https://www.elmhursthistory.org)**

JUNE

Sat Jun 4th • 2:00pm Vintage Baseball Game Kick off the summer season with an old-fashioned baseball game played by the wildly different rules of 1858. This year's "Town vs. Gown" game pits university faculty members and alumni against the City of Elmhurst. Bring a picnic and lawn chair and get ready to cheer, jeer, and enjoy an afternoon of old-school family fun. Huzzah! Game takes place in front of Hammerschmidt Chapel. Free admission. **Elmhurst University College Mall, 190 South Prospect Avenue • [elmhursthistory.org/320/Programs](https://www.elmhursthistory.org/320/Programs)**

Mon Jun 6th • 8:00am - 8:00pm Strokes for Stroke Synapse House Golf Outing Please join us June 6th at the majestic Glen Oak Country Club, located in Glen Ellyn for fun in the sun to raise funds for our Synapse House programs for survivors of brain injury and stroke. The Golf Outing is a scramble format. Opening at 10:30am with registration, driving range, & putting green open; lunch @ 11:15; shotgun start @ 12:00; a cocktail reception and prizes on the Veranda at 5pm; golf awards: longest drive, closest to the pin, longest putt, best overall score. Dinner is separately ticketed and begins with the reception at 5pm followed by dinner served outside at 6pm. Join for Golf or Dinner or Both! **Glen Oak Country Club, 21W451 Hill Avenue, Glen Ellyn • [synapsehouse.org/events](https://www.synapsehouse.org/events)**

Tue Jun 7th • 7:00pm - 8:30pm Ready to Go Solar?! Rooftop solar is a great way to reduce your energy bills, support the

local economy, and create a healthier environment. Attend this Elmhurst Cool Cities Coalition-sponsored Solar Power Hour presentation to learn more about solar and take advantage of the Grow Solar Chicagoland group-purchasing program. Register at <https://rb.gy/uoxlcw>. **elmhurstcoolcities.org**

Thu Jun 9th • 6:30pm - 8:30pm Music at the Gazebo Come get your rock on to PETTYCASH, a band that plays music from Johnny Cash to Tom Petty. The band starts at 6:30 pm. Bring your lawn chair or blanket and enjoy an evening of musical entertainment as the sun sets for the day! Please note that these events are on Elmhurst Park District property, so please refrain from consuming alcoholic beverages in the park, per Elmhurst Park District policy. **Wild Meadows Trace Park • springroad.com/our-events**

Sun Jun 12th • 9:00am - 12:00pm Eldridge Adventure Day Come to Eldridge Park for a nature adventure with Elmhurst Park District! Get ready for summer with plenty of activities in the great outdoors, including bug hunts and a fishing derby. Sponsored by The Hinton Agency - Farmers Insurance, Edward-Elmhurst Health and The Schiller Team. **Eldridge Park • epd.org**

Sun Jun 12th • 9:00am - 12:00pm Cops & Bobbers Fishing Derby Join the Elmhurst Police Department on June 12th from 9 a.m. - noon at Eldridge Park Adventure Day for the Cops and Bobbers kids fishing derby! PRIZES will be awarded to kids who catch the longest fish or the most fish in three different age categories. Bring your fishing pole and gather the kids for a memorable fishing event at Eldridge Park Pond! This is a great chance for kids to meet the police officers who patrol their community! Held in conjunction with Eldridge Park Adventure Day. **Eldridge Park • epd.org**

Sun Jun 12th • 2:00pm - 3:00pm Laura Ingalls Wilder: The Real Story Did you grow up reading the beloved Little House books but want to separate fact from fiction? First person presenter Laura Keyes will recount the real history of Laura Ingalls Wilder in a special presentation at the historic Churchville

One-Room Schoolhouse. Discover the times, places, and people who inspired her wonderful books as well as hardships and tragedies that marked the author's life. Appropriate for ages 10+ due to seriousness of subject matter. Cost: \$5 per person. Registration required. **Churchville Schoolhouse, 3N784 Church Road, Bensenville • elmhursthistory.org**



Fri Jun 17th • 7:30pm - 9:00pm Movie in the Park Grab a picnic blanket and join Elmhurst Park District at Wilder Park for a showing of *Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs*. Movie begins at dusk. Free admission. Movies in the Park is a partnership between Elmhurst Park District and Elmhurst Public Library. Sponsored by The Hinton Agency - Farmers Insurance, Elmhurst Bank and The Schiller Team. **Wilder Park • epd.org**

Sat Jun 18th • 6:30pm - 8:00pm June Jazz Elmhurst University's 26th Annual June Jazz concert will feature pianist David Benoit and the Elmhurst University Jazz Band! Guests are encouraged to arrive early, bring lawn chairs, blankets, drinks and a picnic, and enjoy the celebration of summer and the arts. Families are welcome. Free. **Elmhurst University Mall, 190 South Prospect Avenue • elmhurst.edu/event**

Wed Jun 22nd • 7:00pm - 8:00pm Author Event: Chef Kwame Onwuachi Chef Kwame Onwuachi, author of the best-selling memoir, *Notes from a Young Black Chef*, will discuss his unique path to cooking, the importance of diversity in the kitchen, and his new cookbook, *My America: Recipes from a Young Black Chef*. Presented by Elmhurst Public Library, with Illinois Libraries Present. **Elmhurst Public Library • elmhurstpubliclibrary.org**

Thu Jun 23rd • 6:30pm - 8:30pm Music at the Gazebo Come listen to the music of Brian Patti Orchestra. The band starts at 6:30 pm. Bring your lawn chair or blanket and enjoy an evening of musical entertainment as the sun sets for the day! Please note that these events are on Elmhurst Park District property, so please refrain from consuming alcoholic beverages in the park, per Elmhurst Park District policy. **Wild Meadows Trace Park • springroad.com/our-events**

Mon Jun 27th • 11:00am - 3:00pm Museum Maker Monday Drop in at the museum on three select Mondays throughout the summer. Kids and caregivers can explore exhibits on a special day reserved for families only, play games, complete a craft, and bring a picnic to enjoy outdoors (weather permitting). This month we'll be making a Paper Plate Pizza craft, available while supplies last. Appropriate for elementary age children accompanied by an adult, no registration required. Free admission. **Elmhurst History Museum • elmhursthistory.org**

JULY

Fri Jul 8th • 7:30pm - 9:00pm Movie in the Park Grab a picnic blanket and join Elmhurst Park District at Wilder Park for a showing of *Encanto*. Movie begins at dusk. Free admission. Movies in the Park is a partnership between Elmhurst Park District and Elmhurst Public Library. Sponsored by The Hinton Agency - Farmers Insurance and The Schiller Team. **Wilder Park • epd.org**

Sun Jul 10th • 10:00am - 4:00pm Elmhurst Garden Club "An Afternoon in the Garden" Garden Walk & Boutique Faire The 26th Elmhurst Garden Club "An Afternoon in the Garden" Garden Walk & Boutique Faire featuring five glorious private gardens and one unique public garden, will be held on Sunday, July 10, 2022 from 10am-3pm. Tickets will be sold online only, www.elmhurstgardenclub.org, at \$18 per person until midnight July 9, then at \$23 person. The Boutique Faire, in Wilder Park, featuring garden plants, accessories, horticultural experts, and more, is free and open to the public

from 10am-4pm. Proceeds from the EGC Walk will fund scholarships awarded to college/university students majoring in Horticulture, Environmental Studies, and other related sciences. Further information @ www.elmhurstgardenclub.org **Wilder Park**

Sun Jul 10th • 1:30pm - 4:30pm Picnic on Park It's time for a summer celebration of Chicago's most famous foods! Join us on the museum grounds for an afternoon filled with family-friendly, food-centric games, craft activities. Explore the *Eat Your Heart Out: Iconic Chicagoland Foods* exhibit inside the museum. The Rainbow Cone truck will be on hand with free small cones for first 300 guests (one/person, ice cream for sale after giveaway). Enjoy live music performed by Leonardo Music, face painters, and see Oscar Meyer's famed Weinermobile and a 1929 Vienna Beef delivery truck. Free admission. **Elmhurst History Museum • elmhursthistory.org**

Thu Jul 14th • 6:30pm - 8:30pm Music at the Gazebo Be ready to rock on with Elmhurst's very own Grammy Nominated Rock Goddess Cathy Richardson. The band starts at 6:30 pm. Bring your lawn chair or blanket and enjoy an evening of musical entertainment as the sun sets for the day! Please note that these events are on Elmhurst Park District property, so please refrain from consuming alcoholic beverages in the park, per Elmhurst Park District policy. **Wild Meadows Trace Park • springroad.com/our-events**

Thu Jul 14th - Sat 16th • 7:00pm 8 to the Bar/ista by GreenMan Theatre Troupe This show is a festival of eight 10-minute plays on the theme of Not Here, Not Now. The audience will have the opportunity to vote for their favorites. Coffee, drinks, and charcuterie trays are available. Tickets are \$10 per person. The shows start at 7 p.m. **BrewPoint Coffee, 617 N. York Street • greenmantheatre.org**

Mon Jul 18th • 11:00am - 3:00pm Museum Maker Monday Drop in at the museum on a special day reserved for kids and their caregivers only. Families can explore exhibits, play games, complete a craft, and bring a picnic to enjoy outdoors (weather permitting).

This month we'll be making an Ice Cream Necklace craft, available while supplies last. Appropriate for elementary age children accompanied by an adult, no registration required. Free admission. **Elmhurst History Museum • elmhursthistory.org**

Mon Jul 18th - Thu 21st • 7:00pm How to Perform Shakespeare Class by GreenMan Theatre In conjunction with our upcoming production of Shakespeare's *The Tempest*, GreenMan Theatre will be offering How to Perform Shakespeare. This class will help actors prepare for these auditions and with performing Shakespeare anywhere. The class will be co-taught by David Soria, the Director, and Carolyn Thomas-Davidoff, the Verse Nurse. How to Perform Shakespeare will be offered one evening between July 18 and July 21. Please see our website (greenmantheatre.org) as the details are finalized. Fees: \$25/GreenMan Theatre Troupe Members, \$30/Non-Members **First United Methodist Church of Elmhurst, 232 S. York St. • greenmantheatre.org**



Thu Jul 21st • 6:30pm - 8:30pm Music at the Gazebo Mr. Myers is a "Caribbean Rock" band that plays a mixture of reggae, soca/calypso, beach music and their own originals. The band starts at 6:30 pm. Bring your lawn chair or blanket and enjoy an evening of musical entertainment as the sun sets for the day! Please note that these events are on Elmhurst Park District property, so please refrain from consuming alcoholic beverages in the park, per Elmhurst Park District policy. **Wild Meadows Trace Park • springroad.com/our-events**

Sat Jul 23rd • 6:00pm - 9:00pm Bags, Brew and BBQ A game night in Wilder Park just for those 21 and older. Enjoy an adult beverage while playing bags, supersized versions of classic games

and other activities guaranteed to bring out your competitive spirit. Sponsored by The Hinton Agency - Farmers Insurance, Edward-Elmhurst Health, Elmhurst Bank and The Schiller Team. **Wilder Park • epd.org**

Sun Jul 24th • 12:00pm - 1:00pm "Eat Your Heart Out" Gallery Talk Curator of Exhibits Dan Bartlett will lead participants through highlights of the *Eat Your Heart Out: Iconic Chicagoland Foods* exhibit. Includes exclusive access to museum galleries while hearing highlights about the culinary treats and treasures that were born out of Chicago's diverse food scene. *Unable to attend the gallery talk?* Access an online pre-recorded version on our web site at elmhursthistory.org/320/ Programs from 7/25/22 through 10/2/22. Free admission. **Elmhurst History Museum • elmhursthistory.org**

Thu Jul 28th • 7:00pm - 8:30pm Chicago Foods Trivia Night Think you know everything there is to know about iconic Chicago foods? Test your foodie knowledge at this fun event! Includes two rounds of trivia facilitated by Sporcle, one beer, and four individual appetizer bites. Adults 21+ only. Cost: \$30 per person. Registration required on Eventbrite. **Pints, 112 S. York St. • pintselmhurst.com**

Sat Jul 30th • 11:30am - 2:30pm Summer Celebration Summer would not be complete without an outdoor party. Celebrate the end of our Summer Reading programs with crafts, games, and other food-themed activities. **Elmhurst Public Library • elmhurstpubliclibrary.org**

Sun Jul 31st • 11 am - 3 pm Special Kids Day - City Works In partnership with Elmhurst's Special Kids Day organization, the City of Elmhurst will create a unique experience for individuals with special needs; a "City Works" tour to learn how cities operate. This will include information from different departments with demonstrations and hands on activities, public safety tips, and a fun opportunity tailored for individuals with special needs to interact with the city employees and elected officials who provide vital services to the community.