Orland Hills



Newsletter from the Village of Orland Hills

Winter 2011-2012

OTB is Coming to Orland Hills

"My main goal is to have enough money in this special account to refund money back to our residents..."

–Mayor Kyle Hastings

Another major economic engine is coming to Orland Hills!!!

On Tuesday, December 20, the Illinois Racing Board approved Arlington Race Track for an Off Track Betting facility license to be located in Orland Hills. The operator of the Lockport location will be the recipient to host the location with Arlington Race Track.

Mayor Kyle Hastings said, "I have been pursuing an OTB for over 15 years. There has always been some obstacle in the way for a facility to come to Orland Hills. At various times it was because of an OTB being too close to another OTB, not the right time or no available license. Now the timing is right and Orland Hills has an OTB from a great racetrack-Arlington Park Racetrack!"

The facility will immediately begin renovation for a buildout with a restaurant, facility for beverages, and a wagering area. The building will be just west of Ricobene's restaurant on 159th street. Plans have been submitted for review and the anticipated date for opening is the beginning of April. The facility is targeted to be the premier OTB in the area.

The demographics targeted for marketing purposes will be the Orland, Mokena, Homer Glen, Oak Forest, Palos, and Tinley Park areas. Safety is the number one concern of the Orland Hills facility, just as it is with our major shopping center. Of course, our 159th street traffic will draw a tremendous amount of customers to the OTB-similar to our Wal-Mart location.

The revenue generated by the OTB will be placed in a separate line item in our budget. Resources generated by this facility will not be placed in a category where the town will depend on this revenue stream. This will supplement auxiliary services, help special programs and be held for rebates to our residents providing there is a sufficient amount.

Mayor Hastings said, "My main goal is to have enough money in this special account to refund money back to our residents. This might take a couple of years, but we will strive to give back money to our home owners." The Mayor added, "We are proud to have Arlington Race Track and Triple Crown to be a partner in our Village. It proves the point that you always keep trying and never give up in life to attain a goal and one of the goals was an OTB. This will be a huge success for the Village of Orland Hills-you can bet on it!"



Mayor Kyle R. Hastings



E-Waste Collection Program Vehicle Sticker Contest 2011 Holiday Events

ELECTRIC CHOICE FOR RESIDENTS

Municipal Electric Aggregation Meeting

Wednesday, Feb. 29, 2012 at 7 p.m.

> Orland Hills Community Center

Business Luncheon 2011

On Monday, October 17, 2011, Mayor Kyle Hastings hosted the Annual Village of Orland Hills Business Luncheon. The luncheon was held at Georgios Comfort Inn at 8800 W. 159th Street. This luncheon is to recognize the contributions of the business community working together to accomplish growth & development in the village. It's also the Mayor's way of saying "thank you" to our business community. This year, over 100 representatives were in attendance and as always, Mayor Hastings enjoyed catching up with all the owners, operators and managers.



Mayor Kyle Hastings greeting all of the "commercial community".

At this event, the Village recognizes all businesses. However, every year the Village names a "Business of the Year". Choosing just one business is always difficult, however this year Wendy's Old Fashioned Hamburgers was named the 2011 Business of the Year! Mayor Hastings stated "We have always considered ourselves fortunate in having the community of businesses call Orland Hills their home." We believe the continued success of your entrepreneurial effort is developed through the cooperation of government & business.

The Mayor did add "I have had an occasional frosty, not to mention that Wendy's does have the quickest drive-thru!"

After everyone enjoyed a delicious lunch and mingled with

fellow business members, Doug Dvorak, a comedic motivational speaker, was introduced. Doug is upbeat and sees the bright side to everything all from personal experiences which he shared. The audience enjoyed his humor and some of those "things that make you go hmmmmm."

Mayor Kyle Hastings thanked everyone who took time out of their busy schedules to attend this luncheon. We look forward to next year! Have a great 2012!!!



District Manager Brian Edders excepting The Businesses of the Year award for Wendy's from Mayor Kyle Hastings.



Doug Dvorak aka Dr. Carpediem

And The Winner Of The Excellence in Government Award Is... Mayor Kyle R. Hastings

Mayor Kyle R. Hastings was recently honored by the Moraine Valley Community College Economic Development Council for demonstrating foresight in Orland Hills to create a healthy community through leadership, planning, and the economic development that is evidence of success. The mayor was recognized for bringing money into the community to assist in the revitalization of commercial development on 159th Street and 94th Avenue. He has also been instrumental in creating shop-local programs and neighborhood street improvements.

The "Excellence in Government Award" was recently presented at a dinner banquet at Silver Lake Country Club by college president Dr. Vernon O. Crawley who commented, "Mayor Hastings' efforts exemplify how government should operate and is most deserving of this high recognition."

Mayor Kyle R. Hastings commented on his guidelines for municipal leadership. He listed his major principles as keeping the municipal tax rate down, working with the schools to ensure an effective system for all, providing a high level of services to constituents and working with business to improve the Orland Hills economic base.

Mayor Hastings said, "This is an honor for me to receive this distinguished award. It clearly shows the hard work and determination all of us exhibit every day, to make Orland Hills one of the best places to live in the State of Illinois."

The "Business Champion Awards" recognize the valuable contributions that businesses and their advocates make to the economic development of Chicago's southwest suburbs. Awards were presented in five categories: Training & Development, Green Advocacy, Excellence in Government, Philanthropy, and Best Places to Work.







Turkey Coloring Contest



This year's Turkey Coloring Contest was a colorful one to judge. After much deliberation the winners were chosen. The winning pictures were displayed in the Community Center for all to see. Below is the list of the Turkey Coloring Contest Winners.

4-6 years old

1st place

Daniella Duran

2nd Place

Sadie D'Andrea

3rd Place

Charlotte Lotesto

7-9 years old

1st Place

Dario Hernandez

2nd Place

Alyssa Kampwirth

3rd Place

Bianca Jimenez

10-12 years old

1st Place

Megan Ballou

2nd Place

Sierra Murray

3rd Place

Nicholas Zufan



JUST A FRIENDLY REMINDER...

Village Ordinance 95-40

Snow and/ice removal from public sidewalks adjacent to 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 the driveway or public sidewalk onto the street area. Snow and/or 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 intersection or driveway opening onto the street.

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

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 of violation shall be deemed a separate offense.

A friendly tip: If you know a snow storm is coming then just park your cars in your driveway to avoid any violations! This certainly aids our Public Works Department in performing a safe & efficient job for you.

WHEN THE SNOW FALLS...

Our Public Works Department readily starts plowing the streets. First priority streets are:

- Meadowview from 94th Avenue to 88th Avenue
- Haven Avenue from 167th Street to 159th Street
- 167th Street from 94th Avenue to 88th Avenue
- O'Brien Drive at Fernway School
- All bus stops for children

After all the streets have been cleared for our residents, it is then that the Public Works Department clears the driveways for our Orland Hills Seniors who have signed up for this service. This is a great service that the Village provides. No other Village does this! Recently, seniors have been calling asking when their driveway will be cleared and all we can tell you is after all the streets, walkways and school crossings have been cleared, then Public Works does the driveways.

If you have other family members in your house or in the area, it would be best to ask them to help. This would provide the opportunity for those who have NO family to benefit from this special service.



ATTENTION NON-SENIORS:

If you have a neighbor who is sick, injured, or up in years, think about lending a helping hand. Besides, you have fun using your snow blower, anyway.

FLASH FLOODS Winter Storms

Winter storms can cause flash flooding! Please remember to check your sump pump and discharge line 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, check to make sure the grate is free & clear of debris. Time spent now could protect against basement flooding.

Any questions about flooding? Call 708-349-4887.

SEWER PROBLEMS? Ask the Village Hall for a free copy of *GUIDE TO FLOOD PROTECTION*

WET BASEMENT? Ask the Village Hall for a free copy of *GUIDE TO FLOOD PROTECTION*

WET BASEMENT? INSPECT YOUR SUMP PUMP

WET BASEMENT? MAKE SURE YOUR DOWN-SPOUTS DRAIN AWAY FROM YOUR HOUSE.

The Village Building Department in the Village Hall (349-4887) Provides the following:

- Information on whether a property is in a mapped floodplain and related Flood Insurance Rate Map Data;
- Records of past flooding;
- Information and copies of past Elevation Certificates;
- 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 and possible solutions to a problem.

Flood maps and flood protection references are also available at the Tinley Park Public Library.

Orland Hills Recreation Department's

18th Annual 2K/5K Turkey Trot Race Saturday, November 19, 2011

The Orland Hills Recreation Department held their 18th Annual 2K/5K Turkey Trot Race at Kelly Park on Saturday, November 19, 2011. The weather was great and everyone had a good time. Over 530 runners registered for the event. Over 150 racers participated in the 2k event. In the 5K Open Race, over 380 runners participated. For many of our racers, this race is an annual event. Water, coffee, fruit and snacks were served free of charge at the 2K/5K Race.

The Overall 5K Male Winner was M.J. Moore with a time of 16:14.38. The Overall 5K Female Winner was Alyssa Puremba with a time of 18:30.92 The Overall 2K Male Winner was Mr. Nate Bramasco with a time of 8:01.43. The Overall 2K Female Winner was Ms. MaryClare Leonard with a time of 7:40.72. All runners that placed 1st, 2nd or 3rd in the 2K and 5K Races received a trophy in addition the 2k 12 & under and the 5k 13-17yr. classes received trophies for 4th - 6th place as well. This addition was in honor of McAullife Elementry School and Richards High School Students who ran the race for class credit. All runners received the official 18th Annual Turkey Trot Sweatshirt which was Navy Blue this year.

The Orland Hills Recreation Department would like to thank the following sponsors for their help and support, because without their support, an event like this would not be possible. The Honorary VIP Sponsors were Mr. James J. Roche & Associates and Orland Hills Wolves Football and Cheerleading organization. VIP Sponsors were: Illinois American Water, Circle K and Oldelson & Sterk Law Offices.



Other sponsors included Waste Management, Corporate Contract Cleaning, Walmart, Cooper Oil Co., Silk Screen Express, Brink Engineering, Georgios Banquets, Proven, MB Financial, Zante Lounge, Mad Bomber Fireworks, Rollins Aquatic, Craig Moore State Farm Insurance, Dan D Jacs and the Park Forest Running and Pancake Club.

The Orland Hills Recreation Department would also like to specially thank Mayor Kyle R. Hastings, Trustees Candice Morrison, Kyle R. Hastings II, Frank Schmidt, Tracy Roti and Recreation Commission Chairman Pat Zarnowski for their assistance in the race and with presenting the trophies at the awards ceremony.

Also, in the "Village Official Division" of the race we had two very special people who placed 1st & 2nd Trustee Tracy Roti and Trustee Kyle Hastings II. Being that there was only the two of them in the race,





2K Plaque Presentation: Mayor Kyle R. Hastings presents a Plaque to Mrs. Sarah Yates from Christa McAuliffe School as Trustee Candice Morrison cheers her on!

we are happy to announce that they completed the race and are still able to walk! Trustee Kyle II had a time of 43.52.73 and Trustee Tracy finished with a time of 38.38.26. Actually, both Trustees are very athletic! Great Job! Maybe next year you can convince the others to run with you!! Maybe even all the staff in the Village!!?????? This year's race was the first that any Trustee has run! Way to go!!!! You make us proud!

Also, the Orland Hills Recreation Department would like to thank ESDA Director Bill Leddin, Police Chief Tom Scully, the Orland Hills Police Department, the Orland Hills Community Service Officers, Cadets, the Orland Hills Public Works Department, the Community Service students from Victor J. Andrew and Carl Sandburg High Schools, and last but not least, the Orland Hills Recreation Department Staff, especially Meg Fiore, Roger Willard, Bob Kaslewicz, Julie Myers, Beata Mucha, Frank Sanchez, Linda Bosold, Patrick Michaels and William O'Reilly!!! See You Next Year!!!!



5K Plaque Presentation: Mayor Kyle R. Hastings presents a plaque to Mr. Bob Peck from Richards High School.



Pictured left to right: Mayor Kyle Hastings, Trustees Tracy Roti, Kyle Hastings II, Candice Morrison and Frank Schmidt.



After their run, Trustees Tracy Roti and Kyle Hastings II are still smiling!!!



Breakfast with Santa



Nothing better than a sing-a-long to help make the season bright.

Georgios D La Parco Banquets was the place to be on Saturday, December 17, 2011. Over 400 residents attended the Annual Breakfast with Santa from 9:00am until 11:00am which is hosted by the Village of Orland Hills Recreation Department.

All of our residents enjoyed listening to holiday music provided by **Get**

Up & Dance DJ Service. Mrs. Rhonda Kulig sang several holiday songs

while her father, played the harmonica. A group sing along was also part of the fun prior to a special visit from Santa. The breakfast menu included bacon, ham, sausage, scrambled eggs, french toast, fruit, juice and biscuits & gravy. All Children under 12 years of age received a souvenir photo, a chocolate Santa treat and a coloring book with crayons. Children 12yrs. and under also had a chance to win one of six \$25.00 Walmart gift certificates. As always, this holiday tradition is always a favorite. Everyone had a great time!!! We will see you next year!

A warm thank you is extended to Mayor Kyle R. Hastings, and Trustees Candice Morrison, Kyle Hastings II and Joseph Janachowski. The Village would like to thank the Recreation Department for hosting this special event!





The lucky winners of the \$25.00 gift certificates from Walmart*

Pictured left to right: Back row Trustees Kyle Hastings II, Joe Janachowski, Candice Morrison and Mayor Kyle Hastings. Second row: Briana Marroquin, Anthony Viglielmo, Ryan Talusan and Brett Kozek. Front row: Molly Judge and Jessica Valentine.

Village of Orland Hills Senior Club Christmas Luncheon

The Orland Hills Senior Club celebrated their annual Christmas Luncheon on Monday, December 5th at Georgios Comfort Inn, located at 8800 W. 159th Street. Over 40 people were in attendance and a good time was had by all! Each guest received a special holiday gift! A delicious meal was served that included soup, salad, chicken, roast beef and all the trimmings. After the feast, everyone enjoyed the music by "Get Up and Dance" DJ Service.

Several local businesses provided donations that were raffled off throughout the day. We would like to extend a special thank you to all the businesses for making our Christmas Luncheon a special one!!

- Target Orland Park
- Aurelio's Pizza
- Walt's Food Center
- Ricobene's
- Salina's Pizza
- The Patio
- The Original Pancake House
- Nick's Barbecue
- Eggcetera Café
- Hooter's
- Target Tinley Park



The Orland Hills Senior Club

Santa Coloring Contest Winners



Once again the children of Orland Hills put their crayons to the test. The coloring entries were awesome! Being a judge to pick the best picture was not any easy task. The Orland Hills Recreation Department would like to thank all of the children who participated in this holiday event. All winners received a special holiday prize. Below are the entries and the winners!! Good Job!!!

4-6 years old

1st place Sophia D'Andrea

2nd Place

Trevor Murray

3rd Place

Jake Ellul

7-9 years old

1st Place

Ava Murray

2nd Place

Dario Hernandez

3rd Place

Alyssa Cozzolino

10-12 years old

1st Place

Alexandra Duran

2nd Place

Grace Sauseda

3rd Place

Megan Ballou



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.





REMINDING ALL RESIDENTS DURING SNOW PLOW SEASON:

PLEASE REMOVE ALL PORTABLE BASKETBALL NETS FROM THE STREET AND OR CLOSE TO THE STREET! THE VILLAGE IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DAMAGING WITH THE SNOW PLOW!

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

Santa Comes To Town

The Village of Orland Hills had a special visitor on Saturday, December 3, 2011. Santa Claus arrived via helicopter to Kelly Park to the delight of all the children waiting in the crowd. As the crowd gathered, residents were treated to holiday music, hot chocolate, coffee and cookies from the Recreation Department. Santa was given the magic key by Mayor Kyle R. Hastings (that allows Santa to enter homes with no fireplaces).



After receiving the magic key, Santa greeted the crowd and then climbed up into a horse drawn carriage for a ride through the Village streets



Santa waves to the crowd.



Here comes Santa Claus!



Santa stops and poses with some children that were on his "nice" list.



On his way to wave to all the boys & girls on the streets of Orland Hills!

The Village would like to recognize all those people, that without their help, these events would not run as smooth. Thank you to Mayor Kyle Hastings for allowing the Village to host such special holiday events! Also, Trustees Candice Morrision, Kyle Hastings II, Joe Janachowski, Tracy Roti, ESDA Director Bill Leddin, Orland Hills Police Police Department and Cadets, and the community service students from Victor J. Andrew and Carl Sandburg High Schools for lending a helping hand!!

Orland Hills Police Cadets

Volunteer at Food Pantry

The Orland Hills Police Cadet Program is designed to give teenagers an inside look at the workings of a police department. They also spend a good deal of time volunteering in the community.

It was in that spirit, that the cadets spent Friday, January 6, 2012 working in a food pantry in Chicago. The experience allowed the cadets to see how

volunteering can help those less fortunate. It also showed them the power of compassion, which all good police officers possess.

The cadet program is open to young men & women between the ages of 14 and 20. For further information, contact Officer Josh Brkovic at 708-349-4434.

Volunteering and helping the less fortunate is a great way to realize how we should all count our blessings for what we have!! Thank you for volunteering your time!!







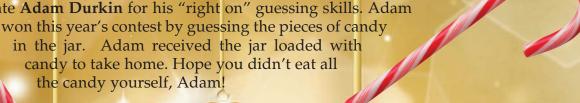
14th Annual Holiday Ice Skating Party

The Orland Hills Recreation Department ended their holiday activities December 27th with our 14th Annual Holiday Ice Skating Party. The Ice Skating Party was held at the Arctic Ice Arena and as usual, this event was free to all Village residents! Over 140 residents came out and celebrated an

end to a wonderful holiday season in Orland Hills. A special thank you goes out to Facility Supervisors Roger Willard & Meg Fiore for being there and taking time out of your busy schedules to help out with this event.

Holiday Candy Count Winner

The Orland Hills Recreation Department would like to congratulate Adam Durkin for his "right on" guessing skills. Adam won this year's contest by guessing the pieces of candy in the jar. Adam received the jar loaded with candy to take home. Hope you didn't eat all the candy yourself, Adam!



Holiday House Decorating Contest



1st Place Kruger Family - 16551 Bridgette Court

The Village would like to thank all the residents who decorated their houses during the holidays!
It made the Village of Orland Hills a little brighter!!!



2nd Place Jim Neighbors - 16749 S. 93rd Avenue



3rd Place Kanofsky Family – 16750 S. Hilltop

Holiday Carriage Rides

The residents of Orland Hills were treated to a holiday carriage ride to kick off the holiday season! The holiday carriage rides were held on Saturday, December 10th, at the Kelly Park Field House, from 11:00am - 2:00pm.

Hot chocolate, coffee and cookies were served as more than 70 Orland Hills residents had an opportunity to ride in a horse drawn carriage. The carriage ride starts at the concession stand and proceeds north down Haven Avenue to Haven Ct. and back to the concession. A special thanks to the Orland Hills Subway owner Lana Nuccio for donating the delicious cookies. The Orland Hills Recreation Department would like to thank all the families for participating in this special holiday event. The only thing missing was snow covered streets!!!







Do you pick up the poop after your dog?

Regardless if you are walking your dog around the neighborhood or at one of our parks or trails, you should bring a scoop and pick up the poop!! (A plasic bag is good to bring) Please clean up after them!

In addition, it is unlawful for animals to roam or walked 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. If you are walking your dog around the block and it poops on someone's lawn... pick it up.

Special Needs Notice

Should anyone need special accommodations, please let the Village know 48 hours in advance. If an interpreter for the deaf is requested, the Village will pay the cost of the service. All Municipal Public Meetings are held at accessible locations. Contact the Clerk's office at 349-6865 if you plan on attending a meeting and need special accommodations.

Progress Center for Independent Living provides help for those with special needs. Contact Larry Biondi at 708/209-1500 or (Lbiondi@Progresscil.org).

Their office is located at 7521 W. Madison Street, Forest Park, IL. 60130

Calling All Seniors

Come Join the Orland Hills Senior Club

Only have to be 50 years and older!

No residency requirements. Meetings are held at the Orland Hills Community Center 16553 S. Haven Ave. We offer luncheons, trips and of course BINGO. There is a \$10.00 annual membership fee for all seniors interested in joining the club.

UPCOMING TRIPS:

Horseshoe Casino

We will travel to Hammond Indiana to spend an afternoon of fun & gambling. Each person will receive \$10.00 to play with and a FREE buffet from Horseshoe Casino. Coach bus transportation will be provided.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS MONDAY, APRIL 23, 2012.

MINIMUM 25 PASSENGERS DAY: Monday, April 30, 2012

TIME: 9:30am-4:30pm BINGO: 12:00pm-2:00pm FEE: \$22.00 per person



UPCOMING EVENTS: Non-Members Welcome!

BINGO!

Bingo is held every Monday at the Community Center from 12:00pm-2:00pm. Coffee, tea, and snacks are served. There is a \$1.00 admission fee and a \$3.00 fee to play BINGO. Nine games are played

Be My Valentine Party (Come on Men — Don't Be Shy!)

Bring a date or not to share the love on Valentine's Day! Share the love with some friends while eating lunch and dancing to musical entertainment. Each senior will receive a special treat. BINGO to follow.

DAY: Monday, February 13, 2012

TIME: 11:00am-12:00pm BINGO: 12:00pm-2:00pm

FEE: \$5.00 Member / \$8.00 Non-Member LOCATION: Orland Hills Community Center

16553 S. Haven Ave

St. Patrick's Day Party

Dress in green and show your shamrocks at the St. Patrick's Day Party. Food will be catered and entertainment will be provided. For those of you that know how to do the Irish jig, we encourage you to do so! Each senior will receive a special treat. BINGO to follow.

DAY: Monday, March 12, 2012 TIME: 11:00am-12:00pm

BINGO: 12:00pm-2:00pm

FEE: \$5.00 Member / \$8.00 Non-Member LOCATION: Orland Hills Community Center

16553 S. Haven Ave

Un-Used Medicine Drop

The Village would like to remind residents of the drop off box located in the Police Department located in the lower level of the Village Hall at 16039 S. 94th Avenue.

This program started June 16, 2011 and to date more than 1250 containers of unwanted medicine has been turned in. The medicine is then disposed of in the proper manner.

The benefit to the drop box is that it offers an alternative to throwing it away or flushing it



down the toilet which is harmful to the environment. It also keeps it from falling into the hands of someone who shouldn't have it.

The program is open to both residents and non-residents. No needles or sharp objects are accepted. The drop box is accessible Monday thru Friday from 8:00am until 6:00pm.

Celebrating Accomplishments

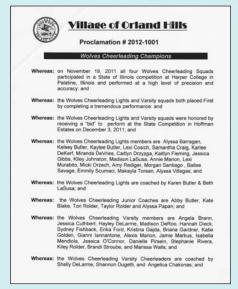
Board Meeting At The Community Center

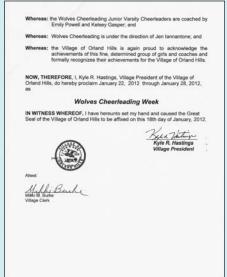
On Wednesday, January 18, 2012, the Village Board Meeting was held at the Community Center instead of the Board Room at the Village Hall. There was a reason for this. Mayor Kyle R. Hastings and the Village Board of Trustees celebrated not one, but two great accomplishments of some people we are very proud of that are part of our "Village" or as we like to say...home. First, the Orland Hills Wolves Cheerleading Squads were given a Proclamation in their honor for placing 1st in State at Harper College in Palatine. We have printed the proclamation so everyone can have a copy of their own! Mayor Kyle Hastings and the Village Board are very proud of you. We appreciate all the coaches hard work and dedi-

cation and know it is not an easy task!

Also, at this Board Meeting, Justin Ackmann received "his day" in a Proclamation! Justin is a resident and attends Victor J. Andrew High School. At the State of Illinois Special Olympics Bowling Competition on December 3, 2011, Justin Ackmann brought home the Gold Medal!! Mayor Kyle R. Hastings & the Village Board of Trustees would like to acknowledge Justin on his achievement and say that we are very proud of him!! We know his parents must be so proud of him! We have printed a copy of his Proclamation! Way to go Justin!!!!!!!!!













Mayor Hastings with Gold Medal Winner Justin Ackmann and his proud family!

VILLAGE OF ORLAND HILLS 18TH ANNUAL "DESIGN THE VILLAGE VEHICLE STICKER" CONTEST

By Village Clerk Mikki Burke

The Village of Orland Hills is pleased to carry on the tradition to host the annual vehicle sticker art contest. The Village's vehicle stickers are due for renewal July 15, 2012. 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, 2012.
- 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 March 30, 2012. *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 and Clerk Mikki Burke. 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, with small changes, if needed, 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!**

18th Annual "DESIGN THE VILLAGE VEHICLE STICKER" Contest

Name:	Birthdate:
Addraga	Age:

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

Cardinal Joseph Bernardin Cheerleaders Achieve 5th State Championship Title

Cardinal Joseph Bernardin (CJB) Cheerleaders from Orland Hills clinched their 5th state cheerleading competition in Peoria on Saturday, January 21. The Cardinal squad was among 90 teams from across the state that competed in the Illinois Elementary School Association State Cheerleading Championships.

This win marks the fifth consecutive state championship for the school. The Cardinals won the medium team routine division where they competed against 20 other teams. The team also received the highest overall score of all 90 teams competing. Mary Ann Cox and Peggy Jensen coach the team.

"I am so proud of the hardworking and dedicated cheerleaders on this team," said Coach Jensen. "My goal was for the team to have their best performance of the season and for each cheerleader to be able to walk off the competition floor and feel pride in their performance. I truly feel we accomplished that goal."

Other Chicago area teams received top honors as well. Kelvin Grove in Lockport won first place in the

small team routine division and Homer Glen Junior High won the large team routine division.

The CJB cheerleaders have been invited to perform at the IHSA Cheer Competition on Saturday, February 4th. This honor is reserved for the top three scoring teams and they will perform during halftime during the state high school competition.

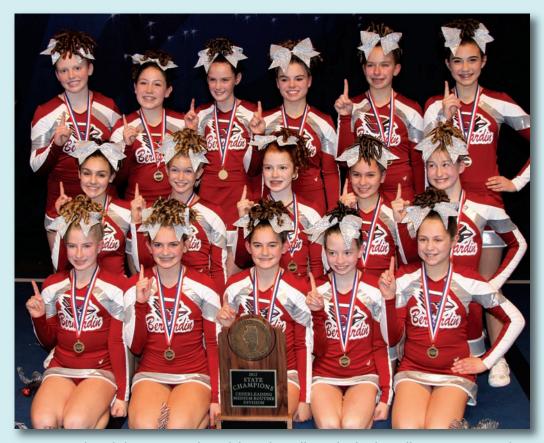
This year was especially meaningful for eighth grader Madeline Thomalla of Palos Park. She is graduating this year along with Dana Joseph of Orland Park and Kaitlyn Miceli of Lockport.

"It has been a great experience being part of the CJB varsity team for the last four years," said Thomalla. "In my high school years, I will take with me all the great

memories developed from working together towards the next team goal."

The CJB squad earns accolades by fostering a program that is open to all girls at the school. There are two levels of competition – junior varsity and varsity. Both teams have earned tremendous success through their hard work and commitment to the program. For more information on Cardinal Bernardin School or the cheer program, please visit the school website at www.cardinaljbschool.com.

Orland Hills Mayor, Kyle R. Hastings extended congratulations to the Cheer Squad and Coaches for another exemplary performance. "CJB has been an asset to the Village of Orland Hills. It serves many southwest communities and we are proud to have them as part of our Village. These young ladies have demonstrated clearly, that with planning and hard work, great results can be achieved. Orland Hills wishes continued success to CJB", Mayor Hastings said.



Front row, from left: Lauren Bird, Madeline Thomalla, Makayla Thomalla, Margaret Murphy, and Hailey Radakovitz. Middle row, from left: Emily Savarino, Grace Majeres, Amy Jensen, Holly Sebastian, and Sarah Kaley. Back row, from left: Olivia Mitchell, Kaitlyn Miceli, Morgan Coyle, Katie Hoff, Cara Cox, and Dana Joseph.

Snowplowing Season is Here!

Here are some helpful hints that could help this season run very smooth!!

As always, our Public Works Department during the snowplowing season does their very best to plow our streets as quickly and as efficiently as possible. The Village receives many complaints during this season. One of the most frequent complaints is the snowplowing in of the mailboxes and driveways. This is



unavoidable! When plowing the streets, the snow rolls off the end of the plow at the curb line. In order to keep our streets clean, the snow must go somewhere.

As a department, we are asking for the resident's assistance. If you could please shovel the snow from your driveway, mailbox or sidewalk onto your grassy areas and **not into the street** it would be greatly appreciated. In this way, when the plower comes along it won't simply push the snow back onto your driveway and mailbox. If you use your parkway and lawn for the excess snow, this problem can be eliminated. Also, if residents can **remove all portable basketball nets off the street** for the winter so the plows can do their job. The Public Works Department will not be responsible for any damages that may occur.

We would also appreciate that on garbage day, residents set their trashcans behind the curb line. After trash is picked up return the receptacles to their proper storage, as soon as possible, to avoid the cans being blown and rolling onto the street.

Residents who park on the streets, where snow route signs have been placed, are being asked to move their vehicles and keep them off the street if there is a winter storm predicted in the area. It makes it so much easier for the snow plows to come through the street without having to go around the vehicles. In the event a vehicle has not been

moved, Village ordinance allows the police to issue tickets and/or tow the vehicle.

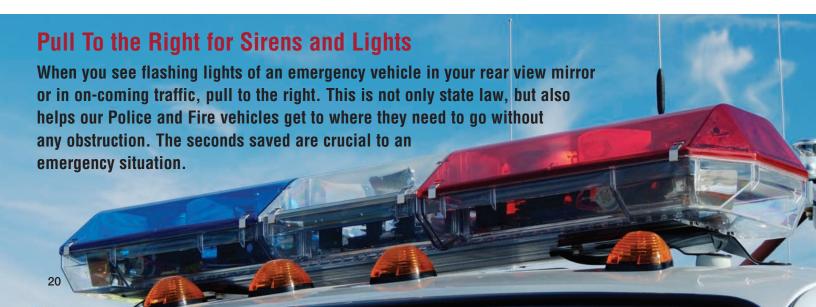
All mailboxes must comply with the U.S. Postmaster's requirements, which are:

The front of the mailbox should be even with the curb line and no more than 10-12 inches from the curb line towards your house. The bottom of the mailbox should be 36-42 inches above the top edge of the curb. They are not to extend past the curb line. Please check your mailboxes to make sure that they are not leaning over the curb, into the street.

In the event if a mailbox is hit with a snowplow, we will repair the mailbox as soon as possible. Please call the Village with your address. If the box is damaged by heavy snow or snow being plowed towards it, it is the homeowner's responsibility to repair or replace.

If your mailbox extends beyond the edge of the curb, into the street, the Village will not be responsible for its repair or replacement.

Thank you for all your help!



Three Officers Graduate From The Police Academy

Three police officers from the Orland Hills Police Department graduated from the police academy on December 3, 2011. Officers Ronald Blaha, Joseph Janachowski, and William Michalek graduated in a ceremony that took place at Moraine Valley Community College.

The police academy designed for part time police officers lasted more than ten months of school & intense training. These officers were trained in criminal law, self defense, patrol tactics, firearms, first-aid, report writing and all other facets of law enforcement.

These three officers also completed an extended Field Training Program. This program allows the

officers to ride with experienced police officers in the field. They can then apply what they learned during field training and apply it in the classroom.

Officer Blaha, Officer Janachowski, and Officer Michalek have completed their field training and are out on their own.





The three graduates from left: Officer Bill Michalek, Officer Joe Janachowski, Officer Ron Blaha with Officers Kevin Doyle, Eric Douglas, Jim Malloy, and Tom Prohaska.



Officer Blaha receiving his certificate from his father. Just makes the moment a little more special!



Officer Michalek receiving his certificate with a smile!



Officer Janachowski receiving his certificate all serious!

The Police Department Collects Toys For Kids

The Orland Hills Police Department spent a portion of the holiday season collecting toys for hospitalized children. The toy drive has been conducted for several years and has been very successful.

Deputy Chief Mike Blaha organized the first toy drive several years ago and the response was so good that the program has continued to where it is today.

Collection boxes were set up at the police department and at Cardinal Joseph Bernardin School. The school has played a huge role in the success of this program.

On December 19th, officers from our department delivered toys to the hospital. The toys are a welcome distraction for the children who face their struggles with illnesses. It is so amazing how a toy whether large or small puts a huge smile on their face and puts a huge smile on our hearts!!



Pictured: Officer Scott Meder (top) and Officer Josh Paton (on the knee) and representatives from Hope Children's Hospital at Christ Hospital in Oak Lawn.

2011 Year in Review Orland Hills Recreation Department



As we look back into the 2011 year, under the administration of Mayor Kyle R. Hastings, the Orland Hills Recreation Department would like to highlight some of the year's accomplishments. Some of the 2011 accomplishments that the Recreation Department will cover will consist of capital improvements, recreational programming and special events.

In the winter of 2011, the Orland Hills Recreation Department offered 10 Holiday Specials Events. Two of the events were the: "Breakfast with Santa" and the "Holiday Ice Skating Party." Over the holiday season, more than 400 residents attended the "Breakfast with Santa" and 150 people attended the "Holiday Ice Skating Party."

In the spring of 2011, the Village of Orland Hills performed a wetland burn at Lake Lorin and at Pepperwood Trail. The wet land burn eliminated the tall brush and weeds. The wetland burn also consisted of cutting the inlets and removing the debris for increased drainage and water flow.

During this season, the interior of the Kelly Park Field House / Concession Stand was cleaned, washed and repainted. The Kelly Park and Ridgegate Park fields were edged and regraded for the upcoming baseball season. The Kelly Park baseball and softball outfields were reseeded and fertilized.

During the spring, the Orland Hills Recreation Department was awarded a \$6,000.00 grant from the Chicago Southland Convention and Visitors Bureau for advertising the Village of Orland Hills 50th Anniversary Celebration.

In the summer of 2011, the Orland Hills Recreation Department installed three new benches around the pathways of Ashbourne Lake. These benches were geographically placed for leisure sitting, along with viewing the wildlife. New adult and infant swing seats and chains were installed where needed at the tot lot locations. A wood chip material called "fiber" was installed in all of the Village tot lots. This wood material is used for safety, to lessen the blow of an individual's fall.

New aquatic improvements were made at Lake Lorin. A lake fountain and fountain lights were installed at the site.

During the summer season, Mayor Kyle R. Hastings and the Village of Orland Hills held their 50th Anniversary Celebration. The celebration consisted of top music entertainment, food vendors, children's entertainment and a spectacular fireworks show. In the late summer, new sod and black dirt was installed at the Kelly Park for the upcoming football season.

In the fall of 2011, Mayor Kyle R. Hastings and the Board of Trustees hosted a Fall Kick-Off Football Clinic for the Orland Hills Wolves Youth Football and Cheerleading Association. At the clinic, the Olivet Nazarene University Football Coaches and Players instructed the Orland Hills Wolves Youth Football Players on warm-ups, drills, basics and technique. Food and refreshments were served in the Orland Hills Community Center.

The 18th Annual Orland Hills Turkey Trot 2K/5K Race hosted over 530 registered participants. The participants ran through the Village of Orland Hills streets and pathways. The 2K/5K event also highlighted teachers and schools from Christa McAuliffe School and Richards High School. This year's race entries increased to over 120 additional racers. Corporate race sponsorship also increased at this year's event.

In the late fall of 2011, the Kelly Park baseball and softball outfields were reseded and fertilized for the upcoming baseball season.

Mayor Kyle R. Hastings and the Orland Hills Recreation Department are committed in providing quality recreational activities, programming and special events, parks and facilities to enhance the quality of life and experience to the residents of Orland Hills. The 2011 year was very special and successful in which we will always remember and never forget.

The Orland Hills Honor Roll

By Kyle R. Hastings II, Trustee Kyle2voh@gmail.com, www.facebook.com/Kyle.R.HastingsII

On a daily occurrence our village residents, young and old, reach personal accomplishments, academic successes, athletic achievements, life rewarding moments, or just that undefined moment in life where you experience that feeling of victory that needs to be celebrated and HONORED! I am introducing the Orland Hills Honor Roll where YOU are recognized for your successes. This could be submitted by you, by a friend, loved one, neighbor, or submitted anonymously. Also, submit a picture of the moment if you have one. I'd like to speak with you and share your accomplishments! Anonymous submissions may not be included due to verification requirements.

The Village of Orland Hills values our "Small Town USA" feel in one of the largest counties in the country. This will be another step to keeping the reputation of the Best Kept Secret in the Southwest, and recognize those who deserve it the most- The Residents of Orland Hills.

Please submit this form to the Village Hall, or answer these questions to me through email or through Facebook Messaging so we could recognize you in the OH Honor Roll.

Orland Hills Honor Roll Orland Hills Honoree: Friend: Submitted By: (circle one) Family: _ Self Submittal Anonymous Email: Contact Phone Number: __ Picture Submitted: YES Description of Accomplishment:

2011 Year in Review Orland Hills Police Department



The Orland Hills Police Department had a productive year for 2011. The department continued to grow and excel. The focus again this year was training and professionalism. The entire police department participated in extensive training in firearms, rapid deployment, and less than lethal options, such as baton, pepper spray, and tasers.

Some officers were trained in specialty areas as homicide investigators, truck enforcement officers, DUI enforcement, breathalyzer operators, SWAT operators, and mobile field force operations.

Officer's Ron Blaha, Bill Michalek, and Joe Janachowski graduated from the police academy. All three have completed their field training and are now certified police officers.

Officer's Alex Vanier, Joe Jerema, Sara Sulick, and Kelly Hosteny will start the academy in February. All four served as Community Service Officers before being hired as part-time police officers.

The patrol division continued to keep the streets of Orland Hills safe. Traffic safety was the focus and officers wrote an average of 400 citations per month. The truck enforcement team did their share bringing in thousands of dollars in fines. Overweight trucks cause damage to our roads and are a safety issue for other drivers. The investigations division closed a record number of cases, and Sergeant Bill Gaides and Officer Josh Brkovic were recognized for their work

on the Indian Head Park homicide involving a 14yr. old girl. It was the second for Brkovic. He and Officer John McHale were recognized by the Orland Park Police for their help in the tanning salon shooting last year.

Chief Scully was elected President of the South Suburban Association of Chiefs of Police. He also was awarded the Bishop Sheil Award for Law Enforcement Administrator of the Year by the Illinois Crime Commission/Police Athletic League.

Community Service was also on the agenda as officers volunteered their time working with youth in our Police Cadet Program. The cadets learn about law enforcement. They are supervised by Officer's Brkovic, Vanier, Wirth, and Community Service Officer Scully. They have volunteered their time in other communities as well as working traffic details at fests and fund-raisers. They also volunteered at a soup kitchen and toured the jail.

The year ended as always with the holiday toy drive. Deputy Chief Blaha organizes the annual event which provides toys at Christmas for hospitalized children. This event continues to be a huge success.

The goal for 2012 will be to continue and provide excellent service to our residents and the business community, while respecting the dignity and rights of all who visit our community.

What's Going On?

I am able to see a handful of you at Board Meetings, Village events, in the park or on the path. I am unable to see all of you so feel free to contact me at kyle2voh@gmail.com or through Facebook at www.facebook.com/Kyle.R.HastingsII and let me know what's going on. I try to update on a regular basis what's happening in the news or latest happenings in the Village through Facebook since right now that's the fastest way to get info out.

Keep in touch!



Kyle R. Hastings II Kyle2voh@gmail.com www.facebook.com/Kyle.R.HastingsII

Tips From The Building Department

Winter is here! While you are enjoying yourself inside or out, please take some time to keep your home safe. Here are some tips that could While inside, set aside help. time to inspect extension cords and all the cords in your home. We forget about those cords behind beds, dressers and other furniture. Old cords can become brittle and crack or the plugs can wear out causing damage to vour electronics, or worse, a house fire. Now is the time to inspect the batteries in your smoke detectors, or better yet, install some new ones. At the very least you should have a smoke detector on every level of your home. Inspect windows in all bedrooms to ensure they easily open for exit, in the event of a fire. Keep an up to date accessible fire extinguisher in the kitchen and garage.

On the outside, have someone inspect your roof for damaged shingles. Inspect chimneys and vents for bird nests and other debris. Install a chimney cap on your fireplace to prevent animals from building nests in your chimney. Clean out gutters and soffit vents to prevent ice from backing up under shingles causing water damage to walls, ceilings and soffits. Remove your hose from outside faucets. When you leave your hose connected to the faucet, the water trapped in the

pipe can freeze and crack the pipe causing water damage in your home. It's

not unusual to see a thunderstorm in the middle of winter. Winter storms are sometimes more of a threat than summer storms. Because of ice, snow and frost in the ground, rainwater cannot soak into the ground as it does in summer, it can only travel overland to ditches and sewers. To help protect your home against winter floods, adopt a storm sewer in front or back of your home. Keep ice and snow away from sewers to prevent flooding. Also keep ice, snow and

debris away from downspouts and especially, sump pump discharge outlets.

There have been complaints about residents warming up their cars in driveways between houses. If you are one of these residents, you are causing a potential threat to you and your neighbor. The noise and vibration from the engine is very irritating. Exhaust fumes can enter the home through windows and gaps in the walls, causing a dangerous and deadly situation. If you sit in your car and warm it up on those cold mornings, please have the courtesy to pull your car away from your neighbor's house. If you have any questions, call the Building Dept. @ 708-349-4887. Have a safe winter, remember – nicer weather is right around the corner!!!

Check Us Out!

The Village of Orland Hills recently changed our website to better service our residents.

If you are looking for upcoming events, news or would like to download a building permit or find what recreational activities you can sign up for, go to **www.orlandhills.org** or **www.ohrecreation.org** and check us out!

Keeping informed of Village business is just a click away.



2011 Year in Review Orland Hills Public Works



As a new year begins, let's reflect on the past year and what the Public Works Department has been up to.

We started off 2011 with snowplowing. Snowplowing has always been # priority in the Village. Our residents deserve the safest and cleanest streets! So, that big snow storm that fell on us last February...let's just say we had our work cut out for us!! Not only did we snowplow, but we cleaned all senior citizens driveways so they were able to walk out of their homes safely to their vehicles. Even as all the plowing continued, so did repairs and maintenance on all the trucks.

When the snow melted and spring arrived, parkways were repaired from the snowplow damage. All the potholes were repaired after plowing season. We are very glad that the 88th Avenue paving project is completed!!! Potholes are something they will fill all year long.

Repaired Ashbourne Lake drains for proper drainage. Also, throughout the year we pull all garbage and debris from sewer drains to help water flow properly. Various storm sewers that were broken or sunk were repaired. Cleaned and cut all ditches from 94th to Highview. Maintenance of all Village property including all retention areas, tot lots, Lake Lorin and Lake Ashbourne always keeps us busy. This past year, Lake Ashbourne had more work than usual. All the trees were trimmed and cut back on the west side of the lake. Shrubs and tall grasses were all nicely trimmed. Now, there is clear view to the west side of the lake. Nothing is hidden and everyone has easy access.

After heavy rains, Ridgegate Park floods and it is our job to pump all the water out of there, so we did.

Another on-going responsibility is the tree trimming throughout the Village. Parkway trees are groomed when they hang excessively over the street. Also, fallen branches are picked up all the time. We helped the Girl Scouts plant their flowers in the spring and we made sure they were watered throughout the warmer months.

The Public Works Departments sets up for all recreational activities. This past year, the 50th Anniversary Celebration kept us very busy with set up, clean up, and take down. This was our busiest fest ever!!!

Also, the Public Works has been busy with keeping a close eye of vacant homes while we are driving through the Village streets. When a home appears vacant or the yard seems unmanaged, we report the home as vacant, find who owns the house to upkeep property, if it is too unsightly, we cut the grass and pick up whatever is there. As residents, feel free to call the Building Department if you notice a home that has been vacant or is just unsightly. The Building Department will inform Public Works of what needs to be done.

As you can see, the Public Works Department has been busy. As always, we enjoy making our Village a beautiful place to live for our residents.



E-Waste Collection Program

Mayor Hastings and the Village Board approved a program which established a quarterly drop off program with Vintage Tech Recyclers, Inc. The program will provide drive up - drop off at the Public Works Building located at 16533 S. 94th Avenue. This program is for electronics only!!

The Village is not responsible for identity theft or other personal information being obtained by others. It is your responsibility to make

sure that all your personal information has been removed from your electronic devices.

Drop-off times are from 9:00am until 1:00pm. Also, if you miss those dates, Vintage Tech Recyclers, Inc. also has a door to door pick up program. They will schedule a pick up if you call them.



Vintage Tech Recyclers, Inc. 1105 Windham Parkway Romeoville, IL 60446 Phone# 630-305-0922

DROP- OFF DATES

- April 14, 2012
- July 14, 2012
- October 13, 2012
- January 12, 2013

Address Numbers On Structures



Both the Village Code (150.185) and the Fire Protection District Code require that all structures must have address numbers displayed and easily visible from the street. We strongly urge each homeowner to check their home for compliance. Townhouses, Condominiums and Apartments are to be clearly marked, as well as, single family structures.

Ambulance, fire or police personnel are only able to find the right house if you help. You need to have your building number on your home.

- We recommend that the numbers be at least three (3) inches high.
- The color of the numbers should contrast with the surface.
- The numbers should not blend into the surface where they are affixed.
- Trees or other landscaping should not block the numbers.

Businesses should have their space identified in the front and the rear preferably with the business name, as well as, the space address, number or letter designation of the space.

Remember that emergency service personnel can lose time in responding to your call if they are unable to find your home. Clear identification of your home can save a life, and that life could be your own.

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!!

YARD WASTE RESUMES!!!

Spring is right around the corner which means yard work! AND that means, yard waste resumes on April 5, 2012.

Spring CLEAN UP WEEK!!! **April 13th - 20th**

Dumpsters will be at Kelly Park & Hawthorne Tot Lot. Do not put anything outside of the dumpster. The dumpsters will be replaced as the other is full.

STREET SWEEPING!!!

First Tuesday of every month beginning March 6, 2012

PLEASE HAVE YOUR CARS OFF THE STREET ON THIS DAY SO THE STREET SWEEPERS CAN DO THEIR JOB EFFICIENTLY!!

Four New Part-Time Police Officers

Congratulations to our newest Police Officers that were sworn in at the Village Board Meeting on January 4, 2012. These officers will start the Police Academy in February and will graduate early next year. Their training will include classes on criminal law, report writing, firearms, defensive tactics, and other skills necessary to do the job. All four have been working in the Police Department as Community Service Officers prior to being appointed and Officer Vanier started his service as a Police Cadet.



From left to right: Officers Alex Vanier, Sara Sulick, Kelly Hosteny and Joseph Jerema being sworn in by Clerk Mikki Burke.

Andrew High School Wins IHSA Boys Bowling State Championship

The Andrew High School Boys Bowling Team recently won the IHSA State Championship in downstate O'Fallon, Illinois last month.

The team is led by seniors Josh Powell and Kyle Damon of Orland Hills. Team Captain Powell presented the IHSA State trophy to Principal Robert Nolting at a recent all-school assembly which was attended by over 2,000 students. Earlier in the season, Powell had bowled a perfect 300 game.

The IHSA State Championship is the third state title for Andrew H.S., having also won the state tournament in 2005 and 2006. Andrew H.S. is the only high school in State of Illinois' sports history to have won more than one IHSA Boys Bowling Championship.

The team is coached by Mark Loebs, Varsity Head Coach of Boys Bowling.



Team Captain Josh Powell with the IHSA State Championship Trophy.

Stormwater Detention Facilities

The Village has a number of stormwater detention facilities around town. Their function is to hold water when heavy rainstorms occur. They are designed to hold the rainwater, which is greater than the capacity of the storm sewer system and release the water, once the rain stops.

This is a very important control system, which helps to reduce or eliminate flooding. Mayor Kyle R. Hastings instituted a plan to develop this safety precaution, when he was first elected, in 1993. In order for the stormwater management system to continue being viable your Public Works department performs maintenance on a regular basis.

You can assist this maintenance process by contacting the Village when you notice debris accumulations in the detention areas or storm sewer inlets, which become clogged with leaves or other debris. Working together, we can continue to keep Orland Hills the "Best Kept Secret in the Southwest".

Some of the stormwater deten-

tion facilities have a dual purpose. They also are used as recreational areas during dry periods. For instance, the Ridgegate stormwater detention facility, at Hobart Avenue and 169th Place is also used for softball and football play. Some of the other stormwater detention facilities can be used, even though they are not formally established as ball fields.

The sports organizations in Orland Hills file a "Facility Utilization Request" each year with the Recreation Department. Time is allocated based upon availablity. Your Recreation Department schedules field utilization for programs operated by the Village. Then allocations are made for the Facility Utilization Requests, which are approved. Any remaining time is available for use by the residents on a first come, first served basis. The Public Works telephone number is 708-349and the Recreation Department telephone number is 708-349-7211.

Dollars For Scholars

Dollars for Scholars

applications are now available! You can pick up an application at the Village Hall located at the Village Hall or at the Community Center.

All applications must be returned to the Village Hall located at 16033 S. 94th Avenue no later than Monday, April 2, 2012 by 4:30pm.

There will be NO EXCEPTIONS!!

Orland Hills Sprint/Nextel Cell Tower

Some people have expressed concern that living, working or going to school near a cell tower might increase the risk of health problems. At this time, the American Cancer Society believes that there is very little evidence to support this idea. In fact, the Cancer Society has a very comprehensive website that addresses the issues of cell towers:

www.cancer.org/cancer/cancercauses/othercarcinogens/athome/cellular-phone-towers

The Orland Hills tower is located at the Orland Hills Public Works Building: 16533 S. 94th Avenue

Owner and operator: Sprint/Nextel Communications

Jen Courtemanche, VP

Towerco Assets • 5000 Valley Stone Drive # 200

Cary, NC 27519 Phone: 866-460-5559

Sprint Landlord Solutions: Toll free @ 800-357-7641



ON OPT-OUT ELECTRIC AGGREGATION ON MARCH 20

Referendum language to appear on the ballot will be:

"Shall the Village of Orland Hills have the authority to arrange for the supply of electricity for its residential and small commercial retail customers who have not opted out of such program?"

What does electric aggregation mean to residents and small businesses in Orland Hills?

- Electric aggregation provides an option for residents and small businesses in Orland Hills to potentially reduce their cost of electricity in comparison to what ComEd would charge.
- Residents and small businesses may choose not to participate.
 - Customers will be given an opportunity to "opt-out" before the savings program begins if they are not interested for whatever reason.
- There are no switching fees and no service interruptions due to aggregation.

Options if the community votes "YES"

- Stay with ComEd
- Choose your own supplier
- Join aggregation program under the terms offered

What can customers expect to stay the same?

- ComEd will provide one bill for all services
- ComEd will collect payment for all services
- ComEd will deliver the electricity to customers
- ComEd will continue to read the meter
- ComEd will provide the same service regardless of the energy supplier
- ComEd will respond to outages / emergencies

What will change?

 The aggregation supplier will replace the three line items on the ComEd bill under Electricity Supply Services with one fixed rate

Options if the community votes "NO"

- · Stay with ComEd
- · Choose your own supplier

Historical Savings of Aggregation:

In 2011, 19 towns undertook aggregations which provided approximately 25% savings on electricity supply compared to approximately 15% savings that individuals could achieve on their own. *For informational purposes only. 2012 rates are currently unknown.

Your Village Your Parks

RESIDENTS! PLEASE REPORT VANDALISM

If you see or know anyone defacing village property please do not hesitate



to contact the Recreation Department at 349-7211. Help keep our Village free from Vandalism!

Garbage

Please put out garbage cans after 6:00pm the night before garbage day and return garbage cans back to their proper area the same day garbage is collected. The Village has been receiving many complaints of neighbors leaving their garbage cans out for days. **Be a good neighbor!!**

MEETING NOTICE

Mayor Kyle R. Hastings invites you to join representatives from the Illinois Community Choice Aggregation Network (ICCAN) who will explain to you how residents can save money on their electric bill. You will have the choice to save more money. VOTE on March 20, 2012 referendum.

DATE: February 29, 2012

WHERE: Orland Hills

Community Center 16553 S. Haven Avenue

TIME: 7:00pm

Mayor Kyle Hastings warmly welcomes our newest residents and congratulates their families:

Halen, born June 24, 2011 – daughter of Brian & Tracy Elhenicky

On behalf of the Village, Mayor Hastings would like to welcome our newest residents into the Village with a certificate. If you or one of your neighbors has a new baby, please call the Village Hall and let us know the date, time, baby's name, weight, length and parents names or fill in the form below. We will make sure to send out a Certificate in your baby's name and welcome them in the next edition of the Village newsletter.

Address information to:

Village of Orland Hills • Birth Announcements 16033 S. 94th Avenue, Orland Hills, IL 60487-4623

Parents of Baby _	
Address	Phone No.
	Announce their Joy & Happiness with the Birth of their new baby.
Baby's Name	Male Female
Date of Birth	Time of Birth
Baby's Weight	Baby's Length

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TINLEY PARK, IL
PERMIT NO. 71

POSTAL PATRON

Orland Hills, Illinois 60487

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

EMERGENCY (FIRE OR POLICE) — 911

Administration Building Department DIAL-A-RIDE	349-6666 349-4887 Joe Ennesser 349-0583	
ESDA Fire District (non-emergency)	349-2388 William Leddin 349-0074	
Police (non-emergency)	349-4434 Tom Scully	
Public Works Department	349-6792 Mike Worley	
Recreation Department	349-7211 Glenn Bilina	
Village Hall	349-6666	
President Kyle R. Hastings Trustee Joe Janachowski Trustee Kyle Hastings II Trustee Candice Morrison	Clerk Mikki Burke Trustee Frank L. Schmidt Trustee Tracy L. Roti Trustee Brian O'Neill	
Orland Hills Library Dist Office Tinley Park Library	349-8276 532-0160	

DATES TO REMEMBER

Lincoln's Birthday Sunday, February 12
Lincoln Observed Monday, February 13
Valentine's Day Tuesday, February 14
Washington's Birthday Monday, February 20
Presidents Day Monday, February 20
Daylight Savings Begins Sunday, March 11
St. Patrick's Day Saturday, March 17
Spring Begins Tuesday, March 20
Easter Sunday, April 8
Earth Day Sunday, April 22
Mother's Day Sunday, May 13

In observance of the following holiday, the Village Hall will be closed on Monday, February 20th in observance of President's Day.

Water: Illinois American	800-652-6987
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	800-796-9696
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United Way Crusade	312-382-4171
Together We Cope	708-633-5040
Aunt Martha's Youth Services	708-754-1044
Park Lawn	708-425-3344
(developmental disabilities)	
PAWS Animal Shelter	815-464-7298
Soc. Security Administration	800-772-1213
State Directory of Illinois	312-793-3500
Department of Children &	
Family Services	800-252-2873
Tinley Park Post Office	708-532-3131
Veteran's 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
Cook County Commissioner Gorman	708-349-1336
Elementary School Dist. #135	708-349-5700
Elementary School Dist. #140	708-532-6462
High School Dist. #230	708-745-5203
Moraine Valley Community	
College Dist. #524	708-974-4300
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J.U.L.I.E.	800-892-0123
Dept. Motor Vehicles –	
Drivers License Facility at	700 403 6100

the Orland Park Village Hall

708-403-6100

VILLAGE HALL HOURS: