

# YORKVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWSLETTER

June 2008

### Meet Our Employees

One of our newest officers is a transfer from another department. We would like to welcome Officer John Hunter.

Officer Hunter



Officer Hunter attended Northern Illinois University and graduated in 1998 with a Bachelor's Degree in Finance and Economics. His original goal was to work investigating financial crimes before being offered a job with Castle Bank. After eight years of the banking industry he decided to get back to his original goal of law enforcement.

Officer Hunter was hired by the Montgomery Police Department and completed his Police Training Institute (PTI) certification at the University of Illinois. Officer Hunter worked at Montgomery for 15 months before coming to Yorkville. Officer Hunter would like to advance his law enforcement certification to include gang and drug investigations.

Officer Hunter is an avid Cubs fan and enjoys running. We are proud to have Officer Hunter on our team.

### Parking Regulations

Ordinance No. 2008-32 adds no parking areas to various streets. The following

streets now have designated "no parking" zones:

- Cannonball Trail east and west side roughly in front of Blackberry Woods Subdivision.
- Center Parkway east and west sides between Route 34 and Countryside Parkway.
- Countryside Parkway north and south sides between Route 47 and Center Parkway. Also the north side on Center Parkway and West Kendall Drive. Also on the north and south sides between Route 47 and Route 34.
- Fairfax Way on the north and south side between Route 47 and Richmond Avenue.
- Fox Road/W. Fox Street on the north and south side from Morgan Street to the west city limits.
- Kennedy Road on the south side between the eastern edges of Prairie Meadows subdivision to Route 47.
- Marketview Drive on the east and west sides from Kennedy Road to Countryside Parkway.
- McHugh Road on the east and west side from Route 34 to Prairie Pointe Drive.
- Prairie Crossing north side between Route 126 to the eastern lot line of 891 Prairie Crossing Drive.

For more information regarding the parking regulations call Sgt. Groesch at 630-553-8511 or check our web site.



### 2008 National Night Out

The United City of Yorkville is now a nationally recognized Playful City and will be implementing their criteria towards our 2008 National Night Out festivities. National Night Out is a time to get to know your police officers and other emergency personnel. It is the time to get to know your neighbors and to work together to solve area crime.

The Yorkville Citizens Police Academy Alumni and Yorkville Parks and Recreational Department will continue to be very important partners with this project.



We will be conducting four National Night Out activities at four different parks. The city parks have been identified as Rice Park (Rivers Edge), Rotary Park (Grand Reserve), Cannonball Ridge Park (Kylan's Ridge), and the base park will be Town Square Park.

There will be activities at each park as we have done in the past. These activities will include games and prizes for the kids along with some other park equipment to play on. The Kendall Bristol Fire Department will be visiting each respective National Night Out location. For further information regarding the 2008 National Night Out, watch your local newspapers.

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### Economic Stimulus Check Scam

The Federal Bureau of Investigation warns consumers of recently reported spam e-mail purportedly from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) which is actually an attempt to steal consumer information. The e-mail advises the recipient that direct deposit is the fastest and easiest way to receive their economic stimulus tax rebate. The message contains a hyperlink to a fraudulent form which requests the recipient's personally identifiable information, including bank account information. To convince consumers to reply, the e-mail warns that a failure to complete the form in a timely manner will delay the issuance of the rebate check. One example of this IRS spam e-mail message is as follows:

*"Over 130 million Americans will receive refunds as part of President Bush's program to jumpstart the economy. Our records indicate that you are qualified to receive the 2008 Economic Stimulus Refund. The fastest and easiest way to receive your refund is by direct deposit to your checking/savings account. Please follow the link and fill out the form and submit before May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2008 to ensure that your refund will be processed as soon as possible. Submitting your form on May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2008 or later means that your refund will be delayed due to the volume of requests we anticipate for the Economic*

*Stimulus Refund. To access Economic Stimulus refund, please click here."*

"Various forms of online fraud continue to proliferate on the internet and people should take the appropriate precautions to protect themselves," said Special Agent Richard J. Kolko, FBI National Press Office.



Please be cautious of unsolicited e-mails from unknown senders because they often contain viruses or other malicious software. It is also recommended to avoid clicking links in e-mails received from unknown senders as this is a popular method of directing victims to phishing websites.

If you have received an e-mail similar to this, please notify the IC3 by filing a complaint at [www.ic3.gov](http://www.ic3.gov). More information on scams is also available on [www.fbi.gov](http://www.fbi.gov) and [www.lookstoogoodtobetrue.com](http://www.lookstoogoodtobetrue.com).

### N/W Speaker Available

Yorkville Detective Stacey Mott has received advanced training on Internet scams and would be willing to talk to your Neighborhood Watch group. Detective Mott can be contacted at 630-553-4340.

### Yorkville Safety Fair

A Yorkville Safety Fair is in the works. Yorkville Old Second Banks and the Yorkville Police Department will conduct a Yorkville Safety Fair that will include free shredding of confidential documents (please limit 4 boxes per person), provided by Midwest Documents Destruction of Yorkville, children's automobile safety seat checks, easy medication disposal drop off and several other helpful programs.

This event will happen on Saturday, July 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. It is to be held in the parking lot of the Countryside Old Second Bank located at 26 West Countryside Parkway.

Check the local papers for further information for this very beneficial program for the community.

For further information contact Mary Dalton at 630-385-6695 or Sgt. Barry Groesch at 630-553-8511.



### On the Web

City Ordinances & Information:  
[www.yorkville.il.us](http://www.yorkville.il.us)

Illinois Laws:  
[www.legis.state.il.us](http://www.legis.state.il.us)

Secretary of State:  
[www.cyberdriveillinois.com](http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com)