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Introducing Orland Park's "Art In The Park"

by Mayor Daniel J. McLaughlin

I welcome this opportunity to introduce the new "Art in the Park" program in the Village of Orland Park. There are numerous parks and open spaces in the village where some form of art or sculpture would certainly enhance these spaces. "Art in the Park" would help to encourage pedestrian traffic while adding to the quality of life for our community. Our Public Arts Commission will be working with me to implement the program.

For many years, the village has sponsored an annual golf outing with the proceeds benefiting a particular village program. For the past ten years, these proceeds have benefited the Open Lands Program. This year the golf outing will benefit the Art in the Park Program. While we remain strongly committed to Open Lands, we also realize that the money raised through the golf outing alone isn't large enough to make open space purchases, but could have a substantial impact on a program like "Art in the Park." Watch for more information on this program in the near future.

Finance Department Receives North American Honor

The Village of Orland Park is the proud recipient of the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States

and Canada (GFOA) Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for our 2006 budget.

To receive the budget award, the village had to satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. These guidelines are designed to assess how well the budget serves as a policy document, a financial plan, an operations guide and a communications device. The award represents a significant achievement and reflects the commitment of the village and staff to meeting the highest principles of governmental budgeting.

The GFOA award is also presented to the individual or department as being primarily responsible for having achieved the award. This has been presented to the village's Finance Director Annmarie Mampe and Assistant Finance Director Sarah Schueler.

In a statement released by the GFOA, "Award recipients have pioneered efforts to improve the quality of budgeting and provide an excellent example for other governments throughout North America."

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Village Departments Reorganized

During the last year, we have been reorganizing several departments to better coordinate services provided by the village. To do this, we've combined departments and created a new department to oversee several areas.

The Engineering Department and the Public Works Department have been combined as the Public Works and Engineering Department. The combination of the two departments will increase efficiency to the many capital improvement projects and coordinate the expansion of the village's infrastructure. Review of engineering projects is being coordinated with the consulting firms of

Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd. and K-Plus Engineering.

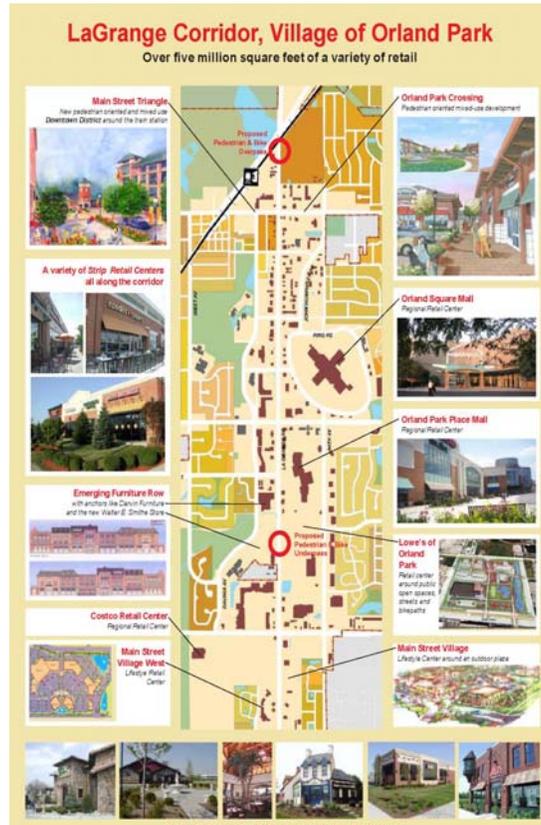
The Planning Department and Building Department have been consolidated as divisions under the newly created Development Services Department. Combining these two departments was done with the goal of being more efficient in the areas that deal with development.

By reorganizing these departments, we feel that we will be able to improve village services to our residents and to developers.

New Development & Road Improvements

A long time ago, Orland Park committed to being a retail center. The original retail centers in Orland Park were small and large retail strip centers. Along with various strip malls, Orland Square Mall is our regional enclosed mall. The redeveloped Orland Park Place is referred to as a power center, which is made up of fewer but larger stores. New regional retail centers now under construction along LaGrange Road are Lowe's of Orland Park and Costco Retail Center. Lifestyle centers are the newest trend in retail development. Currently we have three lifestyle centers in progress, including Orland Park Crossing, Main Street Village and Main Street Village West.

We realize that adding more retail adds more traffic and we've been working on some long range solutions to help ease congestion. The Village Board and I have been aggressively promoting road projects with the state and county by fronting engineering costs and sharing in some of the costs. We've also been making sure that new developments and Orland Park in general, are more pedestrian friendly. In addition to improved LaGrange Road grade level crossings, we will provide a pedestrian bridge near 142nd Street and a pedestrian underpass near 156th by Lowe's. Not only will the underpass allow people to walk from one shopping area to another, but it will also enable residents on the east side of LaGrange Road to walk to Centennial Park while avoiding traffic.



Intersection improvements are scheduled to begin this year on 159th Street and LaGrange Road which will be nine lanes north and south, and seven lanes east and west, from 94th Avenue to Ravinia Avenue. The Costco development will extend Ravinia Avenue south of 159th Street for several blocks and have it exit on LaGrange Road. We will also be adding a new cross street at 156th Street from LaGrange Road to Ravinia Avenue.

For a complete list of street improvements, please refer to page 4 in this publication.

Water Conservation

As all of you are aware, last year we experienced one of the worst droughts we've had in decades. And, we were forced to change the water restrictions several times

during the season to conserve water for the safety of everyone. The village's summer water conservation program from May 15th to September 15th each year allows outdoor water usage from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., based on the odd/even address system.

In other words, if your address ends in an even number, you may water on the even numbered calendar day, and for those whose address ends in an odd number, you may water on the odd numbered calendar day.

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In the event of another drought or excessively high water usage, the village will implement stricter water usage regulations. We'll keep you informed of any changes as they occur. I urge everyone to work together and follow water conservation regulations for the good of the entire community.

Coming Attractions

Don't miss the many attractions that the village will be offering this spring and summer. There is something for everyone in the entire family --- from the Farmers' Market, Independence Spectacular, Fine Art Fair, Open Lands Garden Walk, Wednesday Happenings, Concerts On Ravinia and more, to the Taste of Orland Park. Information about these events and more can be found in this issue of the *Orland Park Public*, in the Recreation and Parks spring/summer brochure and on our website at www.orland-park.il.us.



Everyone is invited to be a part of Orland Park's own preservation efforts. The Orland Historical Society welcomes new members and is actively recruiting those who enjoy history. Learn more about your hometown and help preserve its history at the same time. For more information, call the society at 349-0065.

Congratulations Outstanding Youth

It's a pleasure to publicly recognize the youth of our community for their outstanding accomplishments in each issue of the *Orland Park Public*. Please join me in congratulating the "pride of the community" on their most recent accomplishments.

Congratulations to the Sandburg High School Wrestling Team. For the second year in a row, the team took the State Class AA Championship, a feat that has not been matched in 25 years! **Brandon Precin, Conrad Polz and Matt Cusick** all took home individual state championships. The winning team also included **Jon Morrison, Mike McAuliffe, Matt Schmeski, Jake Holler, Kevin White, Billy Crowley, Tyler LePrete, Derek Sallas, John Doyle, Sepehr Nikpouri, Eric Pretto, Ben Friedl, Clinton Polz, Jeff Richards, Glenn Hurt, Cameron Miller, Eric Rettke and Craig Olson**. Congratulations to the entire team and the coaches, especially **Coach Mike Polz** who was named "Coach of the Year."

Sandburg's Speech Team was also a state finalist. The team placed eleventh in the State Speech Tournament and placed three of the five state qualifiers in the finals. **Stan Polit** took the individual state championship for Humorous Interpretation. **Liz Sadler** placed fourth for Prose Reading, **Nora Nerius** placed seventh for Special Occasion Speaking. State Qualifiers were **Jim McGuire** for Dramatic Interpretation and **Amy Vogelsang** for Impromptu Speaking.

Eighteen Sandburg High School students have been awarded The Cook County Sheriff's Office Medal of Honor in recognition of their distinguished community service efforts. The honors were awarded to **Cameron Bamda, Vomce Benvenuto, Richard Borucke, Michael Collins, Emily Dabrowski, Sarah Derkacy, Mark Diver, Geoffrey Go, Kathryn Goldbert, Michelle Gruchot, Elise Harmening, David Healey, Renee Keane, Ed Kennedy, Kiki Kouris, Keval Parikh, Stephanie Slaviero and Carlin Ziska**.

Gianna Patrizi, a student at Cardinal Bernardin Catholic School has been named a "Box Tops for Education Kids' Caucus Essay Contest" finalist, earning the highest score of any essay received in the state. As a finalist, Patrizi earned a \$1,000 Box Tops for Education Parental Involvement in Education Grant for her school.

Carl Sandburg High School 2005-2006 Varsity Eaglette Pom Team was the first Sandburg pom team to go to the IDTA state finals. Team members include **Michele Bailey, Stephanie Chirillo (captain), Emily Chumura, Jess Donofrio, Syd Langford, Katie Lanigan, Jess Maggiore, Kate Mavrovic, Jenna Miglio, Angie Miller, Danielle Oberhue, Casey O'Halloran, Margaret O'Sullivan, Andrea Piszczor, Stephanie Piszczor, Rachel Ralph (captain), Melissa Ramirez, Chrissy Rubino, Alyssa Solofra, Jenny Tello and Maria Wemple**. Congratulations on a great year!

During the annual eighth grade trip to Washington, D. C., **Brian Siefferman** (Orland Junior High), **Jenn Feingold** (Jerling Junior High), **Matt Dempsey** and **Natalie Roth** (Century Junior High) presented the wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

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Regional Road Projects Announced

Outside engineering consultants have been contracted to expedite the many county and state road improvements.

2006 State Roadway Projects

- 143rd Street Widening
- LaGrange Road Widening
- 159th Street and LaGrange Road
Intersection improvement (2006/2007)
- Wolf Road from 143rd Street to 167th Street
Phase I engineering nearly completed
- Illinois Route 7 LaGrange Road to 143rd Street
Viaduct replacement in conjunction with
the LaGrange Road widening
- Reconstruction of Illinois Route 7 from LaGrange Road
to 143rd Street.

2006 Village Street Projects

- Old Orland.
- Portion of 151st Street.
- 156th Street – New cross street LaGrange Road to Ravinia
- Ravinia Avenue
Intersection Improvements @ 143rd and 153rd
(adding left turn lanes) (2006)
- 151st St. from LaGrange Road R.O.W. to West Ave.
Complete reconstruction with 3-lane cross section
(2008/09)

2006 Cook County Roadway Projects

The village is coordinating with the Cook County Highway Department road improvement efforts for the following:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 104th Ave from 159th Street to 167th Street (2006/2007) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alleviate flooding • Left turn lanes – cemetery and mosque • 108th Avenue from 143rd Street to 153rd (2006/2007) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overlay of asphalt for two lanes • Addition of left turn lanes • 108th Ave from 153rd Street to 159th Street (2006/2007) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Striped center median • Three lane widening • Intersection improvement at 159th Street • Left turn lanes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 153rd Street – West Avenue to Wolf Road (2006/2007) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Five-lane widening from West Avenue to 108th Avenue including left turn lanes. Three lanes west of 108th Avenue including left turn lanes • Traffic signals at 108th Avenue. • Miscellaneous sidewalk connections. • 167th Street – LaGrange to Will-Cook 90% complete (2006 Completion) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three lane widening • Traffic signals at the intersections of 108th Avenue, 104th Avenue and Will-Cook Road • Miscellaneous sidewalk connections • Wolf Road – 139th Street to 143rd Street <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three-lane cross section • Left turn lanes 139th Street • Left turn lanes Brigitte Terrace |
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**Visit the Village of Orland Park
on the Internet at
www.orland-park.il.us.**

CodeRED® Delivers Village's Important Messages



CodeRED® allows the Village of Orland Park to call targeted areas or the entire community in case of an emergency or urgent situation that requires immediate attention, such as a boil-water notice, missing child announcement or public notifications. It delivers the village's recorded message to a live person or an answering machine, making three attempts to connect to any number.

Village residents and businesses are urged to visit the village's website at www.orland-park.il.us, click on "Village Services" and complete the CodeRED® Residential and Business Data Collection Application Form to update the contact information. Required information includes first and last name, street address (physical address, no post office boxes), city, state, zip code, and primary phone number. Additional phone numbers, i.e., such as cell phone numbers, are optional.

Position of Clerk Dates Back to Middle Ages

by Village Clerk David P. Maher

The term “clerk” is an ancient and honorable one. It comes from the early Middle Ages when churches regulated many local government matters and only clergymen were educated and could write. The idea of clerk as writer, keeper of records and local official comes from this history.

The first settlers in America soon created the office of parish or town clerk, and the post has continued to this day as an essential municipal post. Every municipality in the nation, regardless of size or form of government, has a clerk or an equivalent position.

The Village Clerk performs duties as required by state statute and village ordinance. The Village Clerk is the local election official. Eligible voters can register to vote; obtain applications for absentee and in-person absentee voting through the Office of the Village Clerk. Election petitions for referenda and candidacy for elected village offices on the appropriate election ballots are filed in the Village Clerk’s Office.

The Village Clerk attends meetings of the Village Board and committees and is the custodian of all documents belonging to the village which are not assigned to the custody of some other officer.

The Village Clerk publishes and attests to all resolutions and ordinances approved by the Village Board and maintains the minutes, village codes and official documents of the village. Handwritten minutes from the early 1900’s have been preserved and are in safe keeping in my office.

Raffle licenses and intersection solicitation requests are processed through the Office of the Village Clerk. These are just a few examples of the responsibilities of the Village Clerk.

When is the next election? The next election will be the General Election on November 7, 2006.

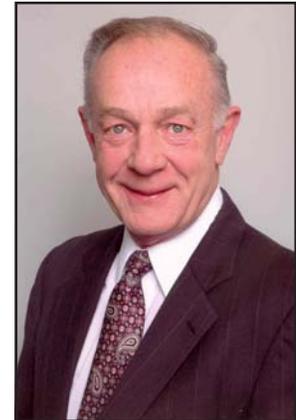
Voter Registration is available in the Village Clerk’s Office located on the main floor of the Frederick T. Owens Village Hall. Office hours are 8:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. Monday through Friday. You must be a registered voter in order to vote in any election.

Residents who are U.S. citizens, 18 years of age **on or before** the next election (which is November 7, 2006), recently moved, changed their name, had a problem voting in the last election, or never registered to vote can do so in the Clerk’s Office. Two forms of identification are required when registering to vote, one with your name and Orland Park address the other with simply your name. The entire process only takes about 10 minutes of your time!

Helpful Web Sites

Can’t come into our office but want to register to vote in Cook County? Need to find out where to go to vote? Not sure if you are registered in Orland Park? Would like to know how to become an Election Judge or would like Election Results? Visit David Orr’s Cook County website at www.voterinfolnet.com. Village residents who have questions, please e-mail me at clerk@orland-park.il.us or phone 403-6150.

Congratulations to the class of 2006. May success follow you always!



VOTER REGISTRATION AVAILABLE

Village Clerk's Office • Frederick T. Owens Village Hall
Monday through Friday • 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

To register, you must be a U.S. citizen and be at least 18 years old on or before the next election, Tuesday, November 7, 2006. Call 403-6150 for details.

Warm Weather Brings Market & More

by Trustee Kathy Fenton, Chair
Building and Zoning Committee



Orland Park's Farmers' Market has become a summer tradition — a sure sign that warmer weather is just around the corner. This year's market will open on Friday, June 9 at the Village Center, being opened from 7:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. each Friday, with the exception of August 4 as staff prepares for the "Taste of Orland Park 2006."

The village's Farmers' Market offers more than the standard fruits and vegetables. If you're free on a Friday morning, stop by to see the baked goods, breads, candles, crafts, flowers, jellies, jewelry, plants, soaps, spices and more.

Orland Park's market differs from others with the barbecue lunches that are available for purchase during the summer months. Experience a true summer lunch with the delicious barbecued hamburgers, hot dogs, brats and chicken sandwiches. Area community groups are invited to host the barbecue at the market to raise funds for their organizations. If interested, call 403-6145.

Civic Center for Gatherings

As we move into graduation party season, do remember that the Orland Park Civic Center is a great place to host your special celebration. Two rooms are available for gatherings of all types — parties, business meetings, training sessions, workshops, etc. For more information or to schedule a tour, call 403-6200.

Home Improvement

With the warm weather comes home improvement season. Residents planning to hire private contractors to work on their homes should consult the Building Division first. Hire only contractors who are licensed to work in the village because if you don't, you have no village recourse should the contractor not perform satisfactorily. Be sure that all contractors working on your home hold Village of Orland Park Contractor's Licenses.

Permits are required for all construction projects in the Village of Orland Park. Some are no charge while others are calculated according to the scope of the project. The village closely monitors all construction projects in the village to ensure the public's safety and the project's aesthetics.

Call J.U.L.I.E.

An important reminder for the home improvement season is to call J.U.L.I.E. (Joint Utilities Locating Information for Excavators) at 1-800-892-0123 before digging on your property for ANY reason — including planning trees or landscaping! JULIE is a free service that notifies your utility companies to come out to mark their lines before digging begins. That way you're not digging into an expensive and dangerous utility line when installing fence posts or planting trees.

Yard Additions Affect Drainage

Many people will add new landscaping to their rear yards where lines are buried or draining lines run. In many cases, too much landscaping on the property lines can cause flooding in your yard or your neighbor's yard. This also applies to adding sheds or pools to your yard. The more land that is covered by structures and landscaping, the less there is for drainage.

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Local Wildlife

The warmer weather also brings wildlife into our yards. Cover your garbage cans with tight lids and use bungee cords to discourage raccoons from feasting on your refuse. Change the water in birdbaths on a regular basis and keep birdseed in a tight container so mice and squirrels cannot get to it. Check under sheds and decks for new families that may have made their homes there — skunks love it there!

Congratulations, Graduates!

To the Class of 2006, including my daughter Amy who graduated from college this year, I wish each of you much success as you continue your education or enter the work force. Travel wisely.



Village of Orland Park
FARMERS' MARKET

Fridays, June 9 through October 6
7:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

No market August 4
Orland Park Village Center
14750 South Ravinia Avenue



"Summer Jobs" Begins 12th Season

by Trustee Brad O'Halloran, Chair
Planning and Economic Development

With summer quickly approaching, we think of what a wonderful time of the year it is. Summer offers an opportunity to

spend more time outdoors, enjoy family vacations and weekend get-a-ways, and take a break from school work. It also means the start of another season for our Summer Jobs for Youth Program.

This is the twelfth year of offering this program and I am proud of how successful it continues to be for the youth in our community. I initiated Summer Jobs for Youth after hearing the concerns many teens had when trying to find summer employment. To that end, I am pleased to say this has been the ultimate example of the many positives that can come about from a partnership between local government and the community. Thanks to the many local businesses that participate in this program, we have provided job information to thousands of young adults who have gained invaluable work experience. It has also provided many benefits to local businesses, as well. This year, we're also in the process of attempting to include intern opportunities with our local businesses.

However, this program provides more than just a paycheck and work experience. A job teaches young people the importance of responsibility and how to learn to become financially independent. Recent studies by the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics highlight the many long term advantages of being employed at a younger age.

Results of these studies show that high school employment has a "positive, skill-enhancing effect for the first six years after graduation." The findings indicate many other positive outcomes for students later in life, such as higher earnings, a greater likelihood of receiving fringe benefits, and having higher status occupations. So, we see that this is another example of how our helping our young people now continues to help them in the future.

For more information about Summer Jobs for Youth, students and businesses can call the Village Manager's Office at 403-6155. Thanks again to everyone for their continued support.

Garden Contest Returns

Summer in Orland Park also means time for the village's

Annual Garden Contest. Now in its eighth year, the contest is open to amateur gardeners who live in single-family residences within the corporate limits of the village. Judging is based on originality, creativity and maintenance, as well as the use of native landscaping, color, texture, variety and combination of plants and flowers used.

Our homeowners take great pride in their gardens and it's very evident by the large number of beautiful gardens and landscaping decor throughout the village. The deadline to apply for this year's contest is July 1. For your convenience, we've included an application on page 18.

New Restaurants

As you know, we have a long list of great restaurants and eateries here in the village and at this time I would like to take the opportunity to welcome some of the newest additions, including Sabor do Brazil and Cooper's Hawk Winery & Restaurant on Harlem Avenue, Panda Express inside Orland Square Shopping Center, Windy City Grill on Orland Square Drive, and Bar Louie on LaGrange Road. Orland Park is a great town in which to do business and I wish you all much success.

Facade Improvement

I am also pleased to announce the Village Board of Trustees has approved a Facade Improvement program for our Old Orland Historic District. This program is for what we term "contributing structures," which are buildings that are important to the history, culture and architecture of Old Orland. Its intent is to help property owners and tenants of these contributing structures restore, preserve and maintain their exterior building facades by matching part of the costs they incur to complete these projects. Property owners and tenants of these structures who install at least \$1,000 of eligible improvements under this program can apply for a matching grant equal to half of the cost of the work, for a total from \$500 up to \$20,000 per project. These matching funds may be used to cover fees incurred by a village-licensed contractor, building materials, and/or fees for a licensed architect design services. For more information about this improvement program, call the Planning Division at 403-6121.

Congratulations, Graduates

Congratulations to everyone in the Class of 2006. I send a special greeting to Sandburg's Class of '06, which includes our daughter, Casey. We wish all of you the very best as you begin the next phase of your lives. Good luck!

New Police Facility Progressing

by Trustee Ed Schussler, Chair
Police and Emergency Preparedness Committee

With the demolition phase of the project virtually complete, work at the new police facility located at 15100 Ravinia Avenue moved into the construction phase in recent weeks. The mild and relatively dry spring weather offered several weeks of uninterrupted work at the new 63,000 square foot facility. While it may be difficult for passersby to notice, it is estimated that nearly 25% of construction is completed. The site is a very busy location as workers continue to forge ahead toward the January, 2007 completion date. The project manager and superintendent report that the project remains on schedule.

The significant amount of technology included in this project makes coordination a very complex task. Chief Tim McCarthy, department staff and I have worked closely with the architect and construction company. Weekly meetings are held at the site. The project includes modern state-of-the-art technology for the communication center, computer network, phone, security and audio-visual systems. While much of this technology would be included in any newly constructed police facility, our building will also have systems to conserve energy and provide natural lighting.

Early on in the planning phase of this project, the Village Board committed to incorporating energy efficient technology as well as seeking a LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Certification. LEED certification requires significant effort at documenting the efforts to re-use and recycle building and demolition wastes as well selecting products and materials that are made from recycled materials and are shipped to the site from local suppliers. The building is also designed to "borrow" light from an exterior glass curtain wall and light monitors that will be constructed on the roof. This design brings natural light throughout the structure and minimizes light fixtures and the energy to power these fixtures.

Community Relations Events

The months of April and May were busy months for the Community Relations Division of the Police Department. On April 25th, Sergeant Pat Duggan and Detective Scott Malmberg presented a very well attended identity theft seminar in cooperation with the Mayor's Office of Special Services. The presentation included defining identity theft; how criminals obtain personal information; how to protect yourself and what to do if your identity is stolen.

Residents who missed the seminar may obtain Identity Theft Victim Assistance brochures in the lobby of the Police Department.

Upcoming events include the Internet Safety Seminar to discuss ways parents can monitor and protect their children while using the Internet. The date for this seminar will be announced in the local media.

The Community Relations Division will also conduct its annual beat meetings. These gatherings give village residents the opportunity to meet the officers who patrol their areas, discuss recent crime statistics and learn more about the Orland Park Police Department.

Beat meeting notifications are made using the village's "Code Red Notification System." This is an Internet and phone based recorded message system. It is a secure, fast way to notify the community of emergencies and other important public information. The telephone number data base has been generated by publicly listed telephone numbers, water bill information and by residents signing up to have their numbers added to the system. Recent attendance at the beat meetings has increased since the use of the "Code Red System."

Remaining beat meetings in May include Beat 4 at Jerling Junior High School on Wednesday, May 24 at 7:00 p.m.; and Beat 8 gathering at Meadow Ridge School on Wednesday, May 31 at 7:00 p.m.

The Police Department's Community Relations Division will return to the village's parks with its TIPS — Trailers In The Park. Residents are invited to visit with police personnel on June 23 at Cachey Park; July 21 at Sunny Pine Park and August 18 at Discovery Park. Displays will be set up from 11:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. on each of these days. And, mark your calendar now for Orland Park's annual National Night Out Against Crime to be held in the Village Center on August 1, 2006.

*Thank you to Deputy Police Chief Jerry Hughes
and Sergeant Pat Duggan
for their contributions to this edition's column.*





Additions Announced for Taste '06

by Trustee Patricia Gira, Chair
Finance Committee

Congratulations to the village's Finance Department. As you read in Mayor McLaughlin's column, Orland Park has again been recognized for its budget preparation. This honor isn't limited to the

United States as we compete against our counterparts from Canada. The Village Board is very proud of the Finance Department.

kids, including sports events hosted by Orland Park's local youth sports organizations. Additions to this year's fun for kids will be animals, Touch A Truck and the Family Egg Drop.



Chamber To Host Bean Bag Competition

The Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a new bean bag competition for this year's fest. Ten Orland Park restaurants will host their preliminary bean bag competitions between now and the start of the Taste. Each of the ten restaurants will then send a team of two to the final competition, tentatively scheduled for Sunday, August 6 at 1:00 p.m. The winning team at the final competition will receive a \$1000 cash prize award. For more information or to sign on as a participating restaurant, call the chamber office at 349-2972.

Taste of Orland Park 2006

Planning for the Taste of Orland Park begins well before most people even think about what has become an annual village favorite. Taste committees have been meeting since the beginning of the year and we're well on our way to a magnificent celebration for 2006.



Sing Karaoke With A Live Band!

Some of the best bands in the Chicago area will perform on the main stage throughout the weekend. One of the many highlights of the community stage will be the Live Band Karaoke playing Friday night. Live Band Karaoke has more than 200 songs from which to choose. Those wishing to sing with the band choose a song, sign up with the emcee and perform with the band when their name is called. Pre-registration is encouraged by e-mailing your name and phone number to info@orland-park.il.us. List KARAOKE BAND in the subject line. Or, call 403-6145 to sign up to sing with the band. This is **NOT** the Karaoke Contest, which is described in more detail in the next column. Space is limited so pre-registration is encouraged.

Orland Park Karaoke Returns

Following the same format, the Karaoke Competition returns with a number of local restaurants holding their own preliminary contests. The semi-final competition will be held at Riviera Country Club/RC Mulligan's on July 19. Twelve finalists will compete on the Taste Community Stage with the top three finalists performing on the Main Stage. The winner of this year's contest will receive an \$1000 travel voucher, compliments of Orland Square Travel. We look forward to seeing everyone at the Taste!

Congratulations, Class of 2006

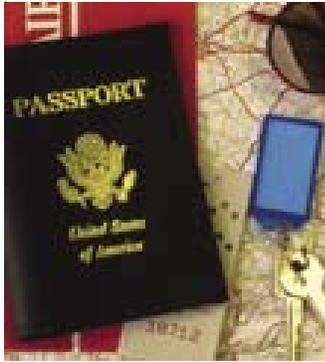
This year's graduation class is especially dear to my heart as I too am a member of the Class of 2006. To all of this year's graduates --- including our own Sue Wagner --- I offer my congratulations and best wishes. Many wonderful opportunities await you and I encourage each of you to choose wisely. Have a safe and fun-filled summer!

Saturday's Kids' Afternoon at the adjacent Humphrey Sports Complex will feature a number of activities for

TASTE OF ORLAND PARK 2006 COMMITTEE CHAIRS

<p>Coordinators Trustee Pat Gira & LeeAnn Fisk</p> <p>Administration RJ Zeder, Ellen Baer & Jack Knight</p> <p>Event Support Paula Swanstrom</p> <p>Advertising & Media Margie Owens-Klotz Amber Wilk, Co-Chair</p>	<p>Beverages Kurt Heinlen Liz Nowak, Co-Chair</p> <p>Com/Trans Frank Stec</p> <p>Community Booths Maureen Wentz</p> <p>Electric Ed Larke Dennis Wokurka Jack Altman, Co-Chair</p>	<p>Entertainment/Karaoke Patty Vlazny</p> <p>Environmental Control Isaiah Wiggs</p> <p>Finance Annmarie Mampe</p> <p>Kids' Entertainment Jen Farrell</p> <p>Operations/Raffle Gail Blummer</p> <p>Parking Ryan Callaghan</p>	<p>Restaurants Sue Wagner</p> <p>Security/Traffic Greg Okon & Charles Rabideau</p> <p>Set Up Gary Couch</p> <p>Signs & Banners Dave Rauch</p> <p>Soft Drinks Doug Boehm</p> <p>Volunteers Cathy Zuro & Shirley Hine</p>
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Passports Needed for Travel By Year's End



The Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Act of 2004 requires that by December 31, 2006, travelers to and from the Caribbean, Bermuda, Panama, Mexico and Canada have passports to re-enter the United States.

Because of the high volume of passports being processed, applicants should allow extra time in receiving their passports. In the last newsletter from the Chicago Regional office, they advise customers leaving in 6 to 8 weeks to expedite and use two-way express mail delivery to help insure timely receipt. We can only anticipate that these time periods will be extended as the year goes on. To be on the safe side it would be wise to plan months in advance when applying for a passport. Passports are valid for ten years for anyone 16 years of age or older.

A timeline for phasing in these requirements is being reviewed and will be published once finalized. United States citizens can visit the State Department's travel website at www.travel.state.gov. This website also has important information and safety tips regarding traveling to Mexico, Bahamas and other destinations. There are sections geared toward students who are traveling to these locations for spring and summer breaks.

Passport applications and photos are available by appointment in the Mayor's Office of Special Services in Orland Park's Frederick T. Owens Village Hall, 14700 South Ravinia Avenue.

Orland Park's Special Services Office is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., with the office remaining open until 7 p.m. on the first and third Mondays of the month. Passport appointments may be made by calling the Mayor's Office of Special Services at 708/403-6188.

"We're trying to get the word out now, especially for anyone planning to travel out of the country at the end of the year," said Orland Park Mayor Dan McLaughlin. "In the past, passports weren't required for these regions; however, they are now and we can process the applications and take the passport photos at the Orland Park Village Hall," the mayor said.

Emergency Medical ID Bracelets Available for Adults & Children

Mayor McLaughlin's Emergency Identification Bracelet Program is a free service for Village of Orland Park residents. Adults and children with medical conditions or special needs may come to the Office of Special Services and fill out a short form and have your picture taken. All of your information is entered into a database, which connects with the database at the police department.

This Publication Available On Tape

Orland Park's quarterly residential newsletter, the *Orland Park Public* is available on professionally recorded audiocassettes. Cassette tapes are available FREE for visually impaired village residents. For more information, call the Mayor's Office of Special Services at 708/403-6188.

Historic Gathering Space Available



Host your next meeting or gathering in the basement of the historic Twin Towers. The lower level of the facility may be rented for showers, parties and meetings, comfortably seating 80 guests. The adjacent kitchen offers a refrigerator, two microwaves and two coffee pots. A three hour minimum is required for rentals, which are \$40 an hour. For more information, call Ray Manning at 349-4850.

VILLAGE OF ORLAND PARK CALENDAR KEY

CC	Civic Center (14750 Ravinia Ave)
CCA	Civic Center Authority
ComRel	Community Relations Com
CPAC	Centennial Park Aquatic Center
DLFac	Driver's License Facility (Board Room in Village Hall)
EDAB	Economic Development AdvBd
ElecCom	Electrical Commission
ETSB	Emergency Telephone Sys Bd
HostCab	Hostert Log Cabins (147 & West)
HPRC	Historical Preservation Rev Com
LRC	Franklin E. Loebe Rec Center (14650 Ravinia)
OA	Outdoor Amphitheater (147 & Ravinia)
OPAC	Village Arts Commission
OVH	Old Village Hall (144 & Beacon)
PD	Police Department (14600 Ravinia)
PlanCom	Plan Commission
PTAB	Parking & Traffic Advisory Board
PubWks	Public Works (15655 Ravinia Ave)
RAB	Recreation Advisory Board
Splex	Village Sportsplex (11351 159th St)
TAB	Telecommunications Adv Bd
VETS	Veterans' Commission
VC	Village Center (14700 South Ravinia)
VH	Frederick T. Owens Village Hall (14700 Ravinia Ave)
ZBA	Zoning Board of Appeals

Prepare for Spring Weather

Before thunderstorms develop, a change in wind direction and an increase in wind speed with increasing height create an invisible, horizontal spinning effect in the lower atmosphere. Rising air within the thunderstorm updraft tilts the rotating air from horizontal spinning to vertical.

Thunderstorms develop in warm, moist air in advance of eastward moving cold fronts. These thunderstorms often produce hail, strong winds and tornadoes.

A severe thunderstorm warning means that severe thunderstorms are occurring. Close all windows and doors. Draw all shades or blinds on windows. If a window or door glass breaks due to high winds, shades might reduce the risk of flying glass.

Tornadoes pose the greatest severe weather risk to residents of Illinois.



Tornadoes in Illinois totaled 19 in 2005 and 80 in 2004. The prime tornado season in Illinois is March through May, with 63% occurring during that time, although tornadoes can and do occur at any time of the year.

Tornadoes can be almost invisible, marked only by swirling debris at the base of the funnel. Some are composed of several mini-funnels.

A tornado watch means that tornadoes are possible. Watch the sky and listen to the radio or television for more information. Be prepared to take shelter.

A tornado warning means an actual tornado has been sighted or indicated by weather radar. The Village of Orland Park's Outdoor Warning Siren System is activated when a tornado warning for our area is issued by the National Weather Service or when an actual tornado has been sighted.

When The Sirens Sound

When a warning has been issued by the National Weather Service, the village's sirens have been activated, or a tornado has been sighted, take the following actions.

- Go at once to your predetermined shelter (basement, storm cellar or the lowest level of the building). If there is no basement, go to an inner hallway or a small inner room without windows, i.e., a bathroom or closet or get under a stairway. Monitor the radio for latest weather information. Remain in the shelter until the danger has passed.
- Stay away from all windows, door and outside walls. Go to the center of the room. Stay away from corners because they tend to attract debris.
- Get under a piece of sturdy furniture, i.e. workbench or heavy table. Use sofa cushions to protect your head and neck. If sturdy furniture is not available, become a very small target. Squat low to the ground. Place your hands on your knees with your head between them.
- If in a trailer home or business, leave and seek shelter elsewhere. A mobile home can overturn very easily even if precautions have been taken to tie it down. If there isn't substantial shelter nearby, seek shelter in a low lying area. Shield your head with your hands.

- In schools, hospitals, nursing homes or public buildings, go to small interior rooms or halls on the lowest floor. Avoid large rooms such as gymnasiums or auditoriums.
- Damage to buildings is caused by violent winds and debris slamming into the building, not by the low pressure of the tornado as it passes overhead.



Consider Buying An NOAA Weather Radio

The National Weather Service issues severe weather alerts through NOAA (National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration) Weather Radios. Different models and price ranges are available at area electronic stores.

Does Your Family Have A Disaster Kit?

All Orland Park families are encouraged to put aside a separate box with supplies to be used only in the event of an emergency.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flashlight and extra batteries • Portable, battery-operated radio and extra batteries • First aid kit and manual • Emergency food and water | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-electric can opener • Essential medicines • Cash and credit cards • Sturdy shoes • Change of clothes |
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Establish An Out-of-State Contact

If family members are separated from one another during a tornado --- a genuine possibility during the day when adults are at work and children are at school --- have a plan for getting back together. Ask an out-of-state relative or friend to serve as the "family contact." After a disaster, it's often easier to call long distance. Make sure everyone in the family knows the name, address, and phone number of the contact person.

Saluting Outstanding Youth *continued from page 3*

Sandburg High School captured its first IHSA state championship in competitive cheerleading in the large school division at the competition in Normal, Illinois. The championship team members are **Brooke Bendell, DeAnna Besbekos, Jaci Borem, Brigitte Christensen, Brittany Conway, Stephanie DeLaTorre, Cassie Dignan, Dana Gartlan, Jenna Gillund, Niki Guerra, Kalie Kenealy, Katie Klimek, Colette LaKoma, Jackie Langosch, Lauren Mertens, Emily Olmstead, Val Olmstead, Lauren Slanker, Meghan Smith, Bree Wichman and Meghan Wilkosz.** Congratulations to the team and coaches **Mike and Caylee Bruce** on winning the first cheerleading state title for Sandburg!

St. Michael Varsity Cheerleaders also took first place in their division in the Illinois State Cheerleading Championship. This is the seventh time in the past nine years that St. Michael has won the Junior High State Title.

Congratulations to **Coaches Becky Weslow and Kim Williams** and team members **Jade Adeszko, Lauren Amendola, Alyssa Bergamini, Kelly Dillon, Alexandra Erickson, Olivia Goetz, Kathleen Hacker, Mimi Lewandowski, Jacklyn Majchrowicz, Christen McGlynn, Kim Moehle, Allyson Murphy, Danielle Murphy, Julie Nicola, Alyssa Olivieri, Gina Olsen, Jackie Smith, Alison Thoma, Sarah Unger, Jade Walgat and Molly Weslow.**

The eighth grade Orland Magic Boys Basketball Teams finished in first place in the Orland Park Magic/Spirit Tournament. Team members are **Matt Zemke, John Starcevich, Jake Bielecki, Robbie DiDomenico, Scott Canna, Austin Craig, Ryan Billo, Nick DeWolf and Steve Kouchis.**

Congratulations to the Carl Sandburg High School students named to the All-Area Basketball Teams. Boys' All-Area Team includes **Matt Sharp**, second team, and **Michael Gomez**, honorable mention. Girls' All-Area Team includes **Christine Walczak**, first team, **Jacque Storm**, second team, and **Gretchen Gaskin and Meg LoBianco**, honorable mention.

Congratulations to the Orland Park Vikings Midget Minor Hockey Team on a fantastic year! The team won the Illinois State Championship, the U.S. Central Region Championship, qualified for National Championship Tournament and finished second in the nation. Winning team members include **Michael Acton, Michael Chimienti, Daniel Cobb, David Curley, Matt French, Andrew Grigus, Ryan Holke, Matt Laskero, David Le Barre, Joseph Madonia, Alex O'Donnell, Brian Patzin, Angelo Sakellaropoulos, Evan Sakellaropoulos, Michael Saulters, Ian Senne and Derek Serbon.**

Sandburg senior **Cara Sullivan** has accepted a Division 1 soccer scholarship from the University of Tennessee at Martin and has been admitted into the Honors Program. Mother McAuley junior **Mallory Ann Ybarra** has received the Girls Scout Gold Award, the highest honor awarded to girl scouts.

Congratulations to Orland Park's **Lucas Tian** of Carl Sandburg High School. Lucas was one of two students in the state and 23 in the nation to earn a perfect score on the ACT.

And finally, congratulations to the Class of 2006! I wish all of you tremendous success as you continue on, whether you will be entering high school, college or beginning a new career.

Clip and save.

WASTEMANAGEMENT
Village of Orland Park
Garbage Pick Up Holidays

Waste Management, the village's contracted waste hauler, observes the following holidays. If a garbage pick up day falls on one of the holidays listed below, trash and recyclables will be picked up one day later. For more information, call Waste Management at 1-800-796-9696.

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| New Year's Day | Labor Day |
| Memorial Day | Thanksgiving Day |
| July 4th | Christmas Day |

Add Your Vet's Name

Orland Park's Veterans' Memorial is called "Ara Pace," the Latin translation for which is "Place of Peace."

Remembered military need not be residents of the Village of Orland Park or deceased. Veterans from throughout the region have been honored by family and friends as they proudly rise when their name is called by Fr. Leo Lyons (*USAF Colonel retired*) at the village's Memorial and Veterans' Day Ceremonies.

The cost to add a veteran's name to Orland Park's memorial is \$250 each. For more information, call Village of Orland Park Veterans' Commission Secretary Gail Blummer at 403-6203.

Remembering Those Who Serve



Each edition of the *Orland Park Public* includes a list of village residents who are currently serving in the United States military. Please join us in saluting and remembering the Orland Park residents listed below as they serve our country. To have your loved one's name added to this quarterly list, e-mail the information to info@orland-park.il.us or fax the details to 403-6171.

<p>Chief Warrant Officer Adam Andrew Shereyk United States Army 10th Mountain Division Carl Sandburg High School – Class of 1992 Currently serving third tour of duty in Afghanistan.</p>	<p>Corporal Brian Stack United States Marine Corps Marist High School – Class of 2001</p>
<p>Private First Class Rick “RJ” Kozak United States Marine Corps Carl Sandburg High School – Class of 2005</p>	<p>Master-At-Arms Scott A. Meder United States Navy Carl Sandburg High School – Class of 2003</p>

Orland Park's Care Package Collection Ongoing

Thank you to the many, many families, individuals, scout troops, schools and organizations that have so generously contributed to the Orland Park Veterans' Commission's care package collection program. The commission is collecting items for care packages for local residents currently serving in Iraq or Afghanistan. Everyone is invited to be a part of this ongoing effort. The list below shows what military personnel need --- in order of preference.

- Toilet paper • Peanut butter (8 oz or less) • Disposable cameras • Ramen noodles
- Decks of playing cards Acetaminophen & Ibuprofen • Mints & gum NOT in foil wrapping
- Hard candy • Anti-itch cream • Gold Bond Powder • Multivitamins • Power/Granola bars
- Trail & dried fruit & cereal mixes • Vacuum sealed foods
- Canned snack foods – Pringles, Doritos, etc • Powdered cold drink mixes
- Individual coffee, tea, cocoa & spiced cider packets • Small plastic funnels • DVDs & CDs
- Sun block • Baby wipes Pocket size Kleenex • Gel insoles for boots • Deodorant • Fly swatters
- Laundry detergent tablets • Small cereal boxes & instant oatmeal packets

MILITARY CARE PACKAGE CONTRIBUTION LOCATIONS

Frederick T. Owens Village Hall
 14700 South Ravinia Avenue

Village of Orland Park Sportsplex
 11351 West 159th Street

VETERANS' COMMISSION CALENDAR MARKERS

A Musical Tribute To Our Nation's Military
Sat, July 29, 2006
2:00 pm,
Civic Center

William R. Vogel Memorial
 The Veterans' Commission will proudly host a musical tribute to our nation's military on July 29. This show will feature Illinois USO Entertainer Alison Ruble and the Carnivele Sisters. Information and limited ticket sales will be available in mid June.

7th Annual Steak Fry
Sun, Aug 13, 2006
1:00 pm
Civic Center

William R. Vogel Memorial
 \$9.00 per person

Tickets will be available at the Village Hall Cashier's Office beginning July 5, 2006. Orland Park veterans and their spouses are invited. Two tickets per purchase. Orland Park VFW and American Legion members who live outside of Orland Park must show organization membership card to be able to purchase the two tickets permitted.

Vietnam Traveling Wall Coming To Orland Park
Orland Park Village Center
October 5-9, 2006

Many volunteers will be needed to help with this endeavor as the Vietnam Traveling Wall requires 24 hour a day coverage. Watch this publication and the local media for details and volunteer opportunities.

"In honor of the men and women of the armed forces of the United States who served in the Vietnam War. The names of those who gave their lives and those who remain missing are inscribed in the order they were taken from us."

Preamble of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial

Village Sportsplex Offers Membership Specials

Summer Special May 15 - August 31

Join now and *summer is free!
Family, couple, senior and student rates are available.
Memberships start as low as \$27 a month with no initiation fees. Make this your best summer ever!!

*3 month maximum.
Free months apply to summer '07.

Sportsplex Corporate Rates Available

Starting at just \$43 a month
No initiation fees!
Available to non-resident individuals working in or owning businesses in the Village of Orland Park. Join now and *summer's free!!

*Free months apply to summer '07.
Three month maximum.

Student 3-Month Membership

This is a great membership for the student home from college for the summer. Membership is all inclusive.

Residents - \$108
Non-Residents - \$160

SPORTSPLEX

Fitness Center Membership

(includes a free personal health assessment, exercise program and equipment orientation)

Strength Training Equipment

*Pilates Reformer Training

Free Weights

Indoor Track

*Child Care

Cardio Equipment

Treadmills

Ellipticals

Stair Steppers

Ab Benches

Towel and Locker Service

Rock Climbing

*Personal Training

Open Gym/Fields

Batting/Golf Cages

Group Exercise Classes

Fully Appointed Locker Rooms

*Birthday Party Services

*Youth Sports & Camps

**additional nominal fee*



Parents Need A Night Out?
Mom and Dad are invited to enjoy a Friday evening out while the kids have fun and lots of supervision at the Sportsplex. Movies, games and activities are offered for kids ages five to twelve. Pre-registration is required for the remaining Parents' Night Out events.

53521 - June 16 53522 - July 21

53523 - August 18

6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Limited to 50 participants

\$8.00/resident

\$12.00/non-resident

\$5.00/members

Great Day Trips

See the spring/summer Recreation & Parks program guide or call 645-PLAY for details about the following outings.

"State Fair" at Marriott Lincolnshire

June 14

Swedish Days in Geneva

June 20

Tempei Lipizzan Stallions

July 19



HOLIDAY HOURS

Memorial Day

5:30 am - 2 pm

Office, Kidz Room & Rock Closed

Fourth of July

5:30 am - 2 pm

Office, Kidz Room & Rock Closed

Good for one FREE visit to the
VILLAGE OF ORLAND PARK

SPORTSPLEX

FITNESS CENTER

Rules apply.

Must be age 18 or older.

Photo i.d. required.

Not valid for Open Gym, Climbing Wall,
Open Fields or Batting Cages.

ORLAND PARK PUBLIC SPRING, 2006

11351 West 159th Street • 708/645-PLAY



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Try the village's 35' climbing rock...

TWO FOR ONE PASS TO CLIMB THE ROCK

Two can climb for the price of one!

DROP-IN CLIMB HOURS

Mon-Fri • 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Sat • 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Sun • 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

SUMMER ROCK CLIMBING HOURS

MAY 30 TO AUGUST 11

Mon, Wed, Fri • 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Tues, Thurs • 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Saturday • 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Sunday • 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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See page 68 of the Spring/Summer Rec Brochure for more information. Rules apply.

Guidelines Established for Old Orland

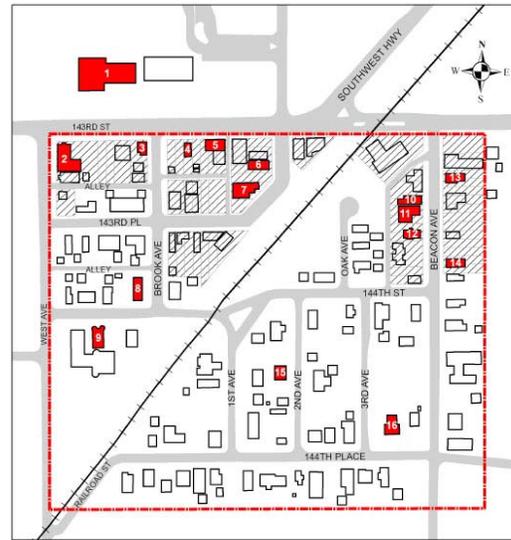
On March 6, 2006, the Village Board approved a new set of regulations for the Old Orland Historic District. The new regulations include a single section that has all applicable land development codes, building design standards, and the review process for proposals to develop property in Old Orland.

Additionally, instead of having a blanket set of design standards for all buildings in the district, the design standards now apply differently to three categories of buildings in the district:

1. If a building is a national landmark, owners will need to maintain the accuracy and integrity of the interior and exterior of the building;
2. If a building is a local contributing structure, improvements need to maintain the accuracy and integrity of the exterior of the building only.
3. For non-contributing buildings and new construction, exterior improvements should reflect the prevalent architectural styles and character of the district (i.e., Folk Victorian, Craftsman, Italianate, National etc).

The village's historic preservation program was also revised to help preserve and protect the community character and historic architecture of Old Orland, and set the tone for future development of this area.

In tandem with this initiative, the number of local contributing structures was reduced from 27 to 16 buildings. Designated buildings are identified in the map above.



Contributing Structures
1 9990 143rd Street** 9 9967 144th Street*
2 9999 W 143rd Street 10 14316 Beacon Avenue
3 9953 W 143rd Street 11 14320-24 Beacon Avenue
4 9925 W 143rd Street 12 14330 Beacon Avenue
5 9917 W 143rd Street 13 14315 Beacon Avenue
6 14326-10 Union Avenue 14 14339 Beacon Avenue
7 14314 Union Avenue 15 14420 2nd Avenue
8 9952 144th Street 16 9930 144th Place*
*Buildings 9 and 16 are on the National Register of Historic Places.
**While not in the OOH District Boundary, Building 1 is considered a contributing structure and should be protected.

--- OOH District Boundary
--- Permitted Commercial Areas
200 100 0 200 Feet

The Façade Improvement Program was also established to help owners and / or tenants of local contributing structures restore, preserve and maintain their exterior building facades.

To learn more about the historic preservation program in Orland Park and/or to obtain a copy of the new regulations or the façade program for the Old Orland Historic District, call the Planning Division at (708) 403-6115. This document is also available on the planning area of the village's website at www.orland-park.il.us.

Second Annual Garden Walk Planned

Plans are underway for the Village of Orland Park's second annual Garden Walk on Sunday, June 25, 2006. Dedicated to the memory of the late Open Lands Commissioner Shirley Fazio, the event is hosted by the Open Lands of Orland Park. Outstanding yards are being sought to participate in this special event. Six to eight homes will be chosen for this fund-raising tour. The gardens chosen for the tour will be single-family homes within the corporate limits of the Village of Orland Park.

In addition to the tour, local landscapers, garden centers and other shops will showcase their products and services at boutiques set up at the village complex. The day will also feature refreshments and music under a large tent and informational lectures on gardens. Visitors will be able to tour the homes on their own or take advantage of the trolley service provided. Tickets for the event will be available in advance and on the day of the event. Last year over 350 people toured eight beautiful properties.



Public Works Offers Seasonal Reminders

Yard Waste Collection Began April 1st



Yard waste collection resumed April 1 and continues through November 30.

Waste Management began collecting yard waste on regular garbage pick-up days. All yard waste materials must be separate from normal household garbage. In Orland Park, residents may use Waste Wheeler Carts for yard waste or Kraft biodegradable bags. **Yard waste in other containers will not be collected.**

Bundled trees and brush less than four inches in diameter and 48 inches in length are picked up during the first full week of each month. For more information about yard waste disposal or to buy or rent a Waste Wheeler Cart, please call Waste Management of the South Suburbs at 800/796-9696.

Warm Weather Brings Street Sweeper

Residents can expect to start seeing street sweepers beginning in March. The village contracts with Waste Management of Illinois, Inc. to sweep streets from spring to late fall. The commercial and arterial streets are swept eight times a year beginning at the end of March. In addition, residential streets are swept four times a year, also beginning at the end of March. Streets that are still under development in new subdivisions are not part of this process. Those streets are the responsibility of the subdivision developer. Each developer has a separate agreement to sweep streets during construction. The last residential sweeping of the year takes place at the end of November so it will coincide with the village's annual Leaf Pick-Up Program.



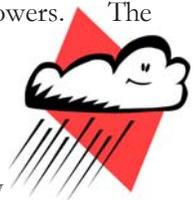
Restorations Explained

Spring is here and for many residents that means spring cleaning. That also holds true for the Public Works Department. During the late fall and winter months, there may have been some damage to the parkways in front of your house from a water main break, a sewer repair or maybe snowplow damage. The first thing every resident wants to know is "When will my area get restored?" Unfortunately, we cannot always give a standard response. The restoration depends upon when the work or damage occurred and size of the disturbance. If the damage was from a snowplow, the restoration will occur in early spring as the ground disturbance was minimal. If the restoration was from a water main or sewer repair, that could take longer. When the ground is excavated down several feet, it takes about three months for the ground to properly settle to avoid having dips or depressions develop later on. The Public Works Department makes every effort to get the sites restored as soon as possible. However, we may avoid laying sod in the very dry months of June, July and August as sod will have a difficult time getting established. One thing to remember, it is the homeowner's responsibility to water the area regularly to help the new sod take root.



Hoping for Spring Rain

Hopefully, this year's spring will bring some steady showers. The rain is needed following last year's very dry weather. Unfortunately, some rains can be very heavy and sheet off the ground instead of soaking in. When this happens, street and backyard inlets can become clogged with debris. Homeowners are asked to help minimize this from occurring. When doing yardwork, remember to clear the curb line of leaves, trash and grass clippings so when it rains, debris will not wash down the storm sewers. Those with a curb inlet near your house, should make sure it is cleared to prevent flooding. If your home has a backyard inlet on the property, avoid putting mulch or wood chips around it as they will wash in and can clog the storm pipes. A few minutes of preventative maintenance can help avoid problems later on.



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Buffalo Boxes Can Be Lowered To Grade



Residents whose b-boxes (buffalo boxes) are above the lawn or sidewalk should call the Public Works Department so that it can be lowered to grade.

A buffalo box is a small metal pipe that is typically located in the parkway for shutting off the water to the residence. Because of the annual freeze/thaw cycle and natural ground movement, some b-boxes may rise. If a b-box has become a tripping hazard or if residents find themselves constantly hitting the b-box with a lawn mower, they should call so that it can be set back to the proper grade. For more information, call Public Works at 403-6350.



August 4th, 5th and 6th
ORLAND PARK VILLAGE CENTER
 Food, Music & Lots of Fun!

Options Available for Water Bill Payments

Automatic Debits Available to Pay Water Bills



Water bills can be paid by having the amount owed directly withdrawn from a checking or savings account. To use this program, complete an application for bank drafting. Once the bank drafting information is in the village's billing system, the bill will be automatically withdrawn from a checking or savings account on the due date of the bill. Once the automatic withdrawal is confirmed in

the billing system, the resident's bill will read "BANK DRAFT" in the upper right hand corner. The lower right hand corner of the remittance stub will say "Bank Draft – Do Not Pay" in the "Amount Due" area.

Customers may also pay by mail or come to the Frederick T. Owens Village Hall to pay in person using cash, check, or credit card. To obtain a form to have payments automatically debited from an account, call 403-6175. Or, residents may download the form on the village's website at www.orland-park.il.us. Choose the link for Village Services and scroll down to the Finance Department section for the downloadable form.

Water Meter Information

Inside water meter readings are required by village ordinance. With spring's arrival, Orland Park's water meter readers will be in out in force to get readings inside a number of village homes.

Water meters are to be accessible for the village's meter readers. Outside meters should be clear of shrubs, fireplace logs and other obstructions. Inside meters should be easily accessible for service technicians and meter readers.

Use Night Deposit Box for Late Payments

Residents who forget to make their water bill payments on the date due may use the night deposit box located in front of the Frederick T. Owens Village Hall. The free standing gray box is on the driver's side of the median in front of the circle drive. The box is emptied at 8:00 a.m. every morning and all payments in the box are considered payment for the previous day. Residents should place their water bill stubs and check payment in an envelope labeled for Water Billing. Cash payments are not advised. A drop box for water bill payments is also located next to the Cashier's Window in the lobby of the Village Hall, accessible during Village Hall business hours.

Catch the View ORLAND PARK VILLAGE VIEW

Orland Park's monthly cable television show about the village's many programs, services and events

Every day on Comcast Channel 4 at 10:00 A.M., 4:00 P.M., 7:00 P.M. and 11:00 P.M.

Summer Schedule Includes Theater, Sports, Music, Art & Fun



DIRTY ROTTEN TRICKS

June 9, 10 & 11
Civic Center

See the Orland Park Theatre Troupe's summer show at the Civic Center. Call 403-PARK for tickets and information.



LIBERTY FAMILY FUN RUN

Centennial Park
Monday, July 3

Limited to 500 runners. Pre-register at the Loebe Center or the Sportsplex. Call 403-PARK or 645-PLAY for more information.



INDEPENDENCE SPECTACULAR

Centennial Park
15600 West Avenue
July 3 & 4

See the summer Recreation Brochure for a full schedule or call 403-PARK.



FINE ART FAIR

July 15 & 16
Orland Park
Crossing Mall
143rd & LaGrange

Juried outdoor exhibit with all types of art from across the country. For details call 403-6145.

VILLAGE OF ORLAND PARK FACILITIES
FREDERICK T. OWENS VILLAGE HALL • 14700 SOUTH RAVINIA AVENUE
708/403-6100

Open Monday-Friday 8am -5pm • Cashier open Sat 9am-1pm • www.orland-park.il.us
VILLAGE OF ORLAND PARK RECORDED SPECIAL EVENTS HOTLINE • 708/403-5370

<p>POLICE 14600 South Ravinia 708/349-4111 (non-emergency) www.orlandparkpolice.com e-mail: police@orland-park.il.us</p>	<p>PUBLIC WORKS 15655 South Ravinia 403-6350 • e-mail: publicworks@orland-park.il.us. PACE Bus Service - 708/403-6355</p>	<p>RECREATION & PARKS Franklin Loebe Recreation Center 14650 South Ravinia 708/403-PARK Village Sportsplex 11351 West 159th Street 708/645-PLAY recreation@orland-park.il.us Inclement Weather Hotline 708/403-6290</p>
<p>Dial 9-1-1 for police, fire or ambulance service in the Village of Orland Park.</p>	<p>CIVIC CENTER William R. Vogel Memorial 14750 South Ravinia Avenue 708/403-6200 civic@orland-park.il.us</p>	<p align="right">J.U.L.I.E. Joint Utility Locating Information for Excavators 1-800-892-0123 This is a FREE utility locating service. Call at least 48 hours before digging for any reason on your property. Violators are subject to fines.</p>
<p>Illinois Secretary of State Orland Park Satellite Driver's License Facility Located in the Board Room of the Village Hall For more information, please call 1-800-252-8980. Open Monday through Friday/9am to 5pm Address/Name Changes...Vision Tests State Identification Cards...Plate Stickers</p>	<p>WASTE MANAGEMENT OF THE SOUTH SUBURBS 1-800-796-9696 <i>For garbage and recyclables pick up information and to rent or purchase a Waste Wheeler Cart.</i></p>	

Village's Annual Garden Contest Returns
Village Residents Invited To Participate

Since the village's annual Garden Contest was created in 1999, more than 150 beautiful gardens have been entered. First, second and third place winners, along with honorable mention awards are awarded each year. This year, former Garden Contest winners were featured during the village's second annual **Garden Walk** on Sunday, June 25th.

Traditional and unusual gardens are welcome and judging will be based on **originality, creativity and overall maintenance**, as well as **the use of native landscaping, color, texture and the variety and combination of plants and flowers used**. **The deadline for entries is July 1.** Judging will take place in July and awards will be presented at a Village of Orland Park Board of Trustees meeting in August or September. Contestants do not need to be home at the time of judging. For more information, please call 403-6145.

Please clearly PRINT or TYPE all information. The deadline for entries is July 1, 2006.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Subdivision: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

I hereby give my permission to the Village of Orland Park and its Garden Contest representatives to enter my property for the purpose of consideration in the **Village of Orland Park Garden Contest**. I hereby grant my irrevocable permission to the Garden Contest and its authorized agents to use my name, and any photographs, videotapes, motion pictures, recordings or any other record of my participation in this event for any purpose.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Completed applications must be returned to the address below on or before July 1, 2006.
Village of Orland Park Garden Contest • 14700 South Ravinia Avenue • Orland Park, Illinois 60462



The Village of Orland Park asks for your cooperation with our Summer Water Conservation Program so that we can provide you with safe drinking water, proper fire protection and water to irrigate your lawn and landscaping during the summer months.

Between May 15th and September 15th, the following watering times will be in effect:

7:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

7:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

on odd/even days according to the last digit in your street address. Addresses ending in an odd digit, water on odd dates; those ending in an even digit, water on even dates.

**Together with your help, we can
make sure that our water is used wisely.**

For more information, call **403-6350**
or email **publicworks@orland-park.il.us**.



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