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Yorkville Mayor explains plans to build parks, the City's budget, and the old jail

Buy the Old Jail from Kendall County? Build new parks and look at buying more open space? Pass wind energy ordinances instead of focusing on issues like the city's budget?

I know that many residents wonder what the mayor and City Council are thinking when we spend time discussing and planning new parks and museums. They wonder if we don't realize we are in the middle of the worst recession in our lifetimes. People are losing their



Front view of the old jail.

homes, their jobs. We may look like we aren't paying attention to these serious issues.

We are paying attention. Responding to this recession is the motivator that drives almost all of our actions. Falling revenues, like the sales tax and personal income tax, and late payments—the state is now four months behind in paying out sales tax revenues to the City—greatly impact the City's ability to provide services to our residents.

City staff reviews our budget almost daily to make sure that not only are we not losing ground in keeping our general fund deficit-free, but that, by the next fiscal year beginning this April, we can actually start putting some money into our depleted fund balance so that we can continue to meet our obligations.

We have cut personal; we have frozen salaries for the past two years; we have cut spending by more than \$1.5 million. So why are we building parks? When we



Mayor Valerie Burd welcomes open discussion on the city's budget.

build these parks, we do so because we are required to do so. We are spending land cash money donated to the City by developers. The City is not only obligated but mandated to spend that money on developing parks. We can not spend land cash money to fix our streets or pay staff wages. Sometimes we use land cash money as a match for grant money so that we can stretch the dollars to buy more open space.

This grant money has been designated by the state or federal government to be used for the development of
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\$\$\$ for Ideas

SAVE US MONEY AND EARN SOME CASH... Your City Council and Mayor are constantly looking for ways to save money and to bring in new revenue without raising taxes. We'd like your help. **Ward 2 Alderman, Gary Golinski**, has suggested a program that will reward residents or City employees up to \$1,000 for an idea that saves the City money. For more information and details about this new program go to page 3.

IT'S ALL ABOUT PARKS

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

The **United City of Yorkville Parks and Recreation Dept.** is seeking volunteers 18 years of age and over to participate in the next **Community Park Build** on Saturday, July 31, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. at Bristol Bay Park A., 4432 Rosenwinkel Drive.

This is Yorkville's first circus theme park and includes two play structures, swings, a shade structure, and a picnic area. Volunteers are needed to help construct play equipment, spread mulch, pour concrete, and plant landscaping.

This is a great way to get involved in your community, meet new people, and have

fun while volunteering for a worthwhile cause!

Register early for a T-shirt! For additional information or to register call **Laura Schraw** at 630.553.8574 or e-mail lschraw at yorkville.il.us. You can also visit the city's Web site at www.yorkville.il.us.

All are welcome. No experience is necessary!



YORKVILLE COMBATS CHILD OBESITY WITH PLAYFUL CITY INITIATIVE

CITIES ACROSS THE NATION JOIN FORCES TO EDUCATE CHILDREN ON HEALTHY LIFESTYLES.

At a recent meeting of mayors from across the U.S., **First Lady Michelle Obama** gave a speech calling on mayors from across the country to help her combat childhood obesity.

According to a 2009 study funded by the **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation**, 16.3 percent of children between the ages of 2 and 19 are obese, and 31 percent were either overweight or at risk of becoming so.

"I am proud to say that the United City of Yorkville is already hard at work to get our kids on the right road to a healthy lifestyle," said **Mayor Valerie Burd**.

In 2009, Yorkville received recognition as a **Playful City USA** community for the second time for our **'Series of Playful Events'** initiative.

Playful City USA is a national program that gets kids active and healthy through play by

providing cities with best practices and tools that bring the public and private sectors together to engage residents. The program was created by **KaBOOM!**, the national nonprofit, that makes children and communities healthier by creating great places to play.

It's programs like the ones implemented in our community that cities across the nation will be looking to replicate as they search for solutions to their childhood obesity problems. But these programs alone can't protect all our children. We need to continue to work together to help our youth develop and maintain a healthy lifestyle and to encourage the children in our community to get up, get out, and keep moving!

MORE PARK NEWS FOR YOU!

Wheaton Woods Parks and Nature Trail Update

This natural area located off of Wheaton Avenue received an **Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) Recreational Trails Grant** to fund construction of the trail system, shelter, and educational signs. Last year City staff cleaned up the woods, installed a chip trail and built a shelter. The outer loop of the trail consists of tree bark chips, with the inner trail consisting of playground mulch, providing accessibility for wheelchairs. This year the Parks Department will be installing interpretive signage and benches along the trail.

Raintree Park B Update

All Knights of the Round Table, your King and Queen are summoning you! Construction plans are moving forward to begin work on this seven-acre park this summer. The castle theme playground will have children slaying dragons, sitting at the round table, and pulling the sword from the stone!!



\$\$\$ FOR IDEAS

Help us save money and earn yourself a little extra cash!

We're looking for ways to save money and you can help! Submit a cost-savings idea to the United City of Yorkville City Council and you may earn yourself some well deserved cash.

If you have an idea that will save the City and taxpayers money, then we are encouraging you to submit your idea. In exchange, we'll give you up to 10 percent of the estimated savings, up to \$1,000 per proposal. The following criteria is necessary for eligibility:

- Participants must be employed by the City of Yorkville or reside within the City.
- Elected officials, appointed officials (includes board and committee members), a department head within the City, or immediate family members of any of the above are not eligible.
- A cost savings idea that reduces service levels, or quality of service is ineligible.

•Proposals must include a detail summary of the estimated cost of savings and the method in which those cost savings will be achieved.

•Proposals will be reviewed by the City Administrator, Finance Director, and department heads affected by the proposal.

•Projected cost savings will be reviewed, and revised, if necessary, by the review team. The review team will also approve or deny the proposal.

•The review team will complete a report on all submitted proposals within 30 days from the date of the original submission and present the proposal at a City Council meeting as an informational item.

•Compensation will be paid out after one year of implementation of the proposal, or after confirmation of the actual savings (in case of a one-time savings).

THREE WAYS TO SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSAL...

1. Via E-mail to CostCutting@yorkville.il.us
2. By mail to: Cost Cutting, C/O City Administrator, 800 Game Farm Rd., Yorkville, IL 60560 or
3. Dropping off at City Hall

SEASONS OF HAPPENINGS

Tax Dodge 5k Run/Walk and 10K Run - Sunday, April 18, Registration 7-8:15 a.m. Exhibitors, chair massages, blood pressure checks and more! Cost: 5K run/walk \$20 pre-register, \$25 day of race; 10K run \$30 pre-register, \$35 day of race. REC Center, 202 E. Countryside Parkway. 630.553.4357

Music Under the Stars - Second and fourth Friday evenings in June, July and August. Musical entertainment at its finest under the stars. **Friday, June 11: Waubensee Community College Jazz Band; Friday June 25: Parrothead Express; Friday, July 9: Billy Croft and the 5 Alarm; Friday, July 23: Lazy Maybes; Friday, August 13, EPIC and Friday, August 27: Saturday June Band.** FREE. Town Square Park, Rt. 47 and Main Street. 630.553.4357

Outdoor Movie Nights - Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, family and friends and watch a movie in the park on a 30-foot inflatable screen. **Friday, June 18: Wall E; Friday, July 16: Where the Wild Things Are; Tuesday, August 3: Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs.** FREE. Movies begin at 9 p.m. All movies will be shown at Beecher Community Park, 908 Game Farm Road. 630.553.4357

Farmers' Market - Saturday mornings, 8 a.m. to noon. Farm fresh produce, handmade crafts, homemade baked goods and more! FREE. This year's market begins on **Saturday, June 12** and runs through **Saturday, October 23.** Town Square Park, Rt. 47 and Main Street. 630.553.4357

Fourth of July Festivities - Saturday, July 3. The Bristol Kendall Fire Protection District's annual Fourth of July celebration kicks off with a parade at 9 a.m. beginning at Yorkville High School, 797 Game Farm Rd. Following the parade go to Town Square Park for fun, food, games and musical entertainment provided by the **Yorkville Community Band.** Don't miss this hometown patriotic tribute to our country. 630.553.6186

18th Annual Hometown Days - Friday, September 3 - Sunday, September 5. This annual tribute to our hometown kicks off on Friday evening with music, food, and carnival rides. Also, bingo, a pet parade and pancake breakfast, the Pride and Joy Car show, and more all weekend long. Admission: \$2 after 5 p.m. Beecher Community Park, 908 Game Farm Rd. 630.553.4357



Patriots Walk - Saturday, September 11, 9 a.m. Join **Mayor Valerie Burd**, Yorkville's **American Legion Post #489** and local boy and girl scout organizations to honor those who lost their lives on Sept. 11. Meet at City Hall, 800 Game Farm Rd. and walk to Town Square Park. 630.553.8564



4th Annual Holiday Under the Stars - Friday, November 19, 5-9 p.m. Start your holiday season with a horse and carriage ride, a holiday street bazaar, food, all-weather ice skating, musical performances, trolley rides, a visit from you-know-who, storytelling, family activities and much more! Don't miss this signature event sure to get you in the holiday spirit! Admission fee charged for some events. Town Square Park and downtown Yorkville. 630.553.8564

FROM OUR ALDERMEN

From the desk of...Rose Spears, Ward 4 Alderman,
RoseA00@aol.com, 630.553.8371

Humbly serving on the board of directors of the **Northeastern Illinois Area Agency on Aging** (NEIL) for eight years, I am proud to have become an advocate and spokesperson for our senior citizens.

NEIL is one of over 600 such agencies throughout the U.S., created by Congress to implement the **Older Americans Act** and coordinate a wide variety of services for persons 60 and older. NEIL serves DuPage, Grundy, Kane, Kankakee, Kendall, McHenry, Lake and Will Counties.



The agency works closely with the **U.S. Administration on Aging, Illinois Department on Aging**, and many other agencies throughout the region to address both immediate and long range needs of the elderly. Unfortunately, NEIL is experiencing tremendous state budget cuts and delayed payments that are greatly affecting the servicing agencies. Many of these agencies are seeking volunteers to assist with the much-needed programs.

The agency funds the following Older Americans Act services for seniors including the following: **Information, Assistance and Outreach** helps seniors and their families learn what services and programs are available and how to obtain them; **Case Management** staff works individually with seniors with greater needs to enable them to live safely and independently in their own homes; **Congregate Meals** (Senior Services Associates/Beecher Center), offers group dining in senior centers

and community buildings in addition to social contact and nutritious meals; **Home Delivered Meals** (Community Nutrition Network/Meals on Wheels) provides a nutritious meal and daily contact usually a volunteer deliverer; **Legal Services** (Prairie State Legal Services, Inc.) provides advice or an advocate for civil legal issues, including Social Security, Medicare and housing; **Long Term Care Ombudsman** are advocates for nursing home residents to resolve complaints and ensure that their rights and standards of quality care are maintained; **Counseling Services** offer therapy, support groups and other assistance; **Elder Abuse Intervention** investigates suspected abuse, neglect, and exploitation (if abuse is substantiated, intervention is appropriate to protect victims while maintaining their autonomy); **Family Caregiver Support Services** focuses on providing help for the family member (of any age) primarily those who care for a senior, or for grandparents raising grandchildren. Services include respite care, caregiver counseling, support groups and training, emergency support, and legal services.

For additional information on the services listed; to inquire about assistance; or, volunteer to assist with one of the agencies, please contact:

Kendall County
Senior Services Associates, Inc.
908 Game Farm Rd., Yorkville, IL 60560
Phone: 630.553.5777
or Rose Spears at RoseA00@aol.com;
630.553.8371



**From the desk of...
Robyn Sutcliff, Ward 3 Alderman**
Robyn3rdward@sbcglobal.net

Next time you need to stop off and get some groceries, buy a gift, fill up your gas tank or want to go out to eat, consider Yorkville. Our city has a lot to offer. We have new businesses and restaurants opening weekly. I rarely need something that I can't buy right here.

By keeping our consumer dollars in Yorkville you are helping our hometown businesses stay in business. You are also helping keep your neighbor employed. Most businesses in Yorkville employ people that live right here. Be a good neighbor and keep your hard earned dollars where it will do the most good—right HERE in Yorkville!

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Marty Munns

Robyn Sutcliff

Ward IV

Rose Spears

Diane Teeling

City Treasurer

William Powell

WARD INFORMATION:

If you are unsure of the Ward that you reside in, please call City Hall at 630.553.4350 or check the City's Web site at www.yorkville.il.us.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

THE RESULTS ARE IN...

Late last fall, two interns began collecting information on parkway trees throughout the United City of Yorkville. The product of this survey will be data attributes that will be included in the City's GIS. The data will consist of location, size, species, and condition of all parkway trees in the City, in addition to all trees on City properties including parkway trees, public buildings, and park space.

This information will allow the City to more efficiently manage the existing tree canopy by identifying gaps along parkways where trees should be planted, identifying trees in need of (or soon to be in need of) removal, and identifying the species to enable the City to better assess the scope of future disease susceptibility (such as Emerald Ash Borer).

This survey also enables the City to quantify the diversity of tree species and ensures the diversity of future plantings. In addition, the survey will fulfill one of the

requirements for becoming a **Tree City USA**.

The City's interns were very knowledgeable in tree identification and condition, and located trees on over 80 percent of the streets in the City's limits. The interns were able to survey between 150-250 trees per day. Preliminary results have determined that of the data collected (8,811 trees to date), 46 percent of the existing trees are Pear, Autumn Blaze Maple, Sugar Maple, or Ash. They will continue to collect data in the spring, when the trees begin to bud again.

Due to the survey data already collected, the **50/50 Parkway Tree Program**, which was established in 2008, was modified to no longer offer Ornamental Pears or Sugar Maples as options for street trees planted as a part of this program. The reason for this modification was due to the intense quantity of existing trees of these varieties and the landscape plans that have been previously approved for developments.

The intention of this program is to provide trees at a reduced rate

planted by the City to increase species variety and re-establish street trees that have died, been damaged, or removed.

The City is focused on creating habitat diversity, in addition to not allowing future diseases or pests to severely damage a majority of Yorkville's trees.

The data has also prompted **Mayor Valerie Burd** to initiate a meeting with a tree care company to discuss preservation methods for the City's Ash trees. Using the GIS data, we can determine developments that would be the most affected by the Emerald Ash Borer, the size of species that would be affected, and determine which Ash trees should be targeted for preservation.



How to order your tree...

Before you purchase your tree, check out the tree species photos and descriptions on the City's Web site by going to www.yorkville.il.us/5050ParkwayTreeProgram.php. Application forms are available online or by calling 630.553.8574. Orders must be received by Aug., 23. Checks should be made out to the City of Yorkville, and sent to 800 Game Farm Rd., Yorkville, IL 60560.

50/50 Parkway Tree Program

Through the **50/50 Parkway Tree Program**, the United City of Yorkville shares the cost of planting trees with homeowners. Residents simply choose the tree they want and send in a check for the cost listed on the order form. The City does the rest!

This program is intended to provide quality shade trees to residents in the city of Yorkville to be planted within the right-of-ways along the City's streets and corridors. The Parkway Tree Program is limited to only those developments already completed and accepted by the City. Residents who are unsure of their property's status can call the City for confirmation.

All trees purchased through the program are required to be planted within the area of the right-of-way in front of or on the sides of the purchaser's property. The right-of-way area varies depending on the property and the width of the right-of-way.

When you purchase a tree, the City will work with you to locate, plant, mulch, and water (once) the tree. Trees purchased between April 1 and August 23 will be planted in the fall with the exception of Oak trees, which will be planted in spring 2011. No guarantee of viability will be provided.

This year the number of trees available is 36. The 50/50 Parkway tree program will continue on an annual basis with planting occurring in the fall.

LIVING GREEN IN YORKVILLE

Second Annual **GO GREEN** **ENVIRONMENTAL FAIR** A HUGE SUCCESS!

On Saturday, Mar. 6 over 750 people attended the city's 'Go Green' Environmental Fair. Yorkville residents received tips on how to green their homes and learned how they can save money with new energy efficient home products offered by over 40 eco-friendly vendors and exhibitors.



Office Works showcased a variety of environmentally friendly products including "Green" coffee cups, disposable silverware and plastic disposable drinking cups, in addition to office products.

Fair goers also attended a series of environmental workshops and received free giveaways and raffles during the five-hour free event.

Yorkville's **Mayor Valerie Burd** was excited by the turnout.

"This is a great event put together by our Green Committee," said Burd. "There really is something at the fair for everyone. One of the committee's goals is to educate our community on the things they can do in their daily lives to help our environment.

This event helped to accomplish that goal."

During the event **Mayor Burd** and **Aldermen Gary Golinski, Wally Werderich, Diane Teeling, Joe Plocher, Marty Munns** and **Robyn Sutcliff** listened to suggestions and visited with residents during 'Coffee with the Mayor.'

Kids in the community also had the opportunity to participate in the fair's first **Environmental Art Competition**, eco-paint, and a host of other activities. The 'Lights for Learning' exhibit demonstrated how



Chiro One brought a holistic approach to the fair by exhibiting techniques of a healthy lifestyle, in addition to exercise and massage techniques.

much electricity needs to be generated to light a bulb while pedaling a bicycle, in addition to entertainment from **Merry Hearts Clowns**, and a quilt exhibit by the **Aux Sable Creek Watershed Coalition**.

Residents also were invited to participate in a series of workshops from **Greening Your Home** to **Greening Your Environment**.

SAVE THE DATE! Join us next year on Saturday, March 5, 2011 for the third annual "Go Green" Fair, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. at the REC Center.

THANK YOU... To all of the volunteers, exhibitors and vendors who contributed to the success of the second annual "GO GREEN" Environmental Fair. Vendors exhibitors, and volunteers who educated and displayed their products and services to area residents included:

Advanced GeoThermal, Amazing Walls, Aux Sable Creek Watershed Coalition, Belfrey Bees & Honey, Borealis, Carmelita's Creations, Chiro One Wellness Center, CL Design-Build, Deanna Bazan, Earth Positive Energy, Elaine Lucietto, Encap, Energetic Health, Energy Doctor of Chicagoland, Fox River Academy of Art & Music, G&L Countertops, Greenway Lawn Care/ Pure Prairie Organics, Home Depot, Jalapeno Paint Werx, Kendall Area Transit, Kendall County Soil/Water Conservation, Kendall County Green Party, Ken Spears Construction, Lights For Learning, Look Again Interior Redesigns, Merry Hearts Clowns, Natural Beauty by Margie, Nature's Essence Green Cleaning, Nelson's Landscaping, Pella Windows & Doors, Inc., Pro-Build, Shaklee, Spinal Health, St. Joseph Cabinetry, Stan Staszewski, Sterchi Chiropractic, The Care of Trees, The Conservation Foundation, Office Works, Walnut Acres, Yoreganics, Yorkville Congregational Church Green Group and Youth Group. Thank you to both the Yorkville's Green Committee and the Yorkville Chamber Green Committee for all of their help: Cheryl Lee, Stephanie McCue, Anne Englehardt, Richard Scheffrahn, Elizabeth Scheffrahn, Al Green, Mariann Manthei, Marta Keane, Bob Jungwirth, Jonathan Jackson, and Wendy Martorano. In addition a big thanks to Jackie Dearborn, Glory Spies, Paul Zabel and Jennifer Woodrick of the City of Yorkville. In addition, a great big thank you to all of the area youth who participated in our first Environmental Art Fair, as well as our accomplished judges, Maureen Gasek and Karen Kulzer of Fox River Academy of Art & Music who had the difficult task of choosing the award winners. And to our businesses, Raging Waves Water Park, Fox River Lanes, Hometown Lanes and the Yorkville REC Center for donating prizes to the contest winners. -Mayor Valerie Burd



LIVING GREEN IN YORKVILLE

AND THE WINNERS ARE...

There were animals, and then there were ninjas, and even jewelry made from recycled products entered into the first **Go Green Environmental Fair Art Competition** held on Saturday, March 6 during Yorkville's "Go Green" fair.

Children from the Yorkville community created original art works made from recycled paper products

More than 50 entries competed for prizes including day passes from Yorkville's **Raging Waves Water Park**, **Fox River Lanes**, **Hometown Town Lanes**, and **Panera Bread**. Winners in the following categories included:

2-Dimensional Art: Grades 3-5

1st Place - *'Recycled Paper Art'* by Sara Lubecke

2nd Place - *'Recycled Paper Art'* by Laiken Miller

3rd Place - *'It's Worth the Earth'* by Nathaniel Rohr

2-Dimensional Art: Grades 6-8

1st Place - *'Megan Richmond'* by Megan Richmond

2nd Place - *'Paper Ninja'* by Trevor Augustine

3rd Place - *'Untitled'* by Cynthia Apantenco

3-Dimensional Art: Grades 3-5

1st Place - *'Recyclers Rule'* by Nathaniel Rohr

2nd Place - *'Recycled Jewelry'* by Francie Cone

3rd Place - *'Recycled Jewelry'* by Marissa Bosman

Honorable mention - *'Recycled Jewelry'* by Olivia Dearborn

3-Dimensional Art: Grades 6-8

1st Place - *'Random Beach Box'* by Briana Barnes

2nd Place - *'Grunge and Glitter'* by Dakotah Kinselle

3rd Place - *'Collaged Box'* by Austin Gilstrap



Maureen Gasek (L) of Fox River Academy of Art & Music awards Mayor Valerie Burd during the "Go Green" Environmental Fair art competition. Prizes and ribbons were awarded to submissions of original works of art created with recycled items.



DISPOSE AND REDUCE THE SAFE WAY WITH THESE COLLECTION LOCATIONS



The United City of Yorkville, in addition to other locations, provide many opportunities to dispose of hazardous waste materials, electronics, Styrofoam products, and medications. Below is an updated list of locations that provide services to help you reduce, reuse and recycle.

•NEW! Recycling Styrofoam Products

Dart Container Corp., 310 Evergreen Dr., N. Aurora
Hours: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. by appointment.
Styrofoam products accepted: Foam cups and containers, foam egg cartons; rinsed, single layer no-perforated foam meat trays, and most packaging foam (molded forms and shapes). Flame Retardant materials and packaging peanuts are not accepted. Call 630.896.4631 or www.dartcontainer.com for information.

•Household Hazardous Waste

Located at 1979 Brookdale, Naperville-This facility is open Saturdays and Sundays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. excluding holidays. Please note materials are only accepted during the hours listed above. For more information go to Naperville's Web site at www.naperville.il.us. Go to City Services and under Trash and Recycling you will locate the information for Hazardous Waste. Items accepted at the

facility include: Automotive fluids, batteries (automotive and sump pump), cleaning products, fertilizers, flammables, herbicides, insecticides, fluorescent bulbs, mercury, mineral spirits, solvents, paints and stains, prescription medications, propane tanks, and thermostats. Please check the Web site for specific acceptable and not acceptable items.

•Medication Disposal

Dispose of unwanted or unused medication at the **United City of Yorkville Police Department**, 800 Game Farm Road, Yorkville. The Police Department accepts unwanted medications between the hours of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For information and a list of required guidelines call the Police Department at 630.553.4340.

•Computer and Electronics Recycled for Free

Com2 the City's recycling contractor is required to recycle E-waste for free effective as of Jan. 1, 2010. Residents can drop off computers and electronics at the city's **Public Works** facility, 610 Tower Lane during the hours of 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Check the city's Web site at www.yorkville.il.us and click 'Services' from the menu bar, then 'Refuse' then 'E-waste Recycling' for a complete list of acceptable items.

NEW MEMBERS ARE NEEDED...for **Yorkville's Green Committee**. All are welcome to join the Green Committee on the fourth Monday evening of the month at 7 p.m. in the Yorkville Public Library, 902 Game Farm Road. The committee's next meeting will be held on Monday, April 26. For information on how to join the Green Committee call 630.553.4350.

NEWS FOR YOU

Public Works Spring Clean-up Schedule

CITY BRUSH PICK UP SPRING AND FALL 2010

April 26-30

City wide pick up

June 21-25

City wide pick up

August 23-27

City wide pick up

October 25-29

City wide pick up

•Please note that all four scheduled brush pick-ups will include both the north and south sides of the Fox River.

VEOLIA ENVIRONMENTAL BRUSH PICK UP

Veolia Environmental provides weekly brush pick up on regular service days in conjunction with yard waste pick up which runs Apr. 1 through Nov. 30. Please adhere to Veolia's guidelines for bundled

brush as follows:

- Must not exceed four (4) feet in length
- Weight must not exceed 50 lbs.
- Brush must be tied with biodegradable fiber twine only (no plastic or wire)

STREET SWEEPING

May 3-7

June 28-July 2

August 30-September 3

November 8-11

November 15-19

LEAF PICK UP

Nov. 8-11 South of the Fox River

Nov. 15-19 North of the Fox River

HYDRANT FLUSHING

April 12-23

October 4-15

WHITE GOODS

April 19-April 23

October 18-22

Yorkville's Integrated Transportation Plan available online

Want to learn more about Yorkville's long-range trail planning? Then check out the **Integrated Transportation Plan (ITP)** on the City's Web site. You can view the ITP plan by visiting www.yorkville.il.us. The plan can be found on the 'Community Development Department' page in the column on the right hand side. The plan encompasses a conceptual trail map, high priority trail loops, goals for trail projects, and design elements for Yorkville's downtown area. This project was completed for the **Illinois Tomorrow Corridor Grant** program from the **Illinois Department of Transportation**.

Name a park!

Did you know that Yorkville has over 35 parks and playgrounds? And many of the City's parks have no official park name! Currently, parks located in **Raintree Village, Grande Reserve** and **Fox Hill** subdivisions are just a few that need a name. We are encouraging all Yorkville residents to help us name our parks. Applications for the city's **Name a Park** program are available on the City's Web site at http://www.yorkville.il.us/applications_permits.php.



Riemenschneider Park has a name but there are many in the City that still need to be named and you can help!

PUBLIC WORKS REMINDERS...

Please trim around your water meter to insure easy access for meter readers and do not paint over clear plastic on readers. In addition, an after hours drop box is located for your convenience in front of City Hall by the entrance to the parking lot for dropping off your utility payments after hours.

Come to Order

City Council and Committee Meetings are open to the public.

Administration-Meetings are held on the third Thursday evening of each month, 6 p.m., in City Hall.

City Council-Meetings are held on the second and fourth Tuesdays evenings of the month, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.

Fire and Police Commission-The next scheduled meeting is April 28, 6:30 p.m. in the Police Dept. Conference rm.

Economic Development Committee-Meetings are held on the first Tuesday evening of each month, 6:30 p.m., City Hall.

Human Resource Commission-The HRC meets on the third Wednesday evening of each month, 6:30 p.m., City Hall.

Library Board-The Library Board meets on the second Monday evening of each month, 7 p.m., Yorkville Public Library.

Park Board-Meetings are held on the second and fourth Thursday evenings of each month, 7 p.m., 201 W. Hydraulic.

Plan Commission-Meetings are held on the second Wednesday evening of each month, 7 p.m., City Hall.

Public Safety Committee-Meetings are held on the fourth Thursday evening of each month, 6 p.m., City Hall.

Public Works-Meetings are held on the third Tuesday evening of each month, 6:30 p.m., City Hall.

Police Pension Board-Meetings are held quarterly. The next meeting is Tuesday, May 11 in the Police Dept. Conference rm.

Green Committee-Meetings are held on the fourth Monday evening of each month at 7 p.m., Yorkville Public Library.

Senior Ad Hoc Committee-Meeting dates vary, 8:30 a.m. in the Beecher Community Center. Call 630.553.4350 for dates.

FOR UP-TO-DATE MEETING INFORMATION
AND CANCELLATIONS VISIT THE CITY'S WEB SITE AT
WWW.YORKVILLE.IL.US.

YORKVILLE PUBLIC WORKS

NEW REFUSE RATE...EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2010 THE NEW REFUSE RATE WILL BE \$41.74 PER BILLING CYCLE.

SEASONAL REMINDERS...

Mailbox Replacement Policy

Only mailboxes that are struck directly by a city vehicle or piece of equipment will be eligible for replacement. Damage caused by snow is not eligible. Below are a list of procedures to follow if your mailbox is damaged by a City vehicle.

- You must notify the **Public Works Department** within three days of the incident. A temporary mailbox will be installed until it is determined if the City is responsible.
- A Public Works representative will inspect your mailbox and determine if it was properly installed, the material was in good condition, and if it was struck by a City vehicle.
- If it determined that the City is responsible, the homeowner is eligible for reimbursement of up to \$75 for replacement
- Reimbursement may be submitted to the City after the homeowner installs a new mailbox and it is inspected by a Public Works representative.
- The homeowner is responsible for the replacement of the mailbox in all instances when the City was not at fault. To report an incident call Public Works at 630.553.4370.

Water Conservation Ordinance

The United City of Yorkville's **Water Conservation Ordinance** is in effect from May 1 through September 30. The ordinance permits lawn sprinkling between the hours of 5 a.m.-9 a.m. and/or 9 p.m. and 12 p.m. (midnight) for landscaping watering or the filling of swimming pools only as follows:

- Even numbered addresses on even numbered calendar days only during permitted hours of water use;
- Odd numbered addresses on odd numbered calendar days only during permitted hours of water use. Go to <http://www.yorkville.il.us/waterrest.php> for a list of nonrestrictions.



REFUSE FEE:

\$41.74/60 days-per single family or duplex unit effective May 1, 2010.

Senior Discount Refuse Fee:

\$1/60 days - per single family or duplex unit (age 65 or older)

WHITE GOODS PICK-UP SCHEDULE

Veolia Environmental Services collects White Goods twice a year—the third week in April and the third week in October.

White Good items consist of refrigerators/freezers, water heaters, stoves, air conditioners, humidifiers, clothes dryers, washers, microwaves, dishwashers, heat pumps, furnaces and boilers. Please note that all White Goods items must be on the curb by 6 a.m. Only one pass will be made. The following materials will not be accepted: auto parts, large construction waste, swimming pools, decks, sheds, chemicals, paints or drums.

The 2010 schedule for both is listed below:

•SPRING 2010 WHITE GOODS

April 19-April 23

•FALL 2010 WHITE GOODS

October 18-22

VEOLIA ENVIRONMENTAL REFUSE COLLECTION SCHEDULE

The refuse collection for your area is listed below. If you have additional questions concerning refuse collection, contact Veolia Environmental at 630.587.8282 or visit their Web site at www.veoliaes-sw.com.

Monday: S.E. of the river, S.W. of the river, Greenbriar, White Oak Estates, River's Edge, Prairie Gardens, Cornerstone

Tuesday: Country Hills, Crooked Creek, Fox Highlands, Raintree Village, Wildwood, Windett Ridge, Sunflower Estates

Wednesday: Countryside Center, Cimmeron Ridge, Fox Hill, Kylyn's, Whispering Meadows

Thursday: Autumn Creek, Blackberry

Creek, Cannonball Estates, Grande Reserve, Prairie Meadows, Bristol Bay, Caledonia

Friday: Heartland, Longford Lakes, N.E. of the river south of Rt. 34, N.W. of the river south of Rt. 34.

YARD WASTE PICK UP IS APRIL 1 TO NOVEMBER 30 OF EVERY YEAR:

- Yard waste includes grass clippings, leaves, garden waste, flowers, twigs, brush and tree limbs less than 4 inches in diameter and not longer than 4 feet in length.
- Brush or branches are to be properly contained, bagged, or bundled and tied, so that one person can safely load it into the truck.
- Sod is not considered yard waste and should be disposed of as refuse.
- Yard waste must be placed in 33-gallon kraft papers bags designed for yard waste collection. These bags may be purchased at local retail stores.
- All yard waste material should be placed out for collection by 6 a.m. on the designated collection day.
- Brush and/or branches (less than 4 inches in diameter) must be cut into 4-foot lengths, bundled with string or twine and not exceed 50 pounds.

WHO DO I CALL IF I AM MISSED?

If you are missed on your regular pick up day, contact Veolia Environmental Services at 630.587.8282. Their office hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. A direct link to the United City of Yorkville refuse information is available on Veolia's Web site at www.veoliaes-sw.com.

VEOLIA HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Veolia Environmental Services will observe the following holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Please note that service will be delayed one day following any of the holidays listed above.

Call Veolia Environmental Services at 630.587.8282 with questions concerning any of the information listed above.

YORKVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

YORKVILLE PD RECEIVES AWARDS AND RECOGNITION AT ANNUAL BANQUET



Mayor Valerie Burd presents recognition of achievements for the Police Department's life-saving efforts during a recent City Council meeting. The department also received recognition during this year's 25th annual 'Respect for Law Banquet'.

Yorkville's Mayor **Valerie Burd**, and **Police Chief Richard Hart**, in addition to aldermen **Diane Teeling**, **Joe Plocher**, **George Gilson, Jr.**, **Rose Spears** and **Robyn Sutcliff** attended the 25th annual 'Respect for Law Banquet' on Saturday, March 6 in support of Yorkville's Police Department.

This year's theme was titled 'A Salute

to our Local Heroes', and honored many of Yorkville's finest during the course of the evening.

Officers **Jeff Johnson**, **Sarah Klingel** and **Jacob Bledsoe** each received a 2009 Life Saving Award, in addition, **Chief Richard Hart** received a **Meritorious Service Award** for his 19 years of dedication to the S.R.T. Committee.

Officers Stacy Mott and Raymond Mikolasek were 2009 Officer of the Year finalists.

The annual event is cosponsored by the **Yorkville and Oswego Optimist Clubs** and honors service personnel in the city and county.

A special thank you to all of our police officers for their dedication and service to our community!

GET INVOLVED... If you want to learn more about the Yorkville Police Department and join a group of dedicated and committed volunteers, then sign up today for the Citizens Police Academy. A new session is currently forming. Call 630.553.4340 today for more information.

*From the desk of Mayor Valerie Burd
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parks or the purchase of open space. Some people believe we shouldn't apply for these grants because they are funded with our tax dollars. I believe we should get our money back for our taxpayers' benefit, and I will continue to direct City staff to apply for as many grants as we can.

It's grant money that is funding the City's proposed purchase of the Old Jail—\$160,000 worth of grant money. Why do we want the Jail, and what does it have to do with getting us out of a recession?

Economic development is the key to getting the City back into prosperity. Helping our existing businesses stay viable and encouraging new businesses to locate in Yorkville will keep the jobs we have and open the door to new employment opportunities.

One of the key national drivers of economic development is the tourism industry. The U.S. government reports

that \$691 billion was spent in 2008 on tourism in the U.S.—85 percent of it on domestic travel. By developing a living history museum that celebrates Kendall County's past and educates people on how this jail once was used, the **Illinois Tourism Bureau** tells us that we will be able to attract a large group of tourists who are interested in visiting such facilities. In addition, we will also be able to get a much-needed parking lot on the City's west side to benefit downtown businesses. And we will be bringing more foot-traffic to the downtown shopping area.

At present, Yorkville is home to the largest outdoor water park in the state—Raging Waves. This summer, another water park—a White Water park—is slated to open at our downtown

riverfront—1,000 feet of whitewater canoeing and kayaking.

Already, the City has gotten E-mails from kayak and canoe clubs that want to come try this new facility—which is another "one of a kind" in our state.

These tourist attractions—water parks, museums and other entertainment facilities that are in the works—will be bringing new sales tax revenue to our community.

Tourists will eat at our restaurants, shop at our stores, buy gas at our gas stations. And they will attract and encourage new restaurants and shops to open their doors.

The hard truth is that government runs on our tax dollars. New sales tax revenue, combined with fiscal responsibility on the City Council's part, will keep our real estate taxes from rising in this recession.

—Mayor Valerie Burd



A side view of the Old Jail located adjacent to the historic courthouse.

PASSED ORDINANCES

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Listed below are ordinances passed by the United City of Yorkville City Council from September 8, 2009 to January 12, 2010. To read any ordinance in its entirety you can access the United City of Yorkville Code Book at www.yorkville.il.us via a link to Sterling Codifiers.

9 /8 /2009

2009-45 Ordinance Amending City Code Title 6 - Traffic, Chapter 3 - Traffic Schedules (Church Street & W. Main Street)
2009-46 Ordinance Repealing Ordinance No. 2005-01 and Amending the Ordinance City Code regarding Fireworks
2009-47 Ordinance Granting a Variance at 1402 North Bridge Street
2009-48 Ordinance Adopting the Integrated Transportation Plan and Fox River Water Shed
2009-49 Ordinance Amending City Code Regarding Removal from Office of Appointed Officers
2009-50 Ordinance Repealing 2008 Park Development Standards and Adopting New Park Development Standards

9/22/2009

2009-51 Ordinance Approving a Preliminary Plan and Final Plat of Subdivision for Midco Northgate Yorkville, LLC Subdivision
2009-52 Ordinance Rezoning Certain Property in the Vicinity of Galena Road and Rt. 47 (JR Yorkville, LLC)

10/13/2009

2009-53 Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances regarding the Payment of Municipal Officers
2009-54 Ordinance Approving Assignment and Pledge of Transition Fees from

Grande Reserve Subdivision and Notice Thereof
2009-55 Ordinance Approving a Final Plat of Subdivision for RWJ Yorkville LLC Subdivision
2009-56 Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances Providing for Liquor Control regarding the Number of Package Liquor Licenses
2009-57 Ordinance Approving a Fine Schedule for the Pre-Payment of Citations Pending under Administrative Adjudication
2009-58 Ordinance Amending City Code Providing for the Regulation of Wind Energy Systems
2009-59 Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 1993-26 Establishing a Fee for the Collection of Delinquent Utility Bills

11/10/2010

2009-60 Ordinance Approving a Variance in Height for a Telecommunications Tower for SAC Wireless, LLC
2009-61 Ordinance Approving a Special Use Permit Application for a Telecommunications Tower (SAC Wireless LLC)

11/24/2009

2009-62 Ordinance Amending City Code by the Addition of Weight Limits on Certain Highways (River Road Bridge)
2009-63 Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement Establishing the Northern Illinois Municipal Natural Gas Franchise Consortium
2009-64 Ordinance Amending City Code Regarding Towing of Vehicles
2009-65 Ordinance Abating Special Service Area (SSA) Taxes for Special Service Area

Number 2003-101 (Windett Ridge Project) and Approving the Amended Special Tax Roll
2009-66 Ordinance Abating Special Service Area (SSA) Taxes for Special Service Area Number 2004-107 (Raintree Village II Project)

12/8/2009

2009-67 Ordinance Abating Special Service Area Taxes (SSA) for Special Ordinance Service Area Number 2005-108 (Autumn Creek Project) and Approving the Amended Special Tax Roll
2009-68 Ordinance Abating Special Service Area Taxes (SSA) for Special Service Area Number 2005-109 (Bristol Bay I Project) and Approving the Amended Special Tax Roll
2009-69 Ordinance Abating the Tax hereto Levied for the Year 2009 to Pay the Principal of and Interest on \$625,000 General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2002 (Fox Industrial Park)
2009-70 Ordinance Abating the Tax hereto Levied for the Year 2009 to Pay the Principal of and Interest on \$3,500,000 General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2004B (Countryside Interceptor)
2009-71 Ordinance Abating the Tax hereto Levied for the Year 2009 to Pay the Principal of and Interest on \$3,525,000 General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2005 (Countryside TIF)
2009-72 Ordinance Abating the Tax hereto Levied for the Year 2009 to Pay the Principal of and Interest on \$3,825,000 General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2005A (In-Town Road Program)
2009-73 Ordinance Abating the Tax hereto Levied for the Year 2009 to Pay the Principal

of and Interest on \$2,000,000 General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2005C (Waterworks and Sewer)

2009-74 Ordinance Abating the Tax hereto Levied for the Year 2009 to Pay the Principal of and Interest on \$11,300,000 General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2007A (Refinance 2003A)

2009-76 Ordinance Abating the Tax hereto Levied for the Year 2009 to Pay the Principal of and Interest on \$2,020,000 General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2008 (Refinance Rob Roy Creek)

2009-77 Ordinance Approving an Amended Recreational Lease Agreement for Disc Golf by and Between the City and Commonwealth Edison Company
2009-78 Ordinance Providing for the Regulation of Post-Construction Implementation of Stormwater Best Management Practices

2009-79 Ordinance Amending City Code Title 6 - Traffic, Chapter 3 - Traffic Schedules - Walsh Drive and Greenbriar Road

12/22/2009

2009-80 Ordinance Approving a Records Request Fee Schedule
2009-81 Ordinance Abating Special Service Area (SSA) Taxes for Special Service Area Number 2003-100 (Raintree Village Project) and Approving the Amended Special Tax Roll
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National Night Out

Tuesday, Aug. 3 • 6-8 p.m. Town Square Park, Rt. 47

Demonstrations • Food • Fun • Child Safety Seat Checks
Games • Family Activities • and more! FREE!
Sponsored by the Yorkville Police Dept., Citizens Police
Academy Alumni and the Parks and Recreation Dept.

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2009-82 Ordinance
Abating Special
Service Area (SSA)
Taxes for Special
Service Area Number
2004-104 Central
Grande Reserve
and Approving the
Amended Special Tax
Roll

2009-83 Ordinance
Abating Special
Service Area (SSA)
Taxes for Special
Service Area Number
2004-106 Total
Grande Reserve

2009-84 Ordinance
for the Amended Levy
and Assessment of
Taxes for the Fiscal
Year Beginning May
1, 2010, and Ending
April 30, 2011 in and
for Special Service
Area (SSA) Number
2004-201 (Fox Hill
Subdivision)

2009-85 Ordinance
for the Amended Levy
and Assessment of
Taxes for the Fiscal
Year Beginning May
1, 2010, and Ending
April 30, 2011 in and
for Special Service
Area (SSA) Number
2006-119 (Sunflower
Estates)

2009-86 Ordinance
Approving a Variance
in Area for a Free
Standing Business
Sign for Fatmir Salii
(Sunfields Restaurant)

2009-87 Ordinance
for the Levy and

Assessment of Taxes
for the Fiscal Year
Beginning May 1,
2010 and Ending
April 30, 2011

2009-88 Ordinance
Approving a First
Amendment to the
Redevelopment
Agreement for the
Downtown
Redevelopment
Project Area (Bridge
Street Development)
2009-89 Ordinance
Authorizing
the Execution
of an Amended
Intergovernmental
Agreement between
the United City of
Yorkville and the
County of Kane
(CMAP Full Circle
Grant)

1/12/2010

2010-01 Ordinance
Amending the
Code of Ordinances
Providing for Liquor
Control regarding
the Number of Patio
Liquor Licenses
2010-02 Ordinance
Amending the
Code of Ordinances
Providing for Liquor
Control regarding the
Number of Package
Liquor Licenses

2010-03 Ordinance
Amending the
Code of Ordinances
Removing Inspection
Service Contract
Provisions from the
Building Code

2010-04 Ordinance
Amending the City
Code Providing for

the Regulation of
Signs
2010-05 Ordinance
Amending the Code
of Ordinances to
Provide for the
Regulation of Illicit
Discharges and
Connections to the
Municipal Separate
Storm Sewer System
2010-06 Ordinance
Amending and
Restating the
Governing Ordinance
2010-07 Ordinance
Approving
Termination
Agreement for Police
Chief Harold O.
Martin III

2010-08 Ordinance
Amending the
Code of Ordinances
regarding Towing of
Vehicles.

2010-09 Ordinance
Approving the
Exercise of Powers
of Eminent Domain
for Street Purposes
(Kawczynski and
Farias Property)

2010-10 Ordinance
Approving the
Exercise of Powers
of Eminent Domain
for Street Purposes
(Applegate Property)

UNITED CITY OF YORKVILLE HOURS OF OPERATION



Mayor's Office, Administration,
Clerk's Office

630.553.4350;
Fax: 630.553.7575

Building Safety
630.553.8545

Community Development
630.553.8545

Community Relations
630.553.8564

Finance
630.553.8534

Engineering
630.553.8545

Parks and Recreation
630.553.4357 or 630.553.2582 (REC Center)

Police Department
630.553.4340

Public Works
630.553.4370

Yorkville Public Library
630.553.4354

City Hall

800 Game Farm Road, Yorkville, IL 60560

• Monday-Friday: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Parks and Recreation Administrative Office
201 W. Hydraulic, Yorkville, IL 60560
630.553.4357

The REC Center
202 E. Countryside Parkway, Yorkville, IL 60560
630.553.2582

• Summer hours are as follows:
Monday-Thursday: 5 a.m.-9 p.m.
Friday: 5 a.m.-8 p.m.
Saturday: 7 a.m.-3 p.m.
Sunday: 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Yorkville Police Department

804 Game Farm Road, Yorkville, IL, 60560
630.553.4340

• Monday-Friday: 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Yorkville Public Works

610 Tower Lane, Yorkville, IL 60560
630.553-4370

• Monday-Friday: 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Yorkville Public Library

902 Game Farm Road, Yorkville, IL 60560
630.553.4354

• Monday-Thursday: 9 a.m.-8:30 p.m.
Friday: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
Sunday: 1 p.m.-4 p.m.

**CITY HALL OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE
FOLLOWING HOLIDAYS:** Friday, April 2 in observance of
Good Friday; Monday, May 31 in observance of
Memorial Day, and Monday, July 5.