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## *Mayor Valerie Burd explains recent refuse hike...*

Disposing of garbage is an expensive proposition. This year it will cost about \$1.3 million to haul all of Yorkville residents' garbage and recycling off to landfills and recycling centers.

When the Council last year considered siting a landfill within the Yorkville City limits, one of the advantages presented to the Council was that the cost of garbage service could be kept to a minimum for its residents. That was an attractive consideration. The cost of gas and the distance to a landfill makes it expensive to haul garbage. After hearing 120 hours of testimony, though, the Council voted 7 to 1 against siting the landfill, even though at that time I stated it would mean raising the cost of garbage service for our residents. Because of problems with the landfill's transportation plan, and other issues, the Council determined that the pluses did not outweigh the negatives.

In 1988, there were about 3,600 people living in this community. The City charged them \$5 a month to have their garbage picked up. This fee remained frozen until last May, when I took office, even though the actual cost of garbage service had risen to \$19.76 per household. The City was subsidizing garbage collection. If the City had continued with the \$5 monthly rate, with the rise in the number of residents in our community to almost 16,000 people, the City would be paying \$965,395 this year out of our general fund.

As a result, the City Council recently voted 4 to 3 to follow through with a plan I began to implement last year to end the City's subsidy of our garbage service. Last year, the Council raised the residents' garbage rate to \$10 a month to cover half the cost. If the City had left this rate in effect this year, the City would have paid out \$668,337 for garbage service, or half the total bill. Instead, this year the Council voted to pass on the entire cost of hauling off residents' garbage to the residents themselves, except for the senior rate of 50 cents a month, which will remain in effect.

I believe this was the right thing to do for our City. And here's why.

**First**—the City has not raised its tax rate in more than 10 years. In fact, the City levy rate has actually declined. The amount of money people pay in taxes has risen, but that is not because the City has raised residents' taxes. It is because the value of property has increased greatly. One home that I looked at in 1988 that was priced at \$70,000 today is on the market for \$250,000. Real estate taxes reflect this increase in value, not an increase in what the City is asking you to pay. There are more streets to plow and resurface, more wells to maintain, more parks to mow, more police needed, etc. We are providing all these increased services. With the recent economic slow down, the City has seen its general fund revenues fall from \$19 million to \$14 million, putting us at the level the City was at in 2001 when we had a lot less area to maintain and several thousand less people to serve. We can't afford to lose another million dollars.



**Second**—out of 32 local municipalities surveyed by City staff, only two —Oak Brook Terrace, a community of 600 households with a very large commercial garbage service contract, and the city of Naperville —subsidize garbage service. Naperville residents pay for their service through their taxes. The other 30 communities pass the bill on to their residents.

I don't want to raise taxes. Taxes are high enough in Kendall County. I want to revamp our waste hauling fees so that residents who recycle more and who put out less garbage are rewarded with lower rates, and people who put out a large amount of garbage pay a greater percentage of the bill. We need to become more aware, as a community, of the cost of disposables, and the damage it is doing to our environment. The City's new **Green Committee** is suggesting ways the City can address this and other issues. In the near future, you will see recycling containers in the parks and along our public streets, and the City is looking for funding to set up a year-around E-recycling location for drop off of electronic waste.

Less garbage will mean lower bills for everyone, and less landfills. I would like to hear from Yorkville residents on this and other issues that concern you. Please write or call me at City Hall with your ideas.

# Living Green in Yorkville

## Come to Order

**City Council and Committee Meetings are open to the public. For meeting locations call 630.553.4350.**

**Administration**-Second Thursday evening, 7 p.m.

**City Council Meetings**-Second and fourth Tuesdays of the month, 7 p.m.

**Fire and Police Commission**-Meetings are held quarterly. The next meeting is scheduled for July 23, 6:30 p.m.

**Economic Development Committee**-Meets on the first Thursday evening of each month, 7 p.m.

**Human Resource Commission**-The third Wednesday evening of each month, 6 p.m.

**Library Board**-The second Monday evening of each month, 7 p.m.

**Park Board**-The second and fourth Thursday evening of each month, 7 p.m.

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

**Public Safety Committee**-The fourth Thursday evening of each month, 6 p.m.

**Public Works**-Meetings are held on the third Tuesday evening of each month, 6 p.m.

**Police Pension Board**-Meetings are held quarterly. The next meeting is Tuesday, August 12, 7 p.m.

**Green Committee**-Meetings are held on the fourth Monday evening of each month at 7 p.m.

**Yorkville Ad Hoc Senior Citizens Advisory Committee**-Meetings are held monthly, for times and dates call 630.553.8563.

## City Hall sports new rain garden!

In a pilot project to reduce water runoff from City Hall, the City's Green Committee installed a rain garden on the south end of the property with the aid of **Laura Haake**, the city's park planner and **Stephanie Boettcher**, senior planner. The 230 square foot garden will allow 900 square feet of roof runoff to infiltrate into the ground instead of running directly into the storm sewer.

Curbs and gutters, inlets, and storm sewer pipes were installed to control stormwater runoff. When it rains, stormwater is collected and carried to a stormwater management basin. At this point pollutants such as car oil, fertilizers, and pesticides are washed into the basin. Installing a rain garden or

using a rain barrel can immediately reduce

the amount of runoff that flows into storm sewers and to these basins, allowing the water to soak into the ground at the location it fell.

"We thought the rain garden was a great way to show the City is interested in helping the environment by lessening the amount of stormwater that leaves our building," said Haake.

Future improvements to the rain garden project include an information sign indicating the types of plants used and how to design your own rain garden at home. For more information you can go to [www.yorkville.il.us/raingarden](http://www.yorkville.il.us/raingarden).



## The Health Benefits of TREES

Stormwater from rain and melting snow or ice that is not infiltrated into the ground is referred to as "runoff". When the ground becomes saturated, this runoff spends more time moving across commercial and residential surfaces before being collected into storm drains and inlets.

Not only are the storm sewers subjected to excess water volumes, this runoff can pick up pollutants such as pesticides, fertilizers, and motor oil as it travels over homeowners' yards and hard surfaces. These pollutants have the potential of ending up in our open water sources, which is evident in a recent EPA report to Congress that states that one-third of U.S. waterways are impaired by stormwater. Excessive runoff can

also cause substantial physical damage such as flooding of homes and roadways.

Trees have been proven to be an effective tool in stormwater management. They are a valuable resource that can control runoff in a number of ways. The root structure of trees increases the moisture holding capacity by breaking up the soil and improving infiltration. Tree roots can soak up stormwater and act as natural filters to prevent sediment, nutrients and pollutants from getting into streams and other natural water sources. The leaves, branches and the trunk of a tree can catch and absorb rainfall before it reaches the ground. A recent study by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Center for Urban Forest Research found

that a medium-sized tree can intercept 2,380 gallons of rain per year.

If you are considering planting a tree, please check the city's local ordinances and your homeowner's association on the type of trees allowed in your area. In addition, knowing the type of soils on your property and the location of potential obstacles (such as underground and overhead utilities) can assist you in the proper site and type of tree to plant. There are many sources of information available to assist you in choosing a tree—from the Internet to your local nursery. Whichever means you use, be sure to get a great deal of information to assist you in the healthy growth of both your tree and yard.

FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO...[www.mediaborough.com](http://www.mediaborough.com) • [www.njnrcs.usda.gov/documents.TreePlantingBenefits.pdf](http://www.njnrcs.usda.gov/documents.TreePlantingBenefits.pdf)

# Living Green in Yorkville

## WATER CONSERVATION SEMINAR HUGE SUCCESS

*Yorkville Green Committee taps into water conscious residents*



*The Fink Brothers of the Giving Tree Band perform using eco-friendly instruments.*

**Every Drop Counts** was the recurring theme at the first annual **Water Conservation Forum** hosted by the City's new Green Committee.

"How much water is wasted by a slowly dripping faucet?" was one of several questions that **Nancy Wagner, senior policy advocate** from the Illinois Environmental Law and Policy Center, asked over 100 Yorkville residents who attended.

Residents listened, answered questions and were amazed on how much water was used during daily routine activities such as brushing teeth, using a garbage disposal and taking a shower.

According to Wagner, it takes eight gallons of water to flush one pound of food down the disposal. And the

number one item that consumes the most water usage is the toilet. The use of toilets comes in first behind other common usages such as cooking, laundry and showers and baths.

But it was **Mayor Valerie Burd** who reminded residents what the City is doing to conserve, reuse and recycle one of our most precious natural resources—water.

"I have been asked tonight to acquaint you with some of the steps the City of Yorkville has taken so far to help conserve water," Burd said. In addition to the City's Water Conservation Ordinance, which restricts water usage during specific times of day and during certain months, the City is also following what it preaches.

"The City does not water grass at any buildings unless it is for new installations, and then the city follows its own ordinance restrictions," Burd said. The city is also using grey water in its daily operations which is currently being processed by the Yorkville-Bristol Sanitary District to water City ball fields and parks.

Prior to this practice water was released into the Fox River, but now

the water is transported into tank trucks. Burd said that future plans include the installation of grey water lines from the YBSD to City parks to facilitate the recycling of the grey water.

Burd assured residents that the City is committed to conserving water. "We are encouraging the use of rain barrels and rain gardens and will be looking into ways to provide incentives to developers for using conservation practices like permeable pavers," she said.

"When the City and its residents make it clear that conservation is a priority, developers will respond. We all need to work together to set those priorities, and I believe this workshop is an important component of that effort."



*Mayor Valerie Burd discusses water conservation during the city's first community water forum.*

## EVERY DROP COUNTS



### DROPS THAT ADD UP!

**Stop leaks...**A single leaky faucet—with one drop of water per second—wastes 192 gallons of water per month. Five gallons of water is wasted every time we run the faucet while shaving or brushing our teeth.

**Create your own rain barrel...**Water from your roof can be collected and then used to water the lawn or garden. Check out our Web site and learn how to create your very own!

**Safeguard your water pipes...**Popular drain cleaners can damage household pipes, causing expensive plumbing bills. For a gentle alternative try mixing 1 cup of baking soda and 1 cup of vinegar into a pot of boiling water. Pour the mixture down the drain to dissolve most clogs.



# A SERIES OF PLAYFUL EVENTS!

## FIRST ANNUAL PLAY DAY SETS TONE FOR YEAR OF PLAYFUL EVENTS! MARK YOUR CALENDARS.

Park Open Houses and Movie Nights  
June-September \* Locations vary  
Family Activities begin at 5 p.m.  
Movies begin at dark

Join us early for games, family activities and hot dogs! Free.

**June 20-Bee Movie**, Rotary Park in Grande Reserve subdivision

**July 18-Open Season**, Fox Hill East, Fox Hill subdivision

**August 1-The Little Rascals**, Autumn Creek Park

11th Annual Music Under the Stars  
Second + Fourth Friday evenings  
7-9 p.m. \* Town Square, Rt. 47 + Main

It's musical variety during this summer's **Music Under the Stars**. Listen to all of your favorites from the '70s, '80s, and '90s. Bring your lawn chair, your family and enjoy your evening. Free.

**June 13-The Retrorockets**

**June 27-Roots Rock Society**

**July 11-Sundance**

**July 25-Steel Crazy**

**August 8-61 Beale Street**

**August 22-The Neverly Brothers**

Fox Country Players Family Theater

Saturdays, July 19 + 26

Riverfront Bicentennial Park

Rt. 47 and E. Hydraulic

Performances at 5 p.m. + 6:30 p.m.

Join the United City of Yorkville and the **Fox Country Players** for an evening of music, theater and great family entertainment. Buy a box lunch or bring your own! The Fox Country Players will perform the melodrama "**Miner's Daughter**." Enjoy the music of **Truman's Ridge** before and during performances. Free.

*Don't forget your passport when you attend any Playful City event!*



Many residents celebrated spring with the United City of Yorkville during the first annual "Flying 4 Kids" Kite Event and Play Day. A great time was had by all!

25th Annual National Night Out  
Beecher Community Center  
908 Game Farm Road  
Tuesday, Aug. 5 \* 6-8 p.m.

This crime and drug prevention event is sponsored by the Yorkville Police Department and the Citizens Police Academy Alumni.

16th Annual Hometown Days  
Friday, Aug. 29 - Sunday, Aug. 31  
Beecher Community Park  
908 Game Farm Road

Three days of nightly entertainment, carnival rides, magic shows, food from Yorkville's own, and much more. Plenty of free family events including the annual baby contest and pet parade. Friday evening admission is free, \$2 after 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, children 5 and under are free.

Halloween Egg Hunt  
Saturday, Oct. 25, 7 p.m.  
Town Square, Rt. 47 and Main St.

Hunt for sweet candy surprises in this annual event that has become an instant favorite. Bring a basket for your eggs, a flashlight and we'll see you there. Don't forget to wear your costume. Free.

2nd Annual Holiday Under the Stars  
Friday, Dec. 5, 5-9 p.m.  
Town Square, Rt. 47 and Main St.

It's the second annual **Holiday Under the Stars** and you're invited to join us for some holiday cheer, heart warming music and a visit from you know who. Carriage rides, ice skating, reindeer, and a holiday light tour. Big band music, Madrigal singers and much more during this magical event that kicks off the upcoming holiday season. Free.

# IT'S A CELEBRATION

## YORKVILLE CELEBRATES JULY 4 AND HOMETOWN DAYS

**\*\*Let your community spirit shine\*\***



### 53rd annual 4th of July Festivities

**It's a CELEBRATION...**All are welcome to join the **Bristol-Kendall Fire Protection District** for a patriotic salute to our country and community. If you plan to participate in this year's parade, please line up from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. behind Yorkville High School, 797 Game Farm Road. The parade begins at 9 a.m. on Game Farm Road, proceeds to Somonauk, to King Street, West Main Street then to Church Street.

**Food, Music, Family Fun**—Join in on the fun after the parade at Town Square, Rt. 47 and Main Street from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for old fashioned fun including foot races, kids' activities, the Community Band and much more!

**Pumper Pull Challenge**—All Pumper Pull participants can register from 10:30 a.m. to noon. All proceeds benefit the 4th of July celebration. Register your team today by calling Jeff Noss at 630.553.6186 to pick up your registration form.

**Fireworks**—It's boom, bang and awe in the night at this year's fireworks celebration beginning at dark, north of the REC Center (formerly Club 47), 202 E. Countryside Parkway.

If you are interested in having a booth or would like to sell food in Town Square, contact Lieutenant Scott Wilkinson at 630.553.1021.

### HOMETOWN DAYS

**Fri., Aug. 29 \* 5 p.m.-11 p.m.**

5 p.m. - 11 p.m.  
Carnival  
5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.  
The Bobby G. Blues Band  
6 p.m.-7 p.m.  
Stilt Walker  
8 p.m.-10 p.m.  
Johnny Russler and the  
Beach Bum Band  
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**Sat., Aug. 30 \* 8 a.m.-11 p.m.**

8 a.m.-10 a.m.  
Pancake breakfast  
10 a.m.-11 a.m.  
Pet parade



2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.  
Magic show (free family area)  
4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.  
Hot Rocks  
7 p.m.-10 p.m.  
Mike and Joe  
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**Sunday, Aug. 31 \* 8 a.m.-11 p.m.**



8 a.m.-10 a.m.  
Pancake breakfast  
10 a.m.-11 a.m.  
Non denominational  
church service  
10 a.m.-4 p.m.  
Pride and Joy car show  
Noon-11 p.m.  
Carnival (\$16 wrist bands  
Noon-4 p.m.)  
Family comfort station  
Noon-5 p.m.  
Free family activities (A  
Series of Playful Events  
activity)  
Noon-6:30 p.m.  
Football field goal contest  
1 p.m.-2 p.m.  
Empower Karate demo  
2 p.m.-4 p.m.  
American Legion Big Band  
2:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.  
Traveling magic show  
4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.  
British Exports  
7 p.m.-10 p.m.  
hi Infidelity  
10:15 p.m.-10:30 p.m.  
Fireworks finale

11 a.m.-Noon  
Baby contest  
Noon-1 p.m.  
Dance performance by the  
Yorkville H.S. Pom Pons  
1:15 p.m.-2:15 p.m.  
Dance performance by Gold  
Star Academy of Dance  
Noon-5 p.m.  
Free family activities (A  
Series of Playful Events  
activity)  
Noon-11 p.m.  
Carnival (\$16 wrist bands  
Noon-4 p.m.)  
Noon-1 p.m.  
Family comfort station



# It's All About Community

## Letters from our smaller constituents

Dear Mrs. Burd,

How are you? My name is **Laura Zendeli**. I live in Yorkville, Illinois. School has helped me with my education. When I grow up I want to be a doctor. In school I am learning how to write in cursive. Something I really want to learn is how to become a really good doctor. I am super thankful for God, family, and friends. One more thing I am thankful for is my teacher. Are you thankful for that too? I have another question for you. Is it hard being Yorkville's mayor? I hope you like all the things I wrote.

-Laura Zendeli

Dear Mrs. Burd,

My name is **Hayley Berg**. I live in Yorkville, Illinois. The name of my school is Yorkville Grade School. Going to school has helped me learn a lot. I want to become a professional swimmer when I grow up. I am learning about decimals in math. Something I hope to learn soon is to write an "H" in cursive. I am thankful for my family. What is your favorite color? What do you like to do? Please write back.

-Sincerely, **Hayley**

P.S. I'm in third grade.

Dear Mrs. Mayor & Mr. Dhuse,

Thank you for coming to our school and talking about how to recycle things and giving us a quiz. I learned a lot of things that you were talking about to us like DO NOT recycle colored paper. We should put more recycle bins at parks and the pools at summer time. My goal is to create awareness by distributing leaflets to my neighborhood.

-Thank you for coming.

**Eunice Ortega**



City crews buried the 50th Anniversary time capsule last month to commemorate the union of the Villages of Bristol and Yorkville in 1957. Burial was delayed until this year due to harsh weather conditions. The capsule will be opened in 2057 to honor the city's bicentennial celebration.

## City honors volunteers during annual celebration

### JEANESS MEDIN NAMED YORKVILLE'S VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

**Mayor Valerie Burd** named **Jeaness Medin**, coordinator of the Kendall County Food Pantry for 12 1/2 years, as this year's **Volunteer of the Year** in the United City of Yorkville.

Thrilled and honored, Medin thanked the many volunteers who helped her throughout the years, as she accepted her award from Burd and Human Resources chairman **Diana Lento Riedy**. Mayor Burd presented Medin with a plaque and a bouquet of fresh flowers. Over 100 people in attendance gave Medin a standing ovation for her dedication and commitment.

Medin's nominator, City Treasurer, **William Powell**, says Medin is a "person who always thinks of others."



*Volunteer of the Year Jeaness Medin is honored by nominator Bill Powell.*



*Mayor Valerie thanks Medin for her countless hours of community service. Thank you Jeaness!*

# Parks and Recreation

To sign up for any of the classes listed below visit the Parks and Recreation office at 201 W. Hydraulic, contact 630.553.4357, or visit the city's Web site at [www.yorkville.il.us](http://www.yorkville.il.us)

## **Parkers Playtime Preschool**

Our preschool focuses on your child's overall developmental needs through a stimulating environment. We provide hands-on experiences to improve creativity, develop a positive self-image, foster language, and sharpen fine and gross motor skills. Registration for the 2008/09 school year is in progress. To sign up stop by the Parks and Recreation office.

## **Rockin Readers**

Sign your child up today and see improvement by September. Students in grades 1-2 will work on phonic skills, the elements of a story and plot by reading aloud. This workshop meets from Monday-Thursday, July 21-Aug. 7 from 8:30 a.m.-10 a.m. Students in grades 3-4, will meet Monday-Thursday, July 21-Aug. 7 from 10:30 a.m.-noon. During this session students will improve comprehension and vocabulary through guided reading, poetry and theater. Both classes meet at New Life Church, 3205 Cannonball Trail, Yorkville. The fee for each class is \$183 for residents; \$195 for non-residents.

## **Math Blast-off**

This class will aid your student in reviewing and practicing mathematical principles such as algebra, geometry, measurement, time and money. Math facts will be reviewed daily by using a variety of techniques, games and timed tests. Grades 1-2 will meet Monday-Thursday, Aug. 11-Aug. 28 from 8:30 a.m.-10 a.m. A session for grades 3-4 will meet Monday-Thursday, Aug. 11-Aug. 28 from 10:30 a.m.-noon. The fee for each class is \$183 for residents; \$195 for non-residents. Both sessions meet at New Life Church.

## **Yorkville Youth Flag Football**

We're joining forces with Yorkville Youth Tackle Football to form a new **Youth Flag Football League**. This instructional league is designed to teach young players basic skills and the knowledge of the game of football. The season runs Aug. 16 through Oct. 18. Practices and games will be held on Saturday mornings for a total of one hour. Players will be randomly placed on teams. Registration deadline is Monday, July 7. Cost is \$48 for residents and \$60 for non-residents.



## **RUN, BIKE, CANOE AND TREK...during this year's Amazing Adventure Race Challenge!**

**You don't have to be the best** or the fastest to be successful in this real adventure challenge but be prepared for mystery events along the way that will have you and your team working together to the finish line! Join us on Saturday, Sept. 20, 8 a.m.-11 a.m. at Silver Springs State Park, 13608 Fox Road, Yorkville. Fee. To register or receive an application, contact 630.553.4357.

## **FITNESS FOR OUR COMMUNITY!**

## **REC Center to open in July**

Starting Tuesday, July 1, 2008 the Parks and Recreation Department will be leasing the former Club 47 building located at 202 E. Countryside Parkway.

Renamed the REC Center, the facility will operate as a fitness center but also will provide ample space for new and extended recreational programming for Yorkville residents.

REC Center members will enjoy full access to the facility. A REC Center membership pass will provide you and your family with the tools to build and maintain a healthy lifestyle!

But don't take our word for it, see for yourself everything we have to offer! Stop by during our convenient summer hours, take a tour and see how the REC Center can help you with your fitness and recreational needs!

Class schedules will be posted soon and more information will be printed in the Parks and Recreation catalog available in August.

Current Club 47 memberships will be honored now until the expiration date for each individual member. New memberships will be available for residents and non-residents in July. A variety of membership options are available including the following: Basic membership, premier membership, government/corporate membership and other membership options.

Plans are underway for remodeling and repairing. Your patience will be appreciated while under construction.

You can stop by the Recreation Office at 201 W. Hydraulic Street for more information or go to the city's Web site at [www.yorkville.il.us](http://www.yorkville.il.us) for detailed membership options and general information.

**REC Center • 202 E. Countryside Parkway  
630.553.2582**

REC Center Summer Hours beginning July 1

*(closed Friday, July 4 and Monday, Sept. 1)*

Monday-Thursday	5 a.m.-9 p.m.
Friday	5 a.m.-8 p.m.
Saturday	7 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sunday	9 a.m.-3 p.m.

# Public Works News

## From the Water Department

The United City of Yorkville utility bills (water, sewer maintenance, garbage and wastewater treatment) are sent to every residential and business unit within the city limits on the first day of the following months: January, March, May, July, September, and November. Fox Metro bills wastewater treatment for the Grande Reserve subdivision.

Water meter reads are taken at the beginning of each month and billed at the end of each month. For example, reads taken at the beginning of October will be billed on October 31 for August and September water usage.

Due to the lag time in the meter reading/billing process, if you move you will need to call for a final meter reading. Also, please note that if you do not receive your bill you can obtain your balance and due date information by calling City Hall at 630.553.4350.

### **Senior Citizen Discount Rate:**

A qualified senior citizen (age 65 or older) bimonthly refuse fee is \$1 for a single-family or duplex unit per utility billing cycle. Proof of age is required. For information, call 630.553.4350.

### **Yorkville Bristol Sanitary District Charges (YBSD):**

The United City of Yorkville bills and collects the YBSD "user charges" for wastewater treatment.

To meet stricter standards mandated by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA), and to provide service to the area, the YBSD has borrowed \$9 million from the state of Illinois' Revolving Loan Program. Loan monies pay for the expansion of the wastewater treatment plant located at 304 River Street. The YBSD also has an existing debt incurred in 1991 of \$3.5 million. The dedicated source of revenue format is a requirement of the IEPA to assure the low-interest loan is paid back over a 20-year period.

The "user charges" are as follows: \$1.10 per 100 Cu. Ft. of flow, providing that the user pay a minimum bimonthly fee of \$76.11 of which \$25.45 is dedicated to debt service for the repayment of the IEPA Act Loan. The debt service is \$25.45 and \$50.66 is for operation and maintenance. The total is \$76.11. Please note: If a customer uses 6,920 or more cubic feet of water, the fee would be calculated at \$1.10 per 100 cubic feet.

## Utility Billing Rates

The minimum utility bill for a two month period is \$145.39. For senior citizens the two month minimum utility bill is \$107.05.

### **Water Rates:**

Bimonthly minimum charge: Up to 350 Cu. Ft. \$11.94; \$2.17 per 100 Cu. Ft.\* thereafter

### **Sewer Maintenance Fee:**

Residential, commercial, industrial, and government fees are \$18/60 days per unit

### **Refuse Fee:**

The refuse fee is \$39.34/60 days per single-family or duplex unit

### **Senior Discount Refuse Fee:**

The senior discount rate is \$1/60 days per single family or duplex unit (age 65 years of age or older required)

### **Yorkville-Bristol Sanitary District (YBSD):**

Residential, commercial, industrial, and government (treatment of wastewater)-6,919 Cu. Ft.: \$76.11 minimum fee. Over 6,919 Cu. Ft.: \$1.10 per 100 Cu. Ft.\* Also, please note that 1 Cubic Foot equals 7.48 gallons.

The YBSD does not discount for pool filling or watering. The flat fee of \$76.11 is for up to 6,919 Cubic feet. Any usage over 6,919 will be billed at \$1.10 per Cu. Ft.

### **Grande Reserve Utility**

#### **Billing:**

Grande Reserve residents are billed the same charges for water, sewer, and refuse as all other Yorkville residents. The



difference is that Fox Metro is the sanitary district for Grande Reserve and does their own utility billing from reads provided to them from the meter reads that are conducted by the United City of Yorkville. The rates are as follows: \$5.25 minimum for 350 Cu. Ft. usage then \$2 per 1,000 gallons (134 Cu. Ft.). For example: 1,000 Cu. Ft. usage equals \$15.

A minimum utility bill from the United of Yorkville to seniors 65 years of age or older is \$60.28 (this does not include Fox Metro Sanitary charges).

The Fox Metro Sanitary District billing for filling pools and watering sod that services Grande Reserve is as follows:

- Fox Metro will adjust the bill if you have either filled a pool or watered new sod. This is not an automatic adjustment.

For information call Fox Metro at 630.301.6881.



## 5 Easy Ways to Pay Your Utility Bill

### 1. By Mail

You can mail your bill by the payment date to the United City of Yorkville at 800 Game Farm Road, Yorkville, IL 60560.

### 2. Walk In

You can walk into the City Hall offices between 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. before the payment date and pay your bill by cash or check at 800 Game Farm Road, Yorkville, IL.

### 3. Drop Box

An after hours drop box is available for your convenience. The box is located under the flagpole before you enter City Hall. Bills should be dropped off at your convenience before the payment date.

### 4. Direct Debit Payment

Direct debit payment is auto-deducted from your checking or savings account on the day the bill is due. Applications are available at City Hall or on the city's Web site at [www.yorkville.il.us](http://www.yorkville.il.us). Completed forms can be dropped off or mailed to City Hall: Attn: Judy Dyon, Utility Billing Clerk, UCOY, 800 Game Farm Road, Yorkville, IL 60560.

### 5. E-Pay

This internet payment program is available through the State of Illinois to Yorkville residents. Payments can be made with a variety of credit cards including Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover and E-check. A user fee of \$3.50 per transaction is added to the payment amount for the convenience of Internet service; however, this fee is not charged or collected by the city.

Additional questions or information is available by contacting 630.553.4350. You can also go to our Web site at [www.yorkville.il.us](http://www.yorkville.il.us) or e-mail to [jdyon@yorkville.il.us](mailto:jdyon@yorkville.il.us).

## Veolia Environmental Services Refuse Information

The United City of Yorkville contracts refuse service with Veolia Environmental Services. The current refuse rate is \$19.67 per month. The senior citizen discount is .50 cents per month (\$1 per billing cycle).

Under the city's refuse agreement with Veolia Environmental Services, each residence is allowed to put out one 65-gallon Veolia refuse cart (green), one 65-gallon recycling cart (blue), and one large household item on the regular pick up day only (such as a couch, chair, or mattress) to be collected weekly without a pre-paid sticker. Carts are provided by Veolia. Residents may exchange their 65-gallon refuse cart for a 95-gallon refuse cart at an additional cost of

\$5 per month billed directly to the resident by Veolia.

Additional refuse containers may not exceed 32-gallons in size or 50 pounds in weight. Carpeting is considered a bulk item, however it must be cut and rolled into 4-foot lengths. Each roll must be tied and not weigh more than 50 lbs. Up to 4 bulk rolls will be accepted as one bulk item. Construction materials, large automotive parts, tires, white goods, hazardous wastes and materials from floods, fires, and evictions will not be accepted during weekly collection.

If you are missed on your regular pick-up day, contact Veolia at 630.587.8282, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. A direct link to the city's refuse information is available via Veolia's Web site at [www.OnyxWasteServices.com](http://www.OnyxWasteServices.com).

## Veolia Environmental refuse pick-up schedule

**Monday:** Cornerstone, Greenbriar, Prairie Gardens, Sunflower Estates, and south of the river and east of Rt. 47

**Tuesday:** Country Hills, Crooked Creek, Fox Highlands, Raintree Village, Wildwood, Windett Ridge, and south of Rt. 126 and east of Rt. 47

**Wednesday:** Bristol Bay, Caledonia, Cimmeron Ridge, Countryside Center, Fox Hill, Kylyn's, River's Edge, White Oak Estates, Whispering Meadows, and west of Rt. 47 down to Elizabeth Street excluding Greenbriar

**Thursday:** Autumn Creek, Blackberry Creek, Cannonball Estates, Grande Reserve, Prairie Meadows, and east of Rt. 47 and north of Rt. 34

**Friday:** Heartland, Longford Lakes, and north of the river south of Rt. 34 and east of Rt. 47

All refuse should be placed out for collection by 6 a.m. on your designated collection day. Veolia Environmental Services have co-collect trucks that accommodate both refuse and recycling items and are not combining recycling with refuse.

A \$1 pre-paid sticker is required for each bag or 32-gallon container outside the cart. Pre-paid refuse stickers are sold at the following locations: Ace Hardware, 9620 Rt. 34; Jewel-Osco, 234 Veterans Parkway; Pride Pantry, 302 Bridge Street; and at the United City of Yorkville, City Hall, 800 Game Farm Road.

**Refuse service will be delayed one day following New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas.**



# Public Works News

## Clean up schedules

### Yard waste pick up

Yard waste in the United City of Yorkville is collected from April 1 through November 28. Stickers are not required for yard waste. In order to be collected, the waste must be put in brown kraft bags. Please note that sod will not be collected.

### Brush pick up

The United City of Yorkville provides brush pick up from April through October. Brush must be placed parallel to the curb in neat stacks no longer than six feet in length and no wider than three inches in diameter. Brush must be placed on the parkway no later than 7 a.m. Monday morning. Brush crews will not return for special pick ups once your street is completed. Brush will not be picked up again until the next scheduled date for your area. Please note the pick up schedule listed.

### Brush pick up (north of the river)

June 23-27; Aug. 25-29 and Oct. 27-31

### Brush pick up (south of the river)

July 21-25; Sept. 22-26 and Oct. 27-31

### Street Sweeping

The city's Public Works Dept. has announced tentative dates for street sweeping. Please note that the dates listed below are tentative and may vary slightly depending on weather conditions.

- June 30-July 3
- July 28-Aug. 1, Sept. 2-5
- Sept. 29-Oct. 3, Nov. 3-7

## PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEE RECEIVES MERIT AWARD

When it comes to recognition, **Joe Moore** would prefer to stay out of the limelight.

"I've always been taught to help other people," he says. It's just part of his nature.

But since he's been working as technical water operator for the United City of Yorkville for 18 years, and being in his field for over 25, there is much recognition to be given.

At the **American Water Works Conference** in Springfield, Ill., Moore received a **Quarter Century Service Award** from the **Illinois Section American Water Works Association** and the **Illinois Environmental Protection Agency** for 25 years of service.

Moore is one of only a few operators who hold both a Class A Water and a Class 1 Wastewater license from the IEPA. Class A is the highest class one can receive, out of A through D, and can be attained within two years of schooling. "It has to be renewed every three years with 35 hours of class," he explains. With it, Moore is qualified to run the water department for a system as complex as that for the City of Chicago.

A Class 1 Wastewater license takes 10 years of schooling to attain, and makes him qualified to run the largest wastewater plant in the world.

The reason Moore has gotten so far in his training started with his love for the outdoors and recycling.

"I bought my first baseball glove and bicycle recycling bottles," he says proudly. "I've always picked up after myself." As for getting involved with wastewater treatment, it's as simple as necessity.

"In the mid 1980s, the Fox River was one of the top 10 dirtiest rivers in the U.S.," he explains. When he was younger, he remembers fishing in the river and seeing



*Public Works employee Joe Moore receives a 25 year service award. Great job Joe!*

human waste in it. "Pretty disgusting," he admits.

But thanks to the passage of the Clean Air and Water Acts and active community members like Moore, that has long since changed.

It was a combination of his love of the outdoors and passion for picking up that he joined the cause for cleaner water. "It was a good field to get into because it's got to be done," he says. "Every city needs it."

"Once, when I worked for another city, I caught several companies dumping their waste into the sewers," he recalls. He received recognition for his efforts then, and kept right on working. He moved on to work with the United City of Yorkville not long after. And Moore notes a lot of reasons he's been with Yorkville for so long.

"It was nice to start from the ground up," he says. But with all the recent expansion going on, he's finding his experience more in need now than ever.

When he started, it wasn't always easy. "Twenty years ago, it was one of the most dangerous jobs to be in," says Moore. Now safety inspections are required yearly, and he always passes with scores in the upper 90s, which definitely hasn't hurt his career.

"I've worked under some very good mentors," he adds. "Plus here—this to me isn't work. I enjoy it."



# Public Works

## City's water compliant with IEPA standards.

The United City of Yorkville is now radium compliant and has been for the past year. As mandated by the IEPA, we are required to print the information listed below.

Our **Public Works Department** routinely monitors for the presence of drinking water contaminant. Quarterly samples taken over the past year show that our system is compliant for gross alpha combined radium. The standards for gross alpha is 15 pico curies per liter (pCiL) and 5 pico curies of combined radium. The average level of gross alpha was 33 pCiL, and combined radium in the past years was 19 pCiL per liter.

**Q. What should I do?** You do not need to use an alternative (e.g. bottled water) supply. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

**Q. What happened? What is being done?** The United City of Yorkville has designed and constructed Ion Exchange facilities, which will remove the radium below the 5 pico curies per liter level. All three treatment plants are currently online.

Please share this information with other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail. The United City of Yorkville Public Water System ID #0930250 is sending notice to you.

For more information, contact Joe Moore at 630.553.4370 or write to the United City of Yorkville, 800 Game Farm Road, Yorkville, IL, 60560.

*-June, 2008*



## City's water conservation ordinance in effect

Help us conserve our natural resources. Our **Water Conservation** ordinance is effective from May 1 through Sept. 30.

The filling of pools and watering of landscape is allowed between the hours of 5 a.m. and 9 a.m. and/or 9 p.m. and midnight as follows:

- All properties with even-numbered street addresses may water only on even-numbered calendar dates during permitted hours of water usage.
- All properties with odd-numbered street address may use water only on odd-numbered calendar dates during permitted hours of water usage.

There is no restriction on the watering of flowers, shrubs, trees and gardens using a handheld hose or watering device. Also permitted, is a handheld watering device when filling pools containing 50 gallons of water or less, the automatic watering of trees and shrubs by means of an automatic root-feed or drip-irrigation system and vehicle and equipment washing.

A sod watering permit is required for any resident watering between May 1 and June 30 and September 1 and September 30. Permits may be obtained at City Hall, 800 Game Farm Road between the hours of 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call Public Works at 630.553.4370 for more information.

## From our Department of Building Safety

Before you begin your summer project, you may need a permit from the city. Obtaining the appropriate permits is important for many reasons. Work completed under the permit and inspection process can provide reasonable assurance that the work has been performed safely and accurately.

### Why get a permit?

- City building codes require that permits be obtained for a variety of projects from building and constructing sheds and decks and much more.
- Permits protect you, your family, home, business and financial investment.
- Permitted work requires inspection approval from a certified building, plumbing or electrical inspector.
- Inspections ensure that work is done safely and meets the minimum code requirements. Incorrect installations can result in home fires and/or structural problems.
- Minor problems that could lead to costly repairs can be detected during permit inspections and brought to your attention before the situation escalates.

For additional information on permits and inspections, please call the city's **Department of Building Safety** at 630.553.8545. You can also check the city's Web site for permit requirements at [www.yorkville.il.us/depts\\_bldgSftyZn.cfm](http://www.yorkville.il.us/depts_bldgSftyZn.cfm).

# Community Services



## **NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS AREA AGENCY ON AGING**

For those of you who are not familiar with the Northeastern Illinois Area on Aging (NIAA), this non-profit agency chartered in 1974, plans and coordinates services for individuals 60 years of age or older in Kendall, DuPage, Will, Kane, Kankakee McHenry and Lake counties. Listed below is a few of their many programs. For more information about the NIAAA, call 800-528-2000 or visit [www.ageguide.org](http://www.ageguide.org).

—Rose Spears

### **PROGRAMS:**

#### **Holiday Meals on Wheels**

Do you expect to eat seven days a week? Many Kendall County elders and frail individuals cannot.

The **Holiday Meals on Wheels** Program is a publicly funded program that limits the delivery of meals to one hot meal per day, Monday through Friday. Nutritious meals are not provided to individuals in this program on weekends and holidays. Many elders must choose between food, medicine and other necessities. The goal of this program is to provide nutritionally at risk individuals with the most basic of human needs—**One Nutritious Meal a Day, Every Day!** This program is completely funded by special events, donations, and community support and is not supported through federal or state funds. The money raised by donations covers the cost of only meals. No administrative costs are involved.

The 2007 Holiday and Weekend Meals program was record breaking. A total of 24,532 meals were delivered to seniors in eight counties, unfortunately this met only 23 percent of the need. With your help the elderly, housebound, and frail can get the nutrition they need.

## **Community Organizations, Services and Events**

Provided by Rose Spears, Alderwoman/Ward 4 • 630.553.8371 • [rspears@yorkville.il.us](mailto:rspears@yorkville.il.us)

### **KENDALL COUNTY SENIOR PROVIDERS**

FOR INFORMATION: PATTY STRAHAN, SENIOR

PROVIDERS 630.553.5777

#### **Senior Companion Program (Volunteers Needed!)**

Can you make room in your life for someone new? This program builds friendships and connects eligible seniors with carefully screened volunteers to provide needed support through many life transitions. Call **Patty Strahan** if you need additional information on volunteer qualifications or are interested in participating in the **Senior Companion Program**.

#### **Comprehensive Care Coordinator Services**

**Comprehensive Care Coordinators** assess the need for care and development of an overall plan of care and follow-up to assure that you or your loved one is receiving the services needed including in-home services, energy assistance, obtaining home delivered nutritious meals, outreach to the home bound, legal services and much more. For more information on this program contact Senior Providers at the number listed above.

#### **Nursing Home Ombudsman Services**

This program is designed to assist residents of long term care facilities and their families by developing family councils, advocating for residents' rights under state and federal laws, investigate complaints and provide consultation. The **Illinois Department on Aging** strives to protect and promote the rights and quality of life for those who reside in long term care facilities.

#### **Prairie State Legal Services, Inc**

This organization offers legal services to individuals 60 or older who have serious civil legal problems and need assistance to solve them. These services may include: government income benefits, health related benefits, future decision-making, housing rights, and personal rights. Call 630.553.5777.

#### **Free Pet Services for Kendall County Seniors (Volunteers Needed!)**

This pilot program is working to provide pet assistance to seniors by offering free pet supplies for dogs, cats, fish and birds. Supplies may include food, toys, cages, etc. (based on availability of supplier products). This pilot program will first be offered to Meals-on-Wheels participants with expanding services to additional Kendall County seniors. To put your name on the wait list contact Alderwoman Rose Spears at 630.553.8371 or [rspears@yorkville.il.us](mailto:rspears@yorkville.il.us).

#### **Emergency Response System Special Needs Assistance Response Team**

Kendall County has created an emergency evacuation plan to pre-identify individuals with special needs in the community who are not able to evacuate themselves or who would need a place of shelter. Special need individuals are those who have a physical, sensory disability or medical care need. Registrants whose resources and family or neighbor support network are determined to be inadequate for self-evacuation are eligible.

Local agencies will maintain lists of special needs individuals to identify those who may be at risk during an emergency situation. Each agency will also maintain a contact list identifying primary and secondary phone numbers and e-mail addresses of the registrants. When the plan is activated during a disaster, the agency will receive a phone call to advise them of the situation and a message asking them to report any client on their list who reside in or adjacent to the impact or Hot Zone. A special reverse "911 Message" will be sent to each agency's contact person advising them of the situation and action to take.

The agency will then phone the registrant that the **Special Needs Assistance Response Team** is aware of their location and take them to a designated place of shelter. Call 630.553.9100 to receive the Special Needs Assistance Response Team Agency contact form.

**The Kendall County Food Pantry is seeking donations of non perishable items. Drop off your items Mondays 8-9:30 a.m. or Thursdays 8:30-9:30 a.m., 111 E. Van Emmon.**



# Community Services & YPD News

## NEW! State Legislation passed

Effective June 1, 2008 Medicare beneficiaries under the age of 65 are guaranteed access to Medicare supplemental policies such as Medigap, and limiting maximum rates charged to them already on the plan's rate schedule filed with the Division of Insurance.

HB4449 merges **Illinois Cares Rx Program** two tiers: Basic and Plus, into one level for seniors and younger individuals with disabilities, into a single set of income limits. People under age 65 with disabilities would no longer be limited to the Basic program, with its coverage of drugs for only 11 diseases. Singling out drugs for some diseases for coverage under Illinois Cares, while leaving others with coverage, is not a sound policy.

## EVENTS

### NEW! Caregiver Seminar

Join other caregivers for a free informational seminar beginning at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 3 at Drury Lane Oak Brook Terrace, 100 Drury Lane. Informational brochures and refreshments will be available. 630.553.8371.

### NEW! 13th Annual Senior Lifestyle Expo

The largest and most comprehensive **Senior Expo** in the entire Chicago land area! Mark your calendar for Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 3-4 from 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at Drury Lane Oak Brook Terrace. Entertainment, over 100 products and services exhibited and numerous seminars on aging,

health and wellness and your financial well being. Proceeds support the Holiday Meals on Wheels Program. Admission is \$3 (coupons for \$1 off are available by visiting the expo's Web site at [www.SeniorLifestyleExpo.org](http://www.SeniorLifestyleExpo.org)).

### Kendall County Travel Clinic

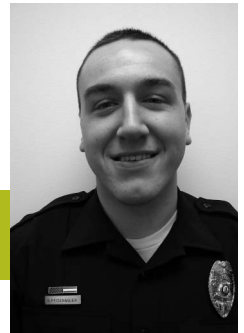
The **Kendall County Travel Clinic** established in December 2005 provides pre-travel counseling and appropriate immunizations for any destination. Counseling and preventive measures are based on the recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and the World Health Organization. Travel Clinic services can also be brought to any community location of your choice. Convenient times are available for groups such as missionaries or student travelers. To make an appointment contact 630.553.9100.

### Help Stop Elder Abuse

If you are aware of an elderly individual experiencing abuse and/or neglect, please call the **Illinois Department on Aging Elder Abuse Hotline** Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. at 1.800.252.8966 or 1.800.279.0400 (after hours, weekends and holidays).

### Additional Community Resources

For information on the **Kendall County Congregate Meal Program** call 630.553.2316. For assistance on Veterans benefits contact **Ed Dixon, Kendall County superintendent** at 630.553.8354 or [edixon@cokendall.il.us](mailto:edixon@cokendall.il.us).



*Recent graduate, Behr Pfizenmaier, is the city's newest police officer.*

## Police Cadet Program fosters loyalty

The United City of Yorkville Police Department's (YPD) **Cadet Program** brings new officers to the city for training; but also builds up a loyalty that can grow for years.

Students studying law enforcement at **Waubensee Community College** have the opportunity to apply for the Cadet Program, giving them ample experience in the field they're entering – and of the Yorkville Police Department.

"A cadet that gets a police job with our department is so far ahead of the game than the normal hire, because they know the town, the procedures and the people," said Officer **Jon Helland**. The program was organized in 2005.

"With the city growing the way it is, we were looking for a way to start a 'Minor League,' so to speak, within our department," he said. The YPD were looking to train students in becoming officers, but also to help the city by putting more

personnel on the street to assist citizens at a fiscally responsible rate.

This month is an exciting one for the YPD, as the first cadet employed through the program, **Behr Pfizenmaier**, was recently sworn in as Yorkville's newest Police Officer.

"Behr Pfizenmaier is a great example of how this program works and benefits the United City of Yorkville," said Officer Helland.

According to the Yorkville Police Department, they employ two cadets at a time, who generally stay for two years. Currently, Cadets **Jordan Kurtz** and **Heather Schleuning** are learning the ropes of the YPD. "I definitely think that it is one of the best things someone could get themselves involved in at our age, knowing that they want to become a police officer someday," Cadet Schleuning said.

"I absolutely love my job because it's as close as I can possibly get to real police work at this time. The program teaches you basic, simple things about policing, but gives you a great insight on what it's going to be like as a real officer."

For those cadets who get into the program, this is a great opportunity to get ahead. But it's also great for the YPD; They get assistance in areas where they need it most, especially service-oriented ones.

One of the most important benefits for both parties of this program, however, is the bond that builds between the city and the cadets.

"I would love nothing more than to become a police officer for the City of Yorkville someday," said Schleuning.

# Community Development

## Group Schedule Comprehensive Plan Open House

The **Citizens Advisory Committee** has been working hard and held their final meeting at the end of May. This meeting brought to a close a seven month long advisory committee process in which the committee has discussed issues including natural resources, infrastructure, community facilities, residential land use, and non-residential land use. This process and discussion has led to the completion of a draft Comprehensive Plan document which will be on display at the upcoming Open House. The Plan Commission and Citizens Advisory Committee invite you to attend, review, and comment on the work they have done. The Comprehensive Plan Open House will be Thursday, June 19 from 4:00 – 8:00 pm at the Yorkville Public Library,

902 Game Farm Road. If you have any questions feel free to contact **Stephanie Boettcher**, at 630.553.8549 or [sboettcher@yorkville.il.us](mailto:sboettcher@yorkville.il.us). Also, thanks goes to the members of the Citizens Advisory Committee for all their hard work!!



*The Citizens Advisory Committee works hard as Community Development Director Travis Miller leads a recent discussion.*



## Engineering—Road Construction Projects & Updates

### McHUGH ROAD PROJECT The **McHugh**

**Road Improvements Project** consists of repaving of the roadway, curb and sidewalk repairs and related work on McHugh Road between Walnut and Spring Streets. During construction, the area will be open to local traffic only, with occasional re-routing as necessary. The estimated start date is late June and is expected to be completed in one month (weather permitting).

### SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

The city's annual **Sidewalk Replacement Program** is available to residents who wish to share the costs of removing and replacing damaged sidewalks in front of their residences. The City will reimburse homeowners 60 percent of an approved project and residents are responsible for paying 40 percent of the cost of the project. This program is a great way for everyone to participate in preserving Yorkville's beauty!

### 2008 JOINT & CRACK FILLING PROJECT

The **2008 Joint and Crack Filling Project** consists of routing and filling construction joints and random cracks in roadways, extending the life of the pavement. The following city streets are

scheduled for preventive maintenance this year: Fox Hill Unit 7 (Timber Glen), Countryside Parkway (Route 47 to Center Pkwy); Longford Lakes (including Marketplace Drive); Prairie Gardens; Fox Industrial Park; and Raintree Village Unit 1.

The process involves cutting grooves into the roadway; therefore some dust and noise will be generated. The streets will be swept as necessary after the sealing work is done, to remove the grindings from the routing process. Traffic may be temporarily detoured around work crews. This project is in preparation for the 2008 Asphalt Surface Treatment project, which will immediately follow. During construction, the areas above will be open to local traffic only. On-street parking will be prohibited during the project, and it is requested that garage sales or other events which may result in a large number of cars parked on the road are avoided during this time period as well. The anticipated start date is late July/early August.

### ASPHALT SURFACE TREATMENTS PROJECT

The **2008 Asphalt Surface Treatments Project** consists of the application of rejuvenating and preservative agents to bituminous pavements. The product

has been used successfully in Yorkville and extends pavement life by as much as 50 percent. It is environmentally safe, restores properties of asphalt, and increases the ability of the pavement to repel water and maintain flexibility. The following city streets are scheduled for preventive maintenance this year: Fox Hill Unit 7 (Timber Glen), Countryside Parkway (Route 47 to Center Pkwy); Longford Lakes (including Marketplace Drive); Prairie Gardens; Fox Industrial Park; and Raintree Village Unit 1.

The process involves an application of sealing treatment, followed by a layer(s) of sand or limestone screenings; the sealing treatment takes approximately one month to work its way into the pavement. Please note as with the other project we ask that you check with the City prior to scheduling your event so that potential conflicts can be avoided. Residents are encouraged to call the **Engineering Department** for additional information at 630.553.8545. The anticipated start date is late July/early August.

**For information on any of the projects listed, contact Jennifer Fischer at 630.553.8527.**



# Passed Ordinances

Listed below are those ordinances passed in the United City of Yorkville March - June, 2008. Access to the United City of Yorkville Code Book is available online at [www.yorkville.il.us](http://www.yorkville.il.us) via a link to Sterling Codifiers.

**2008-19** Ordinance Amending City Code Regarding Parking Restrictions on Rosenwinkel Street

**2008-20** Ordinance Approving an Amendment to Downtown Yorkville Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Redevelopment Project Area Which Removes Certain Parcels from the Project Area

**2008-21** Ordinance Authorizing the Execution of a Modification to the Planned Unit Development (PUD) and Annexation Agreement of Donald J. Hamman and Carol S. Hamman, Ordinance 2000-34

**2008-22** Ordinance Amending City Code Regarding Temporary Liquor Permits

**2008-23** Ordinance Rezoning Certain Property in Furtherance of an Annexation Agreement (Kalant Property)

**2008-24** Ordinance Amending City Code Designating Financial Institutions & Drive Through

Facilities as a Special Use

**2008-25** Ordinance Amending Sections 3-3-6 of Chapter 3 (Liquor Control) of Title 3 (Business and License Regulations) of the City Code Regarding Increasing the Number of A-1 Retail Tavern/Bar Licenses

**2008-26** Ordinance Amending Sections 3-3-4-5 of Chapter 3 (Liquor Control) of Title 3 (Business and License Regulations) of the City Code Regarding Increasing the Number of Beer Garden/Patio Licenses

**2008-27** Amended and Restated Governing Ordinance

**2008-28** Ordinance Amending City Code Regarding Plan Commission Appointments

**2008-29** Ordinance Authorizing the Acquisition of 202 E. Countryside Parkway (Club 47)

**2008-30** Ordinance Approving the fiscal 2008/2008 budget.

## Idling resolution passes to encourage city-wide effort

The United City of Yorkville is making great strides towards becoming a green city.

Recently, **Alderman Robyn Sutcliff** proposed a policy that would reduce the waste of fuels when employees use city vehicles. In April, the City Council set her policy limiting vehicle idling into action.

This self-enforcing policy will help offset increasing gas prices as well as focus on environmental initiatives eliminating unnecessary idling of City vehicles and equipment, while reducing pollution and fuel costs.

But Alderman Sutcliff hopes that the city's efforts against idling will also encourage residents to do the same, and become aware of their own ability to be environmentally conscious.

"I want the City of Yorkville to be a leader in this area," said Alderman Sutcliff. "When we (the city) stop wasting gas and money by idling, then residents may think twice before idling their vehicles. It is the intention of the City to lead by example," she states. When an engine idles, it gets zero miles per gallon. This costs the city thousands of dollars a year. The idling policy will help eliminate this excess cost.

Under this policy, gas vehicles and equipment will not be warmed up in mild or hot weather, and only warmed up until the engine shifts to low idle in cold weather. Gas vehicles unattended for more than one minute will be turned off. Diesel vehicles unattended for more than 15 minutes will also be turned off.

There are a few exceptions to the rule, however.

- Emergency and diesel vehicles that would be idling for less than 15 minutes are exempt.
- Vehicles that need the engine for ancillary or temperature-sensitive equipment, and vehicles that must be kept at an appropriate temperature for the safety of animals are also exempt.

Currently, the employee manual only states that "[e]ngines are to be warmed up in the winter before driving the vehicle." There are no other formal policies or procedures that address vehicle idling.

But the City of Yorkville isn't the only organization that can benefit from turning off the engine when their vehicles aren't moving.

"I think it would be great if people starting turning off their cars when waiting at the drive-thru, waiting for kids at school or a lot of other instances," says Sutcliff. "If they think about it, there are a lot of times when people are needlessly idling. If you are waiting more that 10 seconds, it is more cost effective to turn off the vehicle and turn it back on."



## City Hall Contacts

### City Hall

630.553.4350

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Administration

Clerk's Office

### Building Safety

630.553.8545

### Community Development

630.553.8532

### Community Relations

630.553.8564

### Finance

630.553.8534

### Engineering

630.553.8545

### Parks & Recreation

630.553.4357

### Police Department

630.553.4340

### Public Works

630.553.4370

### Yorkville Public Library

630.553.4354

### OFFICE HOURS:

#### City Hall:

Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

#### Parks and Recreation:

Mon., Thurs., Fri.,

8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Tues., 8 a.m. - 11 a.m.

1 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Wed., 8 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Sat., 9 a.m. - Noon

#### Police Department:

Mon. - Fri., 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

#### Yorkville Public Library:

Mon. - Thurs., 9 a.m. - 8:30

p.m.; Fri., 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.;

Sat., 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Sun., 1

p.m. - 4 p.m.

City Hall Offices will be closed on **Friday, July 4**-In observance of Independence Day; **Monday, Sept. 1**-In observance of Labor Day.



## The United City of Yorkville

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Jackie Milschewski

#### Ward 1

Wally Werderich  
(open)

#### Ward II

Gary Golinski  
Arden Joseph Plocher

#### Ward III

Marty Munns  
Robyn Sutcliff

#### Ward IV

Rose Spears  
Joe Besco

#### City Treasurer

William Powell

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](http://www.yorkville.il.us).

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*Stand Up and Be Counted!*

## City to conduct Special Census

We're conducting a special census and **YOU** can help! Census workers will soon be making their rounds in the United City of Yorkville during day, evening and weekend hours. You can help us gather demographic information by being available to answer questions such as name, household relationship, sex, date of birth, age, and ethnic origin. Data collected aids our community in getting our share of federal dollars.

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