

Village of Gilberts

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Municipal Electric Aggregation Update

Effective July 1, residential electricity customers in Gilberts were switched back to ComEd. The Village sought competitive bids from several qualified suppliers through its electric aggregation program, but the proposals could not beat the default ComEd rate of 7.033 cents per kWh. The new rate will be reflected on ComEd bills received in August. You do not need to do anything for this change to take effect.

If conditions in the electricity market improve, the Village may solicit new proposals. In the meantime, you can visit pluginillinois.org to view options from suppliers in ComEd territory. Please remember to carefully review details, rates and terms, and beware of any added monthly fixed charges or floating rates without stated price caps.

For more information, please visit www.pluginillinois.com or call the Village Hall at 847-428-2861.

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Communicating With Residents

Social Media - The Village has been working hard to communicate with residents using a variety of social media channels, including Facebook and Twitter. Even though it's almost a year away, Gilberts Community Days also has a Facebook account for those wishing to follow the news as it get closer to the 2016 event.

Newsletter - The Village continues to publish a newsletter quarterly. Currently, they are mailed to each postal address within the village limits. We always have additional copies on hand at the Village Hall as well as electronically on our website.

Village Website - Our website is updated on a regular basis to help keep residents informed of the latest news in our area, elected officials, departments and office hours. Agendas and Packets are posted the Friday before an upcoming Board Meeting along with the approved minutes within a week of approval. In addition, numerous documents can be found such as those needed for the building department or to rent one of the park pavilions. Another useful tool residents will find is a searchable version of the Village Code.

Yearly Calendar - In late fall residents will find a calendar in their mailbox which includes pertinent dates including those in which garbage pick-up has changed and the dates and times of regularly scheduled meetings.

The 2014 annual Water Quality Report can be found on our website, www.villageofgilberts.com, under water department which can be found under the heading "Documents."

**Fall Bonfire
Memorial
Park
Saturday,
October 24
3:30-5:30 pm**



**Trick or Treat
Hours
Saturday,
October 31
3:00-7:00
pm**

Illinois Premise Alert Program

The Illinois Premise Alert Program (PAP) is a computer aided dispatch database of individuals with disabilities or special needs maintained by public safety agencies. This program helps ensure that all Kane County residents, including those who require special assistance when accessing services, receive high levels of public safety services.

Gilberts residents can sign up for this program by visiting the Gilberts Police Department at 86 Railroad St. Another option is to visit www.kanesherriff.com for additional information and to complete the form which is provided. With the information received when signing up Emergency Responders will have an enhanced knowledge to more effectively help deal

with individuals with special needs. While at the Kane County Sheriff's website you can also find details on the Family Finder Program which can be beneficial for residents who suffer from Alzheimer's and Spectrum disorders, such as autism. A form can be found on the same website and can help to better assist if the need arises to search for a loved one.

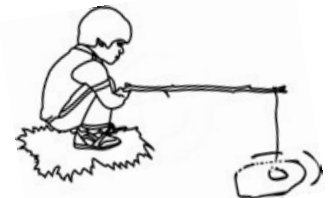
Fishing Derby

Join us for our first ever fishing derby! The YMCA along with DJ Rudy K will be hosting a fishing derby at the pond located at Memorial Park on Saturday, September 19 from 9 to 11 am. There is a fee of \$5 per person which includes a small container of worms. Bring your own poles and

fishing gear, these will not be provided. Trophies will be awarded to the top winners in each age group, and the runner up will receive a Ribbon Medallion. Contestants will be split into three groups: ages 1-8, ages 9-15, and 16 and older.

Please contact the YMCA

at 224-699-5801 to pre register for this event. Space is limited to the first 40 residents who pre register, so act fast.



Flushable Wipes

As always use caution in what you are flushing down your toilets. Studies are now showing that even wipes labeled as "flushable" may not actually break down in water as initially reported. These wipes can clog toilets and pipes or even cause homeowners septic systems to back up.

If the wipes make it through your household and you are on village sewer, following the same route as all other waste, these wipes will wind up at the water treatment plant where they can also clog and damage sewer pumps.

Please keep in mind that

baby wipes, paper towels, dental floss and facial tissues can entangle sewer pumps as well. Even extra soft toilet paper takes a longer time to break down. The only thing going down your toilet should preferably be waste and toilet paper.

Recycling Electronics!!

As of January 1, 2012 the state of Illinois requires that electronic equipment be recycled, so it will no longer be collected with regular trash. Kane County operates a monthly drop off event in which recycled items are unloaded from your vehicle for you. This monthly recycling event takes place the second Saturday of every month in St. Charles at 540

S. Randall Rd. from 8am to noon. For additional information on recycling electronics or recycling of other materials contact the Kane County Recycles office at 630-208-3841. Kane County has partnered with several municipalities to establish permanent drop off locations open throughout the week. These locations are DIY unloading. Gilberts residents can

utilize the West Dundee Public Works facility at 900 Angle Tarn Lane between 8am-3pm, Monday thru Friday. There is no option for home pick-up of recycled electronic items at this time.



Daylight Savings Time Ends Sunday, November 1

Did You Know?

- Over 80,000,000,000 aluminum pop cans are used every year!
- Every minute an average of 113,204 aluminum cans are recycled!
- A recycled aluminum can is back on the shelf in 60 days!
- The energy saved from recycling 1 aluminum can will run a TV for three hours.
- 1 billion trees worth of paper are thrown away every year in the U.S.!
- It takes 24 trees to make 1 ton of newspaper! The average American uses 465 trees worth of paper during their lifetime!
- Americans use 2.5 million plastic bottles every hour. Only 27% are recycled!
- Recycling glass reduces air pollution by 14-20%!
- Each person creates approximately 4.7 pounds of waste every day, 54% of which winds up in a landfill!

Tree Lighting Ceremony Friday, November 20 5:00 pm

Curbside Recycling with MDC

On resident's weekly refuse pick up day the Village's Waste Hauler, MDC, has routinely collected recycling along with resident's trash. Be sure to put all recyclables in the receptacle with the yellow lid which was provided to you upon

enrollment or when you moved into Gilberts.

Acceptable Recyclables are as follow:

- *Newspapers & Inserts
- *Magazines, Catalogs, Phone Books
- *School Papers & Junk Mail

*Paper Grocery Bags

*Chipboard (cereal boxes, pop cases), Should be wax free

*Aluminum & Tin Cans

*Glass Bottles & Jars (Clear, Green & Brown)

*Plastic Items (Coded 1,2,3,4,5,6,7)

Last Days for Yard Waste Pick-Up are November 27 & 28

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Public Works Facility

73 Industrial Drive
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Departments

Building, Finance
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Police Department

86 Railroad Street
Non-Emergency 630-232-6840
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**Thank you Mobil
for Town Center Park Benches!**

The Village thanks Mr. Jim Hill and his partners at the Mobil gas station for generously donating two benches for the splash pad and playground area at Town Center Park. Plaques will be added to the benches commemorating Mobil's donation.

Located on Columbia lane near the intersection at Tyrrell, the playground and park hours at Town Center Park are from dawn to dusk. The splash park hours are from 7:00 am—8:00 pm and will be open through Labor Day weekend. Touching one of the three black discs with bare skin will activate the water features for 15 minutes.

