



Village of Elwood

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Proud of our past, Building our future

Village President: William E. Offerman

May 2010 Status Report

Village offers enhanced recycling services

The Village of Elwood and Waste Management are pleased to announce improved refuse and recycling services. In order to advance Elwood's commitment to recycling, each household will receive a 64-gallon wheeled recycling cart. The new, larger carts will make recycling much easier and will encourage greater participation in our recycling program. The new, sturdy commercial grade cart will have wheels for easy movement and a hinged lid. The recycling carts will have a yellow lid for easy identification. Further information will be mailed to residents later this month. For more information, or to request a smaller recycling cart, contact Waste Management at 800-796-9696.

Be considerate of neighbors

As our warm-weather season approaches, we're all ready for spring and summer backyard get-togethers. Please keep in mind, though, that too much noise can be a problem for the neighbors. We ask residents to keep noise and music levels low. Also, be sure to wrap up the festivities at an early hour so neighbors won't be disturbed. Elwood's noise ordinance will be enforced by our police department, but a little courtesy is even more effective. Be considerate of your neighbors and create great neighborhoods.

Capital Improvement Project kicks off May 17

Elwood's 2010 Capital Improvement Project is scheduled to begin on May 17. Austin Tyler Construction, the job's low bidder, will perform the extensive roadway project. The village-wide improvements will be paid for by capitol funds, meaning there will be no cost to Elwood taxpayers. The initial phase will focus on crack filling and striping, and later stages will center on asphalt overlay and resurfacing. A detailed construction map is on display at Elwood Village Hall.

Elwood PD comes in under budget

The Elwood Police Department spent significantly less money than projected for the 2009 fiscal year. Police Chief Dave Albert reported the department was \$130,000 under budget last year. That money was returned to Elwood's general operating fund for the 2010 fiscal budget. The department was able to save money by capitalizing on area partnerships, grant opportunities and conservative spending practices.

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Annual water report available

This year's Village of Elwood Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) is currently available at Elwood Village Hall. The CCR is published annually and informs residents about local water quality. The CCR will be published in the May 19th edition of the Wilmington Free Press Advocate and will be posted online at the village Website.

Elwood Garage Sale Days approaching

Elwood All-Town Sales will be held on Saturday, June 5 & Sunday, June 6. Have your address included on the sale map by contacting Elwood Village Hall, 815-423-5011.

Library plans summer story time in Elwood

The Manhattan/Elwood Public Library District will kick off the 2010 Summer Reading Program on Sat. May 22 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. The library will host Storytime at Lloyd Erickson Park on June 16 & 30 and July 14 & 28 from 11:30 until 12:30. For more information, contact the library at 815-478-3987.

New Tai Chi session begins

A new session of Tai Chi will begin on Monday, May 24th at 10 a.m. in the village hall community room. The six-week session, sponsored by Senior Services Center of Will County will run through June 28th. The cost is \$7.50 for the entire session. Sign up at Elwood Village Hall.

Instructors Wanted

The Village of Elwood is seeking instructors for summer programs. Those interested in creating a class or event should submit an Instructor Information Form to the recreation coordinator. Forms are available at the village hall and on the village Website.

Weight Watchers welcomes new members

Weight Watchers in Elwood is a convenient and effective health management program. Meetings are held at the village hall community room every Friday from 9:30 until 10:00 am. Members weigh-in begins at 9 a.m. New members are welcome.

Register now for Yoga in the Garden

Yoga in the Garden will be held at the children's garden on Tuesdays and Thursdays from June 15 through August 12 from 7:30-8:30 a.m. Register for the Tuesday session or the Thursday session separately at a cost of \$40 for 9 classes. Register by June 8 by calling Sheila at 815-423-5046. Walk-ins welcome if space allows at a cost of \$7 per class.