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The Village News

Committed to our future ... inspired by our past

Message from the Mayor



Mayor Jeff Pruyn

the Highland Games, Fourth of July Fireworks, Itascafest and then our Oktoberfest (In September). I, like so many of you, really enjoy our festivals. I believe it is a big part of what makes Itasca a great place to live. All of the funding used on special events comes from the Village's Hotel Tax. Because we are a non-home rule community, the Village can only spend the funds collected from our 1,115 hotel rooms to promote tourism. Since we do not have a zoo, concert hall, stadium or area attraction we use special events to attract visitors to our Village. The Village Board and I look forward to seeing you at these events.

The Village has long sought the creation of a Quiet Zone for the railroad tracks. A quiet zone is a status whereby trains are not required to blow their horns as they pass at grade crossings, which is a federal mandate. To establish the quiet zone we did have to put up the medians on Prospect, Walnut, Catalpa and Rohlwing. Now, this does not mean trains cannot blow their horns; they can if they see a safety related issue. One such issue is people walking around the downed gates. This is a serious issue and our police will issue very expensive fines for this violation. Itasca is double tracked and we would never want to see anyone harmed so please never go around a downed gate.

Every year the Village must pass a budget for its fiscal year of May 1st- April 30th. This year I am proud to say that we are passing a balanced budget with no new fees or taxes. This was not easy as many of our costs have gone up and some of our key revenue sources declined from previous levels. But, the Village Board and I felt that it was important to tighten the belt as much as we could, without severely

impacting services levels and to come in balanced. Now, with major issues like the funding of police and public employee pensions, property tax freezes (proposed at the state), the possibility of the loss of state shared revenue and our reliance on sales tax receipts are still out there. And, then there is our need to keep up with our infrastructure replacement programs. Without new sources of revenue hard decisions are coming.

My last topic is on electrical aggregation. The Village's aggregation program has been a big success, saving the average Itasca homeowner \$400 since the inception of the program. However, since the Village last renewed pricing for its aggregation program, the pricing of all several commodities has seen declines. Similarly, electricity pricing has seen a significant drop over the last year.

As such, the recently released ComEd base rate is now competitive with the Village's current electric aggregation program rate, which drops to 6.373¢ per kWh in July. For the summer months of June 2016 to September 2016, ComEd's rate is 6.19¢ per kWh and from October 2016 through May 2017 is 6.308¢ (subject to change). Please note however, the ComEd's rate will increase or decrease on a monthly basis by up to 0.50¢per kWh because of the Purchased Electricity Adjustment (PEA). Specifically, the ComEd rate will vary from 5.690¢ to 6.808¢. More information on these rates can be found at www.pluginillinois.com. (Be sure to add the Transmission Charges as part of the Price-to-Compare.) The PEA only applies to the ComEd rate; the Village program rate will NOT be affected by the PEA.

Residents may be better served by switching back to ComEd for the duration of the Village's program which expires in August 2017. The Village aggregation program has no early termination fee, so any resident wanting to move to the lower ComEd rate may do so with no penalty by calling the Village's current supplier, Homefield, at 1-866-694-1262. (Neither the Village nor ComEd can switch your account, only Homefield.) Residents should have their ComEd account number on hand when they call.

Message from the Village Administrator

Com Ed Poles

In March the Village held an open house to bring forth information about Commonwealth Edison's West Central Reliability Project; a project that calls for the installation of 140-170 foot high steel poles that will carry high voltage power lines connecting Itasca to Bartlett along Prospect Avenue and the south side of Thorndale.

Commonwealth Edison's plan was dealt a blow when the Federal Aviation Administration and the Illinois Department of Transportation both denied the request to have poles installed adjacent to the Schaumburg Airport. Now, Commonwealth Edison can appeal that decision, or refile with an alternative plan, but that will take time and the outcome of the appeal is not certain. What this means is that Commonwealth Edison cannot install poles along their preferred route in these areas. And, right after that decision, **Commonwealth Edison stated that they planned to put the project on hold for at least six months to review options.**

However, the Village of Itasca is not sitting idle during these six months. We continue to work with our neighboring communities to put pressure on Commonwealth Edison to either drop the project entirely or should they seek to move forward, that they bury the lines versus putting them on poles. To that end, we have jointly engaged the services of a lobbying firm and have crafted and are in the process of introducing this state legislation that requires the undergrounding of new transmission lines. We have also continued our dialogue with Commonwealth Edison officials regarding this most important issue.

As of the writing of this article, there is nothing new to report. But, when updates are available they will be posted on the Village's website and if you are signed up you could be given an e-mail notifying you that there is new information.

Also, during this time period you are encouraged to write an objection to the Illinois Commerce Commission.

Tollway Update

This construction season our businesses and residents will see dramatic changes to what used to be Thorndale Avenue. The Tollway will be building the elevated westbound lanes which will include work at Park Boulevard, Arlington Heights Road and at Prospect. They will also be building the new west bound on ramp from Ketter Drive.

The new Tollway (I390) is all electronic with no toll booths, with tolling beginning on July 05th on the portion of the road from I290 west. You can purchase an IPASS at the local Jewel food store on Irving Park Road.

If you do take the road, caution is advised as there are periodic lane configuration changes and construction vehicles and construction workers in the area.



O'Hare Runway Usage

The Village is a member of the Suburban O'Hare Commission (SOC), a group of municipalities, DuPage County, and Elk Grove Township that has banded together to have a stronger voice in local issues. One such issue is the City of Chicago's proposed overnight runway rotation plan. Chicago has agreed to work with us on the overnight runway usage issue so SOC has hired aviation experts to review Chicago's plans and to advocate for the fair use of all runways including the remaining diagonal runways.

For the overnight hours (roughly 10pm-6am), we have suggested that the airport adopt a runway rotation plan based on the weather conditions and a fair distribution of traffic over all available runways. While this will not eliminate airplane noise or eliminate flights over homes, it will distribute the noise burden on nights when a particular runway is not being used. Chicago plans to perform a trial of a rotational runway plan starting in June and lasting six months and when completed, Chicago, the O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission, (and SOC) will evaluate the results of the trial to determine whether the plan is feasible or needs adjustment.

Community Development

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Swimming Pool Permit Requirements

After a long, cold winter, summer is finally here! If you are planning on installing an above ground or in ground swimming pool to beat the heat, please be aware that a building permit is required. Permit applications are available online or at the Community Development Department in Village Hall.

A pool permit is required for any type of pool, including inflatables, over 24 inches deep. Where a pool is installed, a 4 foot tall self-latching fence must be in place. If no fence exists, the permit application materials should also show the location of the proposed fence which can be located around the entire yard, around the pool area only, or a safety fence may be used if installed on above ground pools.

Getting a permit is easy. Just fill out a permit application and submit it along with a copy of your plat of survey showing the location of the pool, fence, and pool equipment. Be sure to take into consideration the location of overhead power lines and other utilities when deciding where to build your pool. If a contractor is used for any of the work, they will need to be registered with the Village prior to permit issuance. Once the Community Development Department has all of the required information, it takes approximately 10 days for the permit to be issued.

Please remember to keep a close eye on children and anyone that may be using the pool without having received swim instruction. Other helpful things to consider:

- Take swim lessons
- Learn CPR
- Install alarms on gates leading to pools
- Keep rescue and first aid equipment nearby
- Enforce no running/no horseplay rules
- Avoid consuming alcohol while swimming or supervising others
- Always swim with a buddy
- Make sure the pool is well maintained
- Do not use any pool equipment that can be mistaken for toys
- Do not use any electric appliances in or near the pool

For additional safety tips, please visit: <http://www.poolsafely.gov/>

Questions? Contact us at 630-773-5568. Building Permit information, forms, and contractor registration requirements are available on the Village's website at www.itasca.com under the "Community Development" tab.



Itasca Means Business!

The Village of Itasca is proud of its business community and would like to extend a warm welcome to the following companies which recently received Village Board approval to operate in our town:

BGC Holdings

923 W. Irving Park Rd.
(Video gaming café)

Systematic Screen Printing

1625 Norwood Ave.
(Point of purchase custom displays)

LiveVoice

963 W. Hawthorne Dr.
(Answering service)

Baron Manufacturing Company

730 Baker St.,
(Fastening products distributor)

Family Entertainment Group

1265 Hamilton Pkwy.
(Corporate office)

Village of Itasca Schedule of Monthly Meetings

Monday:	Plan Commission Review – 6:30 pm preceding the third Wednesday of the month	Thursday:	1st Thursday – Historical Commission (as needed) – 7:00 pm 3rd Thursday – Historical Commission 7:00 pm
Tuesday:	1st Tuesday – Board of Trustees – 7:00 pm 3rd Tuesday – Board of Trustees – 7:00 pm	Friday:	No Meetings Scheduled
Wednesday:	2nd Wednesday – School District #10 – 7:00 pm 3rd Wednesday – Plan Commission – 7:00 pm 3rd Wednesday – Peer Jury – as Scheduled		

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Tollway to Start Collecting Tolls on IL Rt. 390 This Summer

Beginning July 5, 2016, cashless tolling will begin on IL Rt. 390/ Elgin O'Hare Tollway from Lake Street to I-290. Portions of the Elgin O'Hare east of I-290 will not be charged tolls until a later date.

The Elgin O'Hare Tollway is the first, all-electronic roadway on the Illinois Tollway system, which provides for a safer, more efficient and seamless method of collecting tolls from customers.

I-PASS customers can drive on the IL Rt. 390 Tollway and benefit from a 50 percent discount on tolls. Transponders need to be mounted correctly. While multiple vehicles can be linked to an I-PASS account, each vehicle needs a separate transponder.

Since there are no toll booths or automated coin machines available along the Illinois Route 390 Tollway, all customers are driving on an I-PASS Tollway. Drivers with an unpaid toll should make note of the toll collection location by identifying the toll plaza name, number or the nearest milepost and go online at www.illinoistollway.com or pay by mail within the 7-day grace period.

For the month of July, drivers with unpaid tolls will have an extended grace period to pay until **July 31, 2016**. After this date, the 7-day grace period will resume.

Need an I-PASS? Customers will save 50 percent on tolls when they get a transponder in person, online, by phone or by mail. The nearest I-PASS Customer Service Center is at the O'Hare Oasis on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294). In addition, nearly 200 Jewel-Osco locations in Illinois sell I-PASS transponders including:

- Wood Dale – 343 W. Irving Park Road
- Elk Grove Village - 20 Biesterfield Road
- Carol Stream - 750 W. Army Trail Road
- Glendale Heights - 2164 Bloomingdale Road
- Schaumburg - 1151 S. Roselle Road and 2501 Schaumburg Road

Please note Jewel-Osco applies a \$2.90 service charge per transponder. Activation is required for transponders; instructions are included in the transponder box.

With questions or to manage an I-Pass account, Tollway customers can call 1-800-UC-IPASS or go online to www.illinoistollway.com.

Report on Green Day 2016, Saturday May 7th 2016

All numbers below are ESTIMATED:

Number of cars

350 - 400

Electronics collected

8,000 - 10,000 pounds

Motor Oil

150 gallons

Antifreeze

40 gallons

Cooking oils/Grease

5 gallons

Steel/Metals

300 pounds

Batteries

800 pounds

Clothes/Cloth items

50 pounds

Bicycles

16

Prescription drugs

to be determined

American Flags

7 flags

Eyeglasses

80 pairs

Paper

8,000 pounds

SCARCE items

250 pounds of miscellaneous materials

Village of Itasca

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NEW Monday Movie Night @ the Library

Join us for a different movie each month on the library's big screen. Complimentary popcorn will be provided.

Ferris Bueller's Day Off
Monday, June 20
7:00 p.m.

Dr. Strangelove
Monday, July 25
7:00 p.m.

Race
Monday, August 15
6:30 p.m.

Fun at the Library this Summer!

Come to the library this summer for many fun and engaging programs for kids, teens, and adults. Learn something new or join one of our ongoing monthly groups. Many programs will tie in with our sports and games theme this summer. Don't forget to sign up for the annual summer reading club; both kids and adults can earn prizes for reading! See details below.

The library can also meet your summer travel needs. Check out a travel packet with information on the state or country of your choice. Get audiobooks for a long car ride, and don't forget about e-books, including our new e-magazines available through Zinio. If you are staying local this summer, check out a Museum Adventure Pass for discounts or free admission to local suburban museums including the Illinois Railway Museum, Brookfield Zoo, and Naper Settlement.

Read for the Win Summer Reading Clubs • May 31 – July 30

Youth and Teen Summer Reading Clubs

Join one of our Read for the Win Summer Reading Clubs to earn fun prizes! In addition to earning prizes for reading, there will be a weekly drawing for children and teens who regularly use the library. Stop by the Youth Help Desk some time each week to get your reading club folder stamped, and earn a ticket for the weekly drawing or a chance to spin the prize wheel!

Little Listeners Club: Birth – Age 2

Read 20 books and receive a prize for your baby or toddler.

Youth Club: Age 3 – Entering Grade 1

Earn prizes for reading or listening to 20, 30, and 40 books. For every 10 books you read after that, you'll earn a chance to spin the prize wheel!

Youth and Teen Clubs: Entering Grade 2 – High School

Earn prizes for reading 5, 10, and 15 hours. For every 5 hours you read after that, you'll earn a chance to enter the grand prize drawing!

Adult Summer Reading Club

Reading always makes you a winner! Starting May 31, sign up for our popular Adult Summer Reading Club and read three books or more through July 30 for a chance to win many fabulous prizes. Sign up within the first three weeks to win early bird prizes.

All formats of books count – print, digital, audio – as long as they are checked out from the Itasca Community Library starting May 31. Register on our website or at the library and receive a reading log and a scratch-off ticket for a possible prize. After you have read three books, your name will be entered into the grand drawing. Continue to read to earn additional chances to win.

This year's grand prizes include a membership to the Itasca Country Club, dinner for two at Eaglewood, a Brookfield Zoo membership, a one-night stay at the Westin, Lettuce Entertain You gift cards, and more! Open to ages 18 and up – all you need is a valid library card from any library.



Follow the Itasca Park District on Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest!

Visit our new website with Online Registration at www.itascaparkdistrict.com • 630-773-2257



Get the new Itasca Park District App!

Find current info and register for programs from your phone! Find it free in Apple or GooglePlay App stores!



Itasca Concert Series

begins June 8th and runs every other Wednesday at 7pm. July 6th and August 17th will be held at the Depot Museum, all others at Usher Park.

- *Second Hand Soul Band* – June 8th
- *Shout Out*– June 22nd
- *Chicago Tribute Anthology* – July 6th
- *New Odyssey* – July 20th
- *Wild Daisy* – August 3rd
- *Bopology* – August 17th



New Date!

The 20th Annual ItascaFest 3on3 Basketball Tournament will be held the weekend BEFORE ItascaFest on July 8 for kids & July 9 for Adults and Ages 30+.

Itasca Waterpark is open weekends beginning May 28 and weekdays beginning June 6th.

New this year: Pass Holders will receive early weekend admission at 11am! Get your passes now. For email or text alerts about the Waterpark visit: www.itascaparkdistrict.com/notifyme and select the Waterpark List.



Memorial Day Parade

Monday, May 30

9:30am Step-off at Franzen Park

Grand Marshalls: Gerry Danzer and Barbara Smith along with the Itasca Historical Society celebrating the 40th Anniversary of the Itasca Historical Depot Museum!

Community Wide Garage Sale

Purge your house! Don't miss the Community Wide Garage Sale on Sat June 11th from 8am-3pm at Itasca Residents' Homes. Register by June 6th! Free H2O Nights for grades 4th-9th at the Itasca Waterpark! Sundays 7:30-10pm on June 12, June 26, July 10, July 24 and Aug 7 This event is sponsored by the Village of Itasca.



Sponsored Event

Sing-a-long Movies at the Depot

Wed June 15 • *Singin' in the Rain*

Wed July 13 • *Mamma Mia*

Wed Aug 10 • *Hairspray*

Movies begin at sunset. Concessions will be available.

Visit the Itasca Fitness Center to get fit and feel great! We have Tai Chi, TRX, Yoga and Indoor Cycling classes to name a few.

Ice Cream with the Cops & Firefighters

Wed, July 27th from 1-2:30pm at Usher Park.

Don't miss this fun & free event! Play games and enjoy free ice cream.

The Itasca Park District has been named a Gold Medal Finalist for 2016 from the National Recreation and Park Association. The winner will be announced in October at the National Convention in St. Louis. IPD has won this prestigious award previously in 2003 and 2009.

Transit tax benefit

Recent congressional action increased the federal transit tax benefit. The result was that a transit rider can now claim up to \$255 per month free of Federal tax towards the purchase of transit service. This benefit obtained through an employer provides up to a 40% savings on the cost of commuting on transit for an employee. The increase from \$130 to \$255 means that all Metra monthly ticket zone fares are either fully or substantially covered (only the 5 stations in zones K and M are not fully covered). Pace and CTA fares are fully covered. New products from the RTA make it easier for the commuter to participate and provide even more savings for the employer. *Information on how to sign up is described below:*

Transit Benefits:

It's the RIDE Thing to Do

Roxann Galvan
Transit Benefit Program Manager
Regional Transportation Authority
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If you're looking for a way to save on your commuting costs, consider signing up for the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) Transit Benefit Fare program. It's a great benefit that saves employees up to 40% annually on commuting costs while also reducing the company's payroll taxes. It's simple to enroll and the cost savings and environmental benefits are priceless.

The RTA Transit Benefit Fare program is easy and affordable. It serves more than 1,400 companies throughout the Chicago region. Over 22,000 employees enjoy the benefit of saving money while commuting on the Chicago Transit Authority, Metra, Pace, South Shore, Amtrak, Chicago Water Taxi, and other public transportation

providers. The low-cost program is easy for organizations to administer and manage, and provides a one-stop shop for all your employees' transit needs.

Here's how it works:

1. Check with your employer to see if they offer the RTA Transit Benefit Fare program.
2. If they offer the program, sign up!
3. If your employer doesn't offer the program, encourage them to enroll in the program by visiting www.mytransitbenefit.com or contacting the RTA at 312.913.3230.
4. Once your employer has enrolled into the RTA Transit Benefit Fare program, just sign up!

It's that simple!



**Regional
Transportation
Authority**

Did you know that public transportation can save time and money, and produce environmental and health benefits as well? According to the American Public Transportation Association, employees who commute using transit rather than driving and parking can save up to \$916 monthly and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Additionally, employees who commute using transit get up to three times more physical activity per day than employees who commute by car. How's that for stress reduction?

Learn more about the RTA Transit Benefit Fare program by visiting www.mytransitbenefit.com.

Historic Commissioners Wanted

Itasca's Historical Commission is seeking volunteers with expertise and special interest in history, architecture, archeology and related fields to serve on the commission to help preserve and protect Itasca's historical assets. Much of Itasca's charm lies in its history. Many of Itasca's historic properties date as far back as the 1850s, giving the Village its identity as a charming oasis within the Chicago metropolitan area.

Historical Commission members serve a three-year term, and the commission meets monthly on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. on the 2nd floor of the Itasca Village Hall. For more information on the Historic Commission, please visit the Village's website at Itasca.com. Interested applicants are invited to apply for the Historic Commission in person by filling out an application at the Village Hall, or online by visiting www.itasca.com/volunteers.

COFFEE WITH
THE MAYOR

SATURDAY
JUNE 4TH

VILLAGE HALL
9AM - 1030AM

Join Mayor Pruyn to ask questions, talk about issues, and suggest improvements.

www.itasca.com

Water Billing Questions

Please send all questions about bills, rates, penalties, and setting up direct debit to waterbill@itasca.com

Itasca Fire Protection District Insurance Services Office (ISO) Rating

Approximately every ten years each fire department nationwide is evaluated by the Insurance Services Office (ISO). In February of this year the Itasca Fire Department was evaluated by ISO. The purpose behind the evaluation is to determine the fire protection abilities of the department. Using the data collected fire departments are graded on a scale of 1 -10. 1 being the best and 10 being the worst

Through the **Public Protection Classification (PPC™)** program, ISO evaluates municipal fire-protection efforts in communities throughout the United States. A community's investment in fire mitigation is a proven and reliable predictor of future fire losses. Insurance companies use PPC information to help establish fair premiums for fire insurance — generally offering lower premiums in communities with better protection. Many communities use the PPC as a benchmark for measuring the effectiveness of their fire-protection services. The PPC program is also a tool that helps communities plan for, budget, and justify improvements.

To determine a community's Public Protection Classification (PPC™), ISO conducts a field survey. Expert ISO staff visit the community to observe and evaluate features of the fire protection systems. Using our manual called the Fire Suppression Rating Schedule (FSRS), ISO objectively evaluates four major areas:

Emergency communications systems

A review of the emergency communications systems accounts for 10 points of the total classification. The review focuses on the community's facilities and support for handling and dispatching alarms for structure fires.

Fire department

A review of the fire department accounts for 50 points of the total classification. ISO focuses on a community's fire suppression capabilities. We measure suppression capabilities based on the fire department's first-alarm response and initial attack to minimize potential loss. Here, ISO reviews such items as engine companies, ladder or service companies, deployment of fire companies, equipment carried on apparatus, pumping capacity, reserve apparatus, company personnel, and training.

Water supply

A review of the water supply system accounts for 40 points of the total classification. ISO evaluates the community's water supply system to determine the adequacy for fire suppression purposes. We also consider hydrant size, type, and installation, as well as the frequency and completeness of hydrant inspection and flow-testing programs.

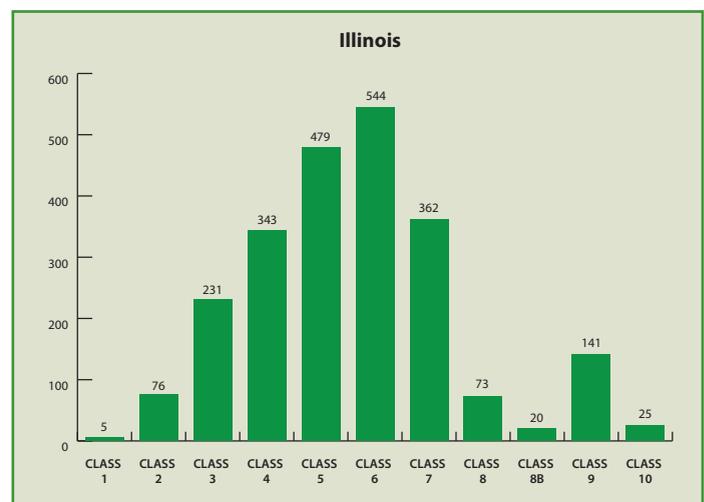
Community risk reduction

We review a community's risk reduction efforts and credit them in the Community Risk Reduction section, which allows for extra credit of up to 5.5 points for a potential total of 105.5. That takes into account fire prevention code adoption and enforcement, public fire safety education, and fire investigation.

After completing the field survey, ISO analyzes the data and calculates a PPC. The grading then undergoes a quality review. The community will receive a notification letter identifying the new PPC. ISO also provides a hydrant-flow summary sheet, along with a Public Protection Classification Summary Report. The summary explains each subcategory and indicates the total points the community earned. The report also indicates the performance needed to receive full credit for each specific section in the schedule, as well as the quantity actually provided.

In April 2016 the Itasca Fire Protection received their evaluation report. **The District earned a #3 rating** on 99.9% of the District it protects. Only a handful of homes that lie in unincorporated areas over 1000 feet from a hydrant would be assessed #9. All building owners are encouraged to check with their respective insurance agents to make sure they are receiving the correct rating for their insurance rates. Below is a chart that outlines how the District compares to all departments state wide.

Information provided courtesy of www.isomitigation.com



School's Out: Summer safety tips for drivers and parents

As the end of the school year approaches, the Itasca Police Department reminds residents and parents about the importance of keeping kids safe throughout the summer months.

First and foremost ... please remember to drive safely and use proper child seating and safety belts. It could save your child's life, yours and protect your family.

Here are other tips for keeping our children safe this summer:



Tips for Parents

- Parents, grandparents and caregivers need to use the correct seat for young passengers and be sure the seat is installed properly.
- Focus on the basics. Teach your children to make eye contact with the driver before they cross, even if the walk signal is on.
- Remind your children to walk, don't run, across the road and to stop, look and listen before crossing the street. Teach your children to cross at intersections that have a marked crosswalk or a pedestrian crossing light.
- When walking with your child, avoid unnecessary shortcuts like walking through a parking lot. Drivers may not see children between parked cars and the children may not see the cars moving.
- Never allow children to play outside or walk anywhere alone, and report any suspicious strangers or vehicles to police.
- Children should never be allowed to play unsupervised around streams, pools, retention ponds or other bodies of water.
- Make sure children always wear a helmet when biking, skateboarding, roller skating or riding a scooter.
- Children should never be left alone inside of your car, even for a few minutes. When left in a hot vehicle, a young child's core body temperature can increase three to five times faster than that of an adult causing permanent injury or death.
- Always lock your car and ensure children do not have access to keys or remote entry devices. Teach your children that vehicles are never to be used as a play area.

Tips for Drivers

- Look for kids playing near the street and slow down.
- Pay attention when you're behind the wheel and scan the entire area around you. Children are often unpredictable and unaware of danger around them.
- The last week of school is an exciting time for children and they may become preoccupied and forget safety rules. Use extra caution when driving through school zones.
- Remember that playground speed limits remain in effect year round. Observe carefully when driving around playgrounds and parks. Small children are less predictable and harder to see than adults.
- Watch for clues, a hockey net or ball in the road or on the sidewalk can mean kids are playing nearby. Pay attention and always anticipate the unexpected.
- Always watch for small children as you're backing up. Walk around your vehicle to make sure no kids or pets are behind it.
- Don't text or talk on your cell phone while driving – even hands-free. And don't program your mobile GPS while you are driving. Have a passenger do it or stop in a safe place.

Enjoy the summer with your children - SAFELY!

New Deputy Chief Appointed

Sergeant John Matuga was officially sworn in as Deputy Chief of Administration on April 5, 2016 at the Village Board meeting. Deputy Chief Matuga will be entering his seventeenth year with the Itasca Police Department, starting his career in November 2000.

Throughout his career, DC Matuga has held the positions of Accident Reconstructionist, Field Training Officer, Truck Enforcement Officer, Assistant Volunteer Coordinator and Volunteer Coordinator, PRD administrator, NAMI and PADS liaison. John was promoted to Sergeant in April 2008 and Watch Sergeant in November 2011.

John holds an Associate degree in Applied Science for Aviation from Southern Illinois University (SIU) and a Bachelor degree from National Lewis College (NL) in Business Management. He is a product of Chicago Public Schools (CPS) having attended Lane Technical High School. In addition to this he attended (2008) Northwestern University (NU) School of Public Safety (SPS) for his supervisor training.

“Deputy Chief John Matuga has contributed to the success of the police department since becoming an Itasca Police Officer in 2000. D.C. Matuga brings to his new position the insight, skills and perseverance required to be a 21st century law enforcement administrator. I am confident the department and community will benefit from his positive, progressive attitude and professionalism,” said Chief O'Connor.

When asked about his new appointment, Deputy Chief Matuga stated that he continues to enjoy the people he works with and is looking forward to the challenges and learning opportunities that the new position will provide.

Deputy Chief Matuga can be reached at jmatuga@itasca.com.

Congratulations Deputy Chief Matuga.



Officer Walker Sworn as Sergeant

Officer Walker was officially sworn in as Sergeant on April 5, 2016 at the Village Board meeting. Sergeant Walker began his career with the Itasca Police Department on January 21st, 2008. Sergeant Walker was previously a police officer in Muscatine, Iowa for a little over 11 years.

Throughout his career with the IPD, Sergeant Walker was assigned to several positions in the Department that included Field Training Officer and currently is the Field Training Supervisor. Sergeant Walker was promoted to Investigations February 6, 2013 and has served in that capacity for the last 3 years.

Sergeant Walker is a Member of the DuPage County Major Crimes Task Force and has completed multiple training classes in investigations and Field Training.

“Sergeant Walker has served the department admiralty throughout his eight year career and most recently while assigned to the investigation unit. Sergeant Walker holds himself to a high level work standard and will bring that commitment to his new appointment of patrol sergeant,” said Chief O'Connor.

When not at work, Sergeant Walker enjoys spending time in the outdoors with his family, kayaking, hiking and taking history tours while on vacation. When asked about his new appointment, Sergeant Walker stated “I am looking forward to the new chapter in my career and the opportunity to observe the community in my new capacity.”

Sergeant Walker is assigned to the day and afternoon shifts and can be reached at mwalker@itasca.com.

Congratulations Sergeant Walker.

Officer Mace Sworn as Sergeant

Officer Timothy Mace was officially sworn in as Sergeant on February 2, 2016 at the Village Board meeting. Sergeant Mace began his career with the Itasca Police Department on March 12, 2001.

Throughout his career, Sergeant Mace was assigned to several positions in the Department that included Field Training Officer and Evidence Technician. Tim was assigned to Investigations March 8, 2010 and has served in that capacity for the last six years.

Tim is a Member of the DuPage County Major Crimes Task Force and recently completed ILETSB Executive Institute 200 hour supervisory course.

Sergeant Mace has been recognized for his tenacity and dedication as an Officer and Investigator through several Department Accommodations, the Village Life Saving Award, and the DuPage County Police Association Valor Award Honorable Mention.

“Sergeant Mace will bring his expertise to this new appointment that will enhance the Police Department’s mission of providing excellent service to the community,” said Chief O’Connor.

In his off hours, Tim enjoys spending time with his family. When asked about his new appointment, Sergeant Mace stated “I am very grateful for the opportunity and very excited to start this new chapter of my career.”

Sergeant Mace is assigned to the day and afternoon shifts and can be reached at tmace@itasca.com.

Congratulations Sergeant Mace.



FREE Child Safety Seat Inspections

Did you know that over approximately 80% of all child car seats are installed improperly? The Itasca Police Department will be conducting a FREE Child Safety Seat Inspection on June 4, 2016 from 9:00AM until 1:00PM. The inspection consists of a certified technician inspecting the child safety seat and then showing you how to install the seat properly. The inspection will take place at the Itasca Police Department located at 540 W. Irving Park Road. Please plan on coming out on Saturday June 4th, 2016.



Save The Date:

Tuesday August 2 - 5-8:30pm

Village Hall Complex

Please bring a non-perishable food donation for an extra raffle ticket

Friends of ItascaFest 2016

The Itasca Lions Club, The Village of Itasca and The Itasca Park District would like to invite you to participate in an exclusive underwriting program. Your participation will help support local activities as well as benefit children and seniors in need.

As you may already know, every year on a weekend in July, the Village of Itasca puts on a summer celebration called ItascaFest. This year the dates are Thursday, July 14 through Sunday, July 17. Over these four days nearly 40,000 visitors will enjoy Food, Fun and Music! All of the entertainment is family oriented and mostly provided free of charge. Proceeds from this endeavor provide assistance for the blind, hearing impaired and handicapped, as well as foster many local youth and senior citizen programs.

We are asking local residents to become a "Friend of the Fest." By making a generous donation as a "Friend of the Fest" you will ensure the event's success before the rides are set up or the bands take the stage.

There are three levels of participation:

- Gold Cup = Donations of \$ 100
- Silver Cup = Donations of \$ 50
- Bronze Cup = Donations of \$25

All residents that become a "Friend of the Fest" will have their name prominently displayed on the 10'x 12' video screen in the main entertainment pavilion.

If you would like to become a "Friend of the Fest," please fill out the following form, enclose your check made payable to the Itasca Lions Club and return it to:

Itasca Lions Club
 Attn: Dan Kompanowski, Fest Chairman
 543 Birch Street
 Itasca, Illinois 60143

"Friend of the Fest" Donation Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Contribution amount:

- _____ Gold Cup = Donations of \$100.
- _____ Silver Cup = Donations of \$50.
- _____ Bronze Cup = Donations of \$25.

Thank you for supporting ItascaFest and making a difference
for the people we serve.

Tornado Season Is Here

Tornado Facts:

- Illinois ranks fifth in the United States for the most tornadoes per square mile.
- The majority of Illinois tornadoes have occurred between April 1 and June 30 and between the hours of 3:00 pm and 10:00 pm. However, tornadoes have occurred every month of the year at all hours of the day.
- Nearly 30 percent of all tornadoes in Illinois occur after dark.
- There is an average of 47 tornadoes each year in Illinois.
- There were 48 tornadoes reported in Illinois during 2014, which resulted in two injuries and nearly \$5 million in damage to homes and crops.
- In Illinois, since 1950:
 - 76 percent of tornadoes have been weak with wind less than 110 mph, 22 percent of tornadoes have been strong with wind between 110-167 mph,
 - 2 percent of tornadoes have been violent with wind greater than 167 mph. Two violent tornadoes occurred on November 17, 2013; one in Washington and one in New Minden.

Itasca Fest 2016

July 14-17

Washington Park • 350 E. Irving Park Road
Free Admission and Parking

Join the Itasca Lions as we celebrate 27 years of family fun and entertainment. Be sure to save the dates because there is something for everyone to enjoy. Itasca Fest is held in Washington Park, Usher Park, Bloomingdale Road between the two parks, and in the Itasca Park District building. The fishing contest is held at the Happy Acres Retention Basin located off of Bryn Mawr Avenue, just west of Maple Street. Watch for signs to know when to start fishing.

Featured events during the Fest include the following:

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| Live music daily | Health Fair |
| Carnival with unlimited ride specials | Fishing contest |
| 14 American and ethnic food vendors | Antique Flea Market |
| Free children's entertainment | Classic Car Show |
| Indoor cash bingo | |

See ItascaFest brochures for dates and times for all events.

Itasca Fest 2016 Band Schedule

Thursday July 14th

Shades of Blues • 7:00-10:30 pm

Friday July 15th

Jimmy Nick & Don't Tell Mama • 7:00-9:00 pm

Kashmir • 10:00 pm-Midnight

Saturday July 16th

SIXX • 2:00-5:00 pm

Axis • 7:00-9:00 pm

Lance Lipinsky And The Lovers • 10:00 pm-Midnight

Sunday July 17th

Pullman Jazz Society • 1:00-2:00 pm

Terry Salat (DJ) • 2:00-4:30 pm

The Priscallas • 5:30-7:30 pm

American English • 8:30-10:30 pm

How To Reduce Mosquitoes This Summer

To make time outside more enjoyable, there are some steps you can take to reduce pesky mosquitoes. First, think like a mosquito. The biggest draw for the mosquitoes is standing water. So look around your yard. Ensure standing water is eliminated or well managed. Bird baths, ponds, small pools, and even puddles, all look like resorts to mosquitoes.



It only takes seven to ten days for mosquitoes to breed and they can do so in as little as one fourth inch of standing water. So avoid creating those potential habitats by turning watering cans, empty flower pots and trays, wheel barrows, buckets, etc. upside down when not in use. Have a rain barrel? Make sure it's covered. Empty or exchange water weekly in bird baths and kiddie pools. And if you're going to be gone for an extended period, empty them completely. Landscape ponds have different mosquito control solutions. They can be treated with floating dunks that contain Bti, a bacteria that controls mosquito larvae without being harmful to fish or wildlife. Fountains also work because mosquitoes won't lay eggs in moving water. If you get standing water in your yard or garden, either from heavy rains or irrigation, take steps to drain the area or adjust irrigation respectively.

An easy step to remember: Take a weekly walk around your yard. A walk around the yard once a week looking for all of these potential mosquito invitations should do the trick.

Is there a best time to be outside? As much as we try, we aren't going to get rid of these pests completely. So we can be smart about when we're outside. Most mosquito species prefer to be active in dawn/early morning hours and again at dusk into evening. There are 'container breeding' species (*Aedes aegypti* and *Aedes albopictus*) that have daytime activity. Taking the steps above while minding when you go outside will help you enjoy your yard more.

Are there plants that can fend off mosquitoes? Yes. You can incorporate plants into your garden that repel mosquitoes. Herbs such as basil, rosemary, lemongrass, garlic, lemon thyme and mint are natural mosquito repellents, as well as many other types of plants. You can easily use them throughout the yard and garden as functional edible accents and aesthetic interest! Many of these repellent plants grow well in pots too, perfect for your deck, patio, balcony or porch.

Should I consider using a service to control mosquitoes? There can be times of the year when populations are so great in your area that you can't do enough to keep them out of your back yard haven. Many commercial services can provide you with reliable relief for 5-7 days. Consider using such a service when you have an outdoor event or gathering when you don't want to mosquitoes as guests.

– See more at: <http://www.clarke.com/blog/un-invite-mosquitoes-yard/#sthash.U5VUVSpu.dpuf> Adapted from Clarke.com article by David McLaughlin

Conservation Outside:

Help Preserve Every Drop by Adopting these Tips for Outdoor Water Conservation

In DuPage County, the average person uses 106 gallons of water each day. Approximately 31% of this water is used for outdoor purposes.

Summer Watering Regulations

In the Village of Itasca sprinkling is allowed from Midnight to Noon and 6:00 pm-Midnight. Even numbered addresses may water on Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday & Sunday. Odd numbered addresses may water on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday. Regulations go in effect May 15 through September 15. (During an extreme shortage, as determined by the Village mayor, no water from the Village mains shall be used for any purpose outside a residence, business or other building. Use of water from rain barrels would still be allowed.)

Small steps in outdoor water use can save a lot of water

- Efficient water use can cut down on water waste and still provide water for plants and turf. Outdoor water efficiency is especially important during the hot summer months when as much as 50% of home water consumption is for watering lawns and gardens.

- A typical Illinois lawn needs about 1- 1 ½ inches of water each week, including rain, according to www.gardenillinois.com.

- Overwatering causes runoff, wastes water, and carries fertilizers and other chemicals into the storm sewer system, and from there into our local streams and ponds.

- A rain barrel is a water tank which is used to collect and store rainwater runoff, typically from rooftops. Instead of running down driveways and sidewalks to sewers, rainwater falls into a rain barrel where it can be stored for use in gardens and for house plants. They are a simple, efficient, low-cost method for homeowners to conserve water.

Mulching Trees

One inexpensive way to help your trees to grow, avoid drought stress, and be healthy is to use mulch. When used properly, mulch helps in a number of ways:

- It reduces weeds that may grow under the tree and near the trunk. Reducing or eliminating weeds reduces the need to trim near the base of the tree. String trimmers will cause damage to the bark of young trees, and can even injure mature trees if done over and over.
- It helps retain moisture. Good mulch will reduce the need to water in those areas it covers and helps protect the tree during dry periods by reducing the amount of moisture lost to evaporation around the tree.
- Organic mulches add nutrients to the soil as they decompose. This promotes more root growth and increases the ability of the soil to absorb and retain water.
- It gives a neat, finished appearance to the yard.
- It provides insulation to the surface roots of the tree, keeping the soil cooler in summer and warmer in winter.

Unfortunately, if done incorrectly, mulching a tree can also damage or even kill it. Do **NOT** pile mulch up along the trunk of the tree. This makes the bark buried under the mulch more susceptible to insect attack, disease, rot and die-back. If enough of the bark dies, the tree will die as well. Keep the mulch back from the trunk and encourage air circulation around the base of the tree.

When you mulch, instead of making “volcano” piles, build a “bowl”. Decide how large a circle around your tree you are going to mulch. The outer edge of that mulch should be the highest part of the mulch circle. It will help collect and hold water under the tree to help keep it watered. The thick mulch at the edge tends to smother weeds that are trying to grow under the tree. The thick edge also gives you a better guide when mowing your yard, helping keep lawn mowers and other trimming tools far back from the trunk.

For more information about proper mulching techniques, please visit: <http://www.treesaregood.com/treecare/mulching.aspx>.



Storage of Garbage, Yard Waste, and Recycling Containers

Garbage is picked up each Monday, except when the Monday falls on the following days: New Year’s Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day/ July 4th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day.

Garbage, yard waste, and recycling containers may not be placed out at the curb before 4:00 pm on the Sunday prior to trash pick-up. Please leave space between the containers when placing them at the curb to help make pick up faster and more efficient. All empty refuse containers must be removed from the curb by 10:00 pm on the day of pick-up. At all other times, garbage, yard waste, and recycling containers must be stored inside the premises or in the rear or side yard. Containers stored in the side yard must be screened from view of the street.



Village of Itasca Water Quality Report 2015

Keeping you informed on water quality in your community

About this report

The Village of Itasca wants all consumers to be aware of what is being done to insure that the water you use is safe for you and your family. The Village of Itasca currently meets or exceeds all water quality standards set by the United States and Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. These agencies developed the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), which sets the standards for water quality and monitors compliance. This report summarizes the quality of water for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2015, including details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to standards set by the regulatory agencies.

If you have any questions about this report or concerns about your water system, please contact Michael Subers, Utilities Superintendent, at 630-773-2455. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water quality. If you would like to learn more, please feel welcome to attend any of the Village's regularly scheduled board meetings on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall, 550 W Irving Park Road. This report will also be available on the Village website www.itasca.com

Source Water Information

The Village of Itasca receives Lake Michigan source water from the DuPage Water Commission. This surface water supply is treated by the City of Chicago, sold to the DuPage Water Commission (DWC), and then purchased by the Village for use by residents, businesses and visitors using water from the water supply.

Lake Michigan is the primary source of water used to provide drinking water to the Village of Itasca. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has found the quality of Lake Michigan has improved dramatically over the past 20 years. Since the quality of the raw water source is good, conventional treatment methods of disinfection, coagulation and sedimentation, and sand filtration are adequate in producing water that is free of harmful contaminants.

The City of Chicago utilizes Lake Michigan as its source water via two water treatment plants. The Jardine Water Purification Plant serves the Northern areas of the City and suburbs, while the South Water Purification Plant serves the southern areas of the City and suburbs. Lake Michigan is the only Great Lake that is entirely contained within the United States. It borders Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, and Wisconsin, and is the second largest Great Lake by volume with 1,180 cubic miles of water and the third largest by area.

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 plants, 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 infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800) 426-4791.

Source Water Assessment Availability

We want our valued customers to be informed about their water quality. If you would like to learn more, please feel welcome to attend any of our regular scheduled meetings. The source water assessment for our supply has been completed by the Illinois EPA. If you would like a copy of this information, please stop by the Village Hall or call Michael Subers at 630-773-2455. To view a summary version of the completed Source Water Assessments, including: Importance of Source Water; Susceptibility to Contamination Determination; and documentation/recommendation of Source Water Protection Efforts, you may access the Illinois EPA website at <http://www.epa.state.il.us/cgi-bin/wp/swap-fact-sheets.pl>

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.

The Illinois EPA implemented a Source Water Assessment Program (SWAP) to assist the watershed protection of public drinking water supplies. The SWAP inventoried potential sources of contamination and determined the susceptibility of the source water to contamination. The EPA has completed the Source Water Assessment Program for our water supply. Further information on our community water supply's Source Water Assessment Program is available by calling the City of Chicago, Department of Water Management at (312)744-6635

Definition of Terms

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL): The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Level Found: This column represents an average of sample result data collected during the CCR calendar year. In some cases, it may represent a single sample if only one sample was collected.

Range of Detections: This column represents a range of individual sample results from lowest to highest that were collected during the CCR calendar year.

Date of Sample: If a date appears in this column, the Illinois EPA requires monitoring for this contaminant less than once per year because the concentrations do not frequently change. If no date appears in the column, monitoring for this contaminant was conducted during the Consumer Confidence Report calendar year.

Action Level Goal (ALG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. ALGs allow for a margin of safety.

Action Level (AL): The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Treatment Technique (TT): A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL): The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG): The level of disinfectant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Abbreviations

Avg: Regulatory compliance with some JCLs are based on running annual average of monthly samples.

ND: Not detectable at testing limits.

N/A: Not applicable.

ppm: Parts per million or milligrams per liter.

ppb: Parts per billion or micrograms per liter.

ppt: Parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter.

ppq: Parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter.

mg/l: Milligrams per litre or parts per million, or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water.

ug/l: Micrograms per litre or parts per billion, or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water.

NTU: Nephelometric Turbidity Unit, used to measure cloudiness in drinking water.

% < 0.5 NTU: Percent samples less than 0.5 NTU.

MFL: Million fibers per liter, used to measure asbestos concentration.

mrem/yr: Millirems per year, used to measure radiation absorbed by the body.

pCi/l: Picocuries per liter, used to measure radioactivity.

pos/mo: Number of positive samples per month.

% pos/mo: Percent positive samples per month.

WATER QUALITY TABLE

2015 Violation summary Table/ Village of Itasca

We are pleased to announce that no monitoring, reporting, treatment technique, maximum residual disinfectant level, or maximum contaminant level violations were recorded during 2015

Coliform Bacteria/ Village of Itasca

Contaminant (unit of measurement) Typical Source of Contaminant	MCGL	MCL	Highest # of Positives	Fecal Coliform or E. Coli MCL	Total Positive Fecal Coliform or E. Coli samples	Violation
COLIFORM BACTERIA Naturally present in the environment.	0	1 positive monthly sample	1	n/a	0	N

Microbial Contaminants / City of Chicago Results

Turbidity – Regulated at the Water Treatment Plant – Information Statement: Turbidity is a measurement of the cloudiness of the water caused by suspended particles. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of water quality and the effectiveness of our filtration system and disinfectants.

Contaminant (unit of measurement) Typical Source of Contaminant	MCGL	MCL	Highest Level	Range of Detection	Violation	Date of Sample
TURBIDITY (<0.3 NTU) Soil runoff. Lowest monthly percent meeting limit.	n/a	TT	99.7	99.7%- 100.0%		
TURBIDITY (NTU) Soil runoff. Highest single measurement.	n/a	TT=1NTU _{max}	0.45	n/a		

Inorganic Contaminants / City of Chicago Results

Contaminant (unit of measurement) Typical Source of Contaminant	MCGL	MCL	Highest Level	Range of Detection	Violation	Date of Sample
BARIUM (ppm) Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries. Erosion of natural deposits.	2	2	0.0201	0.0193–0.0201		
NITRATE (AS NITROGEN) (ppm) Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.	10	10	0.30	0.28–0.30		
TOTAL NITRATE & NITRITE (AS NITROGEN) (ppm) Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.	10	10	0.30	0.28–0.30		

TOC (Total Organic Carbon)

The percentage of Total Organic Carbon (TOC) removal was measured each month and the system met all TOC removal requirements set by IEPA

Inorganic Contaminants / Village of Itasca Results

Contaminant (unit of measurement) Typical Source of Contaminant	MCLG	MCL	Highest Level	Range of Detection	Violation	Date of Sample
ARSENIC (ppb) Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes.	0	10	2.96	2.51–2.96	N	2014
BARIUM (ppm) Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries. Erosion of natural deposits.	2	2	0.0276	0.0235–0.0276	N	2014
FLUORIDE (ppm) Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.	4	4.0	0.313	0.26–0.313	N	2014
IRON (ppb) Erosion of naturally occurring deposits	n/a	1.0	3.17	3.01–3.17	N	2014
MANGANESE (ppb) This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USEPA. However, the state regulates. Erosion of natural deposits.	150	150	95.7	39.5–95.7	N	2014
SODIUM (ppm) Erosion from naturally occurring deposits; Used in water softener regeneration.	n/a	n/a	170	122–170	N	2014

Fluoride: Fluoride is added to the water supply to help promote strong teeth. The Illinois Department of Public Health recommends an optimal fluoride range of 0.9 mg/ to 1.2 mg/l. **Sodium:** There is not a state or federal MCL for sodium. Monitoring is required to provide information to consumers and health officials that are concerned about sodium intake due to dietary precautions. If you are on a sodium-restricted diet, you should consult a physician about this level of sodium in the water.

Lead and Copper / Village of Itasca Results

Contaminant Likely Source of Contamination	MCLG	Highest Level	Range of Detection	Violation	Date of Sample
COPPER Erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood Preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems.	1.3 ppm	1.3 ppm	.226 ppm	N	7/22/2014

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. We are responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but we cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Disinfection/Disinfectant By-Products / Village of Itasca Results

Contaminant (unit of measurement) Likely Source of Contamination	MCLG	MCL	Highest Level	Range of Detection	Violation	Date of Sample
CHLORINE (as Cl ₂) ppm Water additive used to control microbes.	MRDLG=4	MRDL=4	0.8	0.7–1.0	N	12/31/2015
TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5) ppb By-product of drinking water chlorination.	no goal for the total	60	.026	17.29–26.4	N	2015
TTHMs By-product of drinking water chlorination. (Total Trihalomethanes) ppb	no goal for the total	80	.056	40.6–55.9	N	2015

Note: Not all sample results may have been used for calculating the Highest Level Detected because some results may be part of an evaluation to determine where compliance sampling should occur in the future.

State Regulated Contaminants / City of Chicago Results

Contaminant (unit of measurement) Typical Source of Contaminant	MCGL	MCL	Level Found	Range of Detection	Violation	Date of Sample
FLUORIDE (ppm) Water additive which promotes strong teeth.	4	4	1.01	0.76–1.01		

Radioactive Contaminants / City of Chicago Results

Contaminant (unit of measurement) Typical Source of Contaminant	MCGL	MCL	Highest Level	Range of Detection	Violation	Date of Sample
COMBINED RADIUM (226/228) (pCi/l) Decay of natural and man-made deposits.	0	5	0.84	0.50–0.84		
GROSS ALPHA excluding radon and uranium (pCi/l) Decay of natural and man-made deposits.	0	15	6.6	6.1–6.6		

Unregulated Contaminants / City of Chicago Results

Contaminant (unit of measurement) Typical Source of Contaminant	MCGL	MCL	Highest Level	Range of Detection	Violation	Date of Sample
SULFATE (ppm) Erosion of naturally occurring deposits.	n/a	n/a	27.2	18.8–27.2		
SODIUM (ppm) Erosion of naturally occurring deposits; used as water softener.	n/a	n/a	8.48	8.04–8.48		

Unregulated Contaminants: A maximum contaminant level (MCL) for this contaminant has not been established by either state or federal regulations, nor has mandatory health effects language. The purpose for monitoring this contaminant is to assist USEPA in determining the occurrence of unregulated contaminants in drinking water, and whether future regulation is warranted.

Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule 3 (Ucmr3) / City Of Chicago

As required by the EPA, the City of Chicago has monitored for 28 contaminants suspected to be present in drinking water, but that do not have health-based standards set under the Safe Drinking Water Act. The monitoring results were reported to the EPA. The list of UCMR3 contaminants that we have monitored including volatile organic chemicals, metals, perfluorinated compounds, hormones, 1, 4-dioxane and chlorate. The contaminants that were detected in this monitoring program are listed below.

Contaminant (unit of measurement) Typical Source of Contaminant	MCGL	MCL	Highest Level	Range of Detection	Violation	Date of Sample
CHROMIUM (ppb) Naturally- occurring element; used in the making of steel and other alloys	100	100	0.3	0.3–0.3		
MOLYBDENUM (ppb) Naturally- occurring element found in ores and present in plants	n/a	n/a	1.1	1.0–1.1		
STRONTIUM (ppb) Naturally- occurring element; has been used in Cathode-ray tube TVs to block x-ray emissions	n/a	n/a	120	110-120		
VANADIUM (ppb) Naturally- occurring metal; vanadium pentoxide is used as a catalyst and chemical intermediate	n/a	n/a	0.2	0.2–0.2		
CHROMIUM-6 or HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM (ppb) Naturally- occurring element; used in the making of steel and alloys	n/a	n/a	0.19	0.18–0.19		

If you have any questions about this report or concerns about your water system, please contact Michael Subers, Utilities Superintendent, at 630-773-2455.

We would like to hear from you!

As a resident of Itasca, my comment or question is ...

Please drop off or mail to:

Village of Itasca, 550 W. Irving Park Rd., Itasca, IL 60143

Please include your name, address, and telephone number if you require a response.

or e-mail us at feedback@itasca.com

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