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**ALLOWED
OUTDOOR
WATERING
HOURS**

May 15 to Sept 15
7:00 am to 11:00 am
7:00 pm to 11:00 pm

On odd/even days according to the last digit in your address (addresses ending in an odd digit water on odd dates; those ending in an even digit on even dates).

Vietnam Wall Coming to Orland Park

by Mayor Daniel J. McLaughlin

I am pleased to announce that the Village of Orland Park will proudly display the Vietnam Veterans Memorial – “The Moving Wall” on the Village Center grounds, October 5 to 9, 2006.

The Moving Wall is the half-size replica of the Washington, D.C. Vietnam Veterans Memorial and has been touring the country for almost twenty years.

The Moving Wall will be open to visitors 24 hours a day while it is here. We are asking for the public’s help with this event. Volunteers are needed to be stationed at The Wall 24 hours a day. If you would like to volunteer your time for a two to three hour shift to help staff the information desk, please call Gail Blummer at 403-6203. The schedule for volunteers will be prepared and announced approximately one month before The Wall arrives.

Any military organization and/or individual veterans who would like to serve as honor guard members for approximately one hour shifts, are invited and encouraged to call Gail to be placed on a separate volunteer list.

We also invite Orland Park businesses to help sponsor this event. We will need food and bottled water for our volunteers, refreshments and food for a reception

honoring Vietnam Veterans, and help in defraying the costs associated with printing the schedule of events brochure.

The Moving Wall will be open to the entire

community. We welcome your participation and attendance at this very special event honoring Vietnam Veterans.



Fine Art Fair At New Venue

The Village of Orland Park and its Arts Commission will hold the third annual Fine Art Fair on Saturday, July 15 and Sunday, July 16 at Orland Park Crossing, 143rd Street and LaGrange Road. Over 50 juried artists of different mediums will display and sell their pieces.

The event also includes a community art project, kids’ art area, face painting and musical entertainment. Winning artwork from the Youth Art Expo will be displayed at Wear Eye Wear, Aerosole, Francesca’s Collection and Chico’s at Orland Park Crossing during the Fine Art Fair.

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The Fine Art Fair is generously co-sponsored by Panera Bread, Suburban Bank and Trust, Star 96.7, Orland Park Crossing and *Daily Southtown/Star Newspapers*. Special thanks to School District 230, American School Bus, Founders Bank and Jim Melka Landscaping and Garden Center for their support.

Summer Events Continue

The summer is in full swing and the village offers many events and activities from which to choose. The Farmers' Market on Friday mornings has a great selection of fresh produce, flowers, plants and numerous other products available for purchase, plus a great barbecue lunch. Our Independence Day Spectacular kicks off on July 3 and continues through July 4th at Centennial Park. Don't miss the fireworks the evening of July 4th.

Sunday evenings can be enjoyed listening to the free Concerts on Ravinia from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. through August 13th. Wednesday Happenings has kids' entertainment at 11 a.m. at the outdoor amphitheater. Join us for Police Department National Night Out Against Crime on Tuesday, August 1 at the Village Center. We'll round out the summer with the Taste of Orland Park, August 4-6, with plenty of entertainment and activities for the entire family.

More information on these and other activities and events can be found in this issue of the Orland Park Public and in the Recreation and Parks Department Spring/Summer brochure.

Enjoy a very happy and safe summer!

CodeRED® Delivers Important Village Messages



The CodeRED® Emergency Notification System allows the Village of Orland Park to call targeted areas or the entire community in case of an emergency or urgent situation that requires immediate attention, such as a boil-water notice, missing child announcement or public notifications. It delivers the village's recorded message to a live person or an answering machine, making three attempts to connect to any number.

Village residents and businesses are urged to visit the village's website at www.orland-park.il.us, click on "Village Services" and complete the CodeRED® Residential and Business Data Collection Application Form to update the contact information. Required information includes first and last name, street address (physical address, no post office boxes), city, state, zip code, and primary phone number. Additional phone numbers, i.e., such as cell phone numbers, are optional.

If you do not have Internet access, please call the village at 403-6140 and request to have your information added to the CodeRED® Emergency Notification System. We appreciate your cooperation in helping us to notify you in urgent situations.

This Publication Available On Tape

Orland Park's quarterly residential newsletter, the *Orland Park Public* is available on professionally recorded audiocassettes. Cassette tapes are available FREE for visually impaired village residents. For more information, call the Mayor's Office of Special Services at 708/403-6188.

Emergency Medical ID Bracelets Available for Adults & Children

Mayor McLaughlin's Emergency Identification Bracelet Program is a free service for Village of Orland Park residents. Adults and children with medical conditions or special needs may come to the Office of Special Services and fill out a short form and have your picture taken. All of your information is entered into a database, which connects with the database at the Police Department.

Well & Pond Users Must Notify Public Works

Homeowners and townhome associations that maintain private ponds or wells for outdoor watering should contact the Public Works Department at 403-6350 to obtain a form documenting the use of the well or pond.

Outstanding Youth

It's a pleasure to recognize the youth of our community for their outstanding accomplishments. Please join me in congratulating the "pride of the community" on their recent accomplishments.

Advanced Placement Environmental Science students **Claire Milbrandt, Stephanie Grider, Elizabeth Scheuing** and **Gabrielle Tate** finished second in Cook County and seventh in the region at the National Envirothon Competition. The Sandburg team posted the highest score of all schools in wildlife and current issues categories. Congratulations on this honor!

Congratulations to **James Wesley Martin, Jr.** for having achieved the rank of Eagle Scout in the Boy Scout Troop 120.

Dan Calandriello, a senior at Marquette, is the newly elected president of the Marquette University Student Government (MUSG) for 2006-07.

Sandburg senior **Pat Grady** was named to the 2006 Daily Southtown All-Area Baseball Team.

Congratulations to the Sandburg Varsity Girls' Softball Team for capturing third place in the state finals. Winning team members are **Ashley Conrad, Katie Pistello, Jessica Roche, Andrea Colosimo, Megan Jones, Nicole Guska, Brittany Snoreck, Sara Olson, Jami Duncan, Morgan Bianchi, Brittany Spencer, Jaci Crowley, Lauren Lucio** and **Brittany Wolski**.

Orland Park's **Chelsea Fahey**, Ms. Teen America, won the title Ms. Western Suburbs. Chelsea is now competing for the title of Ms. Illinois in July so that she can compete for Ms. America. Best of luck!

159th & Ravinia Closed for Extension

The intersection of 159th Street and Ravinia Avenue has been closed for construction since Monday, May 22, 2006. This two month project is stage one of extending Ravinia Avenue south of 159th Street into the Costco Development. Ravinia will be extended for approximately two blocks south and then it will turn east to exit onto LaGrange Road.

"We understand that the short-term closure of this intersection will be an inconvenience, but when completed it will provide significant improvements and allow motorists to bypass the 159th Street and LaGrange Road intersection," said Orland Park Village Manager R.J. Zeder.

Ravinia Avenue will be accessible from 153rd Street to go south and to access the Central Credit Union at 159th and Ravinia. Detour signs are posted. For more information, call the Public Works Department at 403-6350.

Southwest Highway Being Repaired

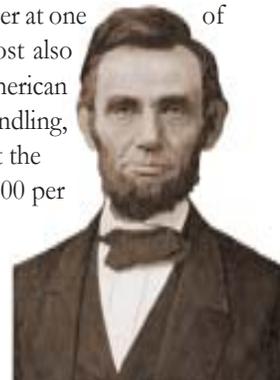
Construction on Southwest Highway/Illinois Route 7 began May 30 with the roadway being closed between 143rd Street and LaGrange Road. Local traffic is permitted between 135th Street and LaGrange Road with access to businesses in this area being available throughout the duration of construction.

The village's portion of the project is the reconstruction of the Southwest Highway roadway and parking along the railroad tracks between 143rd Street and LaGrange Road. Completion of this portion is expected by the end of 2006. However, the road will remain closed throughout the Illinois Department of Transportation's (IDOT) construction of a new bridge over LaGrange Road. Detour signs are posted.

Village Trip Features Lincoln Sites September 12 – 13, 2006

Abraham Lincoln spent more than 30 years of his life in the Springfield area. The Village of Orland Park invites you to experience the places that helped to shape Lincoln's destiny as one of the world's greatest statesmen. This two day trip is filled with things to see and do, including a visit to the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum and a tour of the Executive Mansion and the New State Capitol. On day two, we'll visit the Lincoln's Home, the Old State Capitol, Lincoln's Tomb and the New Salem State Historical Site.

This trip includes one full breakfast buffet, a lunch and dinner at one of Springfield's most unique restaurants ~ **Capisce?** The cost also includes round-trip transportation on a deluxe Royal American Charter Lines Motor Coach, tour director, baggage handling, admission to seven sites, and one night accommodations at the downtown Springfield Hilton. The cost of this trip is \$229.00 per person, double occupancy or \$284.00 per person single occupancy (non-residents add an additional \$50.00 per person). A \$50 per person deposit is due with each reservation. For more information, call Stephanie Simpson at the Recreation and Parks Department, 403-6294.



Remembering Those Who Serve

First Lieutenant
Michael J. Van Wyk
 C-130 Pilot
 United States
 Marine Corps
 Trinity College
 Class of 2003
Sandburg High School
 Class of 1999

A Musical Tribute To Our

Nation's Military
 Sat, July 29, 2006
 2:00 pm,
Civic Center

William R. Vogel Memorial
 The Veterans' Commission will proudly host a musical tribute to our nation's military on July 29. This show will feature Illinois USO Entertainer Alison Ruble and the Carnivele Sisters. Information and limited ticket sales will be available in mid June.

7th Annual Steak Fry

Sun, Aug 13, 2006
 1:00 pm
Civic Center

William R. Vogel Memorial
 \$9.00 per person
 Tickets will be available at the Village Hall Cashier's Office beginning July 5, 2006. Orland Park veterans and their spouses are invited. Two tickets per purchase. Orland Park VFW and American Legion members who live outside of Orland Park must show organization membership card to be able to purchase the two tickets permitted.



Vietnam Traveling Wall Coming To Orland Park

Orland Park Village Center
14700 South Ravinia Avenue
October 5-9, 2006

Many volunteers will be needed to help with this endeavor as the Vietnam Traveling Wall requires 24 hour a day coverage.

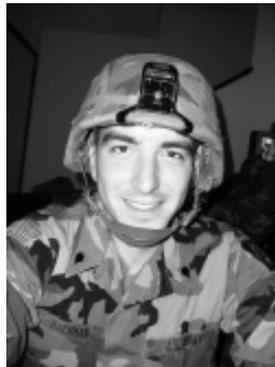
To volunteer, complete the form on page 13 of this publication.

"In honor of the men and women of the armed forces of the United States who served in the Vietnam War. The names of those who gave their lives and those who remain missing are inscribed in the order they were taken from us."

Preamble of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial

Dear Mrs. Blummer and Orland Park Veterans' Commission,

Thank you so much for taking time out of your day to send me kind words and packages. I wish I had a chance to write to you sooner, but our time is kept busy with work. That, and to be completely honest, our down time consists of catching up on as much sleep as we can. But, what



I can say for sure is, that not only do I thank you for your packages, but also, my squad thanks you too. We share whatever we can, me and the guys, when we get packages from back home.

I also want to thank you for the fact that, as far as I know, not any other person in my squad, which is 15 guys, or my platoon, has ever gotten a package or card from his state or even his home town. In fact, a few of the guys, the younger ones of course, I suspect got a little jealous that their home towns had not yet sent anything to them. I hoped that I reassured them when I gave them some of that Dentyne gum and other goodies.

I cannot express how good it feels to know that I have full support of my community and the people behind it. So, with that, Mr. Mayor, the good people of Orland Park and the Orland Park Veterans' Commission, I thank you so much for your service and your kindness. I hope that when I return home, I can help you show the appreciation to others as you have shown me. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Derek Bachman
 United States Army
 Carl Sandburg High School Class of 1998

Care Package Collection Ongoing

The Veterans' Commission continues its care package collection for local residents currently serving in Iraq or Afghanistan. Contributions may be delivered to the Village Hall or the Sportsplex.

- Toilet paper • Peanut butter (8 oz or less)
- Disposable cameras
- Ramen noodles
- Decks of playing cards
- Acetaminophen & Ibuprofen
- Mints & gum (NOT in foil wrapping)
- Hard candy • Anti-itch cream
- Gold Bond Powder
- Multivitamins
- Power/Granola bars
- Trail/dried fruit & cereal mixes
- Vacuum sealed foods
- Canned snack foods
- Pringles, Doritos, etc
- powdered cold drink mixes
- Individual coffee, tea,
- cocoa & spiced cider packets
- Small plastic funnels
- DVDs & CDs
- Sun block Baby wipes
- Pocket size Kleenex
- Gel insoles for boots Deodorant
- Fly swatters
- Laundry detergent tablets
- Small cereal boxes
- & instant oatmeal packets

Deputy Clerk Retires After Nearly Two Decades

by Village Clerk David P. Maher

Farewell, Dorothy Fiene

Before I begin my usual updates and voter information, I want to say good bye to a good friend and important part of the Village Clerk's Office. Orland Park Deputy Village Clerk Dorothy Fiene has retired after nearly twenty years of service to the village. She has many exciting things planned for her retirement and we all wish her well.

Welcome, Joe LaMargo

Joe LaMargo has been named to the appointed position of deputy clerk. Joe, his wife and their family live in Orland Park. He has an impressive background in government and will be a great addition to the Clerk's Office staff.

Can I register to vote?

The Village Clerk's Office has had several inquiries from residents who have just turned eighteen or will be within the next few months. These young adults want to know when and how they register to vote before leaving for college. Residents who are turning eighteen on or before November 7, 2006, the day of the next election, may register to vote now.

Residents who are United States citizens, eighteen years of age **on or before** the next election (**November 7, 2006**), recently moved, changed their name, had a problem voting in the last election, or never registered to vote can do so in the Clerk's Office. Two forms of identification are required when registering to vote, one with your name and Orland Park address the other with simply your name. The entire process only takes about ten minutes of your time and it's free!

You must be a registered voter in order to vote in any election.

Voter registration is available in the Village Clerk's Office located on the main floor of the Frederick T. Owens Village Hall. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. **Voter registration for the November Governor's Election closes on Tuesday, October 10.**

Visit the Web

Can't come into our office but want to register to vote in Cook County? Need to find out where to go to vote? Not sure if you are registered in Orland Park? Visit David Orr's Cook County website at www.voterinonet.com.

This site summarizes recent election returns in the suburbs of Cook County. At election time, it will have a sample ballot by precinct. It has a mail-in registration form that you can download if it is inconvenient for you to come into our Office to register. **Please note: If you mail-in your registration, you must vote in-person the first time you vote. Absentee Voting would not be an option for you.**

Virtual Village Hall On The Web

You can visit the village twenty-four hours a day on the village's site, www.orland-park.il.us. You will find important election information and the board and committee agendas and minutes under "Government." Also, copies of the village's Land Development Code Book (summarized zoning) and Village Code Book (summarized Ordinances) can also be found under "Government."

Under "Village Services," you will find a Department Directory that offers a brief description of each department along with its phone number and e-mail address. Under "Village News" you will find things that are going on in the village along with the Internet edition of the Orland Park Public. There are also sites for community organizations. These are just a few examples of what you'll find when visiting the Village of Orland Park online.

If you have any questions, please e-mail me at clerk@orland-park.il.us or phone (708) 403-6150. Let's have a safe and happy 4th of July!



VOTER REGISTRATION AVAILABLE

Village Clerk's Office • Frederick T. Owens Village Hall
Monday through Friday • 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

To register, you must be a U.S. citizen and be at least 18 years old on or before the next election, Tuesday, November 7, 2006. Call 403-6150 for details.

Farmers' Market Begins Season Five

by Trustee Kathy Fenton, Chair
Building and Zoning Committee



Summer brings with it a flurry of family activities, the Farmers' Market on Fridays, kids going to camps, swimming at Centennial, summer programs at school and home improvements.

Join Us On Farmers' Market Fridays

The Farmers' Market began its fifth season on June 9. Despite it being a little breezy and cool, we welcomed a great crowd looking for the freshest produce and novelty items available. The barbecue lunches are again a hit — and very convenient for those shopping at lunch time. If you're free on a Friday morning, Orland Park's Farmers' Market is open from 7:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. with barbecue lunches available for purchase from 11:00 a.m. until 12:45 p.m. There will be no market on August 4 so that staff can prepare for the Taste.

Call the Building Department

Before you begin any work on your home, check with the village's Building Department. Our inspectors are here to make sure that projects are completed safely and according to code. I know we say it over and over and it must be said again. If you hire a contractor to work on your home — for any reason at all — call the Building Department to make sure that the contractor holds a current village license.

The village issues contractors' licenses to those working in the village, both to know who's doing work in town and, more importantly, to protect those who hire them. Contractors have to provide certain documentation in order to get a village issued contractor's license, including a bond to protect the homeowners whose home they're working on.

Residents who hire contractors that are not licensed by the village have no recourse through the village should a contractor not perform satisfactorily. This is why it's so important to hire only contractors who are licensed to work in the Village of Orland Park and to obtain the necessary permits from the Building Department. For more information, give them a call at 403-5300.

Summer Safety

Summer is a time of fun and activity, yet at the same time, it's a time to remind our kids about the importance of safety.

Stranger Danger

Remind children playing outside to run like heck to an adult they know if approached by a stranger. Let the police know if something doesn't seem right in your neighborhood. The police rely on us to let them know what's happening, Don't hesitate to call.

Swimming Safety

Backyard pools can mean hours of summer fun in the sun, yet they can also be the site of tragedy. Please be sure that unattended pools are secured with fences and gates locked to prevent access by little ones — your own or someone else's. I recently read that pool owners should NOT leave any toys floating in the pool — it's too much of an attraction for a child to want to retrieve the toy. Remove all toys from your pool when you're not using it. Even the kiddie pools are dangerous without supervision. Empty the water and the toys from the little pools.

Remove all pool toys from pools when they're not in use. Prevent the temptation for a little one to try to retrieve the floating toy.

Weather Safety

Orland Park is fortunate to have a number of outdoor warning sirens that try to let us know what's happening with the weather. A three to five minute steady blast of the outdoor warning sirens means that a tornado warning has been issued for the Orland Park area. Take cover immediately.

Ball playing families are already familiar with the lightning detectors at some of the village's larger parks. We have detectors at Centennial, Humphrey, Schussler and Veterans' Parks. When the lightning detectors sound, this means that lightning has been detected within a nine mile radius of Orland Park. All ballfields are to be cleared immediately as soon as a lightning detector sounds. Take shelter in a building or in your vehicle — but NEVER under a tree.

Have a safe --- and relaxing --- summer!!

EPA Grant Awarded for Wetlands

by Trustee Brad O'Halloran, Chair
Planning and Economic Development



The dictionary defines summer as usually the warmest season of the year and a period of fruition, fulfillment, happiness, and beauty. I'd say Webster is right on all counts, although I think the word "busy" should have been included somewhere in the narratives.

Summer is a busy time for many people, particularly for those with families and especially for those who love to partake in outdoor activities. This is where we are very fortunate to live in a town like Orland Park. There isn't a week that goes by where you won't find some kind of organized activity, either sponsored by our Recreation and Parks Department, Police Department or the village itself. Not to mention that we have numerous youth sports programs that fill our fields every night of the week, a municipal pool complex that provides great relief on hot days, a skate park for our active youth and many local organizations and clubs that host festivals and fairs and other great family events. In addition, we have a multitude of ways to enjoy more leisure time outdoors thanks to the numerous parks, open spaces and walking trails.

Orland Park has miles and miles of paved paths that wind through the village and at any given time, there are walkers, joggers, bikers and skaters enjoying exercise and fresh air. Did you know that our paths connect to other trail systems? When you reach our borders, you can connect with the Sag Valley Forest Preserve and Trail System, the Tinley Creek Forest Preserve and Trail System, and the Homer Glen/Spring Creek Trail System. For a map of our paths and where they connect to other paths, visit the Planning Department pages at www.orland-park.il.us.

While you're on our site, check out the Planning and Economic Development pages in their entirety. If you're interested in starting up a business or looking to expand your current operations, this site is filled with some great information that can help you with your plans. There is a community profile section, and an area that lists available spaces and sites.

Plus, a complete run down on the incentives offered to help business owners, such as the Economic Development strategy, the revolving loan program and the business retention program. If you have any questions on any of these items, feel free to call Community Development at 403-5300.

I'm happy to report that the village has received a grant from the Environmental Protection Agency. The grant, in the amount of \$97,614, is for wetland creation in a disturbed area on the northwest side of Lake Sedgewick in Centennial Park. This will help to cleanse storm water runoff from the new Metra parking lot at the 153rd St. Station and replace a degraded and disturbed area with a native wetland, which will provide wildlife habitat. In addition, the wetland will provide an area for a trail, observation and interpretive signs. Many thanks to the Community Development staff for their work in successfully obtaining this grant.

My sincerest thanks to the local businesses for their participation in this season's Summer Jobs for Youth program. The continued success of this program, which helps our youth find summer employment, is a direct result of the cooperation of the businesses and the village. The experience you provide for our young people will stay with them the rest of their lives.

Have a happy, healthy and safe summer.

ORLAND PARK SUMMER JOBS FOR YOUTH

Available for village residents age 16 through college.

See the listing of available jobs in the village by visiting

www.orland-park.il.us.

For more information, call the Village Manager's Office at 403-6155.

Signs of Progress At New Facility

by Trustee Ed Schussler, Chair
Police and Emergency Preparedness Committee

Some signs of significant progress are beginning to appear at the construction site of the new police facility at 15100 South Ravinia Avenue. Even though much work was going on within the structure, it has been difficult to notice any progress from the street. On the east side of the building, the foundation for the training and community room has been completed. A good deal of masonry work has been completed including new face brick on the north side.

Since this is the first "green" building constructed by the village, many additional hours of staff time have been necessary to learn new construction procedures that have to be coordinated with the normal items found in a police facility.



In recent days, large steel framing was hoisted to the roof top in four areas of the building. These steel structures are the framing of light monitors that were developed in the building plans to bring natural light to the interior portions of the building. The light monitors will provide natural lighting for employee work areas and will help with energy conservation by lighting work areas that would otherwise require artificial light during daylight hours. Speaking of light, workers will shortly begin the installation of the framing for the glass curtain wall that will be installed above the brickwork on the entire north side of the building. The light monitors and curtain wall are part of a comprehensive system to provide natural light and conserve energy.



The new Orland Park Police Facility is under construction in the existing building at 15100 South Ravinia Avenue. This is the first "green" building built by the village. "Green" buildings improve occupant comfort, promote maintenance and emergency efficiency and sustain the earth's resources.

As all of this work continues, the project manager and superintendent continue to report that the project remains on schedule for the completion date of January, 2007.

Police Events

The activities of most of the village's departments pick up during the summer months and the Police Department

is no exception. See page 12 to learn more about the different events where you can see the police.

Have a safe summer!

ORLAND PARK POLICE
National Night Out
Against Crime
Tuesday, August 1, 2006
5 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Orland Park Village Center
14700 South Ravinia Avenue



On Tuesday, August 1st, communities across the country will participate in National Night Out. People will turn on their porch and outside lights to show their participation in this nationwide statement against crime. In addition to encouraging everyone to turn on their outside lights on August 1st, the Orland Park Police Department invites all residents to its public safety displays at the Orland Park Village Center.

While it is obvious to passersby that this is a very busy worksite, there remains a considerable amount of work being done behind the scenes. Staff continues to work with the architect and construction manager on numerous matters. The communications center, computer network, phone, security and audio visual systems must be coordinated to work together.

Thank you Deputy Police Chief Jerry Hughes.



Celebrate Orland Park At The Taste

by Trustee Patricia Gira, Chair
Finance Committee

The Village of Orland Park prides itself on offering events that bring everyone together as a community. As we continue preparations for Taste 2006, I invite everyone to be a part of this community

reunion. Not only does the Taste showcase Orland Park's best eateries and devoted community groups, it brings us all together for a magnificent celebration.

Having raised our three boys in Orland Park, my husband Jim and I have been involved in our share of sports and other activities. Each year, since the first Taste in 2004, we've been thrilled to run into families that we knew while our boys were growing up. We're all a little older now and some of us are grandparents and it's wonderful to be able to catch up.

Come to the Taste to sample the wonderful food, enjoy the music and to see people you haven't seen in a long time.

Highlights of Taste 2006

Those of you who sing have two opportunities to share your talents at the Taste. The Taste's **Karaoke Contest** returns with preliminary competitions being held in June and July at the **Canoe Club; Koppermill Bar and Grill; Mickadoon's at Orland Bowl; Paddy B's; R.C. Mulligan's** at the **Riviera Country Club; Sam Maguire's Irish Pub** and **Traverso's Restaurant**.

Vocalists should call the listed establishments to find out when their competitions are being held. Some were in June and others are in July. Twenty-one winners from the preliminary contests will compete for the coveted twelve spots in the finals. The semi-final competition will be held at **RC Mulligan's** at the **Riviera Country Club** on **Wednesday, July 19 at 7:00 p.m.** Everyone is invited to join us as we listen to the amazing talents of the three finalists from each of the seven hosting restaurants.

The twelve finalists from the semi-finals at RC Mulligan's will compete on the **Community Stage** at the **Taste** on **Sunday, August 6** from **2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.** The top three finalists will perform an encore on the **Main Stage** at **5:00 p.m.** The winner will receive a \$1000 travel voucher generously donated by Orland Square Travel. For more information about the contest, call 403-6145.

More Karaoke

If you'd rather not compete, but would like to try karaoke with a live band, you'll enjoy one of the new additions to the Taste. On **Friday, August 4**, the **Community Stage** will feature **Live Band Karaoke**. Those wanting to perform karaoke with a live band are encouraged to sign up prior to August 2. Live Band Karaoke offers a list of more than 200 songs from which to choose. The list of available songs can be accessed at www.livebandkaraokechicago.com, by clicking on the Hootenanners song list. Call or e-mail your name and song to Patty Vlazny at 403-6145 or pvlazny@orland-park.il.us to add your name to the list to perform on August 4. This is not a competition — it's a once in a lifetime opportunity to sing with a live band.

Chamber Competition

The talent competition at this year's Taste isn't limited to vocal talents. The **Orland Park Area Chamber of Commerce** is partnering with the village to sponsor an exciting bean bag competition at different restaurants in town with the final contest being held on **Sunday, August 6** at **1:00 p.m.** at the Taste.

Preliminary competitions are being held at **Bar Louie, Barraco's Pizza, Coach's Corner, Divono's, Fat Sam's, Hooter's of Orland Park, Koppermill, R.C. Mulligan's, Sam Maguire's, Silver Lake Country Club, Tonino's Pizza, Windy City** and **Devono's Ristorante**.

The cost to participate is \$25 per two person team with the August 6 winning team earning \$1000. For details, preliminary competition dates and more information, call the chamber at 349-2972.



Dr. Mikhail Korenman's Chess Challenge

Another new addition to this year's fest is **Dr. Mikhail Korenman's Chess Challenge**. A native of Nizhny Novgorod (Gorky) Russia, Dr. Korenman now lives in Orland Park. Wanting to share his lifelong love for the game of chess, Dr. Korenman will play sixteen opponents at the same time. Look for the Chess Tent on **Saturday, August 5** and **Sunday, August 6** from **1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m.**

We'll see you at the Taste of Orland Park!

"My Space" Awareness Program Planned for Parents

The Mayor's Office of Special Services, in cooperation with the Orland Park Police Department and the schools that serve Orland Park, will host "Internet/My Space Awareness For Parents." This informational seminar, open to adults only, will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, September 28, 2006 at the Orland Park Civic Center, 14750 South Ravinia Avenue.



Myspace.com is a social networking site — a cyber combination of a yearbook, personal diary and social club. With more than 50 million members, it's one of the fastest growing web sites in the country. It's a cyber secret teenagers keep from tech-challenged parents.

It's a world where the kids next door can play any role they want. They may not realize everyone with Internet access --- including sexual predators --- may see the pictures and personal information they post. Some teens have listed not only their names and addresses, but even cell phone numbers and school schedules as well.

Orland Park Police Investigators Dennis Pratl and Scott Sinko will

discuss what parents need to know and do to keep their children safe on the Internet and with public bulletin boards like www.myspace.com. For more information, call the Mayor's Office of Special Services at 403-6188.

Passports Needed for Travel By Year's End

The Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Act of 2004 requires that by December 31, 2006, travelers to and from the Caribbean, Bermuda, Panama, Mexico and Canada have passports to re-enter the United States.

A timeline for phasing in these requirements is being reviewed and will be published once finalized. United States citizens can visit the State Department's travel website at www.travel.state.gov. This website also has important information and safety tips regarding traveling to Mexico, Bahamas and other destinations. There are sections geared toward students who are traveling to these locations for spring and summer breaks.

Because of the high volume of passports being processed, applicants should allow extra time in receiving their passports. In the last newsletter from the Chicago Regional office, they advise customers leaving in six to eight weeks to expedite and use two-way express mail delivery to help insure timely receipt.

We can only anticipate that these time periods will be extended as the year goes on. To be on the safe side it would be wise to plan months in advance when applying for a passport. Passports are valid for ten years for anyone 16 years of age or older.

Passport applications and photos are available by appointment in the Mayor's Office of Special Services in Orland Park's Frederick T. Owens Village Hall, 14700 South Ravinia Avenue.

Orland Park's Special Services Office is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., with the office remaining open until 7 p.m. on the first and third Mondays of the month. Passport appointments may be made by calling the Mayor's Office of Special Services at 708/403-6188.

VILLAGE OF ORLAND PARK CALENDAR KEY

CC	Civic Center (14750 Ravinia Ave)	OVH	Old Village Hall (144 & Beacon)
CCA	Civic Center Authority	FD	Police Department (14600 Ravinia)
ComRel	Community Relations Com	PlanCom	Plan Commission
CPAC	Centennial Park Aquatic Center	PTAB	Parking & Traffic Advisory Board
DLFac	Driver's License Facility (Board Room in Village Hall)	PubWks	Public Works (15655 Ravinia Ave)
EDAB	Economic Development AdvBd	RAB	Recreation Advisory Board
ElecCom	Electrical Commission	Splex	Village Sportsplex (11351 159th St)
ETSB	Emergency Telephone Sys Bd	TAB	Telecommunications Adv Bd
HostCab	Hostert Log Cabins (147 & West)	VETS	Veterans' Commission
HPRC	Historical Preservation Rev Com	VC	Village Center (14700 South Ravinia)
LRC	Franklin E. Loebe Rec Center (14650 Ravinia)	VH	Frederick T. Owens Village Hall (14700 Ravinia Ave)
OA	Outdoor Amphitheater (147 & Ravinia)	ZBA	Zoning Board of Appeals
OC	Orland Crossing (143 & LaGrange)		
OPAC	Village Arts Commission		

Water Woes Seen By Planners

Growth could cause regional shortages

By Michael Hawthorne
Chicago Tribune

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For a sprawling metropolis next to one of the world's largest sources of fresh water, the idea that the Chicago area could suffer water shortages may seem preposterous.

But regional planners say northeastern Illinois is expected to grow so fast during the next two decades that finding water for everyone will be difficult.

The forecast is dire enough that state and regional officials are embarking Monday on a new effort to give water a bigger role in determining where people live.

Details are sketchy—and for now the plans and programs are strictly voluntary—but a growing number of planners and environmentalists argue that taking steps now could prevent a water crisis in the future.

"This isn't something that communities in the region have traditionally thought about," said Kerry Leigh, director of environment and natural resources for the Northeastern Illinois Regional Planning Commission.

The commission estimates that at least 11 townships in Chicago's outer suburbs will experience water shortages by 2020. Some experts think the number could be even higher, based on projected increases in population and development.

Illinois lawmakers included about \$1 million in the next state budget for the Illinois Water Supply Initiative, an effort prompted by a series of reports documenting how and where the area could go dry.

Gov. Rod Blagojevich nudged the program along with an executive order directing state agencies to put together water management plans for the Chicago area and a swath of central Illinois.

People behind the initiative say municipalities need to think more about how water sources extend beyond political boundaries and to start planning for limited supplies.

Among other steps, they say, more land needs to be set aside so rainfall can percolate back into the ground and recharge underground aquifers that provide well water. There also needs to be more emphasis on conserving water and managing development so water is used more wisely, the planners say.

"We don't think all of the solutions have to be painful," said Debbie Stone, deputy director of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. "The idea is to avoid situations where we can't accommodate a new [manufacturing] plant or have to restrict lawn watering to every other day."

Much of the Chicago area relies on water from Lake Michigan, but that source is all but tapped out.

After engineers reversed the Chicago River at the beginning of the last century, other states sued Illinois for reducing the amount of water that flows into the Great Lakes. The result was a U.S. Supreme Court decision that limits the amount of water pumped from Lake Michigan to about 1.2 billion gallons a day.

That water is divvied up between Chicago and about 200 other cities and villages. It's enough for now, but probably not enough to meet increased demand as the area's population grows.

Likewise, the deep aquifer that some of Chicago's outer suburbs rely on is almost dry. And in many areas on the western fringes, the water is laced with naturally occurring radium, a radioactive element.

Police To Keep Busy Summer Schedule

"Our summer events are designed so police personnel can meet with residents and discuss any concerns they may have," said Orland Park Police Chief Tim McCarthy. "These programs also enable us to explain how the Orland Park Police Department functions," the chief added.

"Each summer, the department hosts Trailers in the Park, when we bring out equipment, give aways and public safety materials so the residents of the area can learn more about our many programs," said Investigator Dawn Gorman-Kenny, of the Community Policing Unit.

Remaining park visits will be July 21 at Sunny Pine Park and August 18 at Discovery Park, both from 11:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m.

**"With each of our events, there are usually a few laughs, a great exchange of information and a better understanding of how we can all work together to keep Orland Park and its residents as safe as we possibly can."
Orland Park Police Chief Tim McCarthy**

During the Village of Orland Park's Independence Spectacular at Centennial Park, the Police Department will be a part of the Monday, July 3rd Kids' Day activities.

One of the department's largest events is its annual National Night Out Celebration, planned for August 1 of this year. Held in the evening at the Village Center, Orland Park's National Night Out Celebration has won national honors.

"National Night Out is a great way for the community to see all that the Orland Park Police Department offers. We bring in other agencies, including the Orland Fire Protection District and other public safety organizations," Gorman-Kenny explained.

"We invite residents to turn on their outside house lights as a statement against crime and then come up to the Village Center for the festivities," McCarthy said.

The Orland Park Police Department will participate in the Taste of Orland Park August 4, 5 and 6. "We'll be a part of Saturday's kids' activities," Gorman-Kenny said.

On August 20, the department will host its annual Police Ride for the Illinois Special Olympics. A 14.4 mile bicycling fundraiser, the ride begins and ends at Sam Maguire's on Orland Square Drive. The ride is open to those ages twelve and older. Further information is available by calling the Orland Park Police Department's non-emergency number, 708/349-4111.

McCarthy said, "With each of our events, there are usually a few laughs, a great exchange of information and a better understanding of how we can all work together to keep Orland Park and its residents as safe as we possibly can."



The Orland Park Police Department will participate in the nationwide observance of National Night Out on August 1 at the Village Center.

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Volunteers Needed for Vietnam Traveling Wall

The Vietnam Traveling Wall is coming to Orland Park. The village needs volunteers to host the information tables provided to the public from 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 5 through 8:00 a.m. on Monday, October 9.



Specific days and times will be assigned as the date gets closer. Please indicate below which shifts you **are not** available to work.

The Vietnam Traveling Wall requires 24 hour coverage with a minimum of four people per shift during the late night hours and eight to ten volunteers during the daytime shifts and on weekends. Volunteers are asked to serve a two hour shift. Civic groups that would like to work together as a team are welcomed to volunteer.

Local veterans and military organizations are invited to be a part of the Honor Guard. There will be two veterans, uniformed active service men/women or uniformed police/fire personnel. There will be two Honor Guard members at the wall 24 hours a day while it is on display. Individual Honor Guard volunteers will be assigned to a team of four members who will take turns with the shift for a four hour period.

Please clearly print all information.

Volunteer's Name: _____

Address: _____

City State Zip: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Please indicate below THE HOURS AND DAYS that you're NOT AVAILABLE to volunteer.

Thursday, October 5	Friday, October 6	Saturday, October 7	Sunday, October 8	Monday, October 9

Completed Vietnam Wall Volunteer Forms should be mailed to...
Veterans Commission Secretary Gail Blummer
Frederick T. Owens Village Hall • 14700 South Ravinia Avenue • Orland Park, IL
 For more information, call Gail at 708/403-6203.



SAT, JULY 15 • 10 AM TO 5PM
 SUN, JULY 16 • 10 AM TO 4PM

NEW LOCATION

**ORLAND PARK CROSSING
 143RD & LAGRANGE ROAD**

A juried, outdoor exhibit featuring artists from across the country, a children's art area, entertainment and a community art activity.

Admission is free.

For more information, call 403-PARK.



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**WASTE
 MANAGEMENT
 Village of Orland Park
 Garbage Holidays**

Waste Management, the village's contracted waste hauler, observes the following holidays. If a garbage pick up day falls on one of the holidays listed below, trash and recyclables will be picked up one day later. For more information, call Waste Management at 1-800-796-9696.

- New Year's Day**
- Labor Day**
- Memorial Day**
- Independence Day**
- Thanksgiving Day**
- Christmas Day**

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708/403-6100
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VILLAGE OF ORLAND PARK RECORDED SPECIAL EVENTS HOTLINE • 708/403-5370

POLICE
 14600 South Ravinia
 708/349-4111 (non-emergency)
www.orlandparkpolice.com
 e-mail: police@orland-park.il.us

PUBLIC WORKS
 15655 South Ravinia
 403-6350 • e-mail:
publicworks@orland-park.il.us.
 PACE Bus Service - 708/403-6355

RECREATION & PARKS
Franklin Loebe Recreation Center
 14650 South Ravinia
 708/403-PARK
Village Sportsplex
 11351 West 159th Street
 708/645-PLAY
recreation@orland-park.il.us
Inclement Weather Hotline
 708/403-6290

Dial 9-1-1 for police, fire or ambulance service in the Village of Orland Park.

CIVIC CENTER
 William R. Vogel Memorial
 14750 South Ravinia Avenue
 708/403-6200
civic@orland-park.il.us

Illinois Secretary of State
 Orland Park Satellite
 Driver's License Facility
 Located in the Board Room of the Village Hall
 For more information, please call 1-800-252-8980.
Open Monday through Friday/9am to 5pm
 Address/Name Changes...Vision Tests
 State Identification Cards...Plate Stickers

**WASTE MANAGEMENT
 OF THE SOUTH SUBURBS**
1-800-796-9696
For garbage and recyclables pick up information and to rent or purchase a Waste Wheeler Cart.

J.U.L.I.E.
 Joint Utility Locating Information for Excavators
1-800-892-0123
 This is a FREE utility locating service.
 Call at least 48 hours before digging for any reason on your property.
Violators are subject to fines.

Prevent Mosquito Borne Illnesses in Orland Park

Eliminate Mosquito Breeding Areas

- Remove or empty water in old tires, in cans, buckets, drums, bottles or other places where mosquitoes might breed. Be sure to check clogged gutters and flat roofs that may have poor drainage. Make sure cisterns, fire barrels and trash containers are covered tightly with a lid or with 16-mesh screen.



- Empty plastic wading pools at least once a week and store indoors when not in use. Unused swimming pools should be covered or drained during mosquito season. (Note: If you choose to drain your pool, be sure the hydrostatic relief valve is open in order to keep it from floating out of the ground if the water table rises.)

- Change the water in bird baths and plant pots or drip trays at least once each week. Empty your pet's water bowl daily.



- Level the ground around your home so water can run off and not collect in low spots. Fill in holes or depressions near your home that accumulate

water. Fill in tree rot holes and hollow stumps that hold water.

- Orland Park residents with ornamental water gardens, should stock them with mosquito eating fish (e.g., minnows, "mosquito fish," or goldfish). They eat mosquito larvae.

- Keep woods and tall grass cut short; adult mosquitoes look for these shady places to rest during hot daylight hours.

- Use a fly swatter or household spray to kill mosquitoes, flies or other insects that get into buildings. Spray shrubbery and high weeds to kill adult insects. (Check the insecticide label to make sure the spray will not damage flowers or ornamental plants.)

- Small impoundments of water can be treated for mosquito larvae with "Bti," a bacterial insecticide. Many hardware store carry doughnut-shaped Bti briquettes (Mosquito Dunks®) for this purpose. Be sure to exactly follow the insecticide label directions.

- Some mosquito control methods are not very effective. Bug zappers are not effective in controlling biting mosquitoes. Various birds and bats will eat mosquitoes, but there is little scientific evidence that this reduces mosquitoes around homes.

Protection Against Mosquito Bites

- Avoid places and times when mosquitoes bite. Generally, the peak biting periods occur just before and after sunset and again just before dawn. Each species, however, has its own peak period of biting Tree-hole and Asian Tiger Mosquitoes, for example, feed during daylight hours in or near shaded or wooded areas.

- Be sure door and window screens are tight fitting and in good repair. Use mosquito netting when sleeping outdoors or in an unscreened structure and to protect small babies at all times.



- Wear appropriate clothing. Long-sleeved tops and long pants made of tightly woven materials keep mosquitoes away from the skin. Be sure, too, that your clothing is lightly colored. Keep trouser legs tucked into boots or socks.



- When it is necessary to be outdoors, apply insect repellent as indicated on the repellent label.

Using DEET Repellents To Prevent Bites

Read and follow the instruction on the label and avoid excessive use and over-application.

- The more DEET a product contains, the longer the repellent can protect against mosquito bites. However, concentrations higher than 50 percent do not increase the length of protection. For most situations, 10 percent to 25 percent DEET is adequate.

- To make sure you will not react to the repellent; apply the product to a small area of skin on your arm or leg before general use.

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Prevent Mosquito Borne Diseases *contd.*

- Use just enough repellent to cover exposed skin and/or clothing. After returning indoors, wash treated skin with soap and water. Wash treated clothing before wearing again.
- Do not spray directly on face; spray the repellent onto hands and then apply to face. Avoid sensitive areas like the eyes, mouth and nasal membranes.
- Do not apply over cuts, wounds or irritated skin. Do not use under clothing. Do not spray DEET-containing products in enclosed areas.
- Avoid spraying on plastics (such as watch crystals and eyeglasses frames), rayon, Spandex, other synthetic fabrics, leather and painted or varnished surfaces because DEET can damage those surfaces.
- DEET products will usually repel mosquitoes for several hours, so it is not necessary to reapply the repellent more frequently than that. DEET products will NOT repel stinging insects such as wasps and bees.



Caregivers should be especially cautious when using mosquito repellent that contains the chemical DEET, following the established guidelines.

- Do not apply DEET directly to children. Apply to your own hands and then put it on the child.
- Do not use DEET on children under the age of two months.

• DEET should not be used if in a product that combines the repellent with a sun screen. Sun screens often are applied repeatedly because they can be washed off. DEET is not water-soluble and will last up to eight hours. Repeated application may increase the potential toxic effects of DEET.

• Apply DEET sparingly on exposed skin; do not use under clothing. Do not use DEET on the hands of young children or spray on the face; avoid applying to areas around the eyes and mouth. Do not use DEET over cuts, wounds or irritated skin. Avoid spraying in enclosed areas; do not use DEET near food.

• Do not apply on hands or near eyes and mouths of young children. Do not allow children to apply repellents on themselves. Do not use repellents on infants. After returning indoors, wash any treated skin with soap and water. Store DEET and other repellents out of the reach of children.

Caution Required When Using DEET On Children

The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that repellents used on children should not contain more than 10 percent DEET.

- Dress children in long sleeves and pants and, when possible, apply repellent to clothing rather than skin.

Information provided by the Illinois Department of Public Health. Further information may be found at the following websites.

West Nile Virus:
www.idph.state.il.us/envhealth/wnv.htm
<http://www.epa.gov/pesticides/factsheets/chemicals/deet.htm>

The Public Works Department is treating the estimated 13,000 sewers and catch basins throughout the village. The environmentally-friendly treatment eliminates mosquito eggs before they hatch. This treatment is not harmful to humans or animals. Village staff will be accessing side and rear yard storm drains in easements on private property where the mosquitoes may breed.

Alternate Parking Announced for Taste of Orland Park

A number of alternate parking locations are available for Taste of Orland Park attendees, all within walking distance of the Village Center at 147th and Ravinia Avenue. **The parking lot at the Frederick T. Owens Village Hall will be reserved for handicapped parking only.**

John Humphrey Complex	147th & West Ave	First Personal Bank (after hours)	147th & Ravinia Ave
Marquette Bank	151st & West Ave	Office Complex (after hours)	151st & Ravinia Ave
Orland Junior High (front & back)	148th & West Ave	Cooper's Lot	147th & Ravinia Ave
High Point School	148th & West Ave	Vets' Center/Geo Brown	150th & West Ave
Orland Park Library	149th & Ravinia Ave	Old Village Hall	144th & Beacon Ave
DonTech	148th & Ravinia Ave		



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July 3 & 4

Two days of fun for everyone!
Celebrate America's birthday!



**LIBERTY FAMILY
FUN RUN**
Centennial Park
Monday, July 3

Limited to 500 runners.
Register at Loebe or Sportsplex.



FINE ART FAIR
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Orland Park
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43rd & LaGrange
Juried outdoor exhibit



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Information included here is subject to change. Visit the 25 community and sponsor booths at the Taste of Orland Park!



FRIDAY,
AUGUST 4
5:00 PM TO
11:00 PM

SATURDAY,
AUGUST 5
1:00 PM TO
11:00 PM

SUNDAY,
AUGUST 6
1:00 PM TO
9:00 PM

Live shows on two stages. Music, comedy, karaoke & more!

For a full schedule, visit the village's website or call 403-PARK.

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Canoe Club
Cold Stone Creamery
Cooper's Hawk
Mo's Chinese Kitchen
Oberweiss Dairy
Original Six Bar & Grill
Palermo's
Papa Joe's Restaurant
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KIDS' DAY
Sat, Aug 5 - 1pm to 5pm
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2006 ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT

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Annual Water Quality Report for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2005

This report is intended to provide you with important information about your drinking water and the efforts made by the ORLAND PARK water system to provide safe drinking water. The source of drinking water used by ORLAND PARK is Purchase from Oak Lawn. For more information regarding this report, contact John J. Ingram at 708/403-6350.

Este informe contiene informacion muy importante sobre el agua que usted bebe. Traduzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

Source of Drinking Water

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and groundwater wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can **pick up** substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plant, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.

Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.

Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infections by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Source Water Assessment Availability

A Source Water Assessment Summary is included below for your convenience. The Illinois EPA considers all surface water sources of community water supply to be susceptible to potential pollution problems. The very nature of surface water allows contaminants to migrate into the intake with no protection only dilution. This is the reason for mandatory treatment for all surface water supplies in Illinois. Chicago's offshore intakes are located at a distance that shoreline impacts are not usually considered a factor on water quality. At certain times of the year, however, the potential for contamination exists due to wet-weather flows and river reversals. In addition, the placement of the crib structures may serve to attract waterfowl, gulls and terns that frequent the Great Lakes area, thereby concentrating fecal deposits at the intake and thus compromising the source water quality. Conversely, the shore intakes are highly susceptible to storm water runoff, marinas and shoreline point sources due to the influx of groundwater to the lake.

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Water Report

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Throughout history, there have been extraordinary steps taken to assure a safe source of drinking water in the Chicagoland area. From the building of the offshore cribs and the introduction of interceptor sewers to the lock-and-dam system of Chicago's waterways and the city's Lakefront Zoning Ordinance. The city now looks to the recently created Department of the Water Management, Department of Environment and the MWRDGC to assure the safety of the city's water supply. Also, water supply officials from Chicago are active members of the West Shore Water Producers Association.

Coordination of water quality situations (i.e., spills, tanker leaks, exotic species, etc) and general lake conditions are frequently discussed during the association's quarterly meetings. Also, Lake Michigan has a variety of organizations and associations that are currently working to either maintain or improve water quality. Finally, one of the best ways to ensure a safe source of drinking water is to develop a program designed to protect the source water against potential contamination on the local level. Since the predominant land use within Illinois' boundary of Lake Michigan watershed is urban, a majority of the watershed protection activities in this document are aimed at this purpose.

2005 Regulated Contaminants Detected										
Water Quality Test Results										
Definitions: The following tables contain scientific terms and measures, some of which may require explanation.										
Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL): The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCL's are set as close to the Maximum Contaminant Level Goal as feasible using the best available treatment technology.										
Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLG's allow for a margin of safety.										
mg/l: milligrams per liter or parts per million - or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water.										
µg/l: micrograms per liter or parts per billion - or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water.										
n/a: not applicable. nd: Not detectable at testing limits.										
Avg: Regulatory compliance with some MCL's are based on running annual average of monthly samples.										
Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL): The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water.										
Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDLG): The level of disinfectant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLG's allow for a margin of safety.										
Treatment Technique (TT): A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.										
Coliform Bacteria										
Maximum Contaminant Level Goal	Total Coliforms Maximum Contaminant Level	Highest No. of Positive Total Coliform Samples in any month	Fecal Coliform or E-Coli Maximum Contaminant Level	Total No. of Positive E-Coli or Fecal Coliforms	Violation	Likely source of Contamination				
0	1% of monthly samples are positive	0	Fecal Coliform or E-Coli MCL: A water sample are total coliform positive, and one is also coliform or E-Coli positive.	0	No	Naturally present in the environment				
Lead and Copper - Test Date 11/23/2005										
Definitions:										
Action Level (AL): The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.										
Action Level Goal (ALG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. ALG's allow for a margin of safety.										
Lead MCLG	Lead Action Level (AL)	Lead 90 th Percentile	95ths Over Lead AL	Copper MCLG	Copper Action Level (AL)	Copper 90 th Percentile	95ths Over Copper AL	Likely Source of Contamination		
0 µg/l	1.5 µg/l	3 µg/l	0	1.3 µg/l	1.3 µg/l	<0.01 µg/l	0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits		
Regulated Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level	Range of Levels Detected	Unit of Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Violation?	Likely Source of Contamination		
Disinfectants & Disinfection By-Products										
Total Chlorine	7/12/2005	25.71	13.18 - 25.71	ppb	n/a	60	No	By-product of drinking water chlorination		
Trihalomethanes (THMs)	10/4/2005	44.43	18.88 - 44.43	ppb	n/a	80	No	By-product of drinking water chlorination		
Chlorine	11/30/2005	4076	0.6277 - 0.6076	ppm	MRDLG =4	MRDL =4	No	Water additive used to control microbes		
Note: The state requires monitoring of certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Therefore, some of this data may be more than one year old.										
City of Chicago Parent Supplier Monitoring Data										
Contaminant	Average Level	Range of Levels Detected	Unit of Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Violation?	Likely Source of Contamination			
Inorganic Contaminants										
Barium	0.021	0.020-0.022	ppm	2	2	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits			
Chloride	5.4	N4 - 5.6	ppb	100	100	No	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural deposits			
Nitrate-Nitrite	0.340	N4 - 0.340	ppm	10	10	No	Rainfall from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits			
Nitrate (As Nitrogen)	0.340	N4 - 0.340	ppm	10	10	No	Rainfall from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits			
State Regulated Contaminants - There is not a state or federal MCL for sediments. Monitoring is required to provide information to consumers and health officials that are concerned about sediment intake due to dietary precursors. If you are on a sediment-restricted diet, you should consult a physician about this level of sediment in the water. Fluoride is added to the water supply to help prevent strong tooth. The Illinois Department of Public Health recommends an optimal fluoride range of 0.7mg/l to 1.2 mg/l.										
Sodium	7.81	7.390 - 7.580	ppm	n/a	n/a	No	Erosion of naturally occurring deposits; used as water softener regeneration			
Fluoride	0.859	0.500 - 1.01	ppm	4	4	No	Erosion of natural deposit; Water additive which prevents strong tooth; Fertilizer discharge			
Unregulated Contaminants										
Sulfate	26,700	25,800 -	ppm	n/a	n/a	No	Erosion of naturally occurring deposits			
27,600										
Radioactive Contaminants										
Radium-226/228	2.00	nd-2.06	pCi/l	0	50	No	Erosion of naturally occurring deposits; Test date 11/25/2001			
Microbial Contaminants - Turbidity is a measurement of the cloudiness of the water. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of water quality and the effectiveness of our filtration system and disinfectants.										
Turbidity (2pcU NTU)	100%	n/a	NTU	n/a	TT	No	Soil Runoff			
Turbidity (NTU)	0.045	0.04 - 0.12	NTU	n/a	TT=1N TT=3ms	No	Soil Runoff			
The percentage of Total Organic Carbon (TOC) removal was monitored each month and the system met all TOC removal requirements set by IEPA.										

Citizens should be aware that every day activities in an urban setting might have a negative impact on their source water.

Efforts should be made to improve awareness of storm water drains and their direct link to the lake within the identified local source water area.

A proven best management practice (BMP) for this purpose has been the identification and stenciling of storm water drains within a watershed. Stenciling along with an educational component is necessary to keep the lake a safe and reliable source of drinking water.

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Village of Orland Park's Annual Garden Contest Returns

Village Residents Invited To Participate



Since the village's annual Garden Contest was created in 1999, more than 150 beautiful gardens have been entered. First, second, and third place winners, along with honorable mention awards, are awarded each year. All of the gardens featured in the village's 2nd Annual Garden Walk on Sunday, June 25th are previous Garden Contest winners.

Traditional and unusual gardens are welcomed and judging will be based on originality, creativity and overall maintenance, as well as the use of native landscaping, color, texture and the variety and combination of plants and flowers used. The deadline for entries is July 10. Judging will take place in July and awards will be presented at a Village of Orland Park Board of Trustees meeting in August or September. Contestants do not need to be home at the time of judging. For more information, call 403-6145.

Please clearly PRINT or TYPE all information. The deadline for entries is July 10, 2006.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Subdivision: _____

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

I hereby give my permission to the Village of Orland Park and its Garden Contest representatives to enter my property for the purpose of consideration in the Village of Orland Park Garden Contest. I hereby grant my irrevocable permission to the Garden Contest and its authorized agents to use my name, and any photographs, videotapes, motion pictures, recordings or any other record of my participation in this event for any purpose.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Completed applications must be returned to the address below on or before July 10, 2006.
Village of Orland Park Garden Contest 14700 South Ravinia Avenue Orland Park, Illinois 60462