

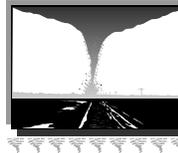
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# Elmhurst

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## Tornado Season: Be Prepared



Prime tornado season in Illinois is generally March through May, with 63% of tornadoes occurring during this time, although tornadoes can and do occur at any time of the year. A tornado is a violently rotating column of air extending from a thunderstorm to the ground. The damage from a tornado is a result of high winds (250 miles per hour or greater in severe tornadoes) and wind-blown debris. Although tornadoes normally touch down only briefly, they can be extremely costly in terms of personal injury and property damage. Tornadoes tend to occur during afternoon and evening hours with 50% occurring between 3:00 and 7:00 p.m.

The best way to protect yourself and others is to be informed and plan ahead.

- Learn and teach family members about the danger signs. An approaching cloud of debris can mark the location of a tornado even if a funnel is not visible. Before a tornado hits, the wind may die down and the air may become very still. Tornadoes generally occur near the trailing edge of a thunderstorm. It is not uncommon to see clear, sunlit skies behind a tornado.
- Designate a tornado shelter area in the home and hold family tornado drills. The safest place during a tornado is the lowest level of the building. If there is no basement the next best option is a windowless, interior room, such as a bathroom or hallway. If outdoors or in a car, take shelter immediately. If shelter is not available, lie down on the ground in a ditch or low-lying area.
- Discuss the difference between a “tornado watch” and a “tornado warning.” A tornado watch means that tornadoes are possible in the area. A tornado warning is issued when a tornado has been sighted or indicated by weather radar.
- Develop an emergency communication plan. Ask an out-of-state relative or friend to serve as the family contact and make sure everyone in the family knows the name, address and phone number of the contact person.

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## Election Day April 5th

There is still time for new voters and new residents to register to vote in the upcoming city elections on Tuesday, April 5th. Registration closes on March 8th, 28 days prior to Election Day. To register you must be a U.S. citizen at least 18 years old on or before the next election. You must live in your election precinct at least 30 days before the next election.

On the ballot for the City of Elmhurst will be the positions of Mayor, City Clerk, City Treasurer, one aldermanic seat from each of the city’s seven wards (four-year terms), and an additional aldermanic seat (two-year term) in the first ward. Also on the ballot for the Elmhurst Park District Board will be one four-year term position and two six-year term positions on the Board of Commissioners, and for the Elmhurst Community Unit School District 205 Board of Education, three four-year positions.

Don’t Forget to Vote.

## Ninth Annual St. Patrick’s Day Parade

Brush up on your Irish brogue, don your best green duds and join the fun on Saturday, March 19th for the ninth annual Elmhurst St. Patrick’s Day Parade. This year’s parade will feature Irish dancers, marching bands, bagpipes, clowns and animated characters to delight spectators of all ages. Step off will be at noon from the corner of Wilson Street and Spring Road. This popular parade, now the third largest in the Chicagoland area, has grown annually and now attracts thousands of spectators from well beyond Elmhurst’s boundaries. For more information or to view photos from past parades, visit the St. Patrick’s Day Parade website at [www.elmhurststpatparade.com](http://www.elmhurststpatparade.com).



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The City of Elmhurst has six radio-controlled outdoor severe weather warning sirens designed to provide the earliest possible warning. The sirens are strategically located throughout the community to provide maximum coverage. The sirens are sounded if the National Weather Service issues a tornado warning for DuPage County and if the storm poses a threat to Elmhurst, or if an actual tornado or funnel cloud is sighted in Elmhurst or traveling in this direction. The City also conducts monthly tests of the six outdoor warning sirens on the first Tuesday of every month between 10-10:30 a.m., weather permitting.

If there is a real emergency, take shelter and monitor the situation by listening to radio, television or NOAA Weather Radio updates. Do not call the Fire Department or Police Department for information. If these departments are inundated with non-emergency calls during an actual tornado, they will be severely limited in their ability to respond to potentially life-threatening situations. Use the telephone only for emergency calls.

The first week in March is Tornado Preparedness Week. Remember – the best way to protect yourself and your family during a tornado is to be informed and prepared ahead of time.

## City Adopts National Incident Management System

**O**n August 16, 2004, the Elmhurst City Council passed a resolution adopting the National Incident Management System (NIMS), developed by the Department of Homeland Security at the President's request. The goal of NIMS is to provide a comprehensive, nationwide approach to incident management that will enable responders at all levels to work together more efficiently and effectively to prepare for, respond to and recover from domestic incidents regardless of cause, size or complexity. Some of the benefits of NIMS include standards for planning, training and exercising; personnel qualification standards; equipment acquisition and certification standards; interoperable communication procedures and systems; and compatible information management systems.

## Preparing for the Unexpected

Late last year, city officials met with key members of Elmhurst institutions to discuss and plan for local, regional and national incidents. In addition to members of city staff, participants included representatives of large businesses, the hospital, schools, transportation, the park district, nursing homes, assisted living facilities, Comcast and other large organizations that need to have disaster plans in place. The meeting's goals were:

- To provide information about how the city receives and relays communication of a community or national crisis;
- To give participants a basic understanding of the city's level of preparedness, and what they can and cannot expect from city departments;
- To inform participants about how they would be expected to assist in a disaster;
- To give participants a basic understanding of emergency planning and the importance of having an emergency plan;
- To provide resources to assist participants in developing an emergency plan;
- To identify resources available from the community; and
- To meet face-to-face with key people responsible for the safety of the community.

## CPR for Family and Friends



Public education is a vital part of the Elmhurst Fire Department's goal of protecting the community. In its ongoing effort to teach potentially life-saving skills, the department will again offer "CPR for Family and Friends," an American Heart Association non-certification class. Classes will be held at Fire Station #1 (404 N. York) on the following dates: Saturday, February 19th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.; Tuesday, May 24th from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.; Saturday, August 10th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.; and Tuesday, November 1st from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. The class includes CPR for infants, children and adults, as well as clearing foreign body airway obstructions. Students will receive a textbook and course completion card at the end of class. The class is limited to 25 students, age 12 and older, and there is a \$5.00 charge for materials. Call 530-3090 weekdays between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. for more information or to make a reservation.



## A Jury of Peers

Juvenile first-time offenders who commit non-violent crimes now have an alternative to the juvenile criminal system – a jury comprised of other teens. The goal of the Peer Jury System is to hold juvenile offenders accountable to the victim and community without going to juvenile court and to help them overcome the problems and challenges that may have contributed to their illegal activities. In the traditional court system, young offenders (or their parents) pay a fine and are then placed on supervision. In the Peer Jury System, youthful first-time offenders must admit their guilt and then attend a hearing before seven other teenagers. The teen jurors listen to the offenders' stories and then make recommendations, such as community service, restitution or a letter of apology to the victim(s). Unlike in the courts, the offenses of teens who opt to appear before a peer jury will only become part of the Police Department's records. The success rate in other places using the Peer Jury System is very high: approximately 95% of young offenders involved in the program do not become repeat offenders.

## Citizens Police Academy

If you have always wanted to know more about the work of law enforcement, the Elmhurst Police Department has a perfect opportunity for you. The Citizens Police Academy provides hands-on experience in dusting for fingerprints, defensive tactics and hostage negotiations. Students learn about identity theft (one of the nation's fastest growing crimes), processing a crime scene and much, much more. This free 13-week program is offered twice a year and gives participants a working knowledge of the Elmhurst Police Department and law enforcement in general. The goals of the Citizens Police Academy are to improve communication, confidence and cooperation between the police and the community. The program is limited to 25 students per session and there are still openings in the class scheduled to begin on March 2, 2005 and end on May 25th. One block of instruction will be offered each Wednesday from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., with each block providing hands-on training and an in-depth view of a particular division within the department. To qualify, you must be 21 years of age or older, either live or work in Elmhurst, and pass a background check. For more information or to obtain an application, contact Sergeant Robert Nicholas at 530-3057.

## Tommy and Ice – Canine Cops

In June of 1997, a new "police officer" named Tommy began patrolling the streets of Elmhurst with his partner and handler, Officer Jim Daffara. Tommy is an eight-year-old Malinois with an irresistible personality and a great nose for drugs. His tail is scarred from constantly turning circles while riding in the back of the police vehicle, due to what is referred to in the K-9 world as, "high drive." When Tommy took over his duties with the Elmhurst Police Department, he had one ear that wouldn't stand up straight and a scar that ran from one ear to the other across the top of his head from an earlier surgery performed to correct the standing ear problem. But in spite of the fact that he wasn't the Police Department's best-looking officer, he proved his worth the very first day on the job when he successfully tracked an armed and dangerous individual who had fled from a traffic stop.

That was the first of 35 successful tracks during his career as a police dog, an impressive number in the canine field. During his years with the Elmhurst Police Department, Tommy also performed numerous demonstrations and school searches, as well as finding 36,460 grams of cannabis, 301 grams of cocaine, 21 grams of heroin, 240 pieces of drug paraphernalia, two guns, one knife and \$25,000 in cash.

Tommy earned the respect of law enforcement agencies throughout DuPage County and beyond. His nose for dope never let anyone down and he quickly became one of the most requested drug dogs in the county. Tommy and his handler/partner were recognized at a recent meeting of the Elmhurst City Council, when Tommy's retirement was announced and official ownership was transferred to Officer Daffara. Dogs and handlers from 10 other communities attended the meeting to show their respect and support for Officer Daffara and Tommy. Also present at the retirement ceremony were Elmhurst Police Officer Tony Poli, and his new canine partner, Ice. Officer Poli and Ice now stand ready to step into the void left by Tommy's retirement, and stand as a testament to the City's commitment to provide this invaluable service to the citizens of Elmhurst. Officer Daffara will continue to provide a good home for Tommy.

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## Elmhurst Building Permits and Codes

The spring months are an ideal time to begin a remodeling or construction project around your home. Before you begin, however, be sure to call the Development Department at 530-3030 to find out if you need a building permit and whether drawings, site plans, etc. are needed for your project. Permits are required for new home construction and interior remodeling, as well as the construction of attached or detached garages, additions, driveways, porches, fences, decks, patios, sheds and accessory structures. Permits are also required for electrical service revisions, sprinkling system installation, fireplace and air conditioning installation, swimming pools, hot tubs, and revisions to plumbing and fixtures.



The City of Elmhurst adheres to a strict building code designed to improve fire safety factors, especially those related to fire spread. Lives are saved when a fire is contained to the room of origin for a longer period of time. Before hiring architects or builders, make sure they are familiar with Elmhurst codes and willing to adhere to them. This will decrease the chance of jobs being underbid or delayed due to the submission of incomplete or incorrect plans. Call the Development/Building Department at 530-3030 for more information.

## City Adopts International Codes

The City of Elmhurst has traditionally taken pride in adhering to building codes that result in quality construction. The outcome is an attractive community with well-built homes and commercial and industrial buildings. To stay current with the most modern building codes, the City is working to adopt the 2003 edition of the International Codes which will soon be used throughout the U. S., as well as in many other countries. In addition to cutting edge construction codes, the local amendments to the International Codes contain site requirements designed to keep construction sites clean and safe and protect our quality of life. The Building Department is working with Elmhurst builders and contractors to make the transition as smooth as possible. For information, call the Development/Building Department at 530-3030.

## Mayor's Message



April 5 is election day and I strongly encourage every member of our community to cast their vote. For the City of Elmhurst, the following positions will be on the ballot: Mayor, City Clerk, City Treasurer, one aldermanic seat from each of the city's seven wards and an additional aldermanic seat in the first ward. This election will also include board seats for the Elmhurst Park District Board and Elmhurst Community Unit School District 205. Like all elections, the outcome will determine the direction of our City over the next four years.

We are very excited about a new program for teens here in Elmhurst known as the Peer Jury System, whereby juvenile first-time offenders who commit non-violent crimes will be tried by a jury of other teens. The goal of the Peer Jury System is to hold juvenile offenders accountable to the victim and community without going to juvenile court and to help them overcome the problems and challenges that may have contributed to their illegal activities. It is our hope that this new program will not only have a greater impact on juvenile offenders, but will also provide an educational opportunity for the teen jurors who take on this enormous responsibility.

Keeping our community safe is job number one for the City. On page 2 of this newsletter, you'll find an article about the City's disaster readiness plans. Late last year, city officials met with key members of Elmhurst institutions to discuss how the city plans for local, regional and national incidents. The City informed participants not only about how it will react in the event of a disaster, but also how they would be expected to assist the community and what they can do to develop their own emergency preparedness plans.

Another way we keep our community safe is through the use of highly trained dogs. This year, we bid a fond farewell to our police dog Tommy who has retired from service after seven years on-the-job and will continue to live with his police officer trainer. Tommy has been a major asset to the public safety of our community, keeping citizens and property safe, while also protecting law enforcement officials and keeping drugs out of our community and away from young people. Because of his highly sensitive nose, Tommy was one of the most requested dogs in the county and law enforcement handlers from ten other communities attended an Elmhurst City Council Meeting recently when a small ceremony was held for Tommy's retirement. To replace him, the Elmhurst Police Department has acquired a new dog named Ice who also has undergone rigorous training at a special facility to prepare him for the job ahead.

Lastly, I would like to remind everyone to join us for Elmhurst's ever-popular St. Patrick's Day Parade held March 19 at 12 noon. The parade will step off from the corner of Wilson St. and Spring Rd. at 12 noon. This is the third largest St. Pat's parade in the Chicago area and is sure to be a crowd-pleaser for young and old alike.

*Mayor Thomas D. Marcucci*

## Construction and Landscaping Trucks on City Streets

To assist the City in maintaining vehicular traffic and safety, please remind your construction and landscape contractors to obey posted parking regulations in your neighborhood. These regulations are in place to help minimize traffic and parking problems. In addition, please remind your contractors that parking too close to driveways and intersections can cause a sight restriction and make it difficult for drivers to maneuver safely.



## Firefighter Testing at C.O.D.

Later this spring, the City of Elmhurst will participate in a cooperative firefighter testing program at the College of DuPage. Written and physical ability tests will be administered to all applicants of participating fire departments, which is a more cost-effective and less time-consuming way of testing for firefighters. A major advantage for the applicants is that they can test for all participating departments or just one. For information regarding the testing procedure or qualifications, please contact Human Resources at 530-3762.

## Elmhurst to Honor Outstanding Volunteer Service to Community

The Elmhurst City Council, Commission on Youth, and Character Counts in Elmhurst will present the City of Elmhurst Character Counts Service Awards for Youth and Adults in May 2005. Nominations of outstanding volunteers who reside in Elmhurst and/or within District 205 boundaries are now being sought. Nominees must be at least 12 years of age and service must be voluntary and unpaid. The award is focused on individual achievement; however, individuals who perform community service as part of a group are eligible for nomination.



To receive a nomination form, call the City of Elmhurst at 630-530-3010 or visit one of the following web sites: [www.elmhurst.org](http://www.elmhurst.org) or [www.charactercountsinelmhurst.org](http://www.charactercountsinelmhurst.org).

## Yard Waste Pickup

Collection of yard waste for Elmhurst residents will resume the week of April 4, on your regularly scheduled refuse collection day. Yard waste includes leaves, brush, shrubbery trimmings, twigs, dead flowers and weeds (with soil removed). Sod, rocks, earth, vegetable plants and fruit are not considered yard waste and should be disposed of with other refuse. Yard waste may be put in 30-gallon brown Kraft paper bags or in 33-gallon garbage cans clearly marked "Yard Waste Only" (labels are available at the Public Works counter). The bags or cans may not weigh more than 50 pounds. One clearly visible yard waste sticker is required for each bag or container. In addition, a maximum of two bundles of brush will be picked up each week at no extra cost. Brush bundles may not exceed four feet in length or weigh more than 50 pounds each. Branches may not exceed four inches in diameter.



## Free Wood Chips

Wood chips are generally available year round and are delivered to residents on a first-come first-served basis. Please be aware that wood chips are delivered by the truckload (approximately 10 cubic yards or 80 wheel barrels). Neighbors may wish to share a load. Call 530-3038 to get your name on the waiting list. If you only need a small amount, you can pick up wood chips year-round at the base of the water tower in Butterfield Park. Feel free to help yourself.

### Mark Your Calendar



## Annual Spring Clean-Up – April 13, 14 and 15

The fifth annual city-wide Spring Clean-Up will be held on Wednesday, April 13; Thursday, April 14; or Friday, April 15 – whichever is your regular refuse collection day. On your Spring Clean-Up day, BFI will collect construction and demolition debris (up to two cubic yards), carpet, appliances, fixtures, furniture and bulk items. Stickers are not required for this special pickup. Yard waste, tires, car batteries, riding lawn mowers, liquids and hazardous materials are not accepted during Spring Clean-Up. (This service is available to all residents within incorporated City limits.)



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## Looking Beyond Elmhurst for Grant Money



### Fire Department Receives DHS Grant

The Elmhurst Fire Department was recently awarded a grant of \$150,368 from the 2004 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program administered by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS). This program assists rural, urban and suburban fire departments throughout the United States. The funds are used in various ways to increase firefighting operation effectiveness, provide firefighter health and safety programs, purchase new fire apparatus, and provide emergency medical service programs, fire prevention programs and safety programs in local departments. The grant awarded to the Elmhurst Fire Department will be used to purchase new Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) that is lighter and compliant with National Fire Protection Agency standards.

### Grant Awarded to Upgrade Traffic Signals

The City of Elmhurst received a \$44,895 grant last fall from the Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation. Grant dollars will be used to upgrade 21 traffic signals in Elmhurst to state-of-the-art "light emitting diode" (LED) technology. The community expects to save approximately \$1,500 per intersection per year in energy and maintenance costs after switching to LED bulbs – a total of \$31,500 a year in savings to the community. The LED bulbs use 85% less energy and last much longer than incandescent bulbs. They also enhance safety for both motorists and pedestrians because of their improved reliability and better bulb visibility, and help the environment through less pollution.

### Police Receive Drug Forfeiture Grant

The Elmhurst Police Department was awarded a grant late last year from the office of the DuPage County State's Attorney. Grants were awarded to 25 of the 53 applicants for their efforts in drug and substance abuse prevention. Grant dollars are derived from assets forfeited by area drug dealers in court proceedings. In the award ceremony on December 2, 2004, State's Attorney Joe Birkett described the program as a way to "... take drug dealer's money and use it to educate and help our children learn the dangers of substance abuse at an early age, giving them positive alternatives to the devastating life of drugs." Elmhurst received the maximum award of \$500 and will use the money to purchase D.A.R.E. workbooks for use in Elmhurst schools.



## 2005 Fire Hydrant Flushing Schedule

The City's Public Works Department will conduct annual hydrant flushing from April 4th through April 29th. The operation will take place from Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and will be completed over a 4-week period. Hydrants are regularly flushed to ensure that they are working properly and will be available for Fire Department use. See map above for details.

## New on the City's Homepage

Visit the city's homepage ([www.elmhurst.org](http://www.elmhurst.org)) for the latest in activities and events for children and teens, as well as volunteer opportunities and links to other youth organizations. Just click on "Public Information" and then on "Youth Services" to see what's happening for young people in Elmhurst and throughout DuPage County.



*Especially  
for Seniors*

## ***Elmhurst Senior Health and Community Expo***

Seniors, family members and other interested individuals are invited to attend the Elmhurst Senior Health and Community Expo on April 23rd from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. This annual event, sponsored by the City of Elmhurst and the Elmhurst Senior Citizens Commission, will be held at York High School again this year. Seniors who would like to participate in the \$20 comprehensive cholesterol screening (HDL, LDL and triglycerides) should call CareMatch at 782-7878 to pre-register and also fast 12 hours prior to the test. Osteoporosis screenings will be offered for a \$5 charge. Call the Abbey at 993-8989 to register. There will also be free vision, hearing, blood pressure and glucose (diabetes) screenings, as well as refreshments, informative exhibits and information on volunteer opportunities. Bring in your used eyeglasses and hearing aids for donation to the needy. For more details, watch for a fair flyer in your utility bill or check the local newspapers.

## ***Senior Chore Days***

The City of Elmhurst and the DuPage Senior Citizens Council will once again sponsor Senior Chore Days later this spring. The program's goals are to assist eligible Elmhurst seniors with spring yard work and provide volunteer opportunities for Elmhurst residents and organizations. Chore Days will be held the first three weekends in May. Seniors and volunteers who would like to participate are asked to call the DuPage Senior Citizens Council at 620-0804 to arrange dates and times that are convenient for both.

## **Committee Exploring Historic Preservation**

The City's Historic Preservation Advisory Committee (HPAC), created last spring, has been charged with identifying and exploring a range of historic preservation methods that might be suitable for adoption by the City of Elmhurst. This ad hoc committee has been meeting monthly since May of 2004 and is expected to submit their findings later this year. The committee is made up of residents who are interested and involved in their community, and able to provide valuable input from their professional occupations. The HPAC continues to analyze and discuss many aspects of historic preservation at their meetings, held every third Tuesday at 7 p.m. at City Hall. Interested individuals are welcome to attend. For more information, please contact the Department of Planning, Zoning and Economic Development at (630) 530-3100.

## **City Vehicle Stickers**

Elmhurst residents are reminded that a vehicle sticker must be purchased and displayed on every vehicle registered or housed within City of Elmhurst corporate limits. To avoid potential penalties, the new sticker must be bought and affixed to the vehicle by May 1st each year. Stickers will be sold at a discounted price from March 1st through April 30th. Beginning on May 1st, stickers will be sold at full price. The money collected by the sale of vehicle stickers goes into the City's General Fund and is earmarked for roadway maintenance and construction.

In the fall of 2004, the Elmhurst City Council approved an ordinance adjusting the vehicle sticker fee schedule and eliminating the restriction of one senior citizen sticker rate per household. This is the first adjustment in vehicle sticker fees since 1992 and was deemed necessary to help offset the cost of major street construction projects and roadway maintenance.

If you do not receive an application in the mail, you may print one from the City's website ([www.elmhurst.org](http://www.elmhurst.org)), pick one up at City Hall or call to have one mailed. To save time and avoid waiting in long lines, residents are encouraged to mail the completed application and fee to City Hall, or drop it in the white drop box in the parking lot. Your vehicle sticker and receipt will be returned by mail. You may also purchase your sticker in person at City Hall. If your vehicle license number changed when you obtained your new Illinois license plates, please notify the City so that vehicle sticker records can be updated. Call 530-3118 for more information.

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# The Historical Museum

## Bringing History to Life

See the enclosed Community Calendar for more Museum programs. Gallery hours: Tues.-Sun., 1-5 p.m. Admission is always free.

### To Serve and Protect: All About Aprons

“To Serve and Protect: All About Aprons” unties the history of aprons from form to fashion to function. Travel through time as you reminisce while learning how aprons were made, cared for and worn until they were undone by convenience foods and careers. This exhibit continues until March 27, 2005.



### Lee Sturges Etchings

A cooperative exhibit showing in two venues, this special exhibit will be displayed at both the Elmhurst Historical Museum and the Elmhurst Art Museum. Highlighting items from both museum collections, this exhibit will look at the many facets of his artistic career spanning more than 50 years along with the graphic technique of making etchings. Opens Feb. 19, 2005, at both the Elmhurst Art Museum and Elmhurst Historical Museum and runs through May 22, 2005.



### K through College

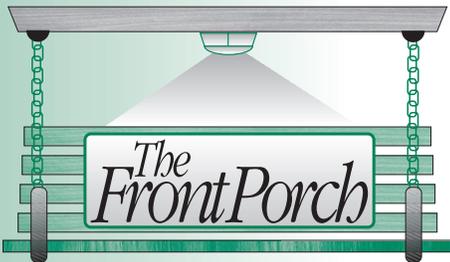
From the small flower saved out of a prom corsage to a certificate of achievement, many individuals have souvenirs collected during their years in elementary, high school and college. In this special exhibit, community members share the keepsakes and memories of school in Elmhurst through the years. “K through College” opens April 5, 2005 and closes May 22, 2005.

### Apron Design Awards and Reception

All Elmhurst citizens are invited to visit the museum during the Great TV Turn Off on Tuesday, February 21, between 4 and 7 p.m. Enjoy refreshments, special tours of the exhibit, and kids’ activities. The museum will also hold an awards ceremony at 4:30 p.m. to honor the youth winners of our apron design contest. The top three winners in three age categories: 4-6, 7-9, and 10-12 will be awarded certificates and prizes during the ceremony. For more information, call 833-1457.

### Elmhurst Museum Day

Visit the community’s four fine museums free of charge on Sunday, May 15, 1-5 p.m., as the museums unite for a citywide celebration of International Museum Day. The Elmhurst Historical Museum, the Elmhurst Art Museum, The Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art and the Theatre Historical Society of America will offer special activities for adults and children. Take the free trolley ride between museums. Call any of the museums for more information.



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