

YORKVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWSLETTER

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Meet Our Employee

This month's featured employee is our newest hire Officer Christopher Hayes.

Officer Hayes



Officer Hayes started his career at Plano Police Department. His basic law enforcement training was through University of Illinois Police Training Institute (PTI) in 2005.

There are several different aspects of law enforcement that Officer Hayes would like to explore before retirement. The Special Response Team (SRT) and Cooperative Police Assistance Team (CPAT) are two of the first he would like to get involved in.

Officer Hayes has several hobbies that work into a sports theme including Softball where he plays 2nd base and football. He also really enjoys spending time with his family.

Prior to starting with the Yorkville Police Department, Officer Hayes participated in a tag football tournament called "Battle of the Badges". This tournament included teams from local respective fire and police agencies. He played center and his team came in 2nd place. Officer Hayes looks forward to assembling a Yorkville Police Department team for next year.

Please help us welcome Officer Hayes to the Yorkville Police Department.

Yorkville Academy

In the past, the High School housed all of the students from ninth grade through twelfth grade. This year we will open the Yorkville Academy, in the building which was formally the Middle School. It will house all of the ninth grade students in our district. The Yorkville Academy is a school that provides for the transitional growth of all students socially, emotionally, and academically. This move has happened because of the overcrowding issues we have had at the High School. By moving the ninth grade across the street, this will ease the crowding in the hallways and cafeteria. With overcrowding comes stress with the students and staff. When the students get stressed and they are bumping into other students in the hallways, confrontations will follow. When you take some of these stressors away, student behavior increases as well as grades and test scores. This environment is beneficial to all of the students from nine through twelve.

As the School Resource Officer at the High School for the past six years, I will continue to perform my duties at the High School as well as the Academy. Although my primary focus will be on the High School, I will also spend time at the Academy. My duties include counseling students, providing guidance, information gathering, teaching classes on alcohol and traffic safety, and I also provide basic security for the campus. I am looking forward to the new facility and starting the new SRO position at the Academy.

Crime Prevention Alert E-mail Registration

The Yorkville Police Department has implemented an e-mail alert program that distributes Crime Prevention information to the community via e-mail. Crime Prevention Alerts are the newest piece to the crime prevention program and is just another example of how technology is providing the Department with new opportunities to improve service to the community. These e-mail alerts are used when a pattern of criminal activity impacts the area or has occurred in Yorkville.

The Yorkville Police Department encourages residents who would be interested in receiving Crime Prevention Alerts and other special notices to register their e-mail address with us at www.yorkville.il.us. When you reach the site, click on E-mail Alerts and register your e-mail address.



The e-mail address you provide will be used for official communications and will not be released to any individual or entity outside the United City of Yorkville. If you have any questions about this program, please contact the Yorkville Police Department at 630-553-4340.

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Citizens Police Academy XIV

The Yorkville Police Department would like to congratulate our thirteenth basic Citizens Police Academy for completing the thirteen-session training in the spring of 2008.

The participants have had dialog with numerous county officials including the States Attorney Eric Weis, Deputy Coroner Jacquie Marcellis, Special Response Team Commander Rich Hart, and Kencom Dispatcher Don Race just to name a few. They also received training from our Canine Officers Dan Pleckham and Jeff Johnson, Kendall County Corrections, Sgt. Rouso, and Gang Intel Officer Andy Jeleniewski.

The training also allows three field trips that include the Kendall County Corrections, Ken Com Dispatch Center, and the Kendall County Coroners Office.

This program benefits all parties involved, it helps the student comprehend the judicial process and it keeps the presenter attuned to the public's perception.

Our class allows you to meet and understand what each respective representative's job is and gives you the opportunity to build a rapport with that person.

If you want to take your knowledge a little further, after graduation there is an opportunity to join the Citizen Police Academy Alumni. The alumni meet monthly and help the police department in all areas of policing.

Fill out your application now and look for our next class to begin in fall of 2008.

Get Your Credit Report

Order a copy of your credit report from the three nationwide consumer reporting companies every year to check on their accuracy and whether they include only those debts and loans you've incurred. This could be very important if you're considering a major purchase, such as a house or a car.

An Amendment to the federal Fair Credit Reporting Act requires each of the major nationwide consumer reporting companies to provide you with a free copy of your credit reports, at your request, once every 12 months.

To order your free annual report from one or the entire nationwide consumer reporting companies, visit www.annualcreditreport.com, call toll-free 1-877-322-8228, or complete the Annual Credit Report Request Form and mail it to: Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.P. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA 30348-5281. Do not contact the three nationwide consumer reporting companies individually. They provide free annual credit reports only through the web site given.

For more information, see *Your Access to Free Credit Reports* at ftc.gov/credit.

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) has provided this information through their flier [FTC Facts for Consumers](#). To file a complaint or to get free information on consumer issues, visit ftc.gov or call toll free 1-877-FTC-HELP (1-877-382-4357).

Yorkville Water Rules

Water may be used for landscaping watering or the filling of swimming pools only as follows:

- All properties with even-numbered street numbers may use water only on even-numbered calendar dates during permitted hours of water usage.
- All properties with odd-numbered street numbers may use water only on odd-numbered calendar dates during permitted hours of water usage.
- Hours permitted are 5:00 am to 9:00 am and/or 9:00 pm to midnight.

Please use your water wisely.



Cooling Centers

We have cooling centers in Yorkville if the heat is getting too much for you. Anyone can visit the Beecher Community Center at 908 Game Farm Road 8:00AM – 4:00 PM or the Kendall County Health Department at 811 W. John Street from 8:00AM - 9:00PM (MTW) and 8:00AM-4:30PM (TF).

On the Web

City Ordinances & Information:

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Illinois Laws:

www.legis.state.il.us