



# Terrace Leaves

May • June 2018

## *A Message From the Mayor*



The spring season is upon us, and I would like to remind everyone to use caution when driving in our City, and especially in the subdivision, since we have children walking and playing throughout the community.

We have installed the first radar speed sign on MacArthur Drive just south of Stillwell Road; please observe your speed while driving by it. This is just a tool to control traffic and speed for safety throughout our City; we will be installing possibly three more of these radar speed signs within the next six months where needed.

New economic growth continues in our City with the addition of numerous retail and professional service businesses opening soon and more projects working with the City now and coming to fruition soon. I will keep you updated with future projects and openings.

Our 2018-2019 budget just passed, and thanks to the residents and businesses, our City is in great financial shape with operating reserves for over a year!

Thank you for letting me serve as your Mayor and if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call me at my office at 630.832.9558 anytime.

Sincerely,  
*Mayor Tony Ragucci*

### *Inside*

## **Wednesday, July 4 Annual July 4th Celebration**



### City Hall & Public Services **Summer Hours**

### **Monday, June 4, to Friday, August 31**

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

**Street and Water Divisions:** Mon. - Fri.: 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**Police Department Open 24 Hours/Day Year-Round**



- Monday, May 14..... Brush Pick-Up
- Monday, June 4..... Brush Pick-Up
- Monday, June 25..... Brush Pick-Up
- Tuesday, July 3..... Deadline to pick up July 4th tickets
- Wednesday, July 4..... Annual July 4th Celebration

## City of Oakbrook Terrace and Flood Brothers Concert & Fireworks Display

Wednesday, July 4th

*Terrace View Park*

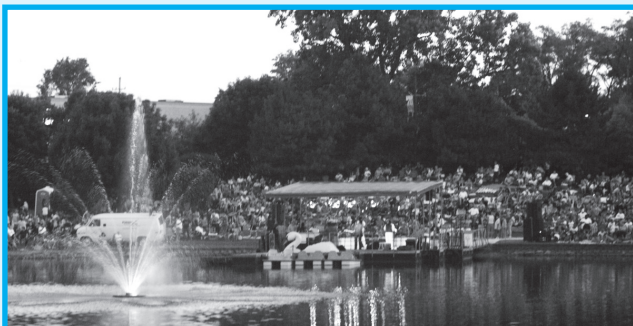
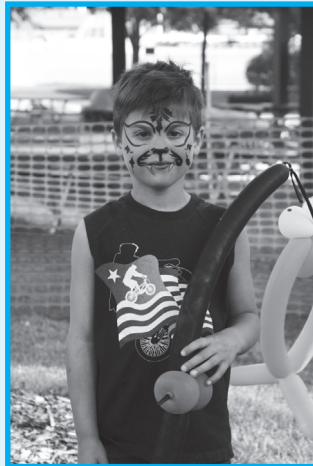
**Picnic, Raffle and Rides: 3-6 p.m.**

Residents can pick up tickets to the July 4th Celebration at Oakbrook Terrace City Hall until July 3, 4:30 pm. Resident picnic tickets are free. The cost for non-resident tickets is \$10. Only residents can purchase non-resident tickets.

**Together Musical Group,  
8-9 p.m.**

**Fireworks: 9:30 p.m.,  
Terrace View Park**

*Not permitted: pets, alcohol  
and fireworks of any kind –  
including sparklers.*



## Citywide Garage Sale, June 8 & 9

Get ready for the upcoming annual Citywide Garage Sale, Friday and Saturday, June 8 and 9, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. The event will be promoted with signs throughout the community, as well as ads in selected publications.

Condo and apartment residents can set up their wares in the back of City Hall. (Please bring your own table if you require one.) To have your address put on the map for shoppers, please call 630-941-8300 x201 no later than Wednesday, June 6.

Don't miss out on this event that's sure to be a big draw for bargain hunters!



## Show Your Support and Gain Community Exposure: Be a Business Sponsor!

### *Seeking Fourth of July Sponsors*

Once again, the City of Oakbrook Terrace is giving local businesses the opportunity to gain exposure for their business by supporting the City's Fourth of July celebration. This is a great opportunity to get community exposure and show your support for our community.

Sponsorships will be offered in six categories:

- Platinum sponsor—\$10,000
- Gold sponsor—\$5,000
- Silver sponsor—\$2,500
- Bronze sponsor—\$1,000
- Certificate sponsor—\$500
- Red, White & Blue sponsor—less than \$500

Depending on level of sponsorship, participating businesses will receive numerous opportunities for exposure, including the *Terrace Leaves Newsletter*, the City's website, banners at the event and much more. For more information, please contact Cheryl Downer at 630-941-8300 ext. 201.



# A Little Bit of History

*By the Oakbrook Terrace Historical Society*

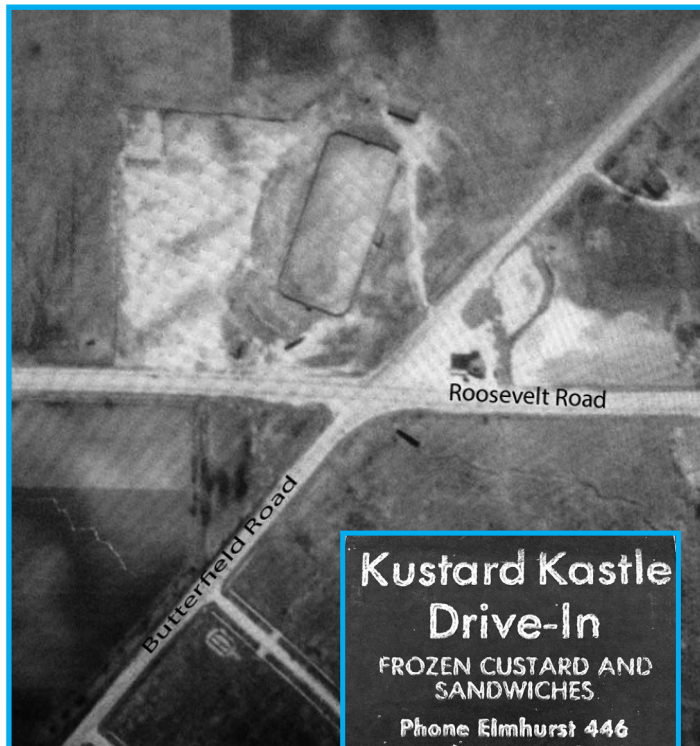
## The Intersection of Roosevelt and Butterfield Roads

Research shows that the current intersection of Roosevelt & Butterfield Road has a rich history.

In the 1940s, a horse arena/track was located at the crossroads of Butterfield and Roosevelt. In 1948, an outdoor theater, the SkyHi Drive-In, was built in that same location. When the SkyHi was constructed, it was advertised as one of the most modern in the country. This intersection was known as “Death Corner,” one of the most dangerous intersections in DuPage County. Salt Creek School sat on the Northeast corner on a hill, blocking the view for drivers and causing many accidents and multiple deaths.

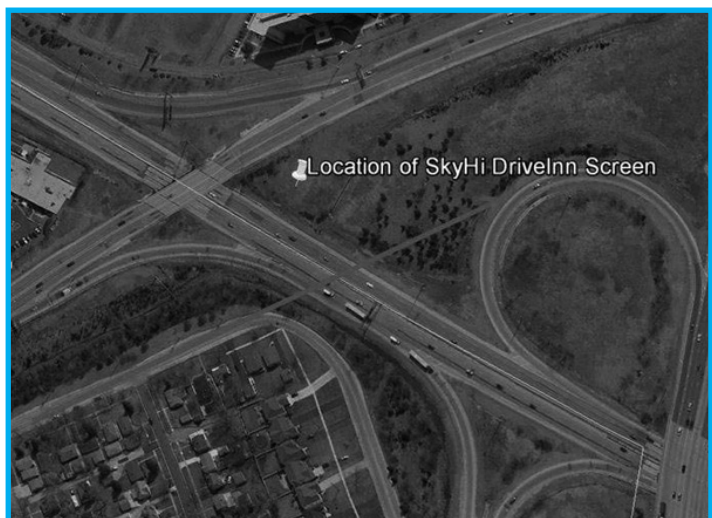
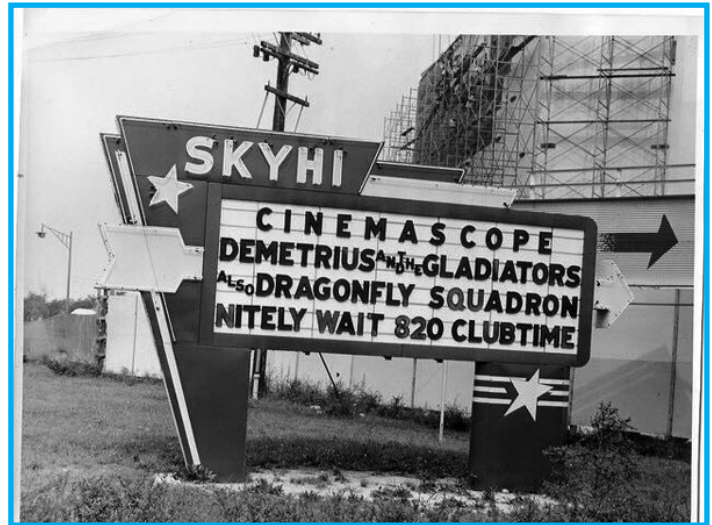
This area was also home to Kustard Kastle and County Inn Pizza. The SkyHi continued operating until 1967 when the State purchased the land to build the clover leaf intersection of Butterfield, Roosevelt and Route 83. The new Butterfield Road was rerouted at that time through the SkyHi property and the Dispensa’s property. Watch for our next article featuring the historic Dispensa’s Castle of Toys & Kiddie Kingdom.

*The Oakbrook Terrace Historical Society is open for tours Wednesdays 1-3 p.m. or by appointment by calling Bob at 630-834-8661.*



*Above: In the 1940s, the intersection of Roosevelt and Butterfield Roads was occupied by a horse arena.*

*At right: The Kustard Kastle Drive-In was once located at Roosevelt and Butterfield Roads*



*Top, middle and above: The SkyHi Drive-In was a longtime fixture at Roosevelt and Butterfield Roads.*

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# City Departments CORNER

## Police



### Teaching Preschoolers about Safety

Officer Lekki and Detective DeMario recently gave a presentation to the preschoolers at the Oakbrook Terrace Park District. This program is designed to bring “stranger danger” and safety awareness to preschool aged children. The children were given a tour of the police squad car and were very receptive to the discussion about safety.

### DuPage County Vehicle Burglaries and Thefts Rising

Chief Calvello would like to remind all residents that vehicle burglaries and thefts are on the rise in DuPage County. But these crimes are preventable, and there are some easy steps you can take to keep yourself from becoming a voluntary victim of vehicle burglary and theft.

“Lock, Take, and Hide” is an easy three-step plan that drastically reduces your chances of becoming a victim:

- Lock your car doors.
- Take your valuables with you. (i.e., cell phones, wallets/purses, GPS units, computers, loose change, jewelry, etc.)
- Or — at least hide those valuables so that they are not in plain sight.

### Illinois Special Olympics Cop on the Rooftop

Save the date, Friday, May 18 (from 5:00 a.m. to 12 noon) when the Oakbrook Terrace Police Department, along with FOP Lodge 264, will be participating in the Illinois Special Olympics Cop on the Rooftop. This is an annual event to raise awareness and collect donations for the Illinois Special Olympics. They will be located on the roof of Dunkin Donuts, located at 17w521 Roosevelt Road.

## Public Services

### Public Services Highlights February and March 2018

- Underground Fuel Storage Tanks were inspected and passed and sensors were tested as required by the State Fire Marshal.
- Extensive trash detail was undertaken for picking up litter within City limits and in waterways.
- Submitted Illinois EPA Reports of daily opts and compliance monitoring.
- Completed a monthly fuel inventory report.
- Nine snow events in February included a major 20” snow storm that Public Services handled well. Also encountered and repaired several fleet problems due to the intensive storms.
- Pot-hole patching.
- Public Services staff did a great job handling a 5” rainfall.
- Performed extensive tree trimming along the City’s creek banks.
- Cleaned out all Outfalls and Inlets
- Performed extensive Buck Trail maintenance due to the heavy rains washing out pathways.
- Began work on the annual Consumer Confidence Report

### Totals

JULIE Locates: February — 62 March — 95  
Sign Repairs: February — 7 March — 4  
Mailbox Repairs: February — 9 March — 3

### Fleet Maintenance

Oil Services: February — 4 March — 5  
Tire Repairs: February — 2 March — 5  
Police Department Car Repair Orders:  
February — 5 March — 2

### 2018 Brush Pick-Up Dates

May 14	June 4 & 25
July 9 & 30	August 13 & 27
September 10	October 1 & 22

### Consumer Confidence Report Now Available

The 2017 reporting year of the City’s Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) is available for viewing on the City’s website at [www.oakbrookterrace.net](http://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.

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## Building & Zoning

### City Code – Exterior Surfaces

Spring is here and there's no better time to check the outside of your home for possible damage caused by winter. City Code requires all exterior surfaces, including but not limited to, siding, doors, door and window frames, cornices, porches, trim, balconies, decks, and fences, shall be maintained in good condition. Exterior wood surfaces shall be protected from the elements by painting or other protective covering or treatment. Peeling, flaking and chipping paint on any exterior surface must be removed and repainted. All metal surfaces must be maintained and kept free of rust and corrosion.

### Property Maintenance Inspections

The City has adopted the International Property Maintenance Code, 2009 Edition, with amendments for regulating the condition and maintenance of all residential properties, buildings, and structures in the City to ensure that structures and premises are safe, sanitary and fit for occupation.

Beginning May 1, the City of Oakbrook Terrace will start to conduct our yearly compliance program for all single-family detached residential properties within the community. City staff will be inspecting properties from the right-of-way, and residents will receive a courtesy door hanger notice thanking residents who are in compliance, or advising them of any required repairs. Site inspections will include a review of the exterior appearance of the homes and accessory structures, including but not limited to street numbers, walkways, shrubs, grass, and weeds. Problem areas will be noted on the door hanger and the homeowners will be asked to address the issues by a specific date. Failure to comply could result in further action by the City. The City thanks residents for their cooperation in helping to keep our community looking its best.

### Residential Rental Licensing and Inspections

The City of Oakbrook Terrace requires all residential rental properties to be licensed and inspected yearly. The purpose of the licensing and inspection of residential rental properties is to protect the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of the City. The City Code ensures that rental properties comply with the minimum housing standards, along with maintaining and improving the character and stability of residential areas. It will also correct and prevent housing conditions that adversely affect, or are likely to affect, the life, safety, health and general welfare of persons occupying the dwellings. The City also seeks to eliminate overcrowding of dwellings by requiring compliance with established occupancy standards.

All owners of rental property within the City of Oakbrook Terrace must obtain a license. Applications are due May 1 and have been mailed to all property owners and are available online at [www.oakbrookterrace.net](http://www.oakbrookterrace.net). The completed application with the required fee and proof of insurance must be submitted to the City before any rental inspection may proceed. A copy of Ordinance 17-26, passed on November 28, 2017, is available for viewing online.

### Happenings Around Town

- Demolition of the former Burger King building located at 1S722 Midwest Road has taken place, and plans are now under review for the development of a BP Amoco Gas Station with a car wash, convenience store and VIP gaming café.
- School District 48 will be performing major renovations to all of the district's elementary schools over the summer, which includes the Stella Mae Swartz School.
- Several permits are currently under review for residential home additions and new home construction.



### Jodie Esposito Joins City Staff

The City of Oakbrook Terrace is pleased to welcome Jodie Esposito as Administrative Assistant. In her position, Jodie is responsible for accounts payable, and licensing for liquor, businesses and vendors.

"I really enjoy the job, she said. "Everyone is very helpful and there's lots of variety."

Jodie has been an Oakbrook Terrace resident for many years and grew up in nearby Villa Park. "As a resident, I really like the small town feeling of Oakbrook Terrace," she said. "There's lots of community spirit here and it's a safe community. Everybody comes together."

Jodie has two boys, 17 and 13, who attend Willowbrook High School and Albright Middle School. In her spare time, Jodie likes walking and hanging out with family and friends.



### New Building and Zoning Secretary Addy Lozano

Addy Lozano recently took over as Building and Zoning Secretary for the City of Oakbrook Terrace. Addy formerly held the position of Records Clerk with the City. In her new position, Addy assists Building and Zoning Administrator Mihaela Dragan with meeting agendas, contractor registrations, issuance of permits, and scheduling building and plumbing inspections.

Addy has been a lifelong resident of Chicago and likes the small town atmosphere in Oakbrook Terrace. "It's a very friendly community," she said, "and it has so much to offer; something is always going on."

In her spare time, Addy likes to try different restaurants. And as the weather warms, she is looking forward to rollerblading — her favorite sport.





# CITY OF OAKBROOK TERRACE

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## Teen Curfew

As the summer months approach, the Oakbrook Terrace Police Department reminds residents that the curfew for children 17 years of age and under is 11 p.m. Monday through Friday and 12 midnight on Saturday and Sunday.

## Please Help by Watering Right-of-Ways

Please water your right-of-way to help ensure that the grass will grow.

## Villa Park Library Card

Effective May 1, 2018, the cost for a Villa Park Library Card is \$42 per multi-family household (living in apartments such as Versailles and Regency Place) and \$51 per single-family household (including Spring Club, Berkshire and Arbor 40, as well as all other single-family households) through April 30, 2019. The library card provides access to all of the library's resources. Applications for Villa Park library cards are available at Oakbrook Terrace City Hall or the Police Department after hours. For more information, please visit [www.villapark.lib.il.us/](http://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](http://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:

<b>POLICE</b>	Emergency.....	911
	Information.....	630-941-8320
<b>FIRE EMERGENCY</b>	.....	911
<b>MAYOR</b>	.....	630-941-8300, EXT. 208
<b>CITY CLERK</b>	.....	630-941-8300, EXT. 206
<b>CITY ADMINISTRATOR</b>	.....	630-941-8300, EXT. 207
<b>ASSISTANT TO THE MAYOR &amp; ADMINISTRATOR</b>		
	.....	630-941-8300, EXT. 213
<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>	.....	630-941-8300, EXT. 201
<b>BUILDING &amp; ZONING</b>	.....	630-941-8300, EXT. 209
<b>CODE ENFORCEMENT</b>	.....	630-941-8300, EXT. 265
<b>PUBLIC SERVICES</b>	.....	630-941-1651
<b>WATER BILLING</b>	.....	630-941-8300, EXT. 242
<b>SPECIAL EVENTS</b>	.....	630-941-8300, EXT. 201
<b>OBT PARK DISTRICT</b>	.....	630-627-6100
<b>YORK CENTER PARK DISTRICT</b>	.....	630-629-0886

May/June 2018

## City of Oakbrook Terrace

Mayor Tony Ragucci  
City Clerk Michael Shadley  
City Administrator Amy Marrero

- Ward III: Ald. Robert Przychodni  
Ald. David Swartz
- Ward II: Ald. Frank Vlach  
Ald. Dennis Greco
- Ward I: Ald. Tom Thomas  
Ald. Paul Esposito

### 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