



# Terrace Leaves

July • August 2018

## *A Message From the Mayor*

Summer is here and our children are out of school. Please pay special attention to our fellow residents by driving slowly and cautiously.



I look forward to seeing everybody on the 4th of July to enjoy our holiday celebration. Once again, thank you for attending. It shows the great pride we have in our community.

On Wednesday, May 30th, the City unfortunately received approximately 4-5 inches of rain in a short time, causing some of our streets and properties to flood. During the rain event, the Public Services Department was out clearing storm sewers and blocking off flooded streets. While I was out in the subdivision, I noticed something wasn't right because we have had worse rainfalls in the past and it didn't cause this much flooding. I contacted the authorities the next morning and found out the Quarry in Elmhurst wasn't opened until 11:20 p.m. on the night of the storm. Unfortunately, we have no control of the operation of the Quarry and that could have contributed to the excessive water in our subdivision.

The Lions Club of Oakbrook Terrace had a great turnout on May 19th at the Salvation Army for a good cause and I thank everybody who attended and contributed for this event.

The OBT Police Department members and FOP Lodge 264 hosted the Cop-on-a-Rooftop for the Illinois Special Olympics on May 18th at the Dunkin Donuts on Roosevelt Road. They had a great turnout and raised money for a great cause. Thank you to our PD and FOP members and to everyone who donated.

Chapel Hill Cemetery hosted a Memorial Day Remembrance at their location on Roosevelt Road in our City and approximately 100 people attended this special event. Please feel free to attend next year to honor and remember those veterans who sacrificed their lives for all of us.

Just a reminder to keep your property and homes maintained. This reflects the beauty of our City, so please let's take pride in our community.

Sincerely,

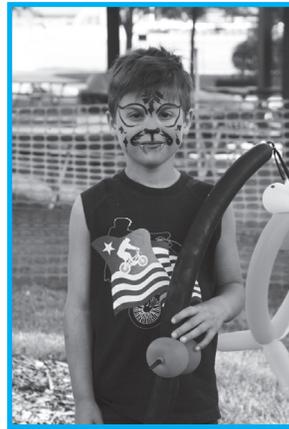
*Mayor Tony Ragucci*

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



**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.*

## 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.

**Public Services:** Mon. - Thurs.: 7 a.m. - 4 p.m. • Fri. 7:30 -11 a.m.

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



**Tuesday, July 3..... Deadline to pick up July 4th tickets**

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

## Fiscal Year 2018/19 Budget Approved

The City Council recently approved the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 budget (“FY 2019 Budget”), together with the City’s five (5) year Capital Improvement Plan document (“CIP”). For the past ten (10) years, the City received the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Distinguished Budget Presentation Award. For the current budget year, the City redirected some of the General Fund’s excess reserves to pay down some of the outstanding bond issues. Paying-off these bonds early will save the City approximately \$740,000. The City maintains four (4) funds: the General Fund, Motor Fuel Tax Fund, Capital Improvement Fund, and the Water Fund.

### General Fund

The General Fund is the City’s main operating or general purpose fund. Most of the services provided to residents, such as general administration, police protection, code enforcement, snow plowing, grounds maintenance, special events, storm water management, and street maintenance are budgeted in the General Fund. The major revenue sources in the General Fund include: the local share of State sales tax and the local hotel/motel tax. A telecommunication tax, amusement tax, property tax, off-track betting host fees, licenses, permits, and fines are other significant sources of revenue for the General Fund.

For this year, the City Council adopted a balanced General Fund budget with revenues of \$9.8 million and expenditures of \$9.1 million. The local economy is thriving, which is evident by the continued growth of the City’s 43 restaurants, six (6) hotels, and strong retail and commercial sectors.

### Water Fund

The Water Fund is comprised of two (2) components – Operations and Maintenance (O&M), and Distribution. O&M pays for the costs to operate and maintain the water system, while Distribution pays for capital improvements to the water system and related expenditures.

For the FY 2019 Budget, Water Fund revenues and other financing sources are estimated at \$3.0 million. Included in this amount is \$420,000 from electric utility taxes, \$947,150 from the sale of water, plus a one-time transfer from the General Fund in the amount of \$1.6 million to pay off outstanding bonds and establish a capital replacement fund.

The expenditures are budgeted at \$1.6 million. There are two (2) major cost centers comprising the Water Fund expenditures. First, is the purchase of water from the DuPage Water Commission (\$473,000), and second is the new Midwest-Drennon Watermain loop (\$359,214). This new watermain will improve the overall reliability of the water system and will improve water quality.

### Motor Fuel Tax Fund

Motor Fuel Tax collections for the FY 2019 Budget will be used to fund two (2) programs: the City’s yearly allotment of road salt and snowplowing-related charges.

### Capital Improvement Fund

The FY 2019 Budget identifies one (1) major revenue source for the Capital Improvement Fund: the home rule sales tax (\$1.7 million). The major expenditures in FY 2019 are for the bond payments for the Public Services Maintenance Facility (\$345,350), the curb and gutter program (\$80,000), and the residential street resurfacing project (\$1,199,573).

## 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

### Dispensa's Kiddie Kingdom and Castle of Toys

Dispensa's Castle of Toys was a toy store located in Oakbrook Terrace. The store opened to the public in 1967. The Kiddie Kingdom Amusement Park opened in 1975.

The store, which became well known because of its unique castle-like architecture, was a staple of Chicago area television advertising, especially during the Christmas Season. Their advertising featured a jingle sung by a woman in a child's voice:

*Dispensa's Castle of Toys*

*It's a toy store!*

*Dispensa's Castle of Toys*

*It's a castle!*

*Dispensa's Castle of Toys*

*It's toy-mendous!*

*Come to Dispensa's Castle of Toys*

*Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois*

Kiddie Kingdom also had a memorable jingle:

*Kids are King! At Dispensa's Kiddie Kingdom*

*Fun's the thing! At Dispensa's Kiddie Kingdom*

*Exciting rides to make you yell and holler*

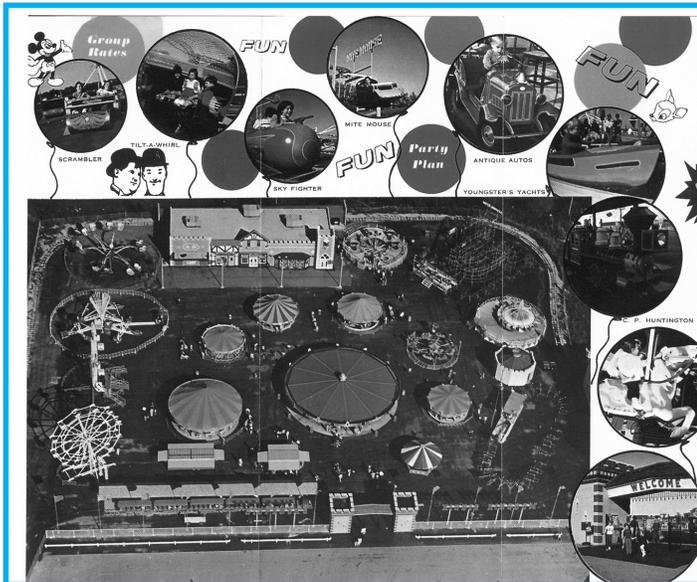
*Any ride a quarter, six for a dollar (this eventually became five for a dollar)*

*Dispensa's Kiddie Kingdom, let's go!*

If you were around when these jingles were broadcast, they might stay in your head for a few days.

In 1984, the Castle and Kiddie Kingdom closed its doors. The site is now occupied by the 31-story Oakbrook Terrace Tower.

Many more historical items and photos can be found at the Oakbrook Terrace Historical. The Historical Society is open for tours on Wednesdays 1-3 p.m. or by appointment by calling Bob at 630-834-8661.



## Oakbrook Terrace 2018 Brush Pick-Up Dates

July 9 & 30

August 13 & 27

September 10

October 1 & 22

# City Departments CORNER

## Police



### Cop-on-a-Rooftop

We conducted a very successful Cop-on-a-Rooftop event on May 18. Thanks to the generosity of our community, we raised \$4126.50 for Illinois Special Olympics!



### Safety Checks for Children's Car Seats and other Restraint Systems

The Oakbrook Terrace Police Department conducts safety checks of children's vehicle restraint systems free of charge on Fridays between 8:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. with an appointment. To make an appointment to have yours checked, please contact Officer Terrence Mastrino at 630-941-8320.



*The Oakbrook Terrace Police Department invites you to*

## National Night Out

**Tuesday, August 7, 6-8 p.m.**

*Oakbrook Terrace Police Department  
17W261 Butterfield Road*

Join us for family fun:

- ✓ Facepainting
- ✓ Touch-a-Truck
- ✓ Games
- ✓ Food

# City Departments CORNER

## Building & Zoning

Oakbrook Terrace is booming with several new businesses now open or opening soon.



*The newly opened Nicko's Café and Deli, 1815 S. Meyers Road, Oakbrook Terrace*

- Nicko's Café and Deli recently opened its doors within the corporate office building at 1815 S. Meyers Road. Nicko's Café and Deli offers a fresh variety of items, including soup and sandwiches.
- Yenez Dental & Associates, a full-service dental practice, is now open at 17W580 Butterfield Road.
- I Dream of Falafel, a restaurant serving fresh Mediterranean cuisine, has opened at 17W635 Roosevelt Road.
- Wiggin Out, a premier wig store that specializes in helping women look and feel their best, recently opened its doors at 17W683 Roosevelt Road, next to Pete's Fresh Market. The store offers a wide selection of wigs and hair extensions.
- Palm Beach Tan will be opening a new location at 17W697 Roosevelt Road, next to the new Office Depot currently under construction at 17W693 Roosevelt Road.
- Brooks Kitchen and Tap, a family style restaurant, has signed a lease to occupy the former Basta Pasta space located at 1919 S. Meyers Road. Plans are currently under review for interior renovations of the space.

- Sono Bella, a nationwide company specializing in minimally invasive, minimal downtime laser liposuction and body contouring, will be opening a location within One Mid America Plaza, Suite 1000. An interior build-out of the space is currently underway.
- Castle Automotive Group will be relocating their corporate offices to the Oakbrook Terrace Tower. Castle automotive maintains a nearby full-service dealership on Roosevelt Road.



### Recycle your latex paint

DuPage County is offering a latex paint recycling program from June 25 - August 4. Bring your usable, unwanted latex paint to the Woodridge Green Valley Wastewater Treatment Facility (7900 S. Route 53, Woodridge). Usable paint that has not been frozen, is less than 10 years in age and has not been mixed with other products will be collected free of charge. Free recycled latex paint that has been filtered and re-blended into a variety of colors, types and finishes will be available at this location starting June 30th.

Recycled paint will be distributed for free during the same hours of collection. Paint is offered free of charge to any resident, business, non-profit, etc. in 5-gallon containers.

## Public Services

### Public Services Highlights April and May 2018

- Two (2) snow events in April were processed.
- Right-of Way Restoration Program has begun.
- Extensive Maintenance to Kreml Park has begun, including the planting of six (6) new ornamental trees.
- Rip-rap installed around our 54" culvert on Karban Road to stop erosion of our creek banks.
- Semi-annual Inspection of the Police Department's FM 200 Fire Suppression System performed.
- Consumer Confidence Report completed.
- MS4 Report completed.
- Citywide Street Sweep performed.
- Three (3) rounds of brush pick-up performed.
- Banner and flag maintenance performed.
- Citywide hydrant flushing performed.
- All required IEPA sample sites successfully sampled

### Totals

JULIE Locates: April — 127 May — 127

Sign Repairs: April — 4 May — 1

Mailbox Repairs: April — 6 May — 5

Gallons of Water Pumped: April — 6,283,000 gallons

May — 7,456,000 gallons

### Fleet Maintenance

Oil Changes: April — 8 May — 5

Tire Repairs: April — 5 May — 1

PD Car Sheet Repair Orders: April — 2 May — 5



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## Call JULIE Before Digging

If you are planning a home improvement project, installing a fence or deck, or just planting a tree, don't forget to call 811 or 800-892-0123 before you begin any project that involves digging. JULIE will notify its member utility companies who will send a locator to mark their underground facilities. Digging without making that call may result in service disruption to an entire neighborhood, injuries to yourself or others, and/or potential fines and repair costs.

## 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

July/August 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