



Terrace Leaves

September • October 2026

A Message From the Mayor



I would like to remind everyone that schools are back in session, so please exercise caution while driving on our streets. Pay close attention to children entering and exiting school buses, and always stop when the school bus stop signs are displayed. With the recent increase in e-bikes and scooters, please be extra careful when driving through the community.

A big thank you to our Police Department for hosting National Night Out. It was wonderful to see so many residents and children at this annual event, and we appreciate your support for our Police Department, Fire Department, and all first responders. Special thanks to the staff for making this event a success, and to our sponsors: Aurelio's Pizza, Lou Malnati's, Spin of It, Oakbrook Terrace Park District, and Home Depot. It was well attended by our community.

On September 20, at the Hippach Memorial Chapel located inside Chapel Hill Gardens West Cemetery, we will unveil a piece of Oakbrook Terrace history. Please join us to witness this historic event.

The City will hold its Annual Shred and Electronic Recycling Event on Saturday, September 19, in the City Hall parking lot from 9:00 AM until Noon. This is an excellent opportunity for residents to safely dispose of documents that contain personal information.

Don't forget to bring the kids to "Pumpkins in the Park," the City's Fall event, which will be held at Dorothy

Drennon Park on Saturday, October 17, from 12:00 to 2:00 pm. There will be free pumpkins, a bounce house, a wagon ride, and light refreshments for all residents. Additionally, please remember that Halloween is on Saturday, October 31. Use caution while driving and be mindful of children trick-or-treating between 1:00 and 5:00 PM. The City will place speed bumps on major thoroughfares for the day to enhance safety.

Please join District 48 in celebrating 190 years of educational excellence and the unveiling of newly completed learning spaces:

- Wednesday, September 2, from 6:00 to 7:30 PM at Albright Middle School
- Thursday, September 10, from 6:00 to 7:30 PM at Stella May Swartz School
- Wednesday, September 16, from 6:00 to 7:00 PM at Salt Creek Primary School

Lastly, thank you to all residents who attended our fifth annual Summer Concert Series. We had a fantastic summer filled with live music, food, and community engagement. I appreciate all the sponsors who made this event possible and the residents who supported local music.

As always, I value your opinions. Feel free to call me at 630-834-1416 or stop by City Hall. I will always take your call or get back to you as soon as possible.

*Sincerely,
Mayor Paul Esposito*





City of
**OAKBROOK
TERRACE**

ESTABLISHED IN 1958



SHRED EVENT

CLEAN OUT. RECYCLE. PROTECT.

Keep your information *safe* and
help keep our community *green*!



PAPER
RECYCLING

Bring your old documents
and we'll securely shred
them on-site.

ELECTRONICS
RECYCLING

Safely dispose of your
unwanted electronics.



Join us!

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2026

9 AM – 12 PM



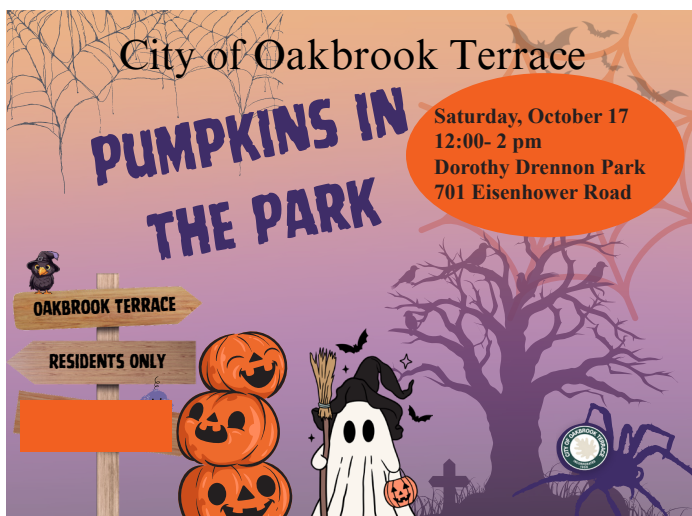
City of Oakbrook Terrace
17W261 Butterfield Road
Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181



Protect your privacy.
Protect our planet.
See you there!

City of Oakbrook Terrace

PUMPKINS IN THE PARK



Saturday, October 17
12:00- 2 pm
Dorothy Drennon Park
701 Eisenhower Road

Join us for Pumpkins in the Park

- Kids 12 and under can pick a pumpkin to take home and decorate
- Hayride, inflatables, face painters and photo opportunities
- Light refreshments



Save the Date

Shred Day – September 19
Pumpkins in the Park – October 17
Veterans Day – November 11
Kids Christmas Party - December 11
Luminaries – December 24

Registration Form

Pumpkins in the Park

Saturday, October 17

(Please return form by Monday, October 12. Late registration may not be guaranteed a pumpkin.

Resident Children 12 and under

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Children's Names _____ Age _____

Return to Oakbrook Terrace City Hall, attn: Margie Tannehill, 17W275 Butterfield Road, Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181

Limit 1 pumpkin per child.



Oakbrook Terrace Historical Society & Chapel Hill Garden West Funeral Home & Cemetery Present

Sunday, September 20

On Sunday, September 20, 2026, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., Oakbrook Terrace residents and history lovers are invited to come see one of the community's greatest hidden treasures—and witness a piece of history revealed.

There is a remarkable piece of history tucked away in Oakbrook Terrace—one that connects our community to the Chicago of a century ago, the tragedies of the Iroquois Theatre fire, the sinking of the Titanic, and the extraordinary artistic vision of one of America's most celebrated sculptors.

It is the Hippach Memorial Chapel, located within Chapel Hill Gardens West Cemetery at 17W201 Roosevelt Road, Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois.

Built in 1926, the chapel is recognized as the oldest structure in Oakbrook Terrace. The cemetery was originally known as Green Ridge Cemetery before taking the name Chapel Hill Gardens West decades later. Today, the chapel remains one of the area's most extraordinary—and perhaps least-known—historic treasures.

And on Sunday, September 20, the public will have an opportunity to experience this remarkable place and witness something that has remained sealed for nearly a century.

The chapel was commissioned by Louis Albert Hippach, a successful Chicago businessman and co-founder of Tyler & Hippach Glass Company. He created the magnificent memorial in honor of his parents, Franz Joseph Hippach (1830–1908) and Magdalena Everling Hippach (1833–1922).

But the story behind the chapel is not simply one of wealth or architecture. It is a story of profound family tragedy.

The Hippach family had experienced tragedies that would have devastated any family. Yet the story of Louis Hippach and his family would soon become intertwined with one of the most famous disasters in modern history.

Louis Hippach eventually turned his wealth and grief into something lasting.

Constructed with Massachusetts granite and Colorado Yule marble, the Gothic-style chapel features stained-Glass windows, carved corbels, elaborate sculptures and a dramatic square tower.

Then there is the urn: standing five and a half feet tall, the massive bronze urn is one of the chapel's most fascinating features. Sculptor Richard W. Bock filled its exterior with engravings featuring an intricate visual record of the 1920s—



including scenes depicting important world events, stages of human life and portraits of religious and philosophical figures.

According to accounts of Bock's work, he spent more than a year creating the urn alone. But the most intriguing part is what lies inside. The urn was designed as a message to the future. And now, that message is about to be opened.

For generations, the chapel has stood quietly on its hill, surrounded by the cemetery, while the world around it changed. Cars replaced horse-drawn carriages. Farms and open countryside became communities. Chicago grew outward. Oakbrook Terrace was born.

Inside its walls and beneath its sculptures are the memories of a family that experienced extraordinary wealth, unimaginable tragedy, survival, and loss.

Historic buildings are often associated with famous cities and distant places. But sometimes the most remarkable stories are right in our own backyard. The Hippach Memorial Chapel is one of those places.

City Departments CORNER

Community Development Department

Around Town New Businesses – Open Now!!!

We are pleased to welcome these new businesses to our community. Their investment strengthens our local economy, creates new opportunities for residents, and adds to the diverse services available throughout Oakbrook Terrace. We encourage residents to stop by, learn more, and support these newest members of our business community.

Curi Capital LLC, One Parkview Plaza, Suite 700

Curi Capital provides personalized financial planning and investment services designed around each client's individual goals and priorities. The firm's team works with clients to simplify complex financial decisions and develop a clear strategy for the future.

Services include investment strategies, retirement planning, tax optimization, and estate management. Through a collaborative approach, Curi Capital's advisors bring together specialized knowledge and experience to help clients make informed financial decisions with confidence.

True Aesthetic Clinic, 17W300 22nd St, Ste 360

TRUE Aesthetic Clinic is a boutique medical spa offering personalized aesthetic and wellness services. The clinic combines advanced treatments with an individualized approach designed to enhance natural features and support long-term skin health and overall wellness.

Services include injectables, regenerative treatments, skin care, hair restoration, and functional wellness therapies. The clinic's board-certified nurse practitioners work with each client to develop a treatment plan based on individual needs and goals.

The Beautiful Life XO, 1S132 Summit Av, Suite 307B

The Beautiful Life XO (TBLXO) is a beauty and lifestyle studio specializing in customized lash and brow services. In addition to providing beauty treatments, the studio offers professional training and certification opportunities for those interested in developing their skills within the beauty industry.

Elaine Sage Designs, 1S132 Summit Ave, Suite 304D

Elaine Sage Designs is the creative studio of artist Elaine O'Keefe Sage, whose work explores a variety of artistic techniques and media. Her creations incorporate color, black-and-white ink, woodcuts, linoleum prints, collage, and painting.

Inspired by nature, music, literature, and observations of human behavior and emotion, Sage embraces experimentation as an important part of the creative process. In addition to creating visual art, her interests include teaching, poetry, and writing.

Jennifer Manfre & Associates, 17W662 Butterfield Rd., Ste. 301

Jennifer Manfre & Associates is a multidisciplinary counseling practice providing services to individuals and families. Therapists use research-based approaches to help clients strengthen relationships, develop coping skills, navigate difficult circumstances, and support emotional well-being. The practice emphasizes a collaborative approach, providing support, coaching, and guidance in a safe and confidential environment. Services are tailored to each client's needs with a focus on building resiliency and creating positive, lasting change.

Lena's Beauty LLC, 1S132 Summit Ave

Lena's Beauty LLC, led by licensed cosmetologist Amber Lena Holland, specializes in braiding and protective hairstyles. With seven years of professional experience and a lifelong interest in hairstyling and braiding, Holland brings extensive hands-on experience to her work. The salon focuses on personalized service and helping clients look and feel their best while providing professional hair care in a welcoming environment.

Akinosun Aesthetics, 1S660 Midwest Road, Suite 100

Akinosun Aesthetics, led by Dr. Moriyike Akinosun, is a facial plastic surgery practice dedicated to delivering refined, natural-looking results through highly personalized care. Offerings include both surgical and nonsurgical treatments to enhance facial balance, restore youthful structure, and support long-term confidence. Dr. Akinosun takes a personalized approach so that every detail, from consultation to recovery, is thoughtfully designed with each patient's unique needs in mind.

City Staff Anniversaries

Congratulations to our employees celebrating a work anniversary! Thank you for your dedication, hard work, and continued commitment to the City of Oakbrook Terrace. We appreciate all that you do and are proud to celebrate this milestone with you!

Years - September

13 Calvello, Casey
3 Cavazos, Sarah
1 Flores Sr, Robert E.
1 Noonan, Sean
22 O'Rourke, Louis F.
2 Portillo, Jennifer G
1 Salgado, Eduardo

Years - October

3 Cansino, Martin A
20 De Bok, Karen
2 Wade, Joellen

City Departments CORNER



Police

After Dark Safety Tips

Fall has arrived. It is getting dark earlier every day. Safety after dark is an important consideration, since the risk of certain types of incidents may increase during nighttime hours. Here are some tips to help keep you safe.

- **Stay Aware:** Pay attention to your surroundings and be mindful of what's happening around you. Avoid distractions like texting or wearing headphones while walking in poorly lit areas. Walk briskly and with purpose. You are less likely to be targeted if you are not distracted.
- **Use Well-Lit Paths:** Stick to well-lit streets and pathways when walking or jogging at night. Avoid shortcuts through dark or deserted areas. Criminals prefer not to be seen.
- **Stay Visible:** Wear reflective clothing or accessories, especially if you are walking or jogging near traffic. This will help drivers see you more easily.
- **Avoid Dark Areas:** Avoid walking through and parking in areas that are poorly lit or deserted, especially if you are alone. Stick to busier, well-populated areas. These areas are less likely to be targeted.

Public Services

2026 Brush Pick-Up Dates

September 14

October 5 & 26

National Night Out

Thank you to everyone that joined us for our annual National Night Out event. It was an amazing evening filled with lots of fun. It is always nice to see the community come together and support first responders. A huge thank you to our amazing vendors, The Home Depot, Lou Malnati's Pizza, Oakbrook Terrace Park District, Aurelios Pizza, Flood Brothers, and DuPage County Sheriff's Office for joining us. See you again next year!



Oakbrook Terrace Mayor Paul Esposito greets attendees





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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.

Villa Park Library Card

The City of Oakbrook Terrace has an agreement with the Villa Park Library to provide the City's residents with library services. As a reminder, library cards are a flat fee of \$20 per household for all Oakbrook Terrace residents. The library card provides access to all of the library's resources. For more information, please visit www.vtpl.info.

Water Bill Payments

The City accepts Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover for payment of water bills. Other payment options include auto debit from your checking account, mail in, (please allow five mailing days to avoid a penalty for late payment) drop off in the drop-box located at the Butterfield Rd. entrance to City Hall, or the drive up payment box in the City Hall parking lot along 16th Street. You can also pay your water bill online at www.oakbrookterrace.net. Water bills are mailed out on a bi-monthly basis. IF YOU ARE MOVING, please call City Hall 630-941-8300 x242 to schedule a final water meter 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. 206
CITY ADMINISTRATOR		630-941-8300, EXT. 215
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. 243
OBT PARK DISTRICT		630-627-6100
YORK CENTER PARK DISTRICT		630-629-0886

September/October 2026 City of Oakbrook Terrace

Mayor Paul Esposito

City Clerk Michael Shadley

City Administrator Tanya Walker

Ward I:	Ald. Charlie Barbari Ext. 271
	Ald. Eric Biskup Ext. 272
Ward II:	Ald. Dennis Greco Ext. 274
	Ald. Michael Sarallo Ext. 276
Ward III:	Ald. Robert Rada Ext. 275
	Ald. Geza Petro Ext. 273

Monthly Meetings:

City Council — 2nd & 4th Tuesday, 7 p.m.
Planning & Zoning Commission — 1st & 3rd Tuesday, 6 p.m.
Police Commission — 1st Wednesday, 5 p.m.
Police Pension Board — 2nd Monday of the quarter

CITY HALL HOURS

Mon.-Fri. 8:30 am - 4:30 pm