



Terrace Leaves

November • December 2022

A Message From the Mayor



With the Holiday season fast approaching, please rest assured that our Public Services Department will keep our City streets clean and handle any situation that arises due to inclement weather. Please use caution while driving in our City and always be aware of pedestrians.

The city council is working to limit the amount of through traffic on MacArthur Rd due to increased retail developments and traffic flow on 22nd Street. The City Council will be discussing several options to help enforce through-traffic from non-residents.

I would like to thank everyone who attended “Pumpkins in the Park” on October 22nd, and also thank our City staff for their hard work on this event.

Please join us Friday, November 11, 11 a.m., for our Veterans Day Ceremony held this year at the VFW Post 2801 in Villa Park, IL, to honor all veterans from Oakbrook Terrace, Villa Park, and VFW. Additional information will be sent out to residents in the coming weeks.

I welcome all residents and children to attend the City’s Annual Christmas Party and Tree Lighting at Swartz School and Fik Point on Friday, December 9, from 6 to 9 p.m.

As 2022 comes to an end, I would like to thank the residents, City employees, businesses, retail and corporate, for helping to keep Oakbrook Terrace successful and financially sound. We have completed and started numerous projects this year: installation of Flock Cameras, additional curb installation, renovation on the Streambank Stabilization Project to repair and secure the infrastructure of the creek, and began engineering plans for stormwater pipe replacement on Stillwell and Leahy Roads.

The City Aldermen and I are committed to do what is best for the residents, businesses, and the community, to make our city safe and financially sound, and to maintain Oakbrook Terrace as one of the best places to live and raise your family in the Chicagoland area.

As always, I’m proud to serve as your Mayor, and from the entire City Council, we wish everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and a safe and prosperous New Year!

*Sincerely,
Mayor Paul Esposito*



Tree Lighting and Children's Holiday Party

All residents are welcome for the City of Oakbrook Terrace Annual Tree Lighting and Children’s Holiday Party. The party will take place on Friday, December 9, 6-9 p.m., at Stella May Swartz School.

All resident children 0-12 years of age who register for this event will receive a stocking from Santa.

Registration form can be found on page 2.



- Friday, November 11 Veterans Day Ceremony
- Thursday, November 24 City Hall Closed for Thanksgiving
- Friday, November 25 City Hall Closed
- Friday, December 9 Santa is Coming to Town
- Friday, December 23 City Hall Closed
- Monday, December 26 City Hall Closed
- Monday, January 2, 2023 City Hall Closed

Letters to Santa

If your child(ren) would like to color and complete a letter to Santa, you and your child can then drop it off at the special Santa Mailbox located inside Oakbrook Terrace City Hall. You may also leave it in the drop box outside City Hall's front door after hours.

Letters are available online at www.oakbrookterrace.net under "Community, Special Events, Children's Christmas Party," or inside Oakbrook Terrace City Hall.



City of Oakbrook Terrace Children's Holiday Party

Friday, Dec. 9, 6-9 p.m.

Registration Form

Return to City Hall no later than 4:30 p.m.
on Wednesday, December 7

Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____

Children's Name(s)

_____ Age ____ Sex ____

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Veterans Day Ceremony, Nov. 11

Please join us in honoring those who served our country at our Veterans Day Ceremony, Friday, November 11, 11 a.m., at the Villa Park VFW, 39 E. St. Charles Road, Villa Park. Please submit photos/copies or any other memorabilia. Items will be returned.

CITY OF OAKBROOK TERRACE



Veterans Day Appreciation Event

Friday, November 11, 11:00 a.m.

Villa Park VFW, 39 E. St. Charles Road, Villa Park

The City is inviting any residents who are veterans or service members to a Veterans Day Appreciation event, which will include a brief ceremony and refreshments on Friday, November 11, 11 a.m. at the Villa Park VFW, 39 E. St. Charles Rd. Villa Park. Please complete the registration form below and return to City Hall by Friday, November 4.

Veteran or Service Member Name/Rank _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Number of guests _____

Return to Oakbrook Terrace City Hall, attn: Jodie Esposito
17W 275 Butterfield Rd., Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181



@OAKBROOKTERRACE

EVERY WEEK WE WILL HIGHLIGHT A NEW RESTAURANT

Will your favorite restaurant be featured?





The Lions Club would like to thank the City of Oakbrook Terrace for the use of their food trailer during the summer concert series, giving us the opportunity to sell concessions to raise money to help our community.

We would also like to thank the Park District for the use of the beautiful park; Pete's Fresh Market for donating water and soda; Jel-Sert for donating frozen ice-pops; the City for donating bags of ice; and Giordano's for giving us half-price pizzas. Only with the full support of our community can we grow.

We had 24 volunteers for the concert series! A huge thank you to all that volunteered!

We sold 687 slices of pizza, 172 waters, 194 sodas, 69 chips, and 188 ice-pops. This was our largest fundraiser of the year. Our next fundraiser for the year is the Holiday trees for our neighbors' front yards. We hope to see you in November when we put your tree up!



Lions Club volunteers at the Summer Concert Series this year



Lions Christmas Tree Sale

The Oakbrook Terrace Lions Club is offering holiday trees again this year. The trees are 5-6 feet in height and are \$45 each. For \$50, you will receive a tree and a heavy metal stake for setting it up in the front yard. Lions Christmas Trees will be delivered and set up on Saturday, November 26. For more details, call Lion

Mike at 630-816-5276.

YES! I want to order a Holiday Tree:

Holiday Tree (\$45) qty: _____

Holiday Tree w/Stake (\$50) qty: _____

My check for \$_____ payable to the Oakbrook Terrace Lions Club is enclosed.

DELIVER TO:

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Return to: Lion Mike (630-816-5276), 1S576 Nimitz Rd., Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181

New Climate Laws Cut the Cost of Rooftop Solar by 70%

The Inflation Reduction Act, signed by President Joe Biden, includes a tax credit equal to 30% of the cost of installing home solar, while the Illinois Climate and Equitable Jobs Act offers an incentive to save about 40%. These state and federal incentives could bring the cost of a \$25,000 rooftop solar system down to \$7,500.

Those who don't pay enough taxes to claim the federal tax credit can now get the full amount through a check from the government. Residents of low- and moderate-income communities can benefit from additional federal tax credits of 10% to 20% of the cost of their solar projects. The federal solar tax credit was increased and extended 10 years under the Inflation Reduction Act. The federal government is also offering a 30% federal tax credit for the batteries that are sometimes used to back up home solar systems, and beginning in 2023, the government is extending that credit to batteries that aren't powered by solar.

The state incentive is available directly from your solar company; you don't have to file your taxes to get it. And you don't have to wait for 15 years for the incentive to accrue. You get an upfront payment, based on the amount of energy your solar panels are expected to generate. The state tax credit is thanks in large part to the Climate and Equitable Jobs Act, which became law in September 2021. The Inflation Reduction Act brought the credit up to 30% and extended it for 10 years.

Check out www.EnergySage.com, for an online comparison-shopping marketplace for solar systems.

City Departments CORNER

Community Development Department

New Businesses

Images Studio Blowout Bar, aka ISBBAR, located at 17W300 22nd Street, Suite 300. ISBBAR is a modern speakeasy lifestyle salon offering specialty services for hair care for all hair types, including hair extensions, facials, hyper pigmentation treatments and wigs.

Browse their detailed menu for their exclusive products and service details at www.imagesstudioblowoutbarllc.com and schedule an appointment today.

Coldwell Banker Realty opened a new office at One Parkview Plaza, Suite 100A. They are the nation's largest real estate brokerage and can assist buyers and sellers with all types of real estate needs.

Coming Soon

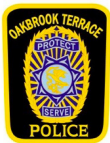
Pure Medical Spa will be opening a new location at 17W506 22nd Street. A full-service medical spa with over 30 years of

experience in the beauty industry, they offer quality services, including Botox, fillers, body contouring, facial treatments, laser hair removal and much more.

Celebrity Home Loans will be moving into One Mid America Plaza, Suite 800. A direct-to-consumer, retail mortgage lender, they offer home loans to fit your family and budget needs. Whether it's a loan to purchase a new home or refinance your existing mortgage, their loan specialists give expert, custom recommendations.

FALL BACK NOVEMBER 6

Remember to set your clocks back one hour on Sunday, November 6. It's also a good time to check the batteries in smoke detectors and inspect your heating system to make sure everything is ready for the cold months ahead.



Police

Traffic Safety Survey

Members of the Oakbrook Terrace Police Department continue to conduct directed patrols for Illinois Vehicle Code compliance in the City's residential areas.

Luther Avenue was periodically monitored for speed limit compliance between August 5, 2022 and August 12, 2022. During that time, 92 vehicles were observed driving on Luther Avenue. Of those 92 vehicles, 100% of them obeyed the speed limit. The average speed of those 92 vehicles was 18.64 miles per hour in a 25 mile-per-hour zone.

We would like to thank you for your compliance and ask that you continue to obey the speed limit, stop at the stop signs, be cognizant of and slow down for pedestrians and bicyclists, and reduce distractions, such as cell phones and loud music while traveling through the City.

To report a traffic complaint, please call the police department at (630) 941-8320 or dial 911.

New Police Officers

Officer Carlos Pliego Mendez and Officer Christian Reyes were hired by the Oakbrook Terrace Police Department on March 23. They graduated from the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy on July 1 and completed their field training at the Oakbrook Terrace Police Department in the beginning of October. Please join us in congratulating Officers Pliego Mendez and Reyes on a job well done so far.



Officer Mendez



Officer Reyes

Oakbrook Terrace Police Station is Official Community Warming Center

With the potential for cold weather this winter, residents are reminded that in the event of extreme weather emergencies, the Oakbrook Terrace Police

Station is an official community warming center. For more information, please call the Police Department non-emergency number at 630-941-8320.

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Public Services

2022-23 Driveway Snow Removal Program



The City provides a Private Driveway Snowplowing Program. On behalf of the Mayor and City Council, we welcome your participation in the program for this year if you meet the following requirements:

- Only residents who cannot shovel snow due to a temporary or permanent disability, regardless of age, are eligible. You must provide a statement from a medical doctor verifying that your disability prevents you from shoveling snow.
- If a resident has a permanent disability that will prevent them from shoveling snow for the foreseeable future, a yearly verification of disability is not required, but an application form does need to be completed on a yearly basis.
- If a residence also houses an able-bodied person, besides the disabled resident, the disabled resident will not be eligible.
- If more than one person resides in the house, a doctor's note will be required for each individual stating that they are disabled.

- A seasonal charge of \$50.00 is required prior to the start of the program. This charge covers all winter plowing, no matter how many snowstorms occur. There will be no refunds of this fee if there is little or no snow this year and plowing is not required.
- This program is for removal of snow on driveways only, not sidewalks.
- You must sign the waiver of liability that is provided in the packet and return it to the City.

Participants should be aware that driveway clearing will only take place after a snowfall of two inches or more and driveways will be cleared after all streets and public facilities have been done.

Packets for the Private Driveway Snow Removal Program are available at City Hall for residents to pick up effective November 1, 2022.

City Salting & Snow Removal Policy

Residents are asked to follow the city's salting and snow removal policies to support efficient removal of snow and ice from local roads while assuring traffic safety.

- * The City only plows and salts City streets, dead ends and cul-de-sacs; the only exception is if the City agrees to provide service by contract and is compensated accordingly, or if a handicapped resident resides there who has been approved to participate in the City's private driveway snow removal program (see above).
- * The City does not provide snow removal from sidewalks or driveway entrances. The only exception is the driveway snow removal program.
- * Snow removal operations follow established snowplow routes, chosen to allow for optimum use of City equipment, manpower and supplies. Snow removal is conducted on City streets and City property only, with the only exception as identified in the private driveway snow removal program.
- * The City prohibits parking on all City streets, dead ends and cul-de-sacs after a 1" snowfall. This allows snow crews to clear the streets without the potential for a collision between a parked car and a snowplow or salt truck.
- * City snowplows discharge snow from the streets toward the adjacent parkway and driveway, sometimes creating windrows of snow at driveway entrances. It is impossible to prevent this; it is a by-product of our effort to clear streets of snow accumulation in the safest and most efficient manner.
- * Residents are prohibited from shoveling snow from their driveways into the street where it can become compact and harden into ice mounds, creating a dangerous safety hazard for motorists and emergency vehicles.
- * Residents are asked to keep mailbox doors closed to prevent damage.
- * City snow crews try to minimize the mounding of snow around fire hydrants, but plows are designed to discharge snow into the unpaved parkway, making it difficult. Any assistance that homeowners can provide to keep fire hydrants in front of their home visible is greatly appreciated by the City and the Fire Protection Districts serving City residents.



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Oakbrook Terrace Pet Regulations

All dogs and cats residing in Oakbrook Terrace must be vaccinated for rabies and owners must have a rabies vaccination tag, typically provided by the veterinarian at the time of the vaccination. In addition, City ordinance requires that pets be leashed when not enclosed on their own property. As a courtesy, please respect your neighbors and clean up after your pet and do not let your pet run on the property of others. To help protect your pet in the event that it is lost, you may register it with the Oakbrook Terrace Police Department with your contact information, needed information about the pet and your pet's photo.

Oakbrook Terrace Private Security Camera Rebate Program

The City of Oakbrook Terrace offers a Private Security Camera Rebate Program for residents of owner-occupied, detached, single-family homes and detached townhomes located within the City where the property is used as the owner's primary residence. The program provides a rebate of up to \$150 per camera system per residential address. The rebate is exclusively for the cost of the security camera(s) and installation, including any applicable taxes. Rebates will only be given for cameras that are installed on the exterior of the property and for the amount that was paid at the time of application. For information, visit oakbrookterrace.net.

Villa Park Library Card

As of May 1, 2022, the annual fee for a Villa Park library card is \$45 per multi-family household (living in apartments such as Versailles and Regency Place) and \$55 per single-family household (including Spring Club, Berkshire and Arbor 40, as well as all other single-family households) through April 30, 2023. The library card provides access to all of the library's resources. For more information, please visit www.villapark.lib.il.us/.

Water Bill Payments

The City accepts Visa, MasterCard and Discover for payment of water bills. In addition, there are other ways to pay your Oakbrook Terrace water bill: have it debited automatically from your checking account, mail it in, or drop your payment into the convenient drop-box located at the Butterfield Road entrance to City Hall. You can also now pay your water bill over the phone with a credit card by calling. 630-941-8300, ext. 242, or pay online by visiting www.oakbrookterrace.net. If paying by mail, please send it no less than five mailing days before the due date to avoid a penalty for late payment. Please note that water bills are now mailed to residents on a bi-monthly basis. IF YOU ARE MOVING, please call City Hall at 630-941-8300, ext. 242, to schedule a final reading.

Phone Numbers

For City Services:

POLICE	Emergency	911
	Information.....	630-941-8320
FIRE EMERGENCY	.....	911
MAYOR	.....	630-941-8300, EXT. 208
CITY CLERK	.....	630-941-8300, EXT. 267
CITY ADMINISTRATOR	.....	630-941-8300, EXT. 207
ASSISTANT TO THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR	.....	630-941-8300, EXT. 267
ADMINISTRATION	.....	630-941-8300, EXT. 202
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	.....	630-941-8300, EXT. 209
CODE ENFORCEMENT	.....	630-941-8300, EXT. 265
PUBLIC SERVICES	.....	630-941-1651
WATER BILLING	.....	630-941-8300, EXT. 242
SPECIAL EVENTS	.....	630-941-8300, EXT. 202
OBT PARK DISTRICT	.....	630-627-6100
YORK CENTER PARK DISTRICT	.....	630-629-0886

November/December 2022 City of Oakbrook Terrace

Mayor Paul Esposito
City Clerk Michael Shadley
City Administrator Amy Marrero
Ward III: Ald. Mary Fitzgerald
Ald. Robert Rada
Ward II: Ald. Frank Vlach
Ald. Dennis Greco
Ward I: Ald. Charlie Barbari
Ald. Joseph Beckwith

Monthly Meetings:

City Council — 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m.
Planning & Zoning Commission — 1st & 3rd Tues., 6 p.m.
Police Commission — 2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
Police Pension Board — 2nd Monday of the quarter

CITY HALL HOURS:

Mon.-Fri. 9:00 am - 4:30 pm
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Mon.-Fri. 9:00am-2:30pm