

## Spring 2019 Village of Gilberts E-Newsletter

### Important Spring Dates to Remember

- March 10** - Daylight Savings Time (Set Clocks Forward)
- April 2** - 2019 Kane County Consolidated Election
- April 4** - Yard Waste Collection Begins
- April 13** - Gilberts Easter Egg Hunt & Breakfast with the Easter Bunny
- May 12** - Mother's Day

### A Word From the Village President



My Fellow Gilberts Residents,

This winter has been record-breaking in terms of cold and snow, so Spring can't come soon enough. In 2019, we will be striving to provide residents with several improvements. A new water well is being drilled to satisfy growth in the Village, and a 265,000 square foot industrial building is being built at Arrowhead and Tyrell Road. This growth is exciting for Gilberts, and adds to the excitement generated by recent economic development inquiries received by the Village staff.

For the eighth consecutive year, Gilberts has received the Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association. In addition to diligent financial reporting, we are set to finish our current fiscal year in a strong financial position. Over the coming weeks, the Board will consider the FY2020 Budget.

Exciting changes are on the horizon in regard to annual events this year, beginning with the Easter Egg Hunt and the addition of breakfast with the Easter Bunny. Community Days will feature a Carnival Preview night starting early this year on May 30th. As spring moves to summer, we are excited to enjoy the warm weather once again with the annual Movies in the Park and Sunday Car Shows. The annual Fishing Derby will take place later this summer so that all participants can chase even larger catches. We are excited for Spring and hope to see you at all of these village events.

On behalf of the Village, I also want to take a moment to extend our heartfelt appreciation and recognition of Chief Rossi. After a decorated law enforcement career spanning over 35 years, the last 5 with the Village of Gilberts, Police Chief Lou Rossi will be retiring in July 2019. During Chief Rossi's tenure, Gilberts has continued to be recognized as a very safe community. In 2017, the Village was recognized as the 4<sup>th</sup> safest community in Illinois to live in. As of 2019, the Village has moved up two positions and is currently rated as the 2<sup>nd</sup> safest city in Illinois. This is a credit not only to Chief Rossi and his dedicated team of Police Officers, but also the residents of the Village for their diligence in helping keep Gilberts safe!

Yours for a better Gilberts,

Rick Zirk  
Village President

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## Celebrate Spring! Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>



Hop on over to the Gilberts Eagles Club at 325 Raymond Street to enjoy a delicious breakfast with the Easter Bunny from 9am- 11am! Children \$3.50 and Adults \$5.



After breakfast, stick around for the Village of Gilberts Annual Easter Egg Hunt at 10:30am! This event is for kids 10 years old and younger. Please bring your own basket.

### YARD WASTE PICK-UP

#### Yard waste pick-up resumes April 1

Here are some important things to remember:

- Place yard waste in 30-gallon biodegradable brown paper bags or in open 30-gallon garbage cans.
- Each bunch of bundled tree branches cannot be longer than 4 feet and no larger in diameter than a 30 gallon garbage can.



- Maximum branch diameter is 4 inches for individual branches.
- All bundles and bags must not exceed 40 pounds.

General Garbage Collection Reminders:

- Have cans out by 7:00 am.
- Place cans 4 feet apart.
- Electronics are not allowed to be put in trash. Items such as televisions, computers and computer monitors need to be taken to an electronics recycling facility.
- Latex paints can be disposed of in your regular trash. First let it air dry or add kitty litter, sawdust or shredded paper to help it dry more quickly. Once solidified, place cans in trash.
- Bulk items are accepted: couches, tables, beds, bundled carpets. Bulk items do not need to be tagged prior to pick-up.

**ELECTRONIC RECYCLING**

The Kane County Electronics Recycling Program is for residential equipment only, and includes 2 year-round drop-off locations and a schedule of Saturday collection events. TVs and Monitors cost \$25 (under 21" measured diagonally) or \$35 (21" or over). TVs and monitors contain lead and/or mercury and must be processed as hazardous material, a more expensive process that makes the consumer-based fee a necessity. The fee is paid directly to the County's contracted electronics recycler - eWorks, a non-profit that employs people with developmental disabilities. You are helping a good cause and responsibly disposing of your used electronics!

For more information on The Kane County Electronics Recycling Program [click here](#) or call (630) 208-3841.

Drop-off Locations:

West Dundee Public Works  
 900 Angle Tarn, West Dundee, IL 60118  
 Hours: M-F 7am-3pm

Batavia, Fabyan Parkway  
 517 E. Fabyan Parkway, Batavia, IL 60510  
 Hours: M-F 8am-4pm



**YMCA SUMMER CAMP**



The YMCA provides children with summer adventures that promote a healthy spirit, mind and

body. Children spend their time both indoors and out as experienced staff lead campers in a wide variety of activities each day including arts & crafts, games, sports, songs, swimming and weekly off-site field trips (traditional day camps only). Lunch and 1 snack included for most weeks. Pick up and Drop off available at Gilbert's Memorial Park. The Taylor Family YMCA Branch is currently hiring for Summer Camp Counselors.

For more information, contact Chris MacMillan at (224) 699-5803 or [chrism@gcfymca.org](mailto:chrism@gcfymca.org)

## YMCA SPORTS

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Spring Baseball registration is open February 25 through March 31. The season runs April 8 through June 1.

Summer Soccer registration is open April 1 through May 31. The season runs June 10 through August 17.

For more information, contact Chris MacMillan at (224)699-5803 or [chrism@gcfymca.org](mailto:chrism@gcfymca.org)



## HOW TO PAY UTILITY BILLS

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For your convenience, The Village of Gilberts offers several ways to pay your utility bill.

- Pay online as a **one-time payment**.
- Sign up for **auto-pay**.
- Drop off payments in our 24-hour locked drop box located in the parking lot of Village Hall at 87 Galligan Road (picture on left).
- Pay in person at the Utility Billing Department in the Public Works building at 73 Industrial Drive or at Village Hall with cash or check.

If you have questions regarding your utility bills or would like more information about payment options, please contact our utility billing department at (847) 428-4167.

## CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION

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With construction projects beginning around the house, be certain that the contractor you hire is registered with the Village. The Village's Contractor Registration Program helps ensure that construction projects are completed with a reasonable amount of security for homeowners. For further information or to verify your contractor is registered contact the Building Department at (847) 428-4167.

## 2019 CONSOLIDATED ELECTION

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The Village of Gilberts has three trustee positions on the ballot this year. The 2019 Kane County Consolidated Election will take place on April 2, 2019. To view a list of candidates and for more information on where and when to vote, please visit the Kane County Clerk's website at <http://www.kanecountyclerk.org/Elections>



## NEWS FROM THE FOX RIVER VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARIES

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**Fox River Valley Libraries**  
Dundee Library • Randall Oaks Library

*Gilberts Residents are in the Dundee Township Library District*

American Girl Doll kits have arrived at the Randall Oaks Library! Meant to inspire character, resilience, and optimism, each doll comes with a book about the character and a hair brush. The rest of the accessories and outfits vary between each doll. The kits check out for one week, and can be renewed up to two times.

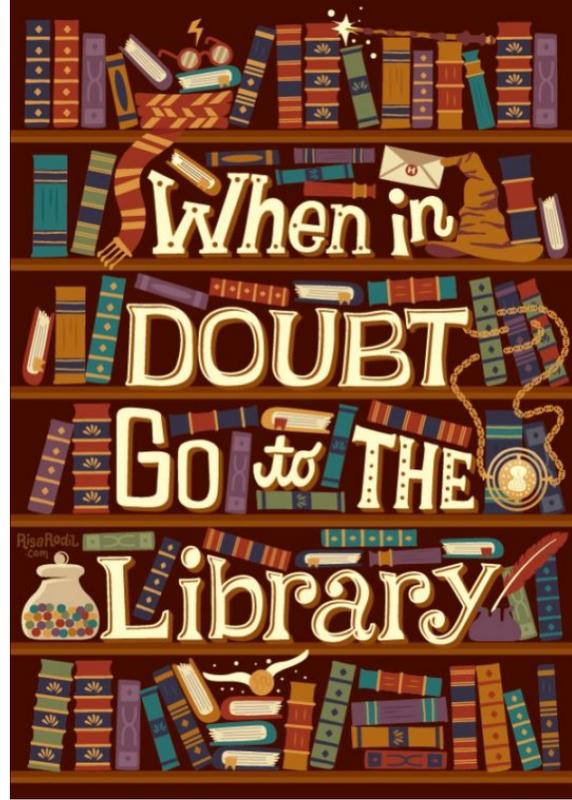
Spring Storytime sessions are in full swing at the Randall Oaks Library, but you can join in any time. Session One ends on March 22, and Session Two will run from April 1 – May 3. Jump Start Storytime (all ages) is on Mondays at 10 a.m., Tremendous Twos on Thursdays at 10 a.m., and Preschool Storytime on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.

Head across town to the Dundee Library for the annual Friends of the Library Spring Book Sale. It will open on Thursday, March 28 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. and will continue on Friday, March 29 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturday, March 30 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the library's meeting room on the lower level. This sale features thousands of all newly donated materials. Hardbacks are \$2; paperbacks are \$1; romance paperbacks are 3 for \$1; and children's books are 25 cents each. Also, bring a non-

Celebrate Cinco de Mayo at the Dundee Library on Wednesday, May 1 from 6 to 8 p.m. The whole family will enjoy a concert by the famous mariachi band Cielito Lindo, followed by Mexican food, crafts, and a piñata. No registration is necessary.

The above library programs are free. For a full listing of all library events, visit [www.frvpld.info](http://www.frvpld.info). The Randall Oaks Library is located at 500 North Randall Road, on the lower level of the Dundee Township Park District Rec Center in West Dundee. The Dundee Library is located at 555 Barrington Ave. in East Dundee.

perishable item for the F.I.S.H. Food Pantry and receive one free paperback book for each donation (limit 10). Don't forget the last hour special – all you can fit in a grocery bag for \$5 on Saturday from noon to 2 p.m.



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM THE WATER DEPARTMENT

**DON'T BELIEVE  
THE HYPE!**

### THESE ARE NOT FLUSHABLE!

- Fats, oil, and grease
- Flushable wipes
- Prescription medications
- Chemicals
- Feminine products
- Disposable diapers
- Condoms
- Floss



Please remember to not flush ANY CLOTH PRODUCTS down toilets. The label might say "flushable" but disposable wipes and other products are clogging our sewer lines and damaging pumps and other equipment.

Items such as baby wipes, facial wipes, cleaning wipes and tampons cause problems that are not only expensive to fix but they can also cause raw sewage overflows into homes, businesses and local waterways.

So think trash not toilets!

Did you know there are things you can do around your home to protect the environment and our water sources? The following are a few healthy household habits:

- When washing your car consider using a commercial car wash or wash your car on a lawn or other unpaved surface to minimize the amount of dirty, soapy, water flowing into the storm drain and eventually into your local water bodies.
- Always recycle used oil and other automotive fluids at participating service stations. Don't dump these chemicals down the storm drain or dispose of them in your trash.

For more information on ways to create healthy household habits visit the Environmental Protection Agency website at [www.epa.gov](http://www.epa.gov).



## SAVE THE DATE

Gilberts Community Days starts early this year with a carnival preview night on Thursday, May 30<sup>th</sup> 6pm-10pm.

We've just announced this year's stage line-up! Visit [www.gilbertscommunitydays.com](http://www.gilbertscommunitydays.com) for more information.



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**Public Works Facility**  
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86 Railroad St.  
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