



Terrace Leaves

May • June 2020

A Message From the Acting Mayor



The COVID-19 pandemic continues to pose a health threat to citizens around the world and the City is doing everything possible to keep our community safe. In early March, the City of Oakbrook Terrace declared a citywide emergency due to this virus, which is highly contagious and spreads rapidly.

As of the publication date of this newsletter, the State of Illinois Stay-at-Home order has been extended through May 30, 2020, for individuals who are not involved with essential organizations and services. It is difficult to predict how this virus will progress as researchers rush to discover more about how to combat it, but we will keep you updated as we learn more. We would like to thank all of our residents who have followed the Stay-at-Home order for everyone's protection.

In addition to the information found in this issue of the *Terrace Leaves*, please visit our new Facebook page and consider becoming a member of Nextdoor, where you can get all the latest updates from the City.

As a precaution, the City has postponed the annual citywide Garage Sale and July 4 festivities. We will have more updates on those community favorites in the future.

City Hall is currently closed to the public, but we are always here to help at 630-941-8300, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The City of Oakbrook Terrace Police Department is open 24 hours a day to serve and protect our citizens. The non-emergency number is 630-941-8320. As always, for any emergency or when you need to see an officer, please call 911.

City of Oakbrook Terrace police officers continue to work round-the-clock to be there for any citizen in need. Although our Police Department lobby is closed to the public at this time, provisions have been made for emergency access. Thank you to all of our first responders for your hard work and dedication throughout the pandemic.

Please remember that the City's businesses have been severely affected and face big challenges. The City will be implementing a business stimulus rebate for economic relief to support our local businesses impacted by COVID-19.

I encourage our residents to continue to support our local businesses. The City of Oakbrook Terrace will be issuing a \$100 stimulus to all homeowner residents to be used at select restaurants, bars and convenience stores within the Oakbrook Terrace business community.

Please feel free to call me at my direct line at 630-834-1416 anytime. Thank you for your patience during this difficult time.

*Sincerely,
Acting Mayor Paul Esposito*

Find the City of Oakbrook Terrace on Facebook and Nextdoor

Get important updates about COVID-19

Be sure to visit the City of Oakbrook Terrace's new Facebook page and join Nextdoor for regular updates and tips from the City of Oakbrook Terrace about keeping your family safe from COVID-19.

Some recent posts:

- Is your trip essential? Every trip saved replaces exposure and spread of the virus.
- Resources for feelings of stress, anxiety and sadness —Illinois CALL4CALM text line. Text TALK (or HABLAR for Spanish) to 552020. You should receive a call from a counselor within 24 hours.
- —24/7 Crisis text line. If you are experiencing a crisis, such as painful emotions or need support, text HELLO to 7641741 to connect with trained counselors.
- —For first responder support, call the Josselyn Center at 847-441-5600. You will be referred to a volunteer, licensed therapist for three free counseling sessions via phone or online.
- Proper disposal of face masks and plastic gloves in sealed containers. Never recycle.
- State of Illinois' modified Stay-at Home order until May 30, 2020, for individuals not involved in essential organizations and services.

The U.S. Census is Important to our Community

As of the publication of this newsletter, the U.S. Census has reported that they will extend the deadline for the national head count. By law, the U.S. Census must submit its findings by December 31, 2020. The City will keep residents updated as we learn more about this issue.

We know many residents of our community are focused on the COVID-19 crisis, but we want to remind you to be sure to complete the census either online or by requesting a paper ballot at www.2020census.gov or by calling 855-562-2020.

It is very important that every member of our community is counted for many reasons and possibly most importantly, federal and state funds flow to our City based on our population count. Every individual counted in the U.S. Census is worth approximately \$1,400 per year in funds that can come to the community. It also provides a picture of our nation that helps determine where to build new schools, hospitals, and businesses, and how Congressional seats are apportioned.

Once every decade, the federal government conducts a census of the entire population to count everyone in the U.S. and record basic information about them.

For the first time in 2020, the U.S. Census Bureau will accept responses online, but you can still respond by phone or mail, as well.

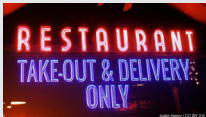
Confidential and secure, strict federal law protects your census responses. It is against the law for any Census Bureau employee to disclose or publish any census information that identifies an individual or business. Census Bureau employees take a lifelong pledge of confidentiality to handle data responsibly and keep respondents' information private. The penalty for wrongful disclosure is a fine of up to \$250,000 or imprisonment for up to five years, or both. No law enforcement agency (not the DHS, ICE, FBI, or CIA) can access or use your personal information at any time.



Data collected can only be used for statistical purposes to help inform important decisions, including how much federal funding your community receives. The Census Bureau will never ask for your Social Security number, bank or credit card account numbers, money or donations, or anything on behalf of a political party.

The Census Bureau has a robust cybersecurity program that incorporates industry best practices and federal security standards for encrypting data. To make sure you and your community are counted, learn more about the 2020 Census by visiting www.2020census.gov.

Support our Local Businesses Wherever Possible



The COVID-19 threat has been devastating to our business community. Ordering carry-out or delivery from our restaurant, shopping online from local stores and buying gift cards to use later or give as gifts are all great ways to help Oakbrook Terrace businesses and their employees in our community. Your support matters!

City to Waive March/April Water Bill, No Shut-offs for Non-Payment

To assist residents of Oak Brook Terrace during the COVID-19 crisis, the City is waiving the March/April water bill for all residents and Berkshire subdivision residents and will not shut off water for non-payment during this time. For residents who have previous outstanding water bills, the City has extended the payment deadline to May 20.

The City has also waived any late penalties on the January/February water bill due March 20.



Monday, May 18.....Brush Pickup
 Monday, June 8.....Brush Pickup
 Monday, June 29.....Brush Pickup

CITY EVENTS POSTPONED
 Citywide Garage Sale
 July 4 Celebration

City Hall & Public Services Summer Hours

Monday, June 1, to Friday, September 4

City Hall: Mon.-Thurs.: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
 Fri.: 8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Public Services:

Mon. - Thurs.: 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.
 Fri.: 7:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Police Department Open 24 Hours/Day Year-Round

A Little Bit of History

By the Oakbrook Terrace Historical Society



The Spirit of Our Past
A Vision for the Future

The Oakbrook Terrace Historical Society still has available brick pavers for the new walkway from the driveway to the front door of the Historical Society's facility at 17W245 16th Street in Oakbrook Terrace. Leave your mark on our City's future and support our ongoing fundraising program to help restore our 1946 Sears Homart Home to its original look.

The cost of the brick includes engraving, and they are offered in two sizes: 4" x 8" for \$50 or 8" x 8" for \$125. These bricks make great gifts in honor of or in memory of a loved one, a very special person, group or business.

Download the order form at www.obthistory.com.



Dispensa's Kiddie Kingdom Castle of Toys special exhibit still on display!

The Oakbrook Terrace Historical Society is open on Wednesdays from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Leave a message at 630-834-8661 to arrange other times and we will do our best to accommodate your request.



City Departments CORNER

Building & Zoning

The Building and Zoning Department is committed to maintaining all services during the COVID-19 pandemic. During this period the entire staff will continue to process building permits, conduct plan reviews, accept on-site inspections and respond to telephone calls and emails in a timely matter. We are following temporary procedures for submittal of all building permits and related services as listed below. This situation is constantly evolving and subject to change at any time.

Building Permits and Inspections

All building permit applications and support documents are being accepted electronically until further notice. Allow for a maximum of 30 days for all reviews. All forms, building codes, staff contact information and other related information can be found at the City's website under the Building and Zoning heading.

The City is only accepting online payments for permits, contractor registration, certificate of occupancy and any other related services. The online payment is available through the E-Pay tab on the City's homepage at www.oakbrookterrace.net which accepts Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover.

On-site building inspections will continue on all projects. Inspectors may be wearing safety gear for everyone's protection and we ask that all parties practice social distancing as feasible. When scheduling an inspection, please call or email by 3:00 p.m. 24 hours in advance.

Code enforcement inspections are only being performed for emergency service requests. Inspections relating to general complaints are suspended until further notice.

Fire sprinkler, fire alarm and Ansul system plan reviews should be submitted directly to the corresponding Fire Prevention Bureau. Contact Oakbrook Terrace Fire Protection District at 630-834-2759 or York Center Fire Protection District at 630-627-1940 for their permitting requirements during this time. Once the review has been completed, the Fire District will notify the City.

We encourage you to visit our website for updates. You may also contact the Building and Zoning Department directly with any questions at 630-941-8300 ext. 209.

Thank you for your patience as we try to use care and caution in responding to the latest health concerns related to COVID-19 in order to properly protect our customers and staff.

Property Maintenance

With the spring weather upon us there is no better time to go outside and spruce up your property after the winter season. The City asks that all residents maintain the exterior of their homes, and property areas including garages, sheds, fences, driveways, grass areas, weed control and removal of any dead trees and bushes. At a future date, the City will begin to conduct the yearly compliance program of all residential properties within the community. Failure to comply will result in further action by the City. The City of Oakbrook Terrace thanks all residents for their continued cooperation in keeping our community looking its best.

Grass Height Reminder

Oakbrook Terrace municipal code requires that lawns be maintained at a height of six inches or less. Please help keep our community neat and attractive by mowing regularly.

Control Mosquitoes and Help Stop West Nile Virus

With warm weather comes mosquitoes and the possibility of West Nile Virus, a debilitating virus that can cause headache, high fever, neck stiffness, muscle weakness, coma and even death. The Culex mosquito, which carries West Nile Virus, thrives in warm temperatures and standing water — even if it's just a small amount.

Appropriate measures should always be taken to use insect repellent and remove any containers of water that could serve as a breeding ground for mosquitoes. Every 7-10 days, new mosquitoes can be produced in stagnant water. To eliminate this problem:

- Get rid of old tires, tin cans, buckets, drums, bottles or any container holding water
- Fill in or drain any low places (puddles, ruts) in yard
- Keep gutters, drains, ditches and culverts free of weeds and trash, so water drains properly
- Cover trash containers to keep out rain water

- Repair leaky pipes and outdoor faucets
- Empty plastic wading pools at least once a week and store indoors when not in use
- Make sure your backyard pool is cared for while on vacation
- Fill in tree rot holes and hollow stumps that hold water with sand or concrete
- Change the water in bird baths and plant pots or drip trays at least weekly
- Keep grass cut short and shrubbery well-trimmed around the house, so adult mosquitoes can't hide there

Clarke Mosquito Control will continue to treat Oakbrook Terrace for mosquitoes this summer. If you would like information about the application schedule, please contact the Clarke Mosquito Hotline at 800-942-2555. You may also contact the DuPage County Health Department at 630-682-7979 ext. 7046 for mosquito concerns. Additional information about mosquito control and West Nile Virus can be found at www.idph.state.il.us/envhealth/wnv.htm.

Public Services

Public Services Highlights February & March 2020

- Six snow opts activations
- Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Compliance Reporting completed
- Coliform and Bacteria sampling completed
- Closed out Phase II of the Oakbrook Terrace Road Resurfacing Project
- Maintained all small engines in prep of spring opts
- Maintained chipper for upcoming brush-pickup season
- Winter opts / fleet maintenance on all snow removal vehicles and equipment
- Procured the remains of our bulk rock salt contract
- Presented annual department budgets for both Streets and Water Divisions of Public Services
- Attended Covid-19 briefings
- Banner replacements continue
- Cleaned up after major windstorm
- Cleaned stormwater inlets and outfalls of debris for proper stormwater drainage

Totals

JULIE Locates: December – 51 January – 40

Sign Repairs: December – 4 January – 4

Mailbox Repairs: December – 3 January – 5

Gallons of Water Pumped: December – 6,929,000
January – 7,086,000

Consumer Confidence Report Now Available

The 2019 reporting year of the City's Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) is available for viewing on the City's website at www.oakbrookterrace.net. If you would prefer to receive a hard copy of the CCR, please contact Public Services Director Craig Ward at 630-941-1651.

AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE Wellness Checks for Seniors COVID-19 Testing Location

- Seniors can request a daily wellness check phone call from the Police Department. Please call 630-941-8320 for more information.
- COVID-19 testing available in Oakbrook Terrace at DuPage Immediate Care located at 1S210 Summit Ave.

2020 Brush Pick-Up Dates

April 6 & 27

May 18

June 8 & 29

July 13

August 3 & 24

September 14

October 5 & 26

Acceptable Brush

- Tree trimming up to 6 inches in diameter.
- Mounded less than 4 feet high and with ends toward the street.
- Only brush generated by Oakbrook Terrace residents will be accepted.

Rules for Smooth Pickups

- There will be one pass down each street on each of the designated dates listed above.
- Residents may place brush at curb on the weekend prior to brush pickup day.

To dispose of brush between monthly pickups, use the weekly yard waste program provided by the City's waste hauler, Flood Brothers.



CITY OF OAKBROOK TERRACE

17W275 Butterfield Road
Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181
www.oakbrookterrace.net

Presorted
Standard
U.S. Postage
PAID
Oak Brook, IL
Permit No. 330

ECRWSS
Resident
Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181



Villa Park Library Card

Attention Residents

As of May 1, 2020 the annual fee for a Villa Park library card is \$43 per multi-family household (living in apartments such as Versailles and Regency Place) and \$52 per single-family household (including Spring Club, Berkshire and Arbor 40, as well as all other single-family households) through April 30, 2021. The library card provides access to all of the library's resources. For more information, please visit www.villapark.lib.il.us/.

Call JULIE Before Digging

If you are planting a tree, installing a fence or deck, or doing any other home improvement project that involves digging, remember to call JULIE (811 from a cell phone or 1-800-892-0123) before you begin. JULIE will notify member utility companies to send locators to mark their underground facilities with paint and/or flags. Once you know the approximate location of utility lines, you can dig safely without running the risk of service disruptions, potential injuries, fines and repair costs.

Please Help by Watering Right-of-Ways

Restoration of the City right-of-ways will soon be completed, so please water your right-of-way to help ensure that the grass will grow.

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. 207
ASSISTANT TO THE MAYOR & ADMINISTRATOR	630-941-8300, EXT. 213
ADMINISTRATION.....	630-941-8300, EXT. 201
BUILDING & ZONING.....	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. 201
OBT PARK DISTRICT.....	630-627-6100
YORK CENTER PARK DISTRICT.....	630-629-0886

May/June 2020

City of Oakbrook Terrace

Acting Mayor Paul Esposito

City Clerk Michael Shadley

City Administrator Amy Marrero

Ward III: Ald. Robert Przychodni

Ald. Robert Rada

Ward II: Ald. Frank Vlach

Ald. Dennis Greco

Ward I: Ald. Paul Esposito

Ald. Charlie Barbari

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. 8:30 am - 4:30 pm