

The City Newsletter

Always Remember: Memorial Day in Elmhurst

 Monday, May 29, will be a day to remember in Elmhurst – a day to remember and honor the men and women of our nation's armed forces, both past and present.

This year's parade, the 82nd annual Elmhurst Memorial Day parade, will feature as Grand Marshal U. S. Army Korean War veteran, Joseph G. Iniguez, Jr. Brigadier General Iniguez, a much decorated officer, held every rank in the Army from Private to Brigadier General during his 37-year military career.

The parade will feature military officers, and enlisted men and women, costumed Civil War re-enactors, floats and 11 musical groups, including marching bands, jazz, brass, bagpipes, and drums and bugles. The parade will step off from York and Third at 9:30 a.m. and proceed to Wilder Park by way of York Street, Robert Palmer Drive and Church Street. The parade will be followed by a full military ceremony at the Veterans Memorial, complete with speakers, wreath laying and patriotic music by the Antioch Brass Quintet. Thirty visiting French children will be on hand to meet the Normandy veterans.

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The American Legion will once again place rows of white crosses at the Veterans Memorial with the names of Elmhurst residents killed during World Wars I and II, the Korean War, Vietnam and Desert Storm. (Flowers may be placed next to the crosses.) Ten additional crosses will be added this year in memory of any armed forces personnel killed during war time. (Those whose names are submitted need not have been Elmhurst residents.) The first ten names received will be accepted. Contact Bill Ralston at 279-5588 for details.

Spectators are encouraged to bring their cameras and photograph the parade and ceremony. Parade organizers are holding a photo contest for future publicity purposes. Color or black and white photos, no larger than 5 x 7, must be submitted to the Chamber of Commerce no later than 5:00 p.m. on June 12. Prizes will be awarded for the top three photos that best memorialize the parade or ceremony.

Reminder: Applications to have a deceased veteran honored at the Memorial are available at City Hall, 209 N. York Street, or by calling the City Administration Office at 530-3010.

Elmfest 2000: Family Fun



Elmhurst's award-winning community festival will be held June 9, 10 and 11 in downtown Elmhurst. This popular family event will feature carnival rides for the youngsters, great food and free entertainment (dance, drama, comedy and music). Especially for the kids will be sand art, easel painting and the Elmhurst Park District playground/exploration center. The fun will begin on Friday, June 9, at 11:00 a.m. and conclude

with a free Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra family concert on the Elmhurst College Mall at 6:30 p.m. Sunday. Audience members are welcome to bring a picnic supper to enjoy while listening to the concert. Elmfest is sponsored by the Elmhurst Chamber of Commerce, the City of Elmhurst, the Elmhurst Park District, Elmhurst College and the Elmhurst Jaycees.



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Citizen Survey: A Valuable “Snapshot”



The City will soon mail citizen surveys to a cross section of Elmhurst residents. The survey provides a valuable “snapshot” of the concerns, priorities and impressions of the community, and helps elected officials and staff better meet the needs of the community. The survey will be mailed to approximately 1,600 residents in mid-summer. If you receive one, please fill it out as completely as possible and return it to City Hall by the deadline. Your opinions are important and make a difference in the services provided by the City. Surveys conducted in past years have resulted in a number of new programs:

- The City initiated an anti-speeding program, “It’s Our Town. . . Let’s Slow Down,” and purchased the “SMART” trailer to make motorists more aware of their speed.
- The annual “Spring Clean-Up” was introduced to allow residents to dispose of large items, and unlimited refuse and construction/demolition debris without a sticker.
- Beginning in the summer of 2000, City Council meetings will be taped for rebroadcast to benefit interested residents.

These and other changes came about, at least in part, as a response to concerns expressed in earlier citizen surveys.

Home Repairs: Know Your Consumer Rights

If you are planning home repairs or an improvement project this summer, here are some tips to help you protect your investment.

- Always get estimates in writing.
- Do not be influenced by high-pressure tactics.
- Never sign a contract with blanks or that you do not fully understand. If you are taking out a loan, do not sign a contract before the loan has been approved.
- If you have second thoughts, a contract signed in your home can be cancelled within three (3) business days.
- Ask the contractor if his or her work and products are guaranteed.



Elmhurst Building Permits and Codes

Before you begin a construction or remodeling project this summer, be sure to call the City’s Development Department at 530-3030 to find out if you need a permit and whether drawings, site plans, etc., are needed for your project. Permits are required for the construction of new homes, attached or detached garages, structure additions, porches and decks, sheds and accessory structures, driveways and fences; as well as for interior remodeling, electrical service revisions, air conditioning installation, signs, swimming pools and hot tubs, and revisions to plumbing and fixtures.

Many communities use model building codes with minimum standards. The City of Elmhurst adheres to a stricter building code designed to improve fire safety factors, particularly 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.

- If a contractor conducts business under a name other than his/her real name, the business must be incorporated or registered under the Assumed Business Name Act.
- Call the City’s Development Department (530-3030) to see if a permit is required.
- Determine whether the contractor is properly insured.
- Do not sign a certificate of completion or make final payment until the work has been satisfactorily completed.
- Request lien waivers from the general contractor to prevent subcontractors or suppliers from filing a lien against your property if the general contractor fails to pay them.

New in The Front Porch: Quarterly Community Calendar



You may have noticed a new addition to this issue of The Front Porch – the first quarterly community calendar. The new calendar, the joint effort of many local organizations and agencies, includes museum events and exhibits, concerts and other cultural opportunities, educational programs, summer family fun and much more, taking place during June, July and August. This handy insert, which takes the place of the Happenings (formerly Pencil It In) section of the newsletter, is designed to help residents plan outings and entertainment for family members of all ages.



Family Fun on the Fourth

The annual July 4th parade will step off from the corner of York and Third at 11:00 a.m. Following the parade will be an ice cream social with entertainment (in collaboration with the Elmhurst Park District) on the lawn of the Elmhurst Historical Museum at 120 E. Park.

Police to Hold Auction

The Elmhurst Police Department will hold its annual auction on Saturday, June 17 at 11:00 a.m. Items, including bicycles, computer equipment, photocopiers and other recovered items, may be viewed beginning at 10:00 a.m. Call 530-3050 for more information.

Safety Tips from the Fire Department

Spring is a perfect time to inspect your home for fire hazards. Listed below are a few things to look for:

- Leave plenty of space around your furnace, hot water heater and clothes dryer.
- Store flammable liquids (gasoline, paints and certain cleaners) in a detached garage or shed in clearly marked airtight containers.
- Keep a fire extinguisher in the kitchen. Check it regularly and know how to use it.
- Install a smoke detector on every floor and outside every bedroom.
- Keep bedroom doors closed when sleeping. Plan and practice two escape routes from each bedroom in case one escape route is blocked by fire. Second floor bedrooms should have escape ladders.
- Never overload outlets or extension cords. Use extension cords only as a temporary means of supplying electricity.
- Cover outlets with plastic covers if there are small children in the home.
- Never use gasoline to start a charcoal fire. Do not add charcoal starter once a fire has been started.

Electrical problems frequently cause house fires or electric shock. Be alert to these danger signs: flickering lights, blowing fuses or tripping circuit breakers, a tingling feeling when touching an electrical appliance, discoloration of outlet covers, or a burning smell or other unusual odor from an appliance or wiring. If you notice any of these warning signs, unplug the malfunctioning appliance if you can safely do so or cut off power to the problem circuit by disconnecting the fuse or tripping the circuit breaker by hand. Call a professional electrician to correct the problem.

Severe Storm Season Precautions

Spring and summer months bring not only warm, sunny days, but also the threat of sudden storms with the potential for lightning, flooding or tornadoes. Below are some safety tips to help you stay safe during a storm.

- Be aware of darkening skies, flashes of light or increasing wind. If you can hear thunder, you are close enough to be struck by lightning.
- If possible, take shelter on the lowest floor of a building during a storm. If you cannot reach shelter before the storm hits, squat low to the ground in an open area. Lying flat is not recommended as it puts more of your body in contact with the ground where lightning can be conducted.
- Turn off air conditioners to prevent lightning damage to the compressor.



- Close blinds or drapes to help protect yourself from breaking glass.
- If you are in an automobile or mobile home during severe weather and conditions are right for a tornado, get out of the car or mobile home and seek shelter elsewhere.
- A person struck by lightning does not carry an electrical charge and can be safely handled. Call 9-1-1 immediately and, if breathing has stopped, begin rescue breathing. Begin CPR if properly trained.

Remember — storms can come up suddenly. Watch for the warning signs and allow yourself time to reach a safe shelter.



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Visitor/Tourism Office Promotes Elmhurst

Few communities the size of Elmhurst have comparable cultural, recreational, entertainment, shopping and dining opportunities. Elmhurst is home to four exceptional museums, an outstanding symphony orchestra, beautiful parks, fine restaurants, attractive retail shops, two colleges, and community parades and festivals. Elmhurst's location, at the hub of several expressways and only a short distance from O'Hare International Airport and Chicago's Loop, makes it a perfect place for visitors to spend an

afternoon, a day or even longer. Elmhurst is just minutes from one of the area's premier shopping malls and the "technology corridor" along Interstate 88. To capitalize on these many attractions, the City's Visitor and Tourism Office works with business leaders, arts and culture groups, and

numerous organizations and agencies to appropriately market Elmhurst as a travelers' destination.

Housed on the second floor of City Hall, the mission of the Visitor and Tourism Office is to attract visitors to Elmhurst and generate guests for Elmhurst hotels, visitors for the museums, and customers for restaurants and retail shops. The Visitor and Tourism Office, under Coordinator Marlene Tegmeyer, plans special itineraries for visiting groups and provides information for people planning reunions, weddings, graduations or large sporting events. The staff ensures that Elmhurst is promoted through the efforts of the DuPage Convention and Visitors Bureau, and advertised in selected publications.

If the Elmhurst Visitor and Tourism Office can help you plan for out-of-town guests, please call Marlene Tegmeyer at 530-3312.

Mayor's Message



I am very pleased with the passage of the District 205 bond referendum on March 21. The referendum received overwhelming support from Elmhurst voters and paves the way for constructing a new York Community High School to enhance the learning environment for our children and enrich the entire community. The referendum also allows for building permanent classrooms to replace portable classrooms at four elementary schools and improving A.D.A. accessibility at all District 205 multi-level buildings. I congratulate Dr. Joel Morris, District 205 Superintendent, the school board and members of the Committee for Referendum 2000, and express my appreciation for their many hours of hard work.

Citizen Surveys will be delivered this summer to a cross section of Elmhurst residents. I encourage those who receive copies to fill them out and return them. Your feedback helps City officials make decisions about how to use City revenue to provide high quality services to the community. In response to past surveys, a number of changes have been made, including longer City Hall hours (see page 9) to better serve the public. In addition, the 2000-2001 budget, recently approved by the City Council, responds to past survey requests by televising City Council meetings to increase public awareness of City issues, hiring additional firefighters to improve public safety, and continuing to make infrastructure improvements.

Construction projects are ongoing around town, including work at the Route 83 and St. Charles Road shopping center. Construction of Kohl's Department Store was recently started and the demolition of the former Builders Square is underway. In the downtown area, an additional level will be built on the Adelaide parking deck to make way for a new condo project. A new building will also go up on the site of the old Maurices and Soukup buildings. The Jewel on Palmer Drive will be demolished to make way for a more modern facility. To complement the private side downtown improvements, streetscaping will be extended to Addison Avenue.

I invite Elmhurst residents to enjoy summertime events in Elmhurst, including Elmfest and Cool Cars, and patronize our fine retail shops and dining establishments. I look forward to seeing you around town this summer.

Mayor Thomas D. Marcucci



Elmhurst Community Calendar

Thursday, June 1

"VISIONS OF HOME" EXHIBIT

(THROUGH AUGUST 31)

A continuing exhibit explores the history of Elmhurst using photographs and objects from the museum's permanent collection.

Elmhurst Historical Museum
120 East Park Avenue, Elmhurst
Tuesdays-Sundays, 1-5 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 833-1457

Thursday, June 1

"BRAIN TEASERS" EXHIBIT

(THROUGH SEPTEMBER 4)

A special hands-on exhibit from the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry that children and adults will love.

Elmhurst Historical Museum
120 East Park Avenue, Elmhurst
Tuesdays-Sundays, 1-5 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 833-1457

Saturday, June 3

"READ FOR THE FUN OF IT"



SUMMER READING PROGRAM

(THROUGH AUGUST 19)

Children age 2 through high school and adults are invited to join a summer reading club where prizes are won for reading books.

Elmhurst Public Library
211 Prospect Avenue, Elmhurst
Free
Info: (630) 279-8696

Saturday, June 3

MEET THE "YO-YO MAN" AT SUMMER

READING KICK-OFF

Sign up for summer reading at the library while watching a yo-yo expert demonstrate yo-yo tricks.

Elmhurst Public Library
211 Prospect Avenue, Elmhurst
10:30-11:30 a.m. and 1-2 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 279-8696

Wednesday, June 7

COOL CARS UNDER THE STARS IMPORT NIGHT

Car clubs and individual collectors are invited to park their vintage, classic or "dream machines" up and down York Street in City Centre.

Elmhurst City Centre
York Street in City Centre, Elmhurst
7-9 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 993-1600

Thursday, June 8

PASSION FOR COLOR: RAY ALLEN COLLECTION

(THROUGH AUGUST 6)

Works by German expressionists and Fauve artists. Emphasis on portraits and landscapes.

Elmhurst Art Museum
150 Cottage Hill, Elmhurst
Free for members, \$3 for adults and seniors,
\$2 for students, children under 12 free.
Info: (630) 834-0202

Friday, June 9

ELMFEST 2000

(THROUGH JUNE 11)

Three-day civic festival sponsored by the Elmhurst Chamber of Commerce & Industry. The event includes 80 vendors, 2 entertainment stages, bingo and Jaycees carnival.

York, Addison, First and Schiller in downtown Elmhurst
Friday and Saturday, 11 a.m.-11 p.m.
Sunday, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 834-6060



Saturday, June 10

JOE NEWTON 5K RUN AND 1 MILE KIDS' FUN RUN

York High School
355 West St. Charles Road, Elmhurst
8 a.m.
\$18.00 for adults (20 years and older)
\$15.00 for children (19 years and under)
Info: (630) 617-2328

Saturday, June 10

MOVIE PALACE MUSEUM OPEN HOUSE

"Lost Stage Sets" photo exhibit features images from Chicago Movie Palace stage shows during the 1920s. A collection of photos, blueprints, artifacts and ads from theatres across the US will be displayed and the Chicago Oriental Theatre restoration video.

Theatre Historical Society of America
York Theatre Building, 2nd Floor
152 North York Street, Elmhurst
11 a.m.-3 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 782-1800

Saturday, June 10

"SECOND SATURDAY" GOES TO ELMFEST!

Look for the Elmhurst Historical Museum at the Chamber of Commerce & Industry/Elmhurst Visitor & Tourism booth on Addison Street

Addison Street, Elmhurst
1-3:30 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 833-1457

Saturday, June 10

AC/DC TO ZZ TOP: THIRTY YEARS OF ROCK AND ROLL

(THROUGH JULY 30)

An exhibit featuring concert photographs taken by photographer Larry Hulst.

Elmhurst Art Museum
150 Cottage Hill, Elmhurst
Free admission for members, \$3 for adults and seniors, \$2 for students, children under 12 free
Info: (630) 834-0202

Sunday, June 11

ANNUAL OUTDOOR FAMILY CONCERT

As the final event of the Elmfest celebration, the orchestra will close its 40th subscription season with patriotic songs, concluding with the "1812 Overture" featuring the firing of two Civil War cannons. Bring your picnic and join the fun!

Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra
Elmhurst College Mall
190 Prospect Avenue, Elmhurst
6:30 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 941-0202



Wednesday, June 14

COOL CARS UNDER THE STARS

FORD POWER NIGHT

Car clubs and individual collectors are invited to park their vintage, classic or "dream machines" up and down York Street in City Centre.

Elmhurst City Centre
York Street in City Centre, Elmhurst
7-9 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 993-1600

Thursday, June 15

TEA TIME TOUR

This monthly program for adults will be a chance to see the Brain Teasers Exhibit, a special hands-on exhibit from the Oregon Museum of Science & Industry. Bring a friend. Refreshments provided.

Elmhurst Historical Museum
120 East Park Avenue, Elmhurst
1-2 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 833-1457

Friday, June 16

MOVIE IN THE PARK "TOY STORY 2"



Elmhurst Park District
Wilder Park
Show begins approx. 8:30 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 993-8982 after 5 p.m.

Saturday, June 17

STONE HUNT

Hands-on activity allows children and adults to search for rocks and minerals and to take home specimens of their choice. Reservations required.

Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art
220 Cottage Hill, Elmhurst
2 p.m.
\$3 for adults, \$2 for seniors and children
Info: (630) 833-1616

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Wednesday, June 21

COOL CARS UNDER THE STARS

1950s NIGHT

Car clubs and individual collectors are invited to park their vintage, classic or "dream machines" up and down York Street in City Centre.

Elmhurst City Centre
York Street in City Centre, Elmhurst
7-9 p.m.

Free
Info: (630) 993-1600

Thursday, June 22

FUN & GAMES

A weekly drop-in activity guaranteed to get you off the couch and out of the house. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Elmhurst Historical Museum
120 East Park Avenue, Elmhurst
1-3:30 p.m.

Free
Info: (630) 833-1457

Friday, June 23

MOVIE IN THE PARK "WILLIE WONKA AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY"

Elmhurst Park District
Wilder Park
Show begins approx. 8:30 p.m.

Free
Info: (630) 993-8982 after 5 p.m.

Sunday, June 25

SUMMER EXTRAVAGANZA

STARRING MAYNARD FERGUSON AND THE ELMHURST COLLEGE JAZZ BAND

Maynard Ferguson headlines this annual outdoor event for the whole family. Face-painting, food and games. Picnicking welcome.

Elmhurst College
Elmhurst College Mall
190 Prospect Avenue, Elmhurst
6 p.m.

Free
Info: (630) 617-6186



Wednesday, June 28

MOVIE PALACE MUSEUM OPEN HOUSE

"Lost Stage Sets" photo exhibit features images from Chicago Movie Palace stage shows during the 1920s. A collection of photos, blueprints, artifacts and ads from theatres across the US will be displayed and the Chicago Oriental Theatre restoration video.

Theatre Historical Society of America
York Theatre building, 2nd floor
152 North York Street
6-8 p.m.

Free
Info: (630) 782-1800

Wednesday, June 28

COOL CARS UNDER THE STARS

STREET ROD NIGHT

Car clubs and individual collectors are invited to park their vintage, classic or "dream machines" up and down York Street in City Centre.

Elmhurst City Centre
York Street in City Centre, Elmhurst
7-9 p.m.

Free
Info: (630) 993-1600

Wednesday, June 28

FILM DISCUSSION



York Theatre
150 North York Street, Elmhurst
9:00 p.m.

Free
Call the York Theatre at (630) 834-0675 to find out what film will be discussed.
Info: (630) 968-1600 ext. 104

Thursday, June 29

FUN & GAMES

A weekly drop-in activity guaranteed to get you off the couch and out of the house. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Elmhurst Historical Museum
120 East Park Avenue, Elmhurst
1-3:30 p.m.

Free
Info: (630) 833-1457

Friday, June 30

MOVIE IN THE PARK "STUART LITTLE"

Elmhurst Park District
Wilder Park
Show begins approx. 8:30 p.m.

Free
Info: (630) 993-8982 after 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, July 4

FOURTH OF JULY PARADE

Sponsored by Elmhurst Jaycees.
Downtown Elmhurst
11 a.m.

Free



Tuesday, July 4

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Elmhurst Historical Museum teams up with the Elmhurst Park District for this annual event following the parade. Lots of ice cream will be provided along with music in the band shell!

Elmhurst Historical Museum
120 East Park Avenue, Elmhurst
Noon-2:30 p.m.

Free
Info: (630) 833-1457

Tuesday, July 4

MUSIC UNDER THE STARS

Starring The Associates
Elmhurst Park District
Wilder Park
7-9 p.m.

Free
Info: (630) 993-8982 after 5 p.m.

Wednesday, July 5

BUYER BEWARE: PROTECTING ENDANGERED WILDLIFE

(THROUGH OCTOBER 1)

Special exhibit informs and educates consumers about seemingly harmless products made from endangered and protected animal species.

Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art
220 Cottage Hill, Elmhurst

Free Fridays, \$3 for adults, \$2 for seniors, \$1 for students and children under 13 free

Info: (630) 833-1616



Wednesday, July 5

COOL CARS UNDER THE STARS

CORVETTE NIGHT

Car clubs and individual collectors are invited to park their vintage, classic or "dream machines" up and down York Street in City Centre.

Elmhurst City Centre
York Street in City Centre, Elmhurst
7-9 p.m.

Free
Info: (630) 993-1600

Thursday, July 6

FUN & GAMES

A weekly drop-in activity guaranteed to get you off the couch and out of the house. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Elmhurst Historical Museum
120 East Park Avenue, Elmhurst
1-3:30 p.m.

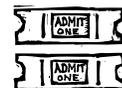
Free
Info: (630) 833-1457

Friday, July 7

MOVIE IN THE PARK "BLACK STALLION"

Elmhurst Park District
Wilder Park
Show begins approx. 8:30 p.m.

Free
Info: (630) 993-8982 after 5 p.m.



Saturday, July 8

LIVE SCULPTOR DEMONSTRATION

See sculptor Susan Clinard work a figurative sculpture in alabaster.

Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art
220 Cottage Hill, Elmhurst
12:30-4 p.m.

Free with museum admission, \$3 for adults, \$2 for seniors, \$1 for students, children under 13 free

Info: (630) 833-1616

Saturday, July 8

SECOND SATURDAY DROP-IN

A monthly, hands-on drop-in program for children and caregivers!

Elmhurst Historical Museum
120 East Park Avenue, Elmhurst
1-3:30 p.m.

Free
Info: (630) 833-1457

Sunday, July 9

ELMHURST GARDEN WALK AND FAIRE

Enjoy a tour of six private Elmhurst gardens, visit boutiques and drink tea while listening to live classical music from the Elmhurst Symphony.

Elmhurst Garden Club
Wilder Park, Church Street and Cottage Hill Avenue
10 a.m.-5 p.m.

\$15.00 for adults, seniors and students
Info: (630) 832-0525 or e-mail
elmhurstgarden@mediaone.net

Tuesday, July 11

MUSIC UNDER THE STARS

FRANZ BENTELER (POPS TO CLASSICS)

Elmhurst Park District
Wilder Park
7-9 p.m.

Free
Info: (630) 993-8982

Wednesday, July 12

MOVIE PALACE MUSEUM OPEN HOUSE

"Lost Stage Sets" photo exhibit features images from Chicago Movie Palace stage shows during the 1920s. A collection of photos, blueprints, artifacts and ads from theatres across the US will be displayed and the Chicago Oriental Theatre restoration video.

Theatre Historical Society of America
York Theatre building, 2nd floor
152 North York Street
6-8 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 782-1800

Wednesday, July 12

COOL CARS UNDER THE STARS

BRITISH NIGHT

Car clubs and individual collectors are invited to park their vintage, classic or "dream machines" up and down York Street in City Centre.

Elmhurst City Centre
York Street in City Centre, Elmhurst
7-9 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 993-1600

Thursday, July 13

FUN & GAMES

A weekly drop-in activity guaranteed to get you off the couch and out of the house. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Elmhurst Historical Museum
120 East Park Avenue, Elmhurst
1-3:30 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 833-1457

Friday, July 14

MOVIE IN THE PARK "OCTOBER SKY"

Elmhurst Park District
Wilder Park
Show begins approx. 8:30 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 993-8982 after 5 p.m.



Saturday, July 15

SOAPSTONE CARVING

Learn to successfully carve soapstone using simple tools and techniques. All materials included. Reservations required.

Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art
220 Cottage Hill, Elmhurst
10 a.m.
\$5:00 for adults, seniors, students and children, ages 10 years old to adult
Info and Reservations: (630) 833-1616

Sunday, July 16

SUNDAY AT THE MUSEUM

Singer/songwriter Amy Schue will perform original songs.

Elmhurst Art Museum
150 Cottage Hill, Elmhurst
2-3 p.m.
Free for members, \$3 for adults and seniors, \$2 for students, children under 12 free
Info: (630) 834-0202

Tuesday, July 18

MUSIC UNDER THE STARS

THE UPTOWN RHYTHM CLUB

Elmhurst Park District
Wilder Park
7-9 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 993-8982 after 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, July 19

COOL CARS UNDER THE STARS

VW/CORVAIR/AIR-COOLED CAR NIGHT

Car clubs and individual collectors are invited to park their vintage, classic or "dream machines" up and down York Street in City Centre.

Elmhurst City Centre
York Street in City Centre, Elmhurst
7-9 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 993-1600

Thursday, July 20

TEA TIME TOUR

Bring a grandchild or a neighborhood kid for a special program for children and adults held in conjunction with the weekly Fun & Games.

Elmhurst Historical Museum
120 East Park Avenue, Elmhurst
1-3:30 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 833-1457

Thursday, July 20

FUN & GAMES

Bring your grandparent or a special neighbor for a special program for children and adults, held in conjunction with July's Tea Time Tour.

Elmhurst Historical Museum
120 East Park Avenue, Elmhurst
1-3:30 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 833-1457



Friday, July 21

MOVIE IN THE PARK

"INCREDIBLE MR. LIMPID"

Elmhurst Park District
Wilder Park
Show begins approx. 8:30 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 993-8982 after 5 p.m.

Tuesday, July 25

MUSIC UNDER THE STARS

MIDWAY RAMBLERS CAJUN BAND

Elmhurst Park District
Wilder Park
7-9 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 993-8982 after 5 p.m.

Wednesday, July 26

COOL CARS UNDER THE STARS

1960s NIGHT

Car clubs and individual collectors are invited to park their vintage, classic or "dream machines" up and down York Street in City Centre.

Elmhurst City Centre
York Street in City Centre, Elmhurst
7-9 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 993-1600

Wednesday, July 26

FILM DISCUSSION

York Theatre
150 North York Street, Elmhurst
9 p.m.
Free
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Thursday, July 27

FUN & GAMES

A weekly drop-in activity guaranteed to get you off the couch and out of the house. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Elmhurst Historical Museum
120 East Park Avenue, Elmhurst
1-3:30 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 833-1457

Friday, July 28

MOVIE IN THE PARK

"TARZAN"

Elmhurst Park District
Wilder Park
Show begins approx. 8:30 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 993-8982 after 5 p.m.

Saturday, July 29

FUNTASTIC FROG FEST

Children ages 3-7, come and play frog games and listen to frog stories at the library. Lots of fun and a few surprises too!

Elmhurst Public Library
211 Prospect Avenue, Elmhurst
10-11:30 a.m. or 1:30-3 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 279-8696

Wednesday, August 2

MOVIE PALACE MUSEUM OPEN HOUSE

"Lost Stage Sets" photo exhibit features images from Chicago Movie Palace stage shows during the 1920s. A collection of photos, blueprints, artifacts and ads from theatres across the US will be displayed and the Chicago Oriental Theatre restoration video.

Theatre Historical Society of America
York Theatre building, 2nd floor
152 North York Street
6-8 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 782-1800

Wednesday, August 2

COOL CARS UNDER THE STARS

CADILLAC/LASALLE/LINCOLN NIGHT

Car clubs and individual collectors are invited to park their vintage, classic or "dream machines" up and down York Street in City Centre.

Elmhurst City Centre
York Street in City Centre, Elmhurst
7-9 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 993-1600

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Thursday, August 3

FUN & GAMES

A weekly drop-in activity guaranteed to get you off the couch and out of the house. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Elmhurst Historical Museum
120 East Park Avenue, Elmhurst
1-3:30 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 833-1457



Saturday, August 5

LOWER WISCONSIN GEOLOGY AND COLLECTING FIELD TRIP

Motorcoach tour includes mineral and fossil collecting and mine tour. Reservations required.

Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art
220 Cottage Hill, Elmhurst
7 a.m.-7 p.m.
Fee to be announced
Info: (630) 833-1616

Wednesday, August 9

COOL CARS UNDER THE STARS

SPORTS CAR/MUSCLE CAR NIGHT

Car clubs and individual collectors are invited to park their vintage, classic or "dream machines" up and down York Street in City Centre.

Elmhurst City Centre
York Street in City Centre, Elmhurst
7-9 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 993-1600

Thursday, August 10

FUN & GAMES

A weekly drop-in activity guaranteed to get you off the couch and out of the house. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Elmhurst Historical Museum
120 East Park Avenue, Elmhurst
1-3:30 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 833-1457

Thursday, August 10

15TH ANNUAL STORIES IN THE PARK

Bring your lawn chairs and blankets to Wilder Park for an evening of storytelling. Fun for all ages!

Elmhurst Public Library
Wilder Park
211 Prospect Avenue, Elmhurst
6 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 279-8696



Thursday, August 10

ART BY CURTIS BARTONE

(THROUGH OCTOBER 29)

Chicago artist and Guggenheim Fellowship recipient who paints highly detailed animals, bugs and symbolic paintings relative to the Middle Ages symbolism.

Elmhurst Art Museum
150 Cottage Hill, Elmhurst
Free for members, \$3 for adults and seniors,
\$2 for students, children under 12 free
Info: (630) 834-0202

Saturday, August 12

RED RIBBON "QUARTER MILE" RUN & FAMILY FEST



Please join us for fun, food and entertainment.

Elmhurst Community Effort
Elmhurst College, Langhorst Field
190 Prospect, Elmhurst
9 a.m.
\$5.00 registration
Info: (630) 279-4249

Saturday, August 12

SECOND SATURDAY DROP-IN

A monthly, hands-on drop-in program for children and caregivers!

Elmhurst Historical Museum
120 East Park Avenue, Elmhurst
1-3:30 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 833-1457

Wednesday, August 16

COOL CARS UNDER THE STARS

MOPAR/AMC NIGHT

Car clubs and individual collectors are invited to park their vintage, classic or "dream machines" up and down York Street in City Centre.

Elmhurst City Centre
York Street in City Centre, Elmhurst
7-9 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 993-1600

Thursday, August 17

TEA TIME TOUR

A monthly program for adults featuring lectures, tours and performances.

Elmhurst Historical Museum
120 East Park Avenue, Elmhurst
1-2 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 833-1457

Thursday, August 17

FAMILY HOLDINGS

(THROUGH NOVEMBER 5)

Private collection of woven Turkish nomadic weavings – a rare collection of baskets, bags and blankets from nomadic tribes of Turkey.

Elmhurst Art Museum
150 Cottage Hill, Elmhurst
Free for members, \$3 for adults and seniors,
\$2 for students, children under 12 free
Info: (630) 834-0202

Wednesday, August 23

MOVIE PALACE OPEN HOUSE

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Theatre Historical Society of America
York Theatre building, 2nd floor
152 North York Street
6-8 p.m.
Free

Wednesday, August 23

COOL CARS UNDER THE STARS 1970s NIGHT

Car clubs and individual collectors are invited to park their vintage, classic or "dream machines" up and down York Street in City Centre.

Elmhurst City Centre
York Street in City Centre, Elmhurst
7-9 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 993-1600

Wednesday, August 30

COOL CARS UNDER THE STARS

SUPER CHEVY NIGHT

Car clubs and individual collectors are invited to park their vintage, classic or "dream machines" up and down York Street in City Centre.

Elmhurst City Centre
York Street in City Centre, Elmhurst
7-9 p.m.
Free
Info: (630) 993-1600

Wednesday, August 30

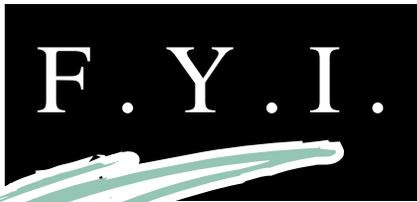
FILM DISCUSSION

York Theatre
150 North York Street, Elmhurst
9 p.m.
Free
Call the York Theatre at (630) 834-0675 to find out what film will be discussed.
Info: (630) 968-1600 ext. 104

This Community Calendar is sponsored by:

City of Elmhurst
Elmhurst Art Museum
Elmhurst Chamber of Commerce & Industry
Elmhurst City Centre
Elmhurst College
Elmhurst Garden Club
Elmhurst Historical Museum
Elmhurst Park District
Elmhurst Public Library
Elmhurst Public Schools
Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra
Elmhurst Visitor and Tourism Department
Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art
Theatre Historical Society of America
York Theatre

For more information about the Elmhurst Community Calendar, please call (630) 833-1457.



City Hall Announces Extended Hours

City Hall is now open for business from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday* to better serve the people of Elmhurst. The Finance Department will continue to provide limited service until

7 p.m. on the first and third Mondays of each month. (If a holiday falls on a first or third Monday, the Finance counter will be open the following evening.)

* City Hall will be closed for Memorial Day, Monday, May 29, and Independence Day, Tuesday, July 4.

Vehicle Stickers

City vehicle stickers should have been purchased and displayed by May 1. The fine for failing to display a sticker is \$25 until May 31 and \$50 thereafter. Vehicle stickers may be purchased at the Finance counter in City Hall. Transfer and replacement stickers are \$1.

Youth Awards Presented

Congratulations to the young people nominated for the annual Youth Service Award for volunteer service. These outstanding young people, ranging from 12 to 18 years old, were honored by the Commission on Youth and the Elmhurst City Council at a reception and award ceremony on Monday, May 1. Of those nominated, ten young men and women received plaques for exemplary service. They were: Michael Gills, Hilary Gray, Megan Gusloff, Siobhan Healy, Robin Lawrence, Jelena Milanovic, Amy Pingitore, Leah Pogwizd, Grant Van Horn and Joan Wirig.



City Budget Approved

On April 17, the Elmhurst City Council unanimously approved the City's budget for fiscal 2000-2001. Budget planning efforts center on maintaining a healthy fiscal foundation, providing excellent City services and addressing infrastructure needs.

Watch for Your Water Quality Report

Water Quality Reports for the year 2000 will be mailed to all City of Elmhurst water customers by July 1. This annual report provides a detailed description of the various properties of the public water supply and is updated each year with changes that may have occurred. Its purpose is

to educate and assure the public that the water supply meets or exceeds quality standards set by the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency. Watch for a copy in the mail by July 1.

Sprinkling Hours

Lawn and garden sprinkling* for even-numbered addresses is allowed on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. the following morning. Residents with odd-numbered addresses are asked to sprinkle on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. Residents are asked not to sprinkle on Sunday. (*Hand watering with a hose or watering can is allowed at any time.)

Curfew Reminder

With summer vacation just around the corner, parents are asked to require that their children under the age of 18 obey the following city curfews: 11:00 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, and 12:00 midnight on Friday and Saturday.



Check Out Youth Info Website

A new website, www.lifeeducation.org, includes a teen event page, community youth calendar, volunteer opportunities, the Youth Directory and information from the Commission on Youth. The City's homepage at <http://www.elmhurst.org> also provides a link to the youth website.



Important Phone Numbers

- To prevent serious and costly accidents, call 1-800-892-0123 at least 48 hours before digging. J.U.L.I.E. will locate underground utility or cable television lines on your property.
- For mosquito abatement questions, call 1-800-942-2555.

Permits, Licenses and Inspections

- Dog and cat owners are required to license their pets. Licenses can be obtained through the City Collector's office. A current vaccination certificate from a registered veterinarian is also required for each pet.
- User permits, through the City Clerk's office, are required for all commercial and residential security alarms. Call 530-3015 for information. Installation permits are also required through the Development Department (530-3030).
- Permits are required for new or increased capacity air conditioning condensing units. Call the Development Department at 530-3030 for information.
- A sump pump inspection is required for all home sales in Elmhurst. Call Public Works at 530-3020 for more information.



The City Newsletter

Public Works Working for You

Do You Have Dip Tube Rot?

The City has received a number of calls from water customers complaining of a “mineral build-up” that in some cases actually stops the flow of water in their homes. Analysis has shown that the material is in fact plastic, rather than mineral. The material typically accumulates on screens or can be observed floating on the water in a bath or sink that does not have a faucet screen. The source is the dip tube, a device inside the hot water tank that directs incoming cold water to the bottom of the tank where it is released and heated. The heated water gradually moves to the top of the tank and out the hot water discharge.

Water tanks constructed between 1992 and 1996 were fitted with dip tubes made from a new type of plastic. After several years of use the new style dip tubes may deteriorate and break up into small, pebble-like pieces. The plastic pieces float in the hot water tank and flow out with the water. Eventually they begin to accumulate on faucet screens. As the dip tube deteriorates and becomes significantly shorter, it releases cold water near the top of the tank. Water entering the tank near the top cannot be sufficiently heated and results in a flow of tepid or even cold water from the hot water tank.

If you notice a white material accumulating on faucet screens or floating in tubs, washing machines or sinks, you may have dip tube rot. Remember, if the material floats, it is not a mineral and is probably from a faulty dip tube. If you suspect you have a problem with dip tube rot, contact your hot water tank vendor or manufacturer. Dip tube rot has been an industry-wide problem since it was identified in 1999. Virtually all hot water tanks manufactured between 1992 and 1996 have the potential to develop dip tube rot. The plastic does not pose a health risk since it was approved by the FDA for use in water tanks.

A class action suit was filed in November 1999 to help consumers recover the cost of replacing dip tubes in their water tanks. A web site (www.diptubessettlement.com) has been created to inform consumers about the problem, and provide claim forms and information on the progress of the settlement. Elmhurst water customers with questions regarding dip tube rot or water quality in general can also contact Public Works at 530-3020.

Spring/Summer Construction Update

Roadway construction will take place on the following streets during the 2000 construction season.

- Highview - Armitage to Fremont
- Ridgeland - Armitage to Fremont
- Evergreen - Armitage to Fremont
- Maple - Armitage to Fremont
- Fremont - Elmcrest to East Dead End
- Highland - Third to First
- Oak - Third to First
- Addison - Second to First
- Park - Palmer to Poplar
- Grace - Alexander to Winthrop
- Utley - Fairfield to Dead End
- Claremont - Hagan to Prospect
- Huntington - Poplar to Fair
- Hillside - Hawthorne to Eggleston
- Prospect - St. Charles to Seminole
- Olive - Prospect to Dead End
- Garfield - Prospect to Dead End
- Parkside - Eggleston to Seminole
- Arlington - St. Charles to South
- Grandview - Mitchell to Prospect
- Linden - Niagara to Crescent
- Stratford - Crescent to Vallette
- Edgewood - Crescent to Vallette
- Chatham - Van Buren to Butterfield
- Colfax - Van Buren to Butterfield
- Poplar - Van Buren to Butterfield
- Market Square Alley - Third to Second
- Stemple's Lot at Spring Road South of Eggleston
- Riverside Cul-de-sac at Public Works Garage

Free Brush Chips

The City's Forestry Division will deliver free brush chips to residents. The minimum quantity delivered (on the parkway) is 10 cubic yards (about 85 wheel barrow loads). You may want to share a load with a neighbor or two. Early callers may receive their chips within two weeks, but as demand increases, the wait often increases to several months. Please call the Public Works Municipal Garage at 530-3038 to place an order.

City Updates Refuse Program

The City's new solid waste program went into effect on April 1. A detailed reference guide outlining the new program was mailed earlier this spring. Listed below are some of the most important highlights of the new collection program:

- The base program provides for collection of one 33-gallon container of household refuse per week for a monthly fee of \$9.07. Each additional can or bag of refuse must have a refuse sticker attached. Refuse stickers are available for \$1.25 at City Hall and from local merchants. **(45-gallon cans will no longer be accepted.)**

- The alternate program allows residents to use a 96-gallon toter for a monthly fee of \$12.00. Residents may sign up for this option at any time but must commit to use the program for 12 months. The larger container is provided and delivered by Browning Ferris, the City's waste hauler.

- Both programs provide for the collection of unlimited recyclables. Please separate paper from other recyclable materials (plastic, metal, glass and aseptic packaging).

- Yard waste is collected from April 1 to November 30. Both programs include the weekly collection of two bundles of brush without stickers during these months. Other yard waste (grass clippings, twigs, leaves, plant material, etc.) must have a \$1.30 yard waste sticker attached.



Please refer to your reference guide for details of the City's solid waste and recycling program, including the collection of large household items and white goods. For more information or an additional copy of the guide, please stop by City Hall or call Public Works at 530-3020.

Refuse collection will be delayed by one day during the weeks of Memorial Day and July 4th.

Dutch Elm Disease

Residents are asked to watch for signs of Dutch Elm Disease on their property and parkway trees from May through September. To report symptoms or request information about the disease, call Public Works at 530-3020. Please be aware that Elmhurst city ordinance prohibits the storage of cut elm wood with bark.

Sump pump inspections

If you are planning to sell your home, please call Public Works at 530-3020 to arrange for a sump pump inspection. This is required for all homes sold in Elmhurst.

Wear a Bicycle Helmet

In 1997, 813 bicyclists were killed and another 58,000 were injured in crashes with motor vehicles. Nearly a third of those killed each year are children under the age of 16. Between 70 and 80% of the fatalities involve head injuries, most of which could be prevented by proper use of a bike helmet. Helmets provide the best head injury protection in the event of a bicycle accident, whether a motor vehicle is involved or not. Bicyclists should wear a helmet at all times since many head injuries result from falls. Children who form a bike helmet habit early in life are more likely to continue wearing them as teens and adults.

Lock It Up - A Safety Tip from the Police

The old adage, "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure," is as true today as it was years ago. During the first three months of 2000, the Elmhurst Police Department received 91 reports of thefts to motor vehicles and numerous reports of garage burglaries. Of those crimes, more than half were to open or unlocked garages, or unlocked vehicles – easy targets for criminals intent on stealing cell phones, pagers, CDs or loose change from cars, or snow blowers, lawn mowers or bicycles from residential garages. Keep your vehicles locked, even when they are parked in your driveway. Never leave valuables in plain sight, even in a locked car. Close and lock garage doors even when you are at home. These simple precautions will reduce your risk of being victimized.

May 2000

City of Elmhurst

209 N. York St.
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530-3000

Website homepage: <http://www.elmhurst.org>
Email: webmaster@elmhurst.org

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Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
(Finance Department Counter open
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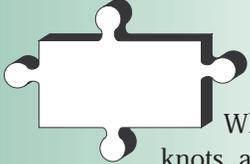




The City Newsletter

The Historical Museum

Bringing History To Life



"Brain Teasers" – A Puzzling Exhibit

What is filled with jigsaws, tied up in knots, and holds the key to the universe? It is Brain Teasers, the new exhibit at the Elmhurst Historical Museum. This mind-bending exhibit is for visitors of all ages and includes a collection of more than 20 puzzles, from rope tricks to giant jigsaws, that will challenge even the most accomplished problem solver. Can you escape from the handcuffs? How many nails can you balance on the head of a single nail? Can you solve the "unsolvable" puzzle? Brain Teasers, produced and circulated by the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry, will be at the Historical Museum through Labor Day. The museum, at 120 E. Park in downtown Elmhurst, is open from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday. Call 833-1457 for information on this or other museum events.

Summer Fun at the Historical Museum

The summer is loaded with fun events for the family at the Elmhurst Historical Museum, the City's free public museum. In addition to Brain Teasers and the annual July 4th Ice Cream Social, the museum has regular activities for all ages. Second Saturday Drop-In is a monthly hands-on program for kids and caregivers held every second Saturday from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. Tea Time Tours for adults are held every third Thursday from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. and include performances, lectures and special presentations. The museum is introducing a new series of family programs this summer called Fun & Games to be held on Thursday afternoons from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. from June 22 through August 10. The museum will also host "Summer Family Fun Day: Puzzle Party," on Sunday, August 6 from 1-4 p.m. All programs and exhibits at the museum are open to the public and free of charge. For more information, call the museum at 833-1457.



Volunteers Make a Difference

The Elmhurst Historical Museum has some interesting and challenging opportunities for volunteers. People are needed to assist with educational presentations, work with collections, greet visitors and work in the galleries, assist with special events, and serve as tour guides for walking and bus tours. For more information or to sign up as a volunteer, call Jennifer Van Haaften at 833-1457.



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