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*Yorkville's Mayor  
Valerie Burd*

## Yorkville's Mayor explains recent amusement tax benefits, decision

As you may have read in the newspaper, heard on the radio, or watched

or listened on the City website, the City Council has been discussing budgets and utility bills with a focus on long-term problems and solutions.

Many of you have contacted me and my office regarding my article in the previous City newsletter concerning the water rate increase and the water

infrastructure improvement and maintenance fee, and the recent decision to maintain the amusement tax. Neither of these decisions was made lightly.

The amusement tax was passed by the City Council to help make the proposed sports complex viable. This tax was supported by the potential developer as a way to pay them back for front funding City infrastructure—in this case a large regional stormwater detention basin. This tax was created as a way to help lure businesses into our community not

as a deterrent. While the potential developer has since withdrawn from the City, there is still interest in the site—and the amusement tax would benefit a new developer. Also, the amusements currently offered by Yorkville businesses are used by people from other communities. When those people come to Yorkville, they will be paying the amusement tax and decreasing your tax burden. I do not feel the 3 percent of \$0.30 tax on a \$10 ticket will deter people from other  
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## Jail of the Dead haunted house nets profits for restoration project

*Ghosts, goblins, witches, and zombies came out to haunt the residents of Yorkville for two straight weekends in a row and collected \$5,973 in profits for the restoration of the city-owned facility.*

Mayor Valerie Burd would like to thank the following volunteers who made the Jail of the Dead haunted house such a great success: Tam and Mike O'Connell, Robyn Sutcliff, Mariann and Howard Manthei, Paige O'Connell, Paul Burd, Chuck and Casey Sutcliff, Gary Schirmer, Bob Allen, Thomas Milschewski, Cai O'Connell, Calen Currie, Nick Shilnex, Casey and Sam Fellerer, Melissa Ybarra, Natali Padin, Alyssa Pendzinski, Julie Wolancevich, Chloe Sheridan, Julianna Stroup, Eric Mandel, Chris Allen, Liz Smith, Leslie Erb, Kristin Glibertson, Nick Notson, Connor Wilkinson, Tyler Wilkinson, Madison Wilkinson, Jordan Sallsbury, Mikey Mallnowski, Brittani Seloover, Keriann Tucek, Kyle Stout, Jake Teeling, Carly Teeling, Billy Hendricks, Maddie Hames, Jake Klingel, Erik Jendrzeczyk, Neil Ellington, Bryan Peterson, Katie Silagyi, Sigrid Piszczek, Tracy Krukowski, Amber Milliron, Brittany Burrell, Liz Knop, Erin Bocardo, Alma Ramos, Malia Dunn-Reier, Kelly Brzosha, Kelly Bishop, Joe Johnson and Matthew Smith. Thank you!



## GET INVOLVED TODAY!

### Individuals needed for new Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program

The **United City of Yorkville** and the **Kendall County Food Pantry** are partnering to create a free **Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)** program in Yorkville to serve low-income individuals and families during the tax season.

Interested volunteers can attend an **Orientation Session** on Thursday, Dec. 2, 6 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers at 800 Game Farm Rd.

Volunteers ages 18 and over are needed. No experience necessary. Training will be provided by IRS professionals.

For more information call 630.553.8564.

### Artists wanted for City Hall exhibits

The **Art in City Hall Program** is seeking artists to exhibit



their work for free in the City Hall Council Chambers at 800 Game Farm Rd.

All artists are welcome to download an application form from the city's website at [www.yorkville.il.us](http://www.yorkville.il.us) with a list of their work, primary medium, and exhibit time frame. Photography, oils, charcoals, watercolors and a variety of mediums are welcome. For information call 630.553.8564.

### CITY WELCOMES NEW FINANCE DIRECTOR

**Rob Fredrickson**, of Downers Grove, became the City's new finance director on Sept. 28.

His career for the last six years has focused on municipal finance for the cities of Rolling Meadows, Des Plaines, and Sandwich.

"Having worked in several municipal offices of varying sizes, I feel that I am well versed in the day-to-day operations of a city's finance department," Frederickson said.

As senior accountant for the city of Rolling Meadows, Frederickson was responsible for financial reporting, quarterly revenue estimates, general ledger maintenance,

and also served as the point person for the annual audit. He also was instrumental in developing and implementing the city's annual \$25 million operating budget and five-year capital plan.

According to Yorkville's **City Administrator Bart Olson**, Fredrickson's experience and skills in municipal accounting and finance will be invaluable.

"Rob is coming to the City at a time when financial issues have been at the forefront of discussions among the City Council and residents," said Olson.

Fredrickson foresees the city of Yorkville being able to move forward, once the overall economic conditions improve. "From everything that I have looked at and

know about Yorkville, I feel that the City will once again be poised for growth once the aggregate economy picks up," Fredrickson said.

A few of his goals include enhancing the transparency of financial reporting and strengthening the city's fund balance.

Fredrickson said he is looking forward working with the City's elected officials and staff to accomplish both short and long term goals of the City.

His educational background includes a master's degree in Business Administration with a concentration in Finance from **Roosevelt University** in Chicago and a bachelor's degree in Finance from **Northern Illinois University**.

### CITY COMPLETES TREE SURVEY WITH GRANT FUNDING

In September 2009, the City of Yorkville began surveying trees found in public right-of-ways and on city-owned properties. This project was made possible through the **Full Circle Grant Program** through the **Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)** and was done to create an inventory of all City owned trees. Having this inventory on file allows the City to know where trees are located, the species, size, and condition at the time of the survey. This will increase species diversity by allowing planners to add variety based on the existing number of species within the City. Problematic species such as Ash Trees (as a result of the Emerald Ash Borer) can be singled out and monitored to prevent widespread infestation.

With the grant money, the City hired interns to complete the survey using GPS technology to accurately map out the locations of the trees and other attributes

including: species, trunk diameter, tree condition, and date of the survey.

The survey was completed in late October 2009. As a result, over 10,000 trees were GPS located and that number will continue to grow as new homes are added and parks are built.

In addition, an online GIS App will be made available to the public later this year. This will allow property owners in the City to view information regarding the trees that are in the right-of-way adjacent to their property.

By using the App, people looking to add trees on their property will be able to increase diversity by knowing what species of tree was planted in the parkway. Check out the following link for this soon to be released App and other maps on the City's website at [www.yorkville.il.us/maps.php](http://www.yorkville.il.us/maps.php).



# \*\*\*Seasons of Happenings\*\*\*



## January...

### Winter Open House, Friday, Jan. 14...from 5-8 p.m.

(Members only 5-6 p.m.; open to the public 6-8 p.m.) at the REC Center, 202 E. Countryside Pkwy. Join Yorkville's Parks and Recreation on Friday night for evening of fun and indoor recreation including open swim, basketball, crafts and more. And on Saturday, Jan. 15 mark your calendar for two free hours of wellness and fitness demonstrations during **Fitness Demo Day**. Raffles, giveaways, membership promotion and more! Free! 630.553.2582.

## February...

### Community Volunteer Appreciation Day...

The United City of Yorkville appreciates the many volunteers and civic groups who do so much to make our community a great place to live. Every year a special day is set aside by **Mayor Valerie Burd** to honor and recognize all volunteers in the City. **Community Volunteer Appreciation Day** is a celebration of you! This year we are honoring all of our 2010 volunteers on Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. in the Yorkville Public Library meeting room, 902 Game Farm Road. Presentations to the Volunteers of the Year, speeches, music, light refreshments, and a great time. All are welcome! Free! Sponsored by the City's **Human Resources Commission**.

## February...

### 2 Ball Competition, Friday, Feb. 18...

from 5-7 p.m. at the REC Center, 202 E. Countryside Pkwy. Day of registration from 4:15-5 p.m. Form your very own two-person basketball team and have a great time competing against other teams. Fun for ages K-8. Registration and competition times vary. Call Yorkville Parks and Recreation for more information at 630.553.4357.

## April...

### Tax Dodge 5K run/walk and 10K run Sunday, April 17...

Registration 7-8:15 a.m.; Race at 8:30 a.m. at the REC Center, 202 E. Countryside Pkwy. Exhibitors, chair massages, blood pressure checks and more. This is a great race to start your running season! Fees: 5K, pre-registration \$25; day of race \$30. 10K run, pre-registration \$30; day of race \$35. For information: 630.553.4357.

## June...

### More on Rt. 34-Friday and Saturday, June 17 and 18...

Bargains galore on Rt. 34. Location and times to be determined. Save your treasures and sell them at Yorkville's largest garage sale. For information 630.553.8564.

**National Night Out...** Tuesday, Aug. 2, 6-8 p.m. Town Square, Rt. 47. Games, demos, music and fun. Hosted by the Yorkville Police Department.

## 'GO GREEN' ENVIRONMENTAL FAIR

SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 2011, 11 A.M.-4 P.M.

AT THE REC CENTER, 202 E. COUNTRYSIDE PARKWAY, YORKVILLE

This year's theme...HOW TO FOR THE HOMEOWNER

Over 40 eco-friendly exhibitors and vendors • Seminars

Demonstrations • Family activities • Kids' crafts • FREE!

Vendor information is available by calling 630.553.8564.



## Upcoming...

### Music Under the Stars...

Second and fourth Friday evenings in June (excluding June 24), July and August from 7-9 p.m. in Town Square, Rt. 47. Free!

### River Night, Friday, June 24...

from 5:30-10 p.m. at Riverfront Bicentennial Park, 131 E. Hydraulic. Great music and fun sponsored by the **Yorkville Area Chamber of Commerce**.

**Movie Night...** on the third Friday evening in June, July and August at Beecher Community Park. Movies start at dusk. Bring your lawn chair, blankets, and family and friends for movie night on our 30-foot inflatable screen. Free!

**Farmers' Market...** on Saturday mornings 8 a.m. to noon, beginning in June in Town Square, Rt. 47. Farm grown veggies, baked goods, coffee and more. Free!



## Hometown Days...

It's bigger and better than ever. Labor Day weekend, Thursday, Sept. 1 through Sunday, Sept. 4!!



# FROM OUR ALDERMAN

From the desk of...Rose Spears, Ward 4 Alderperson  
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Washington recently introduced a newly enhanced call center, the **Eldercare Locator**. This free, public service call center will serve as a nationwide link to information and services for older adults and caregivers. Information on this new program is provided below.

The **Eldercare Locator** is a service of the **U.S. Administration on Aging**. Older adults and caregivers looking for information about aging services in their community may call the toll-free number 800-677-1116 and speak with an Information Specialist. The Specialist is available from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday and will help connect callers to a local agency in their specific area for information and assistance. Additional information will also be available for callers who have questions about long-term care alternatives, transportation options, caregiver issues, and government benefits eligibility. Information is available in Spanish and other languages.

The Eldercare Locator service also serves boomers and older adults. On [www.eldercare.gov](http://www.eldercare.gov) consumers can chat online with an Information Specialist and access an extensive database of links, publications and other resources for older adults and caregivers.

The Eldercare Locator is administered by the **National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (n4a)**. Individuals contacting the Eldercare Locator often inquire about aging resources, financial assistance, transportation, housing options, in-home services and a variety of other aging-related topics. For additional information the web address is [www.eldercare.gov](http://www.eldercare.gov).

The National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (n4a) is the leading voice on aging issues for Area Agencies on Aging across the country. The primary mission of n4a is to build the capacity of its members to help older persons and persons with disabilities live with dignity and choices in their homes and communities for as long as possible. For additional information on this agency go to [www.n4a.org](http://www.n4a.org).

The **Administration on Aging (AoA) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services**, works with a nationwide network of organizations and service providers to develop a comprehensive and cost-effective system of health and long-term care that helps elderly individuals maintain their independence and dignity in their homes and communities. For more information about AOA and their services go to [www.aoa.gov](http://www.aoa.gov).

## LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

### Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act

The **Legislative Committee**

reported that 21 states are challenging various provisions of the **Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act**. The most frequent target is the law's requirement that virtually everyone obtain health insurance.

On Aug. 2, the federal district court in Richmond, VA refused to dismiss Virginia's suit. **Judge Henry Hudson** ruled that the court had jurisdiction over the case, which had raised "a host of complex constitutional issues. All of the lawsuits seem to distill to the single question of whether or not Congress has the power to regulate and tax a citizen's decision not to participate in interstate commerce."

### Pay for Delay

As part of a catch-all supplemental appropriations bill, the **U.S. House** has approved a measure that would limit the ability of pharmaceutical companies to engage in "pay for delay" tactics. In this maneuver a brand-name drug manufacturer pays the current or potential manufacturer of a corresponding generic drug to keep the generic version off the market. This most commonly occurs before a patent has expired, when there is some doubt on both sides whether the patent is valid or whether a generic version would otherwise infringe on it.

To avoid both a costly legal challenge and a potential generic competitor, the brand-name drug company pays the generic manufacturer enough to stay out of the market. The House bill provides that such agreements are presumed to be illegal, but allows the two parties in the agreement to overcome that presumption in court. The House approved the appropriations bill to which the pay-for-delay restriction was an amendment by a vote of 239-182.

The bill now returns to the **Senate**, which will consider it as amended by the House, including the pay-for-delay provisions. Senate approval remains uncertain. Several senators expressed concern that the restrictions on anti-competitive agreements would also prevent measures that benefit consumers.



## ELECTED OFFICIALS:

### MAYOR

Valerie Burd

### CITY CLERK

Jackie Milschewski

### WARD 1

Wally Werderich

George Gilson, Jr.

### WARD II

Gary Golinski

Arden Joseph Plocher

### WARD III

Marty Munns

Robyn Sutcliff

### WARD IV

Rose Spears

Diane Teeling

### CITY TREASURER

William Powell

For more information go to the City's website at [www.yorkville.il.us](http://www.yorkville.il.us).

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



*from the desk of Community Development Director Krysti Barksdale Noble.*

As the new Community Development Director for the United City of Yorkville, the past six months has been anything but business as usual. Although the pace of construction and development has drastically stalled due to the recession, activities in the department have not slowed down a bit. Below are two major projects we are presently working on that will prepare us for renewed development within Yorkville in the near future.

## CITY COMMENCES BUILDING CODE UPDATE

The **United City of Yorkville's Building Code Update Committee (BCUC)** is currently reviewing the existing Building Code and recommending amendments that are keeping with the latest industry standards. Since the City is now operating under the

2000 International Code Council (ICC) standards, the BCUC proposes to adopt most of the 2009 ICC series of codes to ensure the most effective construction standards are used in Yorkville.

The BCUC consists of 11 members appointed by the Mayor representing various disciplines associated with the

building industry, such as design, construction and finance. There are also representatives from the **Bristol Kendall Fire District, Yorkville Area Chamber of Commerce and Yorkville Economic Development Corporation.**

It is anticipated that the BCUC will conclude their review in early 2011 and then forward their recommended amendments to the 2009 ICC series of codes for adoption to the **City Council.** The City Council will conduct a public hearing where the proposed updated code will be presented for citizen comments. Until then, the BCUC continues to meet the third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Conference Room. You can review past meeting minutes and packet materials by going to the city's website at [www.yorkville.il.us](http://www.yorkville.il.us).

## CITY RECONVENES ZONING COMMISSION

After a brief hiatus at the end of 2009, the **United City of Yorkville's Zoning Commission** reconvened its monthly meeting schedule this past May to continue its work on comprehensively revising the **Zoning Ordinance.** The appointed members of the Zoning Commission began its assessment of the City's zoning ordinance in early 2008. An initial assessment report of the current zoning ordinance was prepared in March 2009 and subsequent meetings of the Zoning Commission were focused on addressing the identified deficiencies of the code with proposed revisions. At the conclusion of this process, a final written assessment report will be submitted to the City Council along with a recommendation for adoption of a new zoning ordinance. A public hearing will be conducted prior to finalizing a recommendation to the City Council.

Zoning Commission meeting agendas, minutes and packet materials are available on the City's website.

For more information about either the **Building Code Update Committee** or the **Zoning Commission** and the codes/ordinances proposed for adoption, please contact **Krysti Barksdale-Noble, Community Development Director** at 630.553.8573 or [knoble@yorkville.il.us](mailto:knoble@yorkville.il.us).

## ZONING COMMISSION MEETINGS...

are held on the fourth Thursday evening of the month, 7 p.m.,  
201 W. Hydraulic. All are welcome! Call 630.553.8573 for information.

APPLAUSE!

On Saturday, July 31 despite the weather, we had a great turnout of volunteers for the **Community Playground Build at Bristol Bay Park A.** The new circus-theme park has an age 2-5 performance stage, swings, ages 5-12 playstructure, hoops play and jump through, and a shade structure to picnic 'under the big top.' Volunteers worked throughout the day to construct the equipment and plant landscaping. We couldn't have done it without them! A park party with food and fun was held on Sept. 29 for everyone to get out and enjoy the park and hear a few words from **Mayor Valerie Burd.** Ward 4 **Aldermen Rose Spears** and **Diane Teeling** were also in attendance. A great time was had by all.



# LIVING GREEN IN YORKVILLE



Yorkville resident **Brody Kelly** is all smiles wearing his fire helmet on a recent sunny afternoon while recycling at Riemenschneider Park. A new recycling receptacle was installed in the firefighter's theme park in early September. When asked his opinion, Brody said, "I like to recycle." Thank you Brody for keeping our parks clean and green!

## Yorkville receives grant for recycling cans in city parks

In late September the City's **Parks Department** installed large 32-gallon recycling containers in 20 of Yorkville's city parks.

The project was made possible through a grant from the **Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity**.

The City received \$5,897 to expand recycling collection in Yorkville's parks to capture additional recyclable commodities. The City will be responsible for \$787.79,

with the cost of the project totaling \$6,684.79.

The recycling cans are constructed from post-consumer recycled plastic lumber with each pound of lumber containing eight to 10 recycled milk jugs.

The cans will be placed adjacent to the trash cans and will be clearly labeled for recycling of paper, plastics, and metals in the following parks: **Purcell, Fox Hill East and Fox Hill West, Hiding Spot, Emily Sleezer, Van Emmon, Price, Riverfront Bicentennial, Kiwanis, Rice, Sunflower Cannonball Ridge, Gilbert, Rotary, Heartland Circle, Cobb, Stepping Stones, Raintree Village A, Green's Filling Station and Riemenschneider.**

As part of the grant requirement, the City is required to collect the recyclables and report on the tonnage of material diverted from the waste

stream. Previously, without designated recycling cans, the trash collected from the city's parks ended up in landfills. A large amount of paper, metals, and especially plastics from water bottles and sports drinks can now be separated from the waste stream and recycled.

Don't forget to recycle, reduce, and reuse daily in our parks, schools, and homes.



## ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SAVING OUR PLANET??

All are welcome to join the city's **Green Committee** on the fourth Monday evening of the month at 7 p.m. in the Yorkville Public Library, 902 Game Farm Road. Yorkville's Green Committee is committed to recycling, reducing and reusing our natural resources. Learn how you can become a valuable member of the Green Committee by calling 630.553.4350.



## DID YOU KNOW??

A total of 323 cars dropped off electronics, athletic equipment, clothing, eye glasses, medications, cell phones, DVD players, and more during the third annual **Share and Care Recycling** event on Saturday, Oct. 16. Thank you!

## CLEAN AIR does COUNT!

The United City of Yorkville has been awarded **Gold Level** designation as a **Clean Air Community** by the **Metropolitan Mayors Caucus** and **Clean Air Counts**, a regional Illinois initiative that is working to reduce ozone-causing emissions, thereby improving our overall air quality.

The City received the designation for promoting the usage of low-VOC cleaning products and energy efficient products to businesses.

Clean Air Counts aims to reduce smog-forming emissions by five tons per day. Many daily activities, from driving your car to cleaning your home, release these emissions. By making a few small changes in habits and consumption, you can join thousands of households and businesses in helping to improve our air with just a few simple steps listed below:

- Use energy-efficient CFL bulbs
- Purchase no- or low-VOC cleaning products, paints
- Drive less, use public transit, and walk or bike whenever possible
- Mow your lawn and fill your gas tank in the evening or cooler part of summer.

**For information go to**  
**[www.cleanaircounts.org](http://www.cleanaircounts.org)**



# LIVING GREEN IN YORKVILLE



## 'GO GREEN' Environmental Fair

Saturday, March 5, 2011, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

REC Center, 202 E. Countryside Pkwy.

- This year's theme-How To for the Homeowner
- Over 40 eco-friendly exhibitors and vendors
- Children and family activities
- Art Contest
- Fun for the entire family!
- Contact 630.553.4350 • Free!

## STORMWATER MANAGEMENT ARE YOU IN?

The **Blackberry Creek Watershed** is located in southwest **Kane** and northwest **Kendall** counties. It originates north of Elburn and extends south to Yorkville. The watershed includes 73 square miles of land that water flows over and through on its way to the Fox River (see map). The watershed community includes all the natural resources located within this area as well as the people who live, work and play there.

The fate of the water resources within the watershed lies with the people and businesses in the community. The Blackberry Creek Watershed is developing rapidly as Kane and Kendall counties are still two of the fastest growing counties in Illinois.

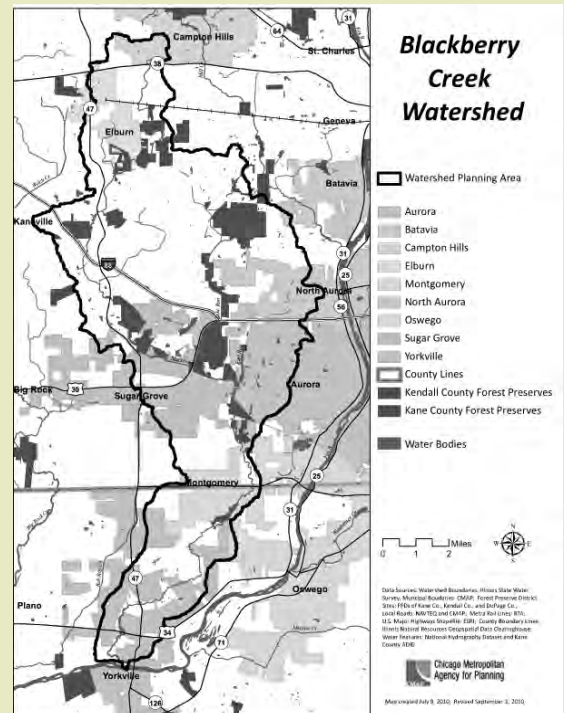
Two of the planning partners are **The Conservation Foundation** and the **Fox River Ecosystem Partnership** – both non-for-profits created to provide technical assistance and to preserve our natural resources.

The abundance of recreational opportunities and high quality natural resources associated with the Fox River and its tributaries is the reason for the population growth. However, those same resources are being lost or impaired by land-use change and development that is inconsistent with sustainable land and water resources stewardship.

Evidence from other watersheds around the region has shown that as a watershed urbanizes, a number of changes in hydrology occur including an increase in the magnitude and frequency of flooding. Following a major flood event in July 1996, a committee was formed to develop a watershed management plan for land use and stormwater **Best Management Practices (BMPs)**.

The **City of Yorkville** has developed a **Stormwater Management Program Plan** to protect water quality, improve recreational opportunities, reduce flood damage, and provide a safer, healthier environment for citizens and wildlife alike. The City works together with new developments on-site design and land use to reduce impervious areas and integrate “green infrastructure” such as naturalized basins into their plans. At City Hall and the REC Center, rainwater gardens have been planted to retain and infiltrate stormwater runoff from the roofs.

There are many ways you can improve the watershed at home. Besides rain gardens, other practices such as green roofs and rain barrels also improve water quality as they detain and cleanse stormwater. Large paved areas can be replaced with porous paving materials that allow for the infiltration



of rainwater into the sub-soils for slow release into the stormwater system. Each person doing their part to protect and improve natural resources will help to alleviate the effects of intensive land use change as the City of Yorkville continues to grow.

The first stakeholder meeting to kick off the **Blackberry Creek Watershed** planning process was held on Sept. 21. Additional information and upcoming meeting dates are available at the following web addresses:

[www.foxriverecosystem.org/planning](http://www.foxriverecosystem.org/planning)  
and [www.theconservationfoundation.org](http://www.theconservationfoundation.org)

Caring for a watershed is the responsibility of the entire community. Are you in?

# YORKVILLE PUBLIC WORKS

## Reduce, reuse, recycle

### ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

Yorkville's **Public Works** facility now accepts recycled electronics through **Com2 Computers and Technologies LLC** free of charge. Under the agreement, Yorkville residents can dispose of electronic products and materials by dropping off items in the plastic box at the city's Public Works facility during the hours of 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday located at 610 Tower Lane.

Items accepted at no additional charge to residents include the following: Calculators, cell phones, portable music players, CD and tape players, radios, boom boxes, speakers, computer laptops, computer notebooks, desktop

computers, computer monitors (CRT and LCD), printers, copiers, VCRs, DVD players, televisions, telephones, microwaves, and other standard household electronic devices. Please call the Public Works facility if you are unsure if an item you want to recycle will be accepted.

Additional information about the Illinois **E-waste Recycling** program can be found on the EPA website at [www.epa.state.il.us](http://www.epa.state.il.us).

Residents can call the City's Public Works dept. for more information at this program at 630.553.4370.

### MEDICATION RECYCLING/ DISPOSAL

The **Yorkville Police Department** currently accepts unwanted, expired, and unused medications between the hours of 8 a.m.

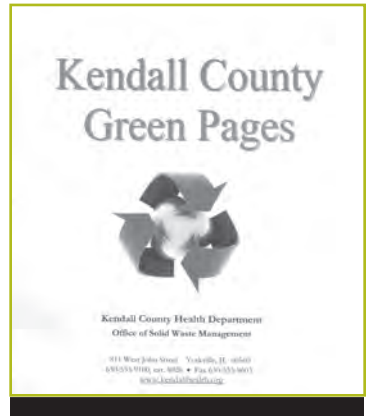
and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For information and a list of required guidelines call the Police Department at 630.553.4340.

### INKJET CARTRIDGES AND OLD CELL PHONE RECYCLING

The **Yorkville Public Library**, 902 Game Farm Road now accepts inkjet cartridges and cell phones at their new Recycling kiosk located on the first floor next to the open shelves near the elevator. The Recycling Center is a cooperative effort with the **Forest Foundation of Kendall County** and will benefit the **Kendall County Forest Preserve District**.



**SEASONAL REMINDER...** Veolia Environmental collects and recycles Christmas trees free of charge the first two weeks in January. Trees will be picked up on resident's regular pick up day only. Any trees left on the curb after the two-week time period expires will require a garbage sticker.



### FOURTH EDITION OF KENDALL COUNTY GREEN PAGES NOW AVAILABLE

The **Kendall County "Green Pages"** is a comprehensive list of national, state, and local solid waste disposal and recycling resources. The 16-page booklet covers how and where to dispose of household hazardous waste, local waste haulers, used paint disposal tips, disposal of unused and expired medications, a summary of battery disposal and recycling methods and more!

To request your copy call 630.553.8026 or download a copy on the city's website at <http://www.yorkville.il.us/greenlinks.php>.

## 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 Tuesday evenings of the month, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.

**Fire and Police Commission**-Please check the city's website for the 2011 schedule. Meetings are held 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. Please check the City's website at [www.yorkville.il.us](http://www.yorkville.il.us) for the 2011 schedule.  
**Green Committee**-Meetings are held on the fourth Monday evening of each month at 7 p.m., Yorkville Public Library.  
**Senior Ad Hoc Committee**-Meetings are held on the fourth Monday morning of each month at 8:30 a.m. in the Beecher Community Center, 908 Game Farm Rd.

FOR UP-TO-DATE MEETING INFORMATION  
AND CANCELLATIONS VISIT THE CITY'S WEBSITE AT  
[WWW.YORKVILLE.IL.US](http://WWW.YORKVILLE.IL.US).



# WATER, REFUSE INFORMATION

## SEASONAL REMINDERS...

### Snow Removal and Parking Ordinances

Parking on City streets is prohibited after a snowfall accumulation of two inches or more and 24 hours after a snowfall has ended except for emergency vehicles. **ALSO...** When shoveling snow, please remember that it is unlawful to deposit snow onto City streets when removing snow from driveways and sidewalks. Violations of this ordinance may result in a \$50 fine.

**AND...** When shoveling snow this winter, please remember to keep sidewalks, and fire hydrants clear of snow and ice this winter for pedestrians, our meter readers, and firefighters. THANK YOU!



### 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 is 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.

## CURRENT WATER, REFUSE AND UTILITY RATES

### REFUSE FEE:

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

### Senior Discount Refuse Fee:

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

### WATER RATES:

Bi-monthly Minimum User Charge up to 350 Cu. Ft. is \$12.54; additional use over 350 Cu. Ft. is \$2.28 per 100 Cu. Ft.

### WATER INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS AND MAINTENANCE FEE:

The water infrastructure fee in the United City of Yorkville is \$8.25/30 days; \$16.50/60 days

### SEWER MAINTENANCE FEE

The United City of Yorkville residential, commercial, industrial and government fee is \$18/60 days per unit.

### YORKVILLE-BRISTOL SANITARY DISTRICT (YBSD)

Residential, commercial, industrial, and government fees for the treatment of waste water is as follows:

0-6919 Cu. Ft. - \$76.11 minimum fee  
Over 6919 Cu. Ft. - \$1.10 per 100 Cu. Ft.

The minimum utility bill for a two-month period is \$164.89. The minimum utility bill for a two-month period for Grand Reserve residents is \$88.78. The minimum utility bill for a two-month period for senior citizens is \$124.15.

### FOX METRO RATES/GRANDE RESERVE

The Fox Metro rates for Grande Reserve residential, commercial, industrial, and government are as follows:

\$5.25 minimum for 350 Cu. Ft. usage  
\$2 per 1,000 gallons (134 Cu. Ft.)

1,000 Cu. Ft. usage=\$15  
1 Cubic Foot=7.48 gallons

**Please note:** The Fox Metro Sanitary District bills directly for their services.

## VEOLIA ENVIRONMENTAL REFUSE AND RECYCLING INFORMATION

### VEOLIA ENVIRONMENTAL REFUSE COLLECTION SCHEDULE

The refuse collection for your area is listed below.

**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, Kynyn'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.

### 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 website at [www.veoliaes-sw.com](http://www.veoliaes-sw.com).

### VEOLIA HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Veolia Environmental Services observes the following holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Refuse service is delayed one day following the holidays listed above.

### VEOLIA RECYCLING

Each home is provided with one, navy blue 65-gallon cart for recycling. Additional recycling carts are available for rental for \$5 per month by contacting Veolia. All recycling should be placed out for collection by 6 a.m. on the designated collection day.

## HAVE A QUESTION??? JUST CALL !!

Call Veolia Environmental Services at 630.587.8282 with any questions regarding recycling, white good pick up, yard waste collection, and more or [www.veoliaes-sw.com](http://www.veoliaes-sw.com).

# PUBLIC SAFETY



*Yorkville's Lt. Don Schwartzkopf, spent 10 weeks this summer at the FBI National Academy Program. The rigorous training program included advanced fitness training, management courses, and extensive investigative skills. Congratulations Lt. Schwartzkopf!*

## Yorkville's Lt. Schwartzkopf graduates from FBI Academy

On Saturday, Sept. 17, **Lt. Don Schwartzkopf**, of the Yorkville Police Department, was one of 272 graduating officers from the **FBI National Academy Program** in Quantico, Virginia.

The 242nd session of the National Academy was comprised of men and women from 49 states. Included in the class were law enforcement professionals from 26 countries, five military organizations, and four federal civilian organizations.

Lt. Schwartzkopf was both thrilled and honored. "It was one of the coolest things that I have ever done," said Don. "Attending the Academy was

like going to college. We had homework and papers to complete every day but every minute was worth it."

Known world-wide for its academic excellence, the National Academy Program offers attendees 10 weeks of advanced investigative work, management, and fitness training. All attendees are a selected pool of candidates with proven records as professionals within their respective fields. On average, selected officers have 19 years of law enforcement experience and typically return to their agencies to serve in executive-level positions.

Training for the program is provided by FBI Academy

instructional staff, special agents, and other staff members holding advanced degrees, many of whom are recognized internationally in their field of expertise.

Since 1972, National Academy students have been able to earn undergraduate and graduate credits from the University of Virginia's accreditation program.

A total of 44,015 graduates now represent the FBI National Academy since it began in July 1935. Approximately 26,503 of those graduates are still active in the field of law enforcement.

## TRIAD PROGRAM TEACHES SENIORS HOW TO AVOID INTRUDERS AND SCAMS

"If you have any suspicions at all, call the police," was a recurring friendly warning from **Rick Niksic, director of education and outreach for Law Elderlaw**, of Aurora, and emcee at the **'Who's Really Knocking on Your Door'** fashion show.

Service personnel from a variety of organizations and companies showed off their uniforms to more than 40 seniors at Yorkville's Hampton Inn on Thursday, Oct. 20.

The two-hour fun but educational program informed seniors of how to avoid unwanted intruders and scams.

"Never open the door unless you know who it is," Niksic said to the roomful of seniors.

Niksic also told the seniors that when they feel something is not right the first thing to do is call the police. "We don't

want you to be embarrassed," he told them.

By the end of the seminar those in attendance felt more comfortable with calling the police and the proper procedures for dialing 9-1-1.

"Regardless of whether it is an emergency or not, we prefer that you dial 9-1-1," said Yorkville police Sergeant Barry Groesch.

Those organizations strutting their uniforms and identification included the **United City of Yorkville Police Department**, the City's **Public Works Department**, both **Plano and Oswego police**, the **Kendall County Sheriff's Department**, **Nicor**, **ComEd**, **Comcast**, and **UPS**.

A very special thank you to hosts **Kendall County Triad**, **Senior Services Associates, Inc.**, and **Hampton Inn**.



*Yorkville seniors listen attentively to Rick Niksic, director of education and outreach for Law Elderlaw, as he explains proper 911 procedures during "Who's Really Knocking on Your Door."*



*Yorkville's PD displays and explains proper uniform usage and their official identification.*

# PARKS AND RECREATION

## Parker's Playtime Preschool Program

### CITY PRESCHOOL PROGRAM TO ACCEPT NEW REGISTRATIONS

**Parker's Playtime Preschool** program will be taking new student registrations for the 2011-2012 school year starting Monday, Jan. 10, 2011. Under the direction of the Yorkville **Parks and Recreation Department**, the program is designed for children between the ages of 3-5. The program focuses on



the overall developmental needs of children and provides a stimulating environment through hands-on experience to improve creativity, develop a positive self-image, foster language, and sharpen fine and gross motor skills. In our program your child will discover play and sharing while developing emotionally, socially, physically and intellectually.

The preschool operates two convenient locations for busy parents—one on the North side of the Fox River and the other facility located on the south side of town.

Class times, fees, and locations vary. Additional information is available by calling 630.553.4357.



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communities from visiting Yorkville. The City's budget outlook next year will be improved by this tax.

The City Council, in the coming months, will begin to discuss next year's budget. With costs for the Rt. 47 and Game Farm Road expansions, and the River Road bridge rehabilitation on the horizon, the City will need to find a way to fund these projects and maintain an adequate service level. Unfortunately, these challenges are not helped by the sewer budget obligations over the next few years.

The sewer fund is an enterprise fund, like the water fund. It is supposed to be completely self-sufficient, based on revenue coming in from tap-on fees paid for by new residents, and from our sewer bill payments. Cuts were made in the department that operates sewer services, and we will look at more cuts next year, but it isn't possible to cut enough to eliminate the deficit to make bond payments.

The City administrator has estimated that if there are 1,200 sewer tap-on fees coming into the City the next fiscal year, we could make our bond payments. That will not happen. Consequently, the City Council will be discussing all options during the 2011/2012 budget discussions. Over that time period, many things can change. As Mayor, I remain committed to improving the budget outlook between now and then.

—Mayor Valerie Burd

## PASSED ORDINANCES

*Listed below are ordinances passed by the United City of Yorkville City Council from July 13 to Oct. 26, 2010. To read any ordinance in its entirety you can access the **United City of Yorkville Code Book** on the city's website at [www.yorkville.il.us](http://www.yorkville.il.us) via a link to Sterling Codifiers.*

**7 /13/2010**

**2010-035**-Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances Providing for Deputy Police Chiefs

**2010-036**-Ordinance Amending and Restating the Governing Ordinance

**2010-037**-Ordinance Amending the Zoning Code of Ordinances

**2010-038**-Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances Regulating On-Street Parking

**7 /27/2010**

**2010-039**-Ordinance Approving an Amendment to the Annexation Agreement Dated April 26, 2005, Pertaining to the Bristol Bay Subdivision (Standard Redevelopment, Inc.)

**2010-040**-Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances Providing for Liquor Control regarding Microbrewery/Brew Pubs

**8 /10/2010**

**2010-041**-Ordinance Approving a Variance in Height for a Telecommunications Tower for U.S. Cellular

**2010-042**-Ordinance Approving a Special Use Permit Application for a Telecommunications Tower for U.S. Cellular

**8 /24/2010**

**2010-043**-Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances by the Addition of Weight Limits on Certain Highways

**10/12/2010**

**2010-044**-Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances Adding a Prohibition of Service to Debtors of the City

**2010-045**-Ordinance Amending Code of Ordinances Establishing the Yorkville Cultural Commission

**2010-046**-Ordinance Amending Code of Ordinances Providing for Liquor Control regarding Hotel/Motel

**10/26/2010**

**2010-047**-Ordinance Vacating Jefferson Street and a Portion of Ridge Street



**GET INVOLVED TODAY!****Individuals needed for new Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program**

The **United City of Yorkville** and the **Kendall County Food Pantry** are partnering to create a free **Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)** program in Yorkville to serve low-income individuals and families during the tax season. Volunteers ages 18 and over are needed. No experience necessary. Training will be provided by IRS professionals.

If you would like to find out how you can get involved, a **Volunteer Orientation Session** will be held on **Thursday, Dec. 2, 6 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 800 Game Farm Rd.**

For additional information call 630.553.8564.

**on Safari****New Year's Party**

Wednesday, Jan. 5, 10 a.m.-noon  
\$5 for members; \$6 nonmembers.  
We will be on Safari as we ring in the New Year with **Johnny Gray!** Wear your animal print attire, your khaki, olive, tans and browns to increase your chances of good game viewing! Remember your pith helmets and your boots and make this your New Year's party destination! Feast on roasted game (pot roast), mashed potatoes and gravy, carrots, and assorted decadent desserts. Reservations are required. To RSVP call 630.553.5777.

**Love is in the Air  
Valentine's Day Party**

Friday, Feb. 11, 10 a.m.-noon  
\$5 for members; \$6 nonmembers  
We will be celebrating love with a concert by **Kym Frankovelgia**. Wear your heart on your sleeve, or your red, pink and mauve attire and join us as we sit back, relax and enjoy the sultry sounds of Kym Frankovelgia. Enjoy chicken cordon blue, rice pilaf, carrots, and assorted decadent desserts. Reservations are required. To RSVP call 630.553.5777.

**Senior Lunch Bunch**

Once a month sample a different area restaurant for lunch. The cost is \$3 to board the bus and the cost of the meal is on you. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us. We're sure you'll have a great time! Space is limited to the first 12 people. If you have questions or to RSVP please call Senior Services at 630-553-5777.

• *Cocoa Bean - Geneva, Thurs., Jan. 6 10:30, depart 10 a.m.*

• *East China Inn - North Aurora, Thurs., Feb. 3, depart 11:15 a.m.*

**Free Movie Matinee**

Wednesday, Feb. 23, 1 p.m.  
Beecher Center/perkins Room  
Free popcorn and drinks!



Join Senior Services for a free matinee showing of *Mamma Mia*. This movie is

brought to you in partnership with **Community Nutrition Network (CNN)** and the **Yorkville Parks and Recreation Department**.

**UNITED CITY OF YORKVILLE**

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

**HOURS OF OPERATION:****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

• Fall hours:

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.

**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: CHRISTMAS-DECEMBER 23 AND 24, NEW YEAR'S-DECEMBER 31, MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY-JANUARY 17, AND PRESIDENT'S DAY-FEBRUARY 21.**