

Village of Orland Hills



Newsletter from the Village of Orland Hills

Winter 2020



Mayor Kyle R. Hastings

26 Years In A Row – A Balanced Budget

Mayor Kyle Hastings this past year introduced another balanced budget to the Orland Hills Village Board. Our Village Trustees ratified the budget for the upcoming year. This marks the 26th year in a row the Village of Orland Hills passed a balanced budget!

While the State of Illinois, Cook County, and surrounding towns have problems balancing their budgets and need to cut programs, Orland Hills continues to balance the budget without cutting programs or services for our residents. In fact, we have added programs and enhanced our “Party in the Park” festival.

“Throughout my tenure as Mayor, we have worked very hard to provide high quality services such as infrastructure improvements, programs, and public safety – to name a few,” Mayor Hastings said. “I am proud to have balanced the budget for 26 years in a row while being your Mayor. We have and we will continue to balance our budgets with great care and fiscal responsibility.”

Our Village is excited about 2020! Orland Hills will see the construction of a new recreational facility, double the amount of resurfaced streets, new environmental/economical hybrid police cars, lake improvements, and enhanced programs.

Have a healthy and safe New Year!



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Why the Census Counts

This year the federal government will conduct the 2020 Census. Completing your census form makes an impact on our local community. Data from the census is used by the federal government to determine how much funding our local community receives. This funding can be used for education, healthcare, and other public services. Also, the number of representatives from Illinois in the U.S. House of Representatives is determined by the census count.

Here are some important facts you should know about the 2020 Census:

- Notices to complete the census will be mailed to households starting in **mid-March**.
- You can complete the census form **online**, over the **phone**, or by **mail**.
- The Census Bureau will follow up in person with households that do not complete forms by **May 1st**.
- You should count **all** of the people living in your household as of April 1, 2020.

- All of the information you provide on your census response will be kept **confidential**.
- The Census Bureau does **NOT** ask for your social security number, bank or credit card information, money or donations, or anything on behalf of a political party.

For further information regarding the 2020 Census, visit their website at <https://2020census.gov>. If you have any questions or concerns about the local impact of the 2020 Census, call the Orland Hills Village Hall at (708)349-6666

So fill out your form to make sure you are counted in the 2020 Census!



VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR CONRAD KIEBLES RETIRES

At the Village Board Meeting on December 18, 2019, Mayor Kyle Hastings honored Administrator Kiebles on his 8 years of service with a commemorating plaque and kind words. We wish Conrad well on his next chapter in life. Refreshments and well wishes followed from the Board of Trustees and Village employees.

Thank you, Conrad, for a job well done.



Welcome



The Village of Orland Hills Police Department would like to welcome Officer Maria Bermudez to our family.

VOLUNTEER VICTIMS

The current trend today is to become a volunteer victim. What is a volunteer victim? A volunteer victim is someone who makes it easy for a criminal to steal their belongings.

You are a volunteer victim when:

- You leave your car or home unlocked.
- You leave your wallet or purse unattended.
- **You pay more attention to your smart phone than to your surroundings.**
- You sell merchandise on eBay or Facebook Marketplace and do not choose a safe place for the transaction.

If you do not want to become a volunteer victim, start practicing situational awareness. Learn to check and recheck your surroundings. Practice the 9:00 pm routine by checking your cars and doors to your home at 9:00 pm every evening. If you sell something on social media, use the police department as a safe exchange place.

Most importantly, if you see something say something.

50/50 Tree Program Scheduled Plantings to Begin Late April

Mayor Kyle R. Hastings and the Village Trustees encourage residents to participate in our 2020 tree replacement program.

Over 600 trees are scheduled to be planted during the next several years to replace the green and white ash trees that were removed during the last five years.

The Village Public Works Department removed more than 1,400 green and white ash trees throughout the Village parkways at a cost to the Village of more than \$250,000. The diseased ash trees that were removed made up over 35% of the Village tree canopy.

The 50/50 tree replacement program will allow residents to have a parkway tree planted for a cost of \$125. The Village covers the remaining \$125, which includes the cost of planting and mulching.

If you are interested, please fill out the form in this newsletter and bring it to the Village Hall no later than March 15th to get on the schedule. Planting of the trees is scheduled to begin in late April, weather permitting.

Village of Orland Hills 50/50 TREE PROGRAM AVAILABLE TREES

Tree - Type	Diameter	Fall Color	Total Cost	Resident's Cost
Autumn Blaze Maple	2"	RED/ORANGE	\$250.00	\$125.00
Thornless Honey-locust	2"	YELLOW	\$250.00	\$125.00
Greenspire Linden	2"	GOLD	\$250.00	\$125.00
Swamp White Oak	2"	YELLOW	\$250.00	\$125.00

It is the homeowner's responsibility to maintain this parkway tree.

Newly planted trees require regular watering.

The homeowner is responsible for watering the tree after planting.

If this is acceptable to you, please sign below and return to the Village Hall by March 15, 2020

The TYPE OF TREE requested _____

Amount enclosed \$ _____

Print Name _____

Signature _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Date _____

Promoted by Mayor Kyle R. Hastings and the Board of Trustees

Date received: _____ Amount received: _____ Cash/Check: _____

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Orland Hills Recreation Department

◆ 2019 IN REVIEW ◆

As we look back on the 2019 year, the Orland Hills Recreation Department, under the administration of Mayor Kyle R. Hastings and the Village Board of Trustees, would like to highlight some of last year's achievements. Numerous accomplishments were made in the Recreation Department. These consisted of capital improvements, special events, and recreational programming. Let's look back at a great year!

Wintertime Fun

During the winter of 2019, the Orland Hills Recreation Department offered a variety of programming and leagues to complement their current winter programs. The women's volleyball leagues increased in participation and number of teams, as did the basketball leagues. To help accommodate the increase in the basketball leagues, two new backboards and rims were installed in the Community Center gymnasium for the upcoming basketball season.



On Saturday, December 7th, Santa came to town by landing in a helicopter in Kelly Park. This popular annual event is loved by the kids of Orland Hills. Families enjoy watching to see Santa ride through the streets of town in a horse-drawn carriage. The day was clear and cold but all of the residents enjoyed the complimentary hot chocolate and cookies served at the Concession Stand.

The Village once again sponsored the famous holiday train ride, "The Polar Express." Participation increased this year and was another sell out! Everyone had a wonderful time riding the train.

A Solar Scout Health Day was offered in February, at the Community Center. This event drew interest with many people. It's related to physical fitness and overall health.

Spring Activities

Last spring, the Kelly Park Flower Garden was reconstructed with new flowers, bushes, and mulch. More than 700 residents hunted for eggs and prizes in the annual Easter Egg Hunt hosted in the Community Center Gymnasium.



New this year, the Village offered a neighborhood garage sale on May 17th & 18th. It was a huge success! All residents who participated were able to sell their goods from their homes. Another community yard sale is scheduled for this year so make sure to register!

During the spring, the Orland Hills Recreation Department applied for and earned the ComEd Green 50/50 Matching Grant. This grant was awarded for the Kelly Park Accessibility (Americans with Disabilities Act) Improvements. The improvements are designed to allow all patrons to gain access to park areas. This project provides access from the Kelly Park walking pathway to two new asphalt pathways which continue to two paved gazebos/picnic shelters. Under each paved gazebo, new (ADA) accessible picnic tables will be installed. This project is scheduled to be completed in the summer of 2020.



Also this spring, safety mulch was added at the Community Center, Village Hall, and all of the tot lots. The tot lot seats along with the connecting chains were inspected and repainted. The outdoor concession stand, bleachers, picnic tables, barbecue grills, and park shelters at Kelly Park were scraped and repainted. The Kelly Park Diamond #5 infield was reconstructed. Three loads of sand/clay mix were added to the infield, which was then regraded and edged for maximum drainage. Limestone was added and rolled to all of the walkways and dugouts.



Mayor Kyle R. Hastings and Senator Michael E. Hastings held their 1st Annual Touch-A-Truck event at Kelly Park on Saturday, June 8th. More than 2,000 spectators turned out to view the 26 trucks that participated in the event. Children had an opportunity to sit and see all types of trucks, including buses, cement trucks, fire trucks, backhoes,



bucket loaders, tractors, auto carrier trucks, service trucks, and cranes. Joey's Red Hots was also on hand with food and refreshments. This event was a huge success! Children and their families had a great day.



◆ 2019 IN REVIEW ◆



Summer Festivities

The 8th annual Party in the Park celebration was held in Kelly Park from Friday, June 26th through Sunday, June 28th. Children's activities included Salerno's Giant Slide, Dino



Jumps, Cold Blooded Creatures, A Zoo to You Petting Zoo, and Head 2 Toe Face Painting. People of all ages enjoyed the live music provided by the Too Fighters, Hairbanger's Ball, Hillybilly Rockstarz, Boy Band, Dueling Pianos, Pirates over 40, and American

English. Other festivities included a variety of food vendors, adult bingo, the DeRe Outdoor Cruise Night Car Show, the Veteran's Breakfast, Princess in the Park Breakfast, and of course...fireworks! Orland Hills has the best fireworks display on the southside HANDS DOWN! It's a must see show for everyone!

Also last summer, Mayor Kyle R. Hastings and Trustee Kyle Hastings II started the Orland Hills Wolves Flag Football League. The season began in August and ran through October. The games were played on Saturdays under the lights at Kelly Park. The league grew to more than 100 participants. Uniforms, equipment, practices, games, awards, and real football officials were included in the league.



Kelly Park hosted a special Olivet Nazarene University football clinic featuring their varsity college football team. The clinic consisted of the ONU football players and coaches teaching the fundamentals of football to our Orland Hills Wolves flag football players.



In addition, the 37th Annual Fishing Derby was held at Ashbourne Lake. More than 100 people participated in the event. Some of the largest fish that were caught at the event was a 26 3/8" catfish and a 16 1/2" largemouth bass.

Autumn Happenings

During the month of September, the Orland Hills Recreation Department increased the number of teams in

the 16" Fall Co-Ed Friday Softball League at Kelly Park. The league ran until the end of November and we are happy to say we were able to finish the league with NO snow.

The Village designed, constructed, and installed two butterfly gardens along with signage this year. The butterfly gardens are located at Kelly Park near the pathway, and at the west corner of Ashbourne Lake. New trees were planted at the edge of the gardens for shade. A park bench is scheduled to be installed at each site so our residents can relax and enjoy these lovely bits of nature.



To keep residents updated on programs and events, the Orland Hills Recreation Department upgraded the Orland Hills Facebook page. The page is used to enhance upcoming program registration to advertise our special events. During the month of November, the holiday flyer was also mailed to every resident household.



The 26th Annual 1 Mile Junior / 5k Open Turkey Trot Race was held in Orland Hills on Saturday, November 9th. It was a cold but clear day, so it was a beautiful day for a race. The race ran on the streets and park pathways in the Village.



More than 300 runners participated in the event. Trustee Kyle Hastings II and Trustee Candice Morrison were our honorary race starters. Trustee Hastings II, Trustee Joe Jankowski, and Trustee Morrison also assisted in the awards presentation.

During the fall season, rentals increased for the gymnasium and multipurpose rooms. Residents use these facilities for practices and parties. Also during this time, outdoor maintenance was completed at the Kelly Park Tennis Courts. The cracked playing areas were repaired. The playing surfaces were filled and touched up with paint for the upcoming season.

Mayor Kyle R. Hastings, the Village Board of Trustees, and the Orland Hills Recreation Department are dedicated and committed to providing quality recreation programs, special events, parks, and facilities to enhance the excellent quality of life to all of the residents of Orland Hills. As you can see, 2019 was a very creative, innovative, and productive period for the Orland Hills Recreation Department. Bring on 2020!

Orland Hills Police Department

◆ 2019 IN REVIEW ◆

The Orland Hills Police Department capped off another great year. The focus this year was on training. Training that challenges the officer is crucial to their growth and development. It prepares them to handle the myriad of crisis situations that they deal with on a daily basis.

This past year, officers trained in rapid response to active shooters, downed person rescue drills, CPR and AED training, truck enforcement, firearms and rifle qualifications, Field Training Officer School, and new supervisor training.

We have seen the benefits of this training already this year. This past summer, a resident was mowing his lawn when he suffered a heart attack. His son-in-law began CPR and a 911 call was made for the paramedics. Orland Hills police officers James Molloy, Mike Dill, and Uriel Duran arrived on the scene. Using the AED that was donated by the Orland Fire Protection District, the officers kept the man alive until the fire department arrived.

Traffic safety was another high priority for the department. Officers Mike Dill and Joe Baez specialize in truck enforcement. Overweight trucks cause our roads to prematurely deteriorate. Additionally, every patrol officer on the department is involved in traffic enforcement.

Distracted driving is now the leading cause of traffic fatalities. By focusing on the enforcement in areas of town that had several accidents, the officers have cited and educated many drivers on the dangers of distracted driving. Officers alone can't stop traffic accidents. The police department uses mobile speed carts and lighted stop signs to reduce traffic accidents.

This year, as we have done the past 14 years, the police department hosted the Annual Toy Drive. Deputy Chief Mike Blaha leads this program that delivers toys to hospitalized children.

Finally, we are fortunate that our community does not have a high crime rate. However, we have experienced minor issues from time to time. I ask you to help us keep you safe. If you see something, say something. Working together we can continue to make Orland Hills a great place to live.



Life Saving Awards



Special Olympics



Police Academy Graduation



Polar Plunge



Annual Toy Drive



Annual Toy Drive



Cop on a Rooftop

Orland Hills Public Works Department

◆ 2019 IN REVIEW ◆

As a new year begins, let's reflect on the past year and what the Public Works Department accomplished.

We started off 2019 with snowplowing. Snowplowing is and has always been the #1 priority in the Village. Our residents deserve the safest and cleanest streets! Not only did we snowplow Village streets, but we also cleaned senior citizens' driveways so they could walk out of their homes safely to their vehicles or the dial-a ride bus. As all the plowing continued, so did repairs and maintenance on all the trucks.

When the snow melted and spring arrived, we started repairing potholes. Potholes are something we fill all year long. We also maintain and cut the grass on all Village property. We also rebuilt storm sewers throughout the year. And, we trimmed trees on the south end of town. Major work projects included repaving part of Highview and 89th Avenue from 169th Place to 170th Street.

In addition, the Public Works Department sets up for all recreational activities. This past year, the Party in the Park celebration kept us very busy with set up, clean up, and take down. This was our busiest fest ever!!!

Public Works also keeps a close eye on vacant homes while we are driving through the Village streets. When a home appears vacant or the yard seems unmanaged, we report the home to determine who owns the house and who should maintain the property. If it is too unsightly, we cut the grass and clean up the property.

As you can see, the Public Works Department enjoys making our Village a beautiful place for our residents to live.

CLEAN UP WEEK

**CLEAN UP WEEK IS
APRIL 24th - MAY 3rd**

DUMPSTERS WILL BE
AT THE RECREATION CENTER
PARKING LOT AND AT THE
HAWTHORNE AVENUE TOT LOT!

YARD WASTE

**YARD WASTE PICK UP
WILL RESUME ON
THURSDAY, APRIL 9th.**

GARBAGE PICK-UP

**GARBAGE COLLECTION
IS EVERY THURSDAY.**

Please remember to have your garbage at the curb on the day of collection before 7:00 am. For your convenience, garbage can be placed at the curb after 6:00 pm on the day prior to collection. All garbage receptacles must be retrieved from the curb by 7:00 pm on the day of collection.

Yard waste collection will resume on April 9th. Please call Waste Management at 800-964-8988 if you have any questions regarding bundling and pick up of items such as lumber, drywall, carpeting, furniture, etc.

As a reminder, residents can take advantage of Waste Management's Electronic Pick-Up. Call the At Your Door Service for electronics at 800-449-7587 for details and to schedule a pick up.



REMINDER:

**STREET SWEEPING WILL RESUME
MARCH 3RD AND CONTINUE ON THE
FIRST TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH
THRU THE END OF NOVEMBER.
MAKE SURE YOUR VEHICLES ARE OFF
THE STREET THESE DAYS!**

Santa Came to Town

Mayor Kyle R. Hastings and the Village of Orland Hills welcomed a special visitor on Saturday, December 7th. Santa arrived by helicopter to Kelly Park to the delight of all the children and families. Mayor Hastings presented Santa with the Key to the Village (that allows Santa to enter homes with no fireplaces). The crowd was treated to holiday music, hot chocolate, and cookies from the Orland Hills Recreation Department. Next, Santa climbed aboard a horse-drawn carriage for a ride through every village street.

Residents of Orland Hills were also treated to a holiday carriage ride. Families were able to take advantage of a peaceful carriage ride and to enjoy hot chocolate and cookies along the way.

A big thank you to Mayor Kyle R. Hastings and Trustees Kyle Hastings II, Joe Janachowski, and Candice Morrison for helping to make these holiday events so special. Also, thanks to ESDA Director Bill Leddin, the Orland Hills Police Department, the Orland Hills Cadets, along with Community Service Students from Victor J. Andrew, and Carl Sandburg High Schools for their assistance. Finally, thanks to the Recreation Department Staff for all their hard work.



22nd Annual Holiday Skating Party

The Orland Hills Recreation Department hosted our 22nd Annual Holiday Ice Skating Party at the Arctic Ice Arena. Many residents took advantage of this fantastic and fun event. Residents young and old filled the ice rink. Those who chose not to skate enjoyed the company of their neighbors and village friends watching the fun. The Recreation Department would especially like to thank Mayor Kyle R. Hastings and the Board of Trustees for offering this annual special event. See you next year.



Candy Count Winner

Congratulations, Gavin Roberts! You guessed 136 pieces and the actual total pieces of candy was 143. **Great guess, Gavin!**

Holiday House Decorating Winners

- 1st Place** The Krueger Family, 16551 Bridgette Ct.
- 2nd Place** The Vilimek Family, 17001 Hobart
- 3rd Place** The Bennett Family, 9020 167th St.

Coloring Contest Winners

4-6 year olds

- 1st Place** Dylan Kurtis
- 2nd Place** Peter Oprisko
- 3rd Place** Rylan Marec

7-9 year olds

- 1st Place** Patryk Spruta
- 2nd Place** Ashln Zarate
- 3rd Place** Arran Mckee

10-12 year olds

- 1st Place** Sarai Chavez
- 2nd Place** Sophia Kotsores
- 3rd Place** Ghazal Yasin



Breakfast with Santa at Georgios Banquets



The Orland Hills Recreation Department held its Annual Breakfast with Santa on Saturday, December 21, 2019. More than 300 residents attended this event held at **Georgios Banquets**.

Mayor Kyle R. Hastings and our residents enjoyed listening to the holiday music provided by Mobile DJ services. A special guest appearance by "Those Funny Little People" entertained guests with holiday song and dance numbers. Santa Claus greeted all the little ones and sat for pictures with them. He checked his list to see if they were naughty or nice.

the Recreation Staff to email each picture to the families this year!

Everyone had a wonderful time and families were able to take a break from this hectic time of year and relax with neighborhood friends. They enjoyed the breakfast of bacon, ham, sausage, scrambled eggs, french toast, fruit, juice, and biscuits & gravy. Children 12 years and younger also had a chance to win one of six \$20 Walmart gift cards. Congratulations to the lucky winners!

Santa Breakfast Winners \$20 Walmart Gift Card

Nicole Skalak
Payton Wisniewski
Olivia Kruszewski
Madison Ehmen
Aniah Crisostomo
Eiza Perez



To enhance the experience for our residents, the Recreation Department purchased two iPads and a holiday backdrop for the Santa pictures. These improvements allowed



A special thanks to Mayor Kyle R. Hastings, and Trustees Candice Morrison, Kyle Hastings II, and Joe Janachowski.



Polar Express

More than 120 residents rode on The Polar Express on Saturday, December 14th. The event consisted of a round trip Metra train ride and a visit with Santa. The trip traveled between the 80th Avenue Tinley Park train station and the Joliet train station. During the ride, participants listened to the "Polar Express" story and enjoyed a snack.

At the Joliet train station, the riders departed the train to look for Santa. Next, children and families then were treated to pictures with Santa Claus. The pictures featured a holiday backdrop and were taken com-

pliments of the Orland Hills Recreation Department. Santa rode on the train back to the Tinley Park station. Santa sang Christmas songs and passed out the "Holiday Believe Bell" on the train ride

home. After more pictures, the Recreation Staff served hot chocolate to the residents as they departed.

This is the third year the Recreation Department offered this event and it is a huge success. Ticket sales begin in mid-September for next year's Polar Express. The event sells out quickly, so mark your calendars!



VILLAGE OF ORLAND HILLS 26TH ANNUAL “DESIGN THE VILLAGE VEHICLE STICKER” CONTEST

The Village of Orland Hills is pleased to carry on the tradition of hosting the annual vehicle sticker art contest. The Village’s vehicle stickers are due for renewal July 15, 2020. Therefore, it is time to turn to the artistic talent of our young Village residents to get involved in their community and design a sticker that reflects *what they feel the Village represents*. The rules are as follows:

- 1) The design must be done on an official entry blank (attached). Entry blanks will also be available at the Village Hall and Recreation Center.
- 2) Each child turning in a drawing must be an Orland Hills resident under the age of 14, as of January 1, 2020.
- 3) Only one entry per child is allowed; multiple entries will disqualify you from the contest.
- 4) Up to 5 colors may be used, as well as a color background. Ink pens, crayons, or markers are acceptable. No glitter or attached decorations, please.
- 5) All entries must be received at the Village Hall no later than closing time (4:30 p.m.) on April 15, 2020. **There will be no exceptions!**

The entry form is created for easy mailing. Just fold in three with the drawing on the inside and staple or tape closed. Now all you need to do is add a stamp or hand deliver to the Village Hall. There is a mailbox drop in front of both the Village Hall and Recreation Center. The name of the artist is located on the back of your entry so that the judges will not know who the artist is when looking at the entries.

The “Top Five” entrants will be recognized with their framed drawing and a picture with Mayor Kyle Hastings. That photograph will be in the Village Newsletter for the whole Village to see. The “Top Five” winners are entitled to purchase one of the first five vehicle stickers, in the order of their finishing. The entries will be judged based on neatness, creativity and a positive portrayal of the Village.

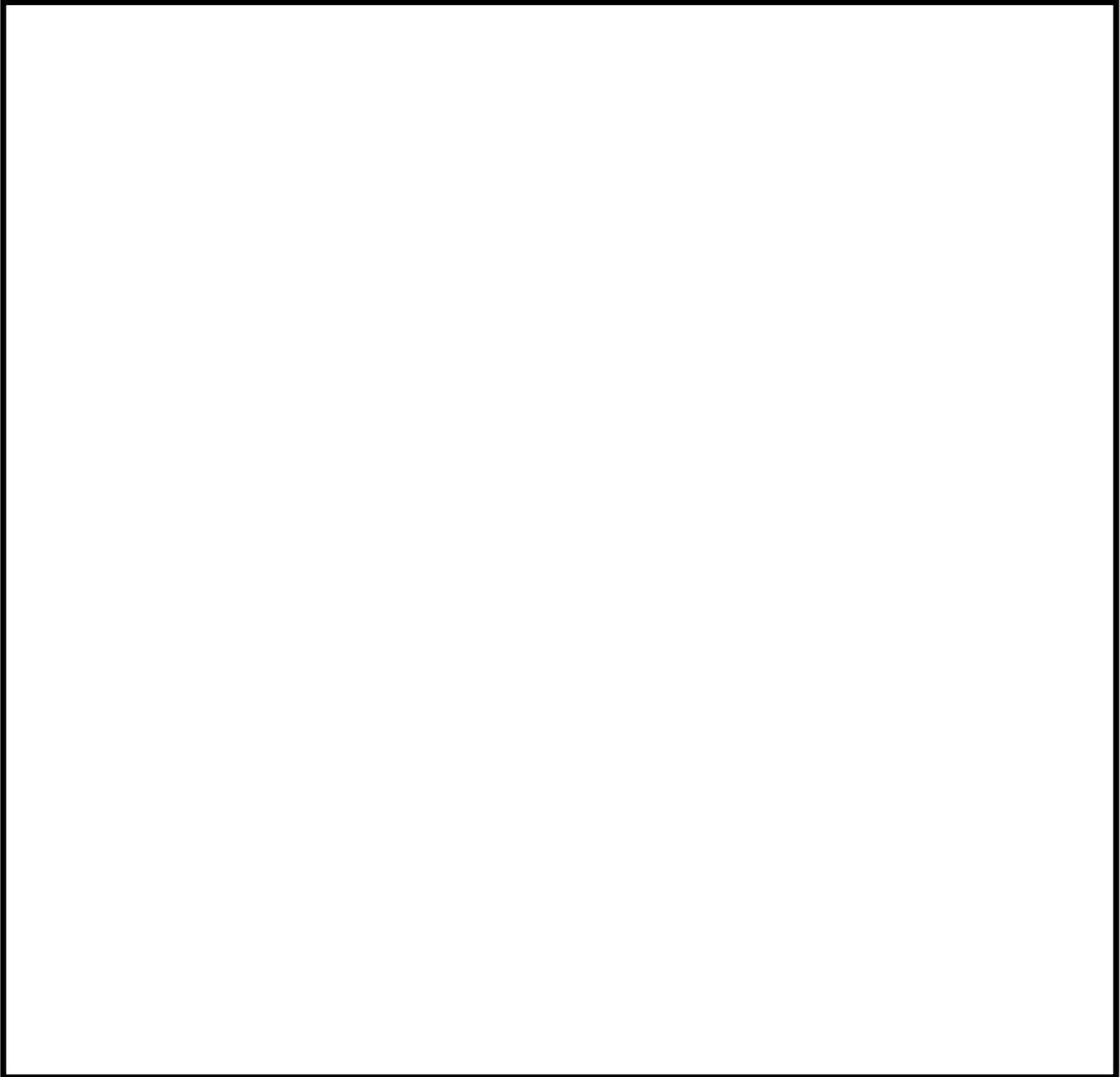
The number 1 entry will then be taken to the printer to transfer a likeness of the drawing onto a 3” by 3” sticker. If needed, small changes may be made to the design to accommodate the inclusion of necessary information. As is the custom, the “Top Five” winning entries will be displayed at the Village Hall.

For further information or questions, please feel free to call the Village Hall (349-6666) and ask for Karen.

GOOD LUCK!

**This activity is not sponsored by local School District 140, any of its schools,
or groups officially associated with the District.**

**26th Annual
“DESIGN THE VILLAGE VEHICLE STICKER”
Contest**



Name: _____ Birthdate: _____

Address: _____ Age: _____

Phone #: _____



**ORLAND HILLS VILLAGE HALL
VEHICLE STICKER CONTEST
16033 SOUTH 94TH AVENUE
ORLAND HILLS, IL 60487-4623**

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Orland Hills Recreation Department

Easter Special Events

Easter Coloring Contest

Beginning March 25th, all residents may pick up a picture entry for the Easter Coloring Contest. Entries are available at the Community Center and on District 135 and 140 web-sites. Age groups are 4-6 years, 7-9 years, and 10-12 years. Winners will be announced on April 8th.

Easter Bunny Candy Count

All resident children are invited to hop on over to the Community Center on March 25th through April 7th to count the candy in our jar! The contest is open to all resident children 12 years and younger with one guess per person. In case of a tie, a drawing will be held to decide the winner. The winner will be announced on April 8th.

Easter Bunny Egg Hunt

Come to the 27th Annual Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday, April 11th at 10:00 am at the Community Center. Meet the Easter Bunny and hunt for eggs, candy, and treats. The age groups are of 3 years and under, 4-5 years, 6-7 years, 8-9 years, 10-12 years, and the ever-popular 13 years to adult.



HAPPY EASTER!

BUILDING DEPARTMENT



HOME IMPROVEMENTS

The Building Department is located in the Village Hall. Are you thinking of renovating or remodeling? The Village of Orland Hills is always happy to see residents making home improvements! Not only does it add value to your home but also to the homes around you. In order to serve you better, please refer to the following guidelines prior to making any home improvements:

How to go about getting a Building Permit?

1. Applications for a permit are available at Village Hall. Applications can also be downloaded from the Village website, www.orlandhills.org.
2. Complete all information requested on the application. Do not leave any information blank. If requested, submit 4 sets of detailed plans and a plat of survey. Plats of survey must be marked with the location of the construction project. For example: Mark on your plat where your patio will be located.
3. Make sure the contractor you have selected is licensed, bonded, and insured with the Village of Orland Hills prior to applying for your permit. (If this step is not completed, the processing of your permit may be delayed. It is important that you tell the contractor up front that he or she needs to be licensed with the Village.
4. Once all paperwork is properly filled out and submitted, the wait time for processing is approximately 4 – 7 business days. **Absolutely no work is to be started prior to permit approval.**
5. The Building Department will contact you when your permit has been approved and is available for pick up.
6. Place the permit card in a window that is visible to the street and begin your improvement.

How to go about getting an Inspection?

ALL INSPECTIONS MUST BE CALLED IN 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE.

1. When you pick up your permit card, all required inspections will be indicated on the inspection sheet accompanying your permit.
2. Call the Building Department at (708)349-4887 and schedule an inspection 24 hours prior.
3. Most contractors know in advance when they will be at your house to begin work and an approximate time of when an inspection will need to be done.
4. If you are doing the work yourself, please call and give us as much advance notice as possible for scheduling an inspection. The Building Department understands the limited time people have to do home improvements. Just call, we are willing to work with you.

Any questions? Please do not hesitate to call the Village Building Department at 708-349-4887. We appreciate your cooperation!



BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Protect Yourself From Flooding

If you live near Tinley Creek, or if you have experienced water problems in the past, you shouldn't wait for the problem to go away. Here are some things you can do:

Get the information:

- The Building Department can tell you if you are in a mapped flood zone and provide additional information needed for a flood insurance policy. Call the Building Department at 708-349-4887.
- Ask the Building Department staff to visit your property to see what advice they have on the cause of the problem and possible solutions.
- Ask for a free copy of the Village's *Guide to Flood Protection*. It includes many helpful ideas on what you can do to be ready for the next storm.
- Check out flood protection references in the Tinley Park Public Library.

Keep Your Easement Open:

One of the biggest causes of flooding problems in Orland Hills has been obstructions built or placed in the drainage easements that were established along lot lines. These areas were set aside to carry water away from your house without flooding your neighbors. Keep them open.

Get Insured:

Flood insurance is highly recommended. Remember, even if the last storm or flood missed you or you have done some floodproofing, the next flood could be worse. Most homeowner's insurance policies do not cover property for flood damage.

Orland Hills participates in the National Flood Insurance Program. Local insurance agents can sell a flood insurance policy under rules and rates set by the Federal government. Any agent can sell a policy and all agents must charge the same rates.

Any house can be covered by a flood insurance policy. It does not matter if they are in the mapped floodplain or out of it. Detached garages and accessory buildings are covered under the policy for the lot's main building. Separate coverage can be obtained for the building's structure and for its contents (except for money, valuable papers, and the like). The *structure* generally includes everything that stays with a house when it is sold, including the furnace, cabinets, built in appliances, and wall-to-wall carpeting.

There is no coverage for things outside the house, like the driveway and landscaping. Renters can buy contents coverage, even if the owner does not buy structural coverage on the building.

Some people have purchased flood insurance because it was required by the bank when they got a mortgage or home improvement loan. *If you have a policy, check it closely.* You may only have structural coverage (because that's all that banks require). During the kind of flooding that happens in Orland Hills, there is usually more damage to the furniture and contents than there is to the structure.

Protect your property:

There are many ways to protect your home from a water problem. They include:

- Regrading your yard so water flows away from your house toward the drainage swale or street,
- Elevating a building on a crawlspace so that flood waters do not enter or reach any damageable portions of it,
- Constructing barriers out of fill or concrete between the building and flood waters,
- "Floodproofing" so the building is not damaged when the water comes,
- Preventing sewer backup with a standpipe, valve or overhead sewer,
- Installing a backup power supply for your sump pump, and
- Removing valuable contents out of the basement when the flood comes.

These are discussed in more detail in the Village's *Guide to Flood Protection* available free at the Village Hall, and in other references in the Library.

Several insurance companies have sump pump failure or sewer backup coverage that can be added to a homeowner's insurance policy. Each company has different amounts of coverage, exclusions, deductibles, and arrangements. Most are riders that cost extra. Most exclude damage from surface flooding that would be covered by a National Flood Insurance policy. The cost varies from nothing to up to about \$75 for a rider on your homeowner's insurance premium.

Basements, split levels and bi-levels: There is limited coverage for basements and the below grade floors of bi-levels and tri-levels. The National Flood Insurance Program defines "basement" as "Any area of the building, including any sunken room or sunken portion of a room, having its floor below ground level (sub-grade) on all sides." This includes split levels and bi-levels.

Coverage under building or structural coverage is limited to specific items needed for the operation of the building, such as a furnace, water heater, clothes washer and dryer. There is very limited coverage for finishings, such as wallpaper and carpeting, and contents. Flood insurance only covers damage when there is a general condition of surface flooding in the area.

If you have any questions you can reach the Building Department @ 708-349-4887

Don't wait for the next flood to buy insurance protection. There is a 30 day waiting period before National Flood Insurance coverage takes effect. Contact your insurance agent for more information on rates and coverage.

Your Cooperation is Appreciated

The six members of the Orland Hills Public Works Department are responsible for maintenance of streets, street lights, signs, sidewalks, stormwater management, culverts, parkway trees, public property, animal control, and snow removal, with the help of our part time plowers.

Snow and Ice Control

The Public Works Department provides snow and ice control for the Village streets and cul-de-sacs. Snow and ice management is considered emergency work which must be completed for our resident's safety and well-being. Careful planning and preparation is done months prior to the snow season. Our goal is to make all streets, courts, and cul-de-sacs safe and accessible for the driving conditions during and after a storm. Public Works receives many calls about snow being plowed into driveways. While the Village of Orland Hills plows may leave snow across driveway aprons, the drivers attempt to keep it to a minimum.

Village Ordinance 86-14

Am. 90-13; Am. 91-02

Parking on any street is not permitted under the following conditions: When a snowfall has accumulated to a depth of one inch or more, until snow removal operations are completed.

Violation of any section or provision of this ordinance shall result in a fine, not less than \$50 or more than \$750. Each day violation shall be deemed a separate offense.

Village Ordinance 95-04

Snow and ice removal from public sidewalks adjacent to an owner's property shall be the responsibility of the property owners. No person shall cause or permit the shoveling, plowing, dumping, throwing, pushing or depositing of snow, ice or seasonal debris from private property, public property or from driveway or public sidewalk onto the street area. Snow and ice may be deposited on the parkway right of way grass area, adjacent to single family homes, providing said snow and or ice does not create a vision problem at intersections or driveway opening onto street.

Have a safe snow season!

The Public Works Department thanks you for your help and cooperation.

SPRING CLEAN UP WEEK

APRIL 24th – MAY 3rd

Dumpsters will be at Kelly Park and Hawthorne Tot Lot.

Please do not leave anything outside of the dumpsters. When the dumpsters are full, new dumpsters will be delivered. Thank you for your cooperation.

FLASH FLOODS

Winter storms can cause flash flooding. Remember to check your sump pump and discharge lines to insure they are working properly. Check you gutters & downspouts to insure they divert water away from your foundation. If you have a sewer near your home, make sure the grate is free & clear of debris.

Time spent preparing now could help protect against basement flooding in the future.

QUESTIONS ABOUT FLOODING?

✓ Call 708-349-4887

SEWER PROBLEMS?

✓ Ask the Village Hall for a free copy of **GUIDE TO FLOOD PROTECTION.**

WET BASEMENT?

✓ INSPECT YOUR SUMP PUMP.

✓ MAKE SURE YOUR DOWNSPOUTS

✓ DRAIN FROM YOUR HOUSE.

✓ Ask the Village Hall for a free copy of **GUIDE TO FLOOD PROTECTION.**

Flood Maps and Flood Protection

The Village Building Department can assist with flooding questions. See us in person at Village Hall or call (708)349-4887. The department provides:

- ✓ Information on whether a property is in a mapped floodplain and related Flood Insurance Rate Map Data;
- ✓ Records of past flooding;
- ✓ Free Copies of the *Village's Guide to Flood Protection*;
- ✓ Advice on how to protect a building from water problems;
- ✓ Guidance on the laws that govern construction and property improvements;
- ✓ Site visits to view the cause of and possible solutions to a problem.

Flood Maps and Flood Protection references are also available at the Tinley Park Library or on their website, www.tplibrary.org.

Do you know about our Dial a Ride Program?

Need a ride? Dial a Ride! Our bus driver, Gus will be glad to pick you up and bring you back. You must request service 24 hours in advance. Call 349-0583 to schedule your pick-up!

Early or late...Don't hesitate; make no fuss...just call for the bus! If you have any questions regarding this wonderful program, please call the Village for additional information at 708-349-0583.

Common Courtesy:

Please do not block your neighbor's mailbox. The post office will not deliver to a box that is blocked by your car.

The Village thanks you in advance for being courteous!!

DID YOU KNOW A PET LICENSE IS REQUIRED?

All dogs and cats over four months of age need a pet license tag. Just bring a valid rabies vaccination certificate from a registered veterinarian, showing the animal has been inoculated. Fees are as follows:

- Spayed or Neutered \$2.50
- Not Spayed or Not Neutered \$4.00

Limit on Pets:

Just to remind our residents about existing Village Code limitations: it is a nuisance and is unlawful for any person to own more than five (5) dogs, or any combination of dogs and cats totaling five (5).



DO YOU PICK UP THE POOP AFTER YOUR DOG?

Please clean up after your dogs! Regardless if you are walking your dog around your neighborhood or at one of our parks or trails, bring a scoop and pick up the poop. If you don't have a scoop, use a plastic bag.

If you are walking your dog around the block and it poops on someone's lawn, pick it up. Also, please pick up the poop on the snow because when the snow melts, there are piles of poop all over the village. Please be a good neighbor and clean up after your dog.

In addition, it is unlawful for animals to roam or walk unleashed. Fines are listed on the signs in the parks. Keep in mind, the parks are for the recreational use of our residents, especially our children.



Traffic Safety

The Orland Hills Police Department is committed to keeping the residents and visitors in our town safe. One of those ways is to ensure that we strictly enforce all traffic laws.

Every municipality has high target intersections. While we watch every street in town, we pay particular attention to the intersection at 167th Street and 88th Avenue. We share the intersection with our Orland Park neighbors. This past year we have had several serious accidents there. Many of these are caused by distracted driving, excessive speed,

and failure to stop at the sign. You may also have noticed an increased police presence at that intersection.

The officers will be issuing state tickets for any and all violations, especially for missed stop sign or distracted driving. We installed lighted stop signs for that location as well. I am asking all drivers to pay attention to the intersections as you travel.

Working together, we can keep our community safe.

Please drive safely!



Please Do Not Feed The Wildlife

The Orland Hills Recreation Department would respectfully request that all residents do not feed the wildlife. This rule will be strictly enforced by the Orland Hills Police Department.



If you have any questions, please contact the Orland Hills Recreation Department at 349-7211.

Dear Residents,

In the winter months during snowfall (1" or more), please DO NOT park your vehicles on the street. Our snowplows need to get down the streets safely. To do our job efficiently, we need the cars off the street. We are not be responsible for snow plowed around your car.

If you are unhappy about the parked cars on the street and the plows not being able to do their job, talk to your neighbors or call the Police Department at 708-349-4434.

We do have the best plowed streets in the south suburbs! By working together we can keep it that way!

Village Usage Permits

The Recreation Department offers various rentals which are available for the Community Center and the Village Park areas. The rentals are available for residents and nonresidents. The forms can be found on our website www.ohrecreation.org.

Please contact the Recreation Department at (708)349-7211 to reserve a date and time for usage of the party room, gymnasium, baseball fields, or picnic areas. The special resident rental rate for the use of the "Kay Gnech" Multipurpose Room is \$180.00 for 5 hours, which includes room setup and teardown.

Below is a breakdown of the indoor usage fees. Please call the Recreation Department hotline at 708-349-7211 for usage availability. Please note that room rental and gymnasium rental require a security deposit. The security deposit is determined by the number of people occupying the room/gymnasium: \$100.00 for 1-100 patrons and \$200.00 for over 100 patrons. The security deposit will be refunded if the facility is left in a clean and orderly condition.

Multipurpose Room

1 hour Resident	\$30.00
1 hour Nonresident	\$60.00
5 hr. Resident Rate	\$180.00

Gymnasium

¼ Gym

1 hour Resident	\$25.00
1 hour Nonresident	\$45.00

½ Gym

½ hour Resident	\$20.00
½ hour Nonresident	\$50.00
1 hour Resident	\$40.00
1 hour Nonresident	\$95.00

Full Gym

½ hour Resident	\$40.00
½ hour Nonresident	\$95.00
1 hour Resident	\$60.00
1 hour Nonresident	\$120.00



Multipurpose Room Rental



Gymnasium Rental



**SAVE
THE DATES!**

2020 Party in the Park **CELEBRATION!!**

**FRIDAY
June 26th**

**SATURDAY
June 27th**

**SUNDAY
June 28th**

Kelly Park ★ 16700 S. Haven Ave. ★ **Orland Hills, IL 60487**

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Anthem • Two White Crew • All Strung Out • Libido Funk Circus •
Dueling Pianos • Peter Oprisko & Band • American English •
K.C. Audio

FOOD & LIQUOR VENDORS

Chicken-N-Spice • Mo's Chinese • The Black Sheep •
Nothing Bundt Cakes • Palermo's Pizza • Little Jimmy's Italian Ice •
La Isla Michoacana • Joey's Red Hots • Dan "D" Jac's Bar

ACTIVITIES

All For Fun Inflatable Jumpers • All Around Amusement Giant Slide
• Head 2 Toe Face Painting • A Zoo To You Petting Zoo • Ms. Chiff
the Clown • O.H.R.D. Adult Bingo • Bean Bag Tournament •
DeRe Cruise Night Car Show

Fireworks Show:
Saturday, June 27th, 9:30pm start!!

and much, much more!!!

**For more information, please contact the
Recreation Department at 708-349-7211
www.ohpartyinthepark.com.**

**SEE YOU
THERE!!**

Village of Orland Hills
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 Orland Hills, IL 60487-4623

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Out of Village mailings - The Village of Orland Hills extends its sincere apology to any of its neighbors, for any inconvenience from the United States Postal Bulk Mailing Regulations, by which some individuals are delivered Village Newsletters and Park District brochures even though they reside outside the Village of Orland Hills boundaries. Such individuals nevertheless, shall be assessed Out-Of-District fees for Recreation Activities.

IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Administration	349-6666	
Building Department	349-4887	
DIAL-A-RIDE	349-0583	
Emergency Services	349-2388	William Leddin
Fire District (non-emergency)	349-0074	
Police (non-emergency)	349-4434	Tom Scully
Public Works Department	349-6792	Michael Hanley
Recreation Department	349-7211	Glenn Bilina
Village Hall	349-6666	
Orland Hills Library Dist Office	349-0319	
Tinley Park Library	532-0160	

President Kyle R. Hastings
 Clerk Jen Iannantone

Trustee Joe Janachowski	Trustee Curt Petrey
Trustee Kyle Hastings II	Trustee Tracy L. Roti
Trustee Candice Morrison	Trustee Marcia Kissane

EMERGENCY (FIRE OR POLICE) – 911

WATER: Illinois American	800-422-2782
CABLE: Comcast	866-594-1234
ELECTRIC: ComEd	800-334-7661
AT & T Uverse	877-827-5288
GAS: (natural) NICOR	888-642-6748
PHONE: AT&T	800-244-4444
GARBAGE: Waste Management	800-964-8988
United Way Crusade	312-382-4171
Together We Cope	708-633-5040
Aunt Martha's Youth Services	708-754-1044
Park Lawn (Developmental Disabilities)	708-425-3344
Animal Welfare	708-636-8586
Soc. Security Administration	800-772-1213
State Directory of Illinois	312-793-3500
Dept. of Children & Family Services	800-252-2873
Tinley Park Post Office	708-532-3131
Veterans Affairs	312-814-2460
Cook County	312-443-5500
Public Aid Office	708-371-5750
Orland Township	708-403-4222
Orland Township Youth Services	708-403-4001
Elementary Schools	
Dist. #135	708-364-3300
Dist. #140	708-532-6462
High School	
Dist. #230	708-745-5203
Moraine Valley Community College Dist. #524	708-974-4300
J.U.L.I.E	800-892-0123
Dept. of Motor Vehicles Driver License Facility at the Orland Park Village Hall	708-403-6100

DATES TO REMEMBER

President's Day Monday, February 17
 St. Patrick's Day Tuesday, March 17
 Easter, Sunday April 12
 Mother's Day Sunday, May 10
 Memorial Day Monday, May 25

*In observance of the following holidays,
 the Village Hall will be closed on:
 Monday, February 17th for President's Day
 Monday, May 25th for Memorial Day.*

VILLAGE HALL HOURS:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 8:00am until 4:30pm • Tuesday 8:00am until 7:00pm.