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# The Village News

*Committed to our future ... inspired by our past*

## Message from the Mayor



Mayor Jeff Pruyn

The warmer temperatures of late spring and early summer have finally taken hold on the region and, after the winter we experienced, they could not come soon enough.

The warmer temperatures of summer bring a return to road construction, and this summer Itasca will be the focal point of one of the State's major infrastructure projects. Construction of the Tollway's Elgin-O'Hare Western Access (EOWA) project starts in earnest along the current Thorndale Ave. right-of-way. This will be an elevated roadway with Park Blvd., Arlington Heights Rd., and Prospect Ave. all going under the expressway. The Village continues to work with the Tollway, Illinois Department of Transportation and DuPage County to ensure this new tollway provides the promised economic benefits to the community and also limits impacts, as much as possible, on surrounding residents and businesses. For regular updates, go to [www.itsca.com](http://www.itsca.com), click on "Notify Me", and select "IL Rt. 390 construction updates."

This spring the Village of Itasca was awarded a \$579,120 Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) grant from the State of Illinois. It will be used for the construction of sidewalks and bike paths to provide bike/pedestrian access and connectivity throughout Hamilton Lakes Business Park from residential areas south of the proposed EOWA. It will also include pedestrian crossing signals, aesthetic enhancements to exit ramp retaining walls and bridge features, enhanced painting of new traffic signal installations, enhanced lighting of Park Boulevard under the EOWA bridge,

illuminated street signage and decorative crosswalks throughout the EOWA impact area near Park Boulevard.

Another major construction project that will impact many residents is the removal and replacement of the Maple St. bridge over Springbrook Creek. This bridge has had weight restrictions due to its deteriorating condition for several years. The Village received state funding for a substantial portion of the cost of this project, but has added enhancements to beautify the bridge and add a pedestrian crossing. To complete this project, Maple St. will be closed for several months from Gigi Gruber Ln. north to Irving Park Rd.

The State is expected to finally complete its work on Rohlwing Road this summer. With the completion of this project and the construction last summer of the median on Prospect Ave., the Village will be applying to the Federal Railroad Administration to establish a quiet zone from just west of Rohlwing Road east to Prospect Ave. If granted, trains will be allowed to pass through the zone without blowing their horns at each crossing. This does not mean the trains would never use horns in the area, but at least it would remove the requirement that they be used at all times.

I am pleased to announce that the Village will be completing the paving of most of the unpaved paths in the Nature Center this summer. Also, on April 15th, the 35th anniversary of Fred Maier's employment with the Village of Itasca, the Boardwalk in the SpringBrook Nature Center was officially named the Frederick Maier Boardwalk in honor of all of Fred's efforts in making the SpringBrook Nature Center the jewel it is. Thank you Fred, for all of your dedicated service.

Sincerely,  
Mayor Jeff Pruyn

# Village of Itasca

Melody Craven, Village Clerk

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## Friends of ItascaFest 2014

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 and the Itasca Lions Club puts on a summer celebration called ItascaFest. This year the dates are Thursday, July 10 through Sunday, July 13. 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.

## ItascaFest Twenty-Five

In honor of ItascaFest's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Family Night will feature retro pricing on Thursday, July 10<sup>th</sup> only.

Retro Thursday: Adult drink tickets will be rolled back to 1990's prices: \$3 drink ticket, \$1 pop ticket.

Retro Wristband special (unlimited ride tickets) for sale June 23-28<sup>th</sup>. These tickets are available for Itasca residents only, at the retro cost of \$8 and can be used Thursday July 10, 6:00-10:00 pm, Saturday and Sunday 1:00-5:00 pm. If purchased between June 30<sup>th</sup> to July 9<sup>th</sup>, unlimited ride tickets cost \$16 each.

There will be an additional special act for kids' entertainment.

The Itasca Lions wants to thank the Village of Itasca for sponsoring Retro Pricing Family Night and the retro wristbands. The Village is also sponsoring a teen DJ nightly from 5:00 - 7:00 pm and a daily door prize for bingo patrons.

## Itasca M.A.R.K.E.T.

Usher Park • June 14, 2014  
9:00 am to 9:00 pm

Join your friends and neighbors at Itasca's new eclectic fair, Itasca M.A.R.K.E.T., Saturday, June 14, 2014, from 9:00 am to 9:00 pm in Usher Park. This fun-filled festival has something for the whole family. Eric Whitney, former art teacher for School District 10, will bring out the creativity in your kids at an Itasca Park District arts and crafts area from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm while the adults can browse a wide array of vendors. There will be purveyors of art, antiques/vintage, collectibles, specialty food items, jewelry, glass, spa products and more.

Enjoy wine, beer, food and shopping while listening to a variety of musical styles. **Armandi's Dixie Stompers from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm • David Polk Project from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm • BBI from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm.**

We will be auctioning off artist-designed benches and chairs with 50% of the proceeds going to Itasca charities. Keep checking the website, [www.itasca.com/market](http://www.itasca.com/market), for up-to-date information.

## 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 at the Itasca Village Hall, 550 W. Irving Park Road.

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 should 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 an above-ground pool.

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 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 that doesn't know how to swim. 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](http://www.itasca.com) under the "Community Development" tab.



## 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. 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.

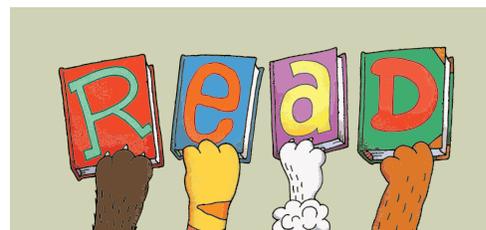
Please remember that the containers should be placed at the curbside Sunday evening or early Monday morning to assure that they will be emptied. When placing the containers at the curb, please leave space between the cans. All collection trucks are equipped with mechanical arms to grab the containers, lift them up and dump them into the collection trucks. If there is not enough room between the cans for the mechanical arms to grab them, the driver is required to stop and move the cans apart, slowing down collection for the rest of the town, and risking injury to the driver.

Please remember to **space your cans apart** at curbside. It will allow for faster collection, which helps keep our costs down and helps keep our environment healthy.

# Village of Itasca

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## Paws to Read! • Summer Reading Clubs • May 27 - August 4

Join one of our *Paws to Read!* Summer Reading Clubs. There is a reading club for every age level: Youth, Teen, and Adult. Participants just need to read to earn prizes. To join, register for the club at the Library's Youth Help Desk, Reader Services Desk, or Circulation Desk starting Tuesday, May 27. For details on the reading club for each age group, see below!



### Save-a-Vet

This year we are partnering with a non-profit charity called Save-a-Vet, an Illinois-based organization that helps rescue and support military and law enforcement working dogs. In addition to receiving prizes, readers can help raise money for this charity through their reading effort. The more you read, the more money will be donated. Make your reading count and support a worthy cause!

To learn more about Save-a-Vet, join us for the following program:

### Save-a-Vet Presentation

Thursday, June 12, 10:00-10:30 am and 7:00-7:30 pm

You are invited to hear all about our designated Summer Reading Club charity, Save-a-Vet. Representatives from Save-a-Vet will be here for a meet-and-greet with their retired military dogs.

### Adult Summer Reading Club

Read the summer goal of three books and get a reusable book tote and be entered into the grand prize drawing. You will also receive two tickets which you can use either to enter the monthly drawing or support Save-A-Vet. After the first three books, every additional book you read will earn you a ticket. Earn extra tickets by 1) sending us a mini book review 2) liking us on Facebook 3) following us on Twitter 4) attending one of our summer programs.

Monthly drawings for a variety of prizes donated by local businesses will be held on June 30 and August 4. The grand prize drawing will be held on August 5. You could win an iPad mini, a Kindle Paperwhite 3G, or a \$150 gift card for Woodfield Mall.

### Youth and Teen Summer Reading Clubs

Join one of our *Paws to Read!* Summer Reading Clubs to earn fun prizes! In addition to earning prizes for reading, new this year 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 play the disc drop game!

#### Little Listeners Club: Birth – Age 2

Read 20 books and receive a board book 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 play the disc drop game!

#### Youth and Teen Clubs: Entering Grade 2 – High School

Earn prizes for every 5 hours that you read. In addition to earning prizes, you can choose to enter the Grand Prize drawing or contribute to the Save-a-Vet fundraising (see above for more information about Save-a-Vet).



# Fire Department

James Burke, Fire Chief

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## From the Itasca Fire Protection District

The Itasca Fire Protection District has been in existence for over 100 years. During that time many changes have occurred within the department. One of the biggest changes was the move to a full time/combination department in the early 1980's. This was done primarily due to increased call volume and training requirements required by the State of Illinois.

Since that time, the District has further evolved into a completely full-time department consisting of 24 shift personnel, 3 Chief Officers, 1 Director of Fire Prevention and 2 Administrative staff. Shift personnel are split between three shifts consisting of 8 personnel per shift. Shift personnel work a 24-hour shift that starts at 8:00 AM and ends the

following morning at 8:00 AM when the next shift begins. Daily staffing can vary between 5-8 personnel depending on time-off constraints.

Vehicle staffing can also vary on a daily basis based upon staffing levels for that day. The 2 vehicles that are always staffed 24/7 are our Advanced Life Support Ambulance with 2 paramedics and our Engine Company with 3 firefighters. Our Tower Ladder truck is staffed when our shift manning permits, or by the ambulance crew, who will at times become a "jump" company.

Understandably, responding with as few as 5 or as many as 8 personnel to an emergency can be a problem on certain calls. The standard developed by the National Fire Protection Agency

recommends 15 personnel on an initial alarm assignment. To supplement our initial alarm response, the Itasca Fire District has partnered for many years now with the Wood Dale Fire Protection District.

Both districts serve as a "back-up" to each other in the event they are tied up on one call and a second call comes in. Each district also responds automatically to each other on any reported structure fires, vehicle entrapments or any calls deemed "high hazard". The similar size and staffing of both districts makes this partnership the most cost-effective way to deliver services to the residents of both districts.

## Fireworks Safety Tips



The Office of the State Fire Marshal and the National Fire Protection Association recommend that people attend a professional fireworks display on July 4th to ensure a safe holiday.

People interested in shooting fireworks, either privately or as a professional display, need to be aware of Illinois' new fireworks regulations that recently went into effect. The regulations divide fireworks displays into two categories:

**consumer fireworks**, which include such items as fountains, repeaters and parachutes

**pyrotechnic displays**, which use professional grade fireworks such as

mortars, cake bundles, and ground displays that depict a picture.

Both types of displays are only permitted in villages, municipalities and counties that have passed ordinances allowing such displays.

It's important to note that several well-known types of fireworks, such as firecrackers, bottle rockets and Roman candles, are not allowed in Illinois under the new regulations.

Novelty fireworks, such as snakes, sparklers, and party-poppers, are not regulated by the state, although municipalities have the authority to enact an ordinance prohibiting the sale and use of sparklers on public property.

While legal, sparklers present a serious danger because of the high temperature of the wire during and after its use. Sparklers burn at temperatures of up to 1,200 degrees Fahrenheit (982 degrees Celsius) and remain extremely hot long after the sparks have stopped. Many children are injured each year by sparklers. Children playing with novelty fireworks must be closely supervised by adults to prevent injury.

Visit the [Office of the Illinois State Fire Marshal](#) for information about how to qualify to shoot consumer or pyrotechnic fireworks.

## Village of Itasca Schedule of Monthly Meetings

<b>Monday:</b>	Plan Commission Review – 6:30 pm preceding the third Wednesday of the month	<b>Thursday:</b>	1st Thursday – Historical Commission (as needed) – 7:00 pm 3rd Thursday – Historical Commission 7:00 pm
<b>Tuesday:</b>	1st Tuesday – Board of Trustees – 7:00 pm 2nd Tuesday – Committee of the Whole – 7:00 pm 3rd Tuesday – Board of Trustees – 7:00 pm 4th Tuesday – Committee of the Whole – 7:00 pm	<b>Friday:</b>	No Meetings Scheduled
<b>Wednesday:</b>	2nd Wednesday – School District #10 – 7:00 pm 3rd Wednesday – Plan Commission – 7:00 pm 3rd Wednesday – Peer Jury – as Scheduled		

## Itasca Police Officers Begin Carrying Narcan

According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), drug overdose is now the leading cause of injury death in the United States. As of 2010, opioids, such as heroin, account for approximately 75-80% of those deaths. Overdose deaths have risen five-fold since 1990. The CDC attributes the increase in higher use of prescription painkillers and increasing numbers of overdoses from cocaine and prescription sedatives in addition to heroin overdose.

Heroin continues to be a national, state and regional problem. According to the National Household Survey on Drug Use & Health, an average of 34,000 adolescents aged 12-17 initiate heroin use each year. A similar study found that 1 out of 8 high school seniors reported having used prescription opioids non-medically. A recent *USA Today* article describes heroin as “the second greatest drug risk, after the abuse of methamphetamine.”

Illinois is one of 16 states in which more people die of drug overdose than motor vehicle crashes. Heroin is the most commonly cited drug among primary drug treatment admissions. Heroin is no longer an “inner-city” drug. According to local drug enforcement officials, heroin is inexpensive, easy to find and readily available along the “Heroin Highway.”

Across the country, Massachusetts became the first state to make Narcan available to law enforcement officers so overdose victims don't have to waste the precious minutes it can take to call for and receive medical help. In 2009, a pilot study involving police officers in 15 Massachusetts communities found that those who were given Narcan saw a drop in opiate related overdose deaths compared to communities in which law enforcement didn't carry the drug.

In response to 39 heroin related deaths in 2012 and 48 heroin deaths in 2013 a partnership was formed between the DuPage County Coroner's Office, the DuPage County Health Department and the DuPage County Chiefs of Police Association to address this issue. One of the strategies was to train police officers in DuPage County to administer nasal Narcan to persons suffering from

an opioid overdose.

Naloxone, also known by its brand name, Narcan, reverses the effects of opioids such as heroin, which bind to receptors on the brain and trigger narcotic effects on the body, including slowing breathing and lowering of blood pressure. Opiate overdoses can lead to death when these functions become too compromised, so quickly giving nasal Narcan to someone who has taken an excessive dose of opiates can save that person's life.

How does nasal Narcan work? Narcan temporarily blocks the effects of opioids, giving the person the chance to breathe. Narcan works in 1 to 3 minutes and lasts for approximately 30-90 minutes. Narcan can neither be abused nor cause overdose, and side effects are extremely rare.

“The decision to equip our officers with nasal Narcan isn't about enabling heroin users”, said Chief Scott Heher. “It's about saving lives. We'd rather not have to bring people back from the brink of death with Narcan. We'd much rather prevent addiction use and abuse from occurring in the first place.”

Enforcement, education, prevention and treatment are part of the county's multi-pronged approach to controlling the epidemic of opiate addiction. Heroin dealers and distribution networks have been targeted for prosecution by local law enforcement and the DuPage County States Attorney's Office. In late 2013, 31 people were charged in a massive heroin distribution network in Cook and DuPage counties.

Numerous educational forums, highlighting the dangers of heroin use, have been held throughout the county. At these forums, audience members hear first-hand from recovering heroin addicts and their families. They candidly discuss their daily struggle with heroin addiction and the deadly toll in terms of lost friends and family members.

The DuPage County Overdose Prevention Medical Education Workgroup was formed to help reduce abuse and overdose of opioids and other controlled prescription drugs while



ensuring patients with pain are safely and effectively treated. Their goals include educating the medical community about safe and appropriate opioid prescribing practices, and reduce heroin overdose deaths through prevention education and enhanced, appropriate naloxone (Narcan) prescribing and access.

The Robert Crown Centers for Health Education (<http://www.robertcrown.org/>), Heroin in DuPage (<http://heroindupage.org/>) and SAMHSA, The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration ([www.findtreatment.samhsa.gov](http://www.findtreatment.samhsa.gov)) provide free education and treatment resources for parents.

Unused and unwanted prescription drugs can be safely disposed of by placing them in the collection box located in the front of the Itasca Police Department.

“Parents need to recognize the seriousness of heroin use in our community. They also need to become educated and have candid, age appropriate discussions with their children about opioid and heroin abuse. We firmly believe that prevention through education is the key to saving our children and our community”, said Chief Scott Heher.



## Senior Citizen Alert

As the elderly population grows in Illinois and across our nation, protecting older citizens continues to be one of our most important responsibilities. Far too often, scam artists perceive senior citizens as vulnerable and relatively wealthy due to their ability to access retirement accounts and pensions. As a result, seniors are a frequent target of a wide range of consumer fraud, financial exploitation, elder abuse and home repair scams.

The Itasca Police Department encourages you to practice these safety habits.

### At home:

- Keep your doors locked at all times, even when you're in the house. Use deadbolt locks on exterior doors.
- If you live alone, don't advertise it. Use only your first initial in phone books, directories, and apartment lobbies.
- Get to know your neighbors and keep their phone numbers handy in case of an emergency.
- Work out a "buddy" system with a friend to check on each other daily. Many communities have programs where police call every day to check if residents need assistance.
- If you arrive home and suspect a stranger inside, do not go inside. Leave quietly and call the police. Your safety should always come first.

### Protect Your Money

- If you receive checks in the mail regularly, arrange instead for them to be deposited directly in your bank account. The Social Security Administration and most pension funds offer this service.
- Avoid carrying large sums of money. If you must, have a friend accompany you.
- Don't sign a check or contract until you are sure you know the details and it is for a legitimate reason.
- Don't be afraid to delay a signing or to say no.
- Don't keep large sums of money in your home.

### Don't Be Conned.

If a deal sounds too good to be true, it probably is! Watch for these schemes:

- **The Pigeon Drop** - Swindlers claim they have found a large sum of money and offer to share it with you. They ask you to put up some "good faith" money before you get in on the deal. That is the last you will see of your money. You are left with nothing but phony instructions on how to collect your share of the "found" cash.
- **The Bank Examiner** - A professional looking person tells you he is a bank official and needs your help in the investigation of a dishonest teller. He asks you to withdraw cash from your savings account and give the money to him so he can check the serial numbers. You do what he asks, and you never see him or your money again.
- **Home Repairs** - NEVER accept an unsolicited "free" inspection of your furnace, roof, air conditioner, chimney, driveway or anything else in your home. Never leave inspectors alone when they are in your home. When in doubt, contact the Itasca Police Department.
- **Buying at the Door** - Watch for gimmicks or so-called "free" gift offers. When sales people call, wait, don't buy today. If it's legitimate, they'll come back tomorrow. In the meantime, check out the company with the Better Business Bureau.

### Do Not Call Registry

Telemarketing calls are often an unwelcome annoyance. To reduce the amount of unwanted telemarketing calls you receive, you can register your home and cellular phone numbers on the nationwide "Do Not Call Registry". The "Do Not Call" brochure is available in English, Spanish and Polish.

To register, visit <https://donotcall.gov/register/reg.aspx> or call 1-888-382-1222. This service is free to consumers and doesn't require repeated enrollment—once you sign up, your registration will not expire. The

Attorney General's Office enforces the rules of the "Do Not Call Registry" to make sure that businesses follow the law and consumers do not become victims of fraud.

However, it's important to know that, under federal and state law, a number of businesses or organizations still can call numbers on the registry, including:

- calls from organizations with which you have established a business relationship;
- calls for which you have given prior written consent;
- calls which are not commercial or do not include unsolicited advertisements;
- calls by or on behalf of tax-exempt non-profit organizations.

To report a violation of the "Do Not Call Registry" to the Attorney General's Office, please submit a complaint form or call the Consumer Fraud Hotline.

The 14th edition of the "Age Well DuPage: Resources for those ages 60 and Over" resource directory has been published as a service to DuPage County residents, their families and concerned citizens to provide an easy reference to services and benefits for older adults. This comprehensive 194 page guide provides information ranging from federal, state and local benefits to home support services and veterans benefits. It is available for downloading at <http://www.dupageco.org/seniorsvcs/>, or available for viewing at the Itasca Police Department.

The Illinois Attorney General also provides a Senior Citizens Consumer Fraud Hotline. To contact the hotline please call 1-800-243-5377.

To report abuse, neglect or exploitation of an older person living in our community, or to report the abuse, neglect or exploitation of an older person living in a long-term care facility, please contact the Itasca Police Department at 630-773-1004 or in an emergency, dial 9-1-1.



## Waterpark Opening Day

Sat May 24<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 am

Visit [www.itasca.com/waterpark](http://www.itasca.com/waterpark) for great events throughout the summer!

## Civil War Day Event – Free!

Sat May 24<sup>th</sup> 1:00 -5:00 pm

Depot Museum Grounds

## Memorial Day Parade

Mon May 26<sup>th</sup> 9:30 am Step-off

Join us for Parade awards and a Memorial Service by V.F.W. Post #5167 after the parade in Usher Park.

## Itasca Concert Series:

Every other Wednesday from 7:00 -8:30 pm  
(New! *Concerts are held at The Depot Museum Park or Usher Park*)

Sponsored by the Village of Itasca

**Jun 11:** Classical Blast - Usher Park

**Jun 25:** Generation...The Sixties Experience - Usher Park

**Jul 9:** Pirates Over 40 - Depot Museum Park

**Jul 23:** Soda - Usher Park

**Aug 6:** ABBA Salute Band - Usher Park

**Aug 20:** Timeline - Depot Museum Park

## Free H2O Nights at the Waterpark!

Sunday from 7:30-10:00 pm

June 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>, July 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>, August 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Enjoy music and games from our DJ.  
Grades 4<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>

## ItascaFest 3on3 Basketball Tournament

Fri July 11<sup>th</sup> for kids and Sat July 12<sup>th</sup> for adults  
Pick up a registration form at the Itasca Rec Center.

## Penny Plunge!

Tue July 15<sup>th</sup> 2:00 pm Ages: 12 & Under  
Dive for pennies at all depths of the Waterpark pools!

Special coins win prizes!

This event is sponsored by the Itasca Bank & Trust

Regular admission applies.

## New! Summer Slam Men's 16" Softball Tournament

Sat/Sun July 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>

\$250

Itasca Softball Complex

## Tribute to Patsy Cline Senior Trip to Starved Rock

Tue July 22<sup>nd</sup> 8:30 am-5:30 pm

\$45/\$55 Age: 60+

## IPD 50th Birthday Bash

Fri July 25<sup>th</sup>

12:30-9:00 pm

Itasca Waterpark

Celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Itasca Park District with free Waterpark Entry, music, giveaways, games, prizes, snacks and more!



## Dodgeball Tournament

Sat July 26<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am

Grades 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>

Grades 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>

\$80 per team of 6-10 players

Itasca Softball Complex

[www.itasca.com](http://www.itasca.com)

## Creek Walks at the Nature Center

Wed July 16<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> 2:30-4:00 pm

This class is a blast! Try catching crayfish, tadpoles, frogs, and more!  
Ages 5-12 \$8/\$10 per day

## Ice Cream with the Cops & Firefighters

Wed July 30<sup>th</sup> 1:00-2:30 pm at Usher Park

Enjoy games and free ice cream provided by the Itasca Bank & Trust

## National Night Out **FREE**

Tue August 5<sup>th</sup> 5:00-8:00 pm at the

Waterpark, Municipal Complex and Library

Day Camps begin June 9<sup>th</sup>; register now!  
Try our specialized Sports, Nature, and Gymnastics camps too!

The Itasca Fitness Center offers Nutrition Counseling, Personal Training, TRX, Yoga, Water Aerobics, Boot Camp, Indoor Cycling and much more!



The Depot Museum will be open 5 days per week from Memorial Day through Labor Day. Stop by and check out the new exhibits! New programs at the Depot include Mom & Daughter Quality Time, Depot Discoveries, Movies at the Museum, Illinois Railway Museum Trip, Choo-Choo Birthday Parties and more!

# Itasca Fest 2014

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

## Thursday, July 10

### Family Day

- 6:00 – 11:00 pm Food Vendors & Itasca Lions Club Pavilion  
6:00 – 10:30 pm Indoor Cash Bingo  
6:00 – 10:30 pm Carnival Hand Stamp Special  
(unlimited rides with advance purchase)  
7:00 – 10:30 pm **CTA**

## Friday, July 11

- 9:00 am– 4:30 pm Youth 3on3 Basketball Tournament sponsored by Hamilton Partners  
6:00 – Midnight Food Vendors & Itasca Lions Club Pavilion  
6:00 – 11:00 pm Indoor Cash Bingo  
6:00 – Midnight Carnival Rides & Games  
7:00 – 9:30 pm **Deacon Blues**  
10:00 – Midnight **Blue Moon Swamp**

## Saturday, July 12

- 8:00 am– 4:30 pm Antique Flea Market located in Usher Park  
9:00 am– 5:00 pm Adult 3on3 Basketball Tournament sponsored by Hamilton Partners  
Noon –Midnight Food Vendors & Itasca Lions Club Pavilion  
1:00 – 5:00 pm Carnival Hand Stamp Special  
(unlimited rides with advance purchase)  
Noon – 5:00 pm Lester's Learn 'n Play  
*Children's activities*  
2:00 – 6:00 pm Kids Entertainment, Pony Wheel & Petting Zoo  
*sponsored by Itasca Bank and Trust*  
1:00 – 11:00 pm Indoor Cash Bingo  
2:00 – 5:00 pm **DJ Terry Salat Music and Karoke**  
6:00 – 9:00 pm **Lonie Liponsy & The Lovers**  
10:00 – Midnight **Ides of March**

## Sunday, July 13

- Noon –11:00 pm Food Vendors & Itasca Lions Club Pavilion  
Noon – 5:00 pm Lester's Learn 'n Play  
*Children's activities*  
Noon Fishing Contest Awards  
1:00 – 5:00 pm Carnival Hand Stamp Special  
(unlimited rides with advance purchase)  
1:00 – 4:00 pm Itasca Health Fair  
*located in the Park District Gym*  
1:00 – 9:00 pm Indoor Cash Bingo  
2:00 – 6:00 pm Classic Car Show  
2:00 – 6:00 pm Kids Entertainment, Pony Wheel & Petting Zoo  
*sponsored by Itasca Bank and Trust*  
2:00 – 5:00 pm **DJ Terry Salat Music and Karoke**  
5:30 – 8:30 pm **The Voices**  
8:30 – 10:30 pm **American English Beatles Tribute Band**

## Summer Special Events Calendar

### Memorial Day Parade (Itasca Park District)

Mon May 26 9:30 am  
*Bryn Mawr & Catalpa down Walnut St  
to Usher Park for V.F.W. Post #5167  
Memorial Service*

### Dash for Dan

July 26  
8:00 am Registration/Check-in  
9:00 am Dash begins  
*Saint Peter the Apostle Church*

### Itasca Market

Sat June 14 9:00 am to 9:00 pm  
*Usher Park*

### Highland Games

June 20-21  
*Hamilton Lakes*

### Fish with the Cops at Happy Acres

June 29  
*Happy Acres, Bryn Mawr Avenue*

### Independence Day Celebration

**Fireworks**  
Fri July 4th  
*Hamilton Lakes*

### Itasca Fest

Thu-Sun July 10-13  
*Washington Park*

### ItascaFest 3on3 Basketball Tourney (Park District)

Youth: Fri July 11  
Adult: Sat July 12

### National Night Out

Tue August 5  
*Village Municipal Complex*

### American Cancer Society Relay for Life "Itasca MuniPALS"

Fri August 8 from 4:00 -10:00 pm  
All Welcome! Music, events, food &  
auction  
*Hamilton Lakes*

### Subaru Car Show

Wed August 20  
*Orchard Street*

### Oktoberfest

Fri & Sat September 5-6  
*Orchard Street*

### Comcast NFL Kick Off

Sun September 7  
*Orchard Street*

## Village Street Program 2014

The Village's 2014 Pavement Maintenance Program began in mid-May with a substantial completion target date of mid-September, weather permitting. As in previous years, our program consists of grinding the existing pavement, patching, spot curb repair, and installation of a new asphalt surface. This year's program also includes Village-wide patching and pavement marking restoration.

### Streets scheduled for resurfacing in 2014:

- Medinah Dr., Prestwick Ln. and Spyglass Ct.
- N. Maple Ave./Theodore from Bryn Mawr Ave. to Walnut St.
- N. Cherry St. from Bryn Mawr Ave. to Walters Ln., and both cul-du-sacs
- Haverhill Ct.
- Division St. from Catalpa Ave. to Hickory Dr.
- North Street from Rush St. to Walnut Ave. (The School District is coordinating their reconstruction of the Peacock School Parking Lot to join with the Village's program this year.)
- George St. from Oak St. to Walnut St. and from Rush St. to Parkside Ave.

The Village does not anticipate that any roads will need to be closed for this project. Please use caution in all work zones, especially when workers are present.

For construction updates, please visit [www.itasca.com](http://www.itasca.com). For specific questions or special needs, please contact Itasca Public Works at 630-773-2455.

## West Nile Virus and Dead Birds

This year, the long-term weather forecast for the summer is for a hot, dry summer. This is the type of weather that reduces the number of floodplain mosquitoes (*Aedes* spp.), but actually promotes the number of common house mosquitoes (*Culex pipiens*) which are responsible for the transmission of West Nile Virus (WNV). *Culex* mosquitoes prefer nesting in stagnant water, and will use any available source to lay their eggs. You can reduce the presence of *Culex* mosquitoes in your yard by eliminating possible sources of stagnant water.

Make sure your gutters are clean and draining, change water in kiddie pools and birdbaths every few days, make sure rain barrels and other water collectors have mesh screens to prevent mosquitoes from reaching the water. Remove litter, like cans and bottles, which can hold water. Empty flower pot trays regularly. If you are storing materials in your back yard that may hold water, (ex. Tires) make sure they are covered with a tarp, or that they are kept free of water.

The Village of Itasca is once again working with Clarke, Inc. to implement a comprehensive mosquito management program, including treatment of the Nature Center marsh, retention basins, ponds and all of our catch basins. We ask that you help us to help keep this year as mosquito-free as possible, by doing your part. If we all maintain our homes and yards to keep them free from mosquito breeding sites, Itasca will enjoy a summer with few mosquito concerns.

Mosquitoes are infected with WNV after biting infected birds which are the host or reservoir of the virus in the environment, the presence of dead birds can also be an indicator that the virus is present in an area. Dead bird sightings can be reported to the DuPage County Health Department by using their Dead Bird Reporting Tool (<http://www.dupagehealth.org/dead-bird-sighting>). Birds to be reported should be dead less than 48 hours and have no other obvious causes of death. After reporting, you may be contacted by County staff to arrange for pick-up of the bird for further testing. Otherwise, the dead bird can be disposed of by double bagging and placing in your household trash.

While West Nile Virus is established throughout Illinois, if we as a community can minimize the opportunities for the *Culex* mosquito to breed, we should be able to keep WNV out of Itasca.

## 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 or severe drought, the Village has the authority to a ban on water from the Village mains being used for any outdoor purpose (except by the Fire Department). Use of water from rain barrels would still be allowed for residences and local businesses.

### 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](http://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.

# Village of Itasca Electric Aggregation Program

Following the passage of a voter referendum, the Village contracted to procure lower-cost electric supply for residents and small businesses via an opt-out program. The Village has now renewed the program and contracted with Homefield Energy for a three-year term ending July 2017. For the first two years of the term, the fixed rate is 7.181¢ per kWh. The rate steps down in the third year of the term to 6.373¢, for a smoothed three-year average of 6.912¢ per kWh.

How to enroll: call Homefield Energy at 866-694-1262. There is no enrollment fee and no early termination fee to vacate the program.

## Itasca Program vs. ComEd rate in cents per kilowatt hour

	Supply + transmission	PEA fee <sup>1</sup>	Effective rate
<b>Itasca rate</b>	7.181¢	none	7.181¢
<b>Com Ed rate<sup>2</sup></b>	6.9 to 7.4¢ (Est, June 1, 2014)	0.500 ¢	7.4 to 7.9¢
Your Savings off the ComEd supply rate (Estimated):			3% to 9%

<sup>1</sup> The Purchased Electricity Adjustment (PEA) is variable and ranges as high as 0.5 cents per kilowatt-hour. There is no PEA charge from the program's Supplier.

<sup>2</sup> The ComEd Price to Compare changes; the current rate can be found at [www.pluginillinois.org](http://www.pluginillinois.org) by adding the Electric Supply Charge and the Transmission Services Charge.

## All residents and small commercial retail accounts will automatically be enrolled unless they:

1. Chose to opt out as directed in the opt out notice sent to their ComEd billing address; or
2. Have already switched to another Supplier; or
3. Participate in the Residential Real-Time Pricing (RRTP) hourly-rate program

Residents will continue to receive one bill from ComEd to include the electric supply charges from Homefield Energy. ComEd will continue to charge for delivery. The way you pay your bill, such as budget billing or automatic payment will not be affected by enrolling.

### 1. How can I enroll in the program?

During the initial two-week opt out period, you need do nothing if you have an eligible resident or small commercial electric account; you will automatically be enrolled unless you opt out. After the initial two-week opt out period, a ratepayer may enroll by simply calling Homefield Energy at 866-694-1262 and asking for the Itasca rate of 7.181¢.

### 2. What is an eligible resident or small commercial account?

Any resident who is currently with ComEd and has not already switched to an Alternative Retail Electric Supplier (ARES) or who is not enrolled in a special Residential Real-Time Pricing (RRTP) program is eligible, and small commercial accounts are eligible. You must also have a residence or business located in the Village of Itasca.

### 3. What is a "small commercial account?"

A small commercial account is a commercial account that consumes less than 15,000 kWh per year.

### 4. What if I don't want to be in the program?

You may opt out before the program begins, at no cost. You may leave the program after it begins, also at no cost. Eligible resident and small commercial accounts will receive an opt out letter which they must sign and return within 14 days if they do not want to be in the program. Otherwise, they will automatically be enrolled. If you want to leave the program after having been enrolled, simply call Homefield Energy and to be moved back to ComEd or another supplier at any time. There is no early termination fee.

### 5. I am located in Itasca's Village limit, and have already switched to another Supplier, but would like to join the program. Can I do this?

Yes. Contact Homefield Energy directly at 866-694-1262 for information about how to enroll. We suggest you check your contract to review any early termination fees you may be liable for; you may wish to wait for your current contract to expire before enrolling in the aggregation program. You may join the program at any time during the three-year contract, for no fee.

### 6. Why is the Village doing this?

A Municipal Electric Aggregation Program was approved by a simple majority in a voter referendum allowing the Village to seek pricing from an ARES for residents and small commercial accounts.

### 7. Are other municipalities doing this?

Yes. Over 600 Illinois municipalities have established an aggregation program. Residents have enjoyed savings, flexibility and fixed rate stability versus the ComEd rate, which is re-set once or twice a year, yet can also vary from month-to-month. Millions of Illinois residents are enrolled in similar programs across the State.

### 8. How can Itasca get lower rates than ComEd?

The State of Illinois deregulated energy markets. Exelon is no longer the sole electric supplier as many new suppliers now offer electricity to residents. Deregulation and new technologies in electricity procurement have driven prices lower over the last decade.

### 9. What is the current ComEd rate?

The effective ComEd rate for June 1 2014 through May 31 2015 will be announced in May 2014 and may be later adjusted in the fall of 2014. It will include two fixed charges (supply and transmission services) plus a variable charge, the Purchase Electricity Adjustment (PEA). To find the current rate (which can vary from month to month) visit <http://www.pluginillinois.org/FixedRateBreakdownComEd.aspx>. The ComEd rate can fluctuate month-to-month, depending upon the variance of the PEA charge.

### 10. How will the new supplier's rate compare with the ComEd rate under "Electric Supply Services" on my bill?

You will have one fixed rate that covers both electric supply and transmission services, and no other charge for that portion of your electric bill. You will not be charged a Purchase Electricity Adjustment by Homefield Energy.

For more FAQ's, please visit the Village website: [www.itasca.org](http://www.itasca.org)

# Village of Itasca Water Quality Report 2013

*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, 2013, 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, Utility 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 pm at the Itasca Village Hall, 550 W Irving Park Road. This report will also be available on the Village website: [www.itasca.com](http://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 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.

## 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

## 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	100%	100%-100.0%		
TURBIDITY (NTU) Soil runoff. Highest single measurement.	n/a	TT=1NTU <sub>max</sub>	0.18	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
ARSENIC (ppb) Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes.	0	10	0.77	0.519 – 0.767		
BARIUM (ppm) Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries. Erosion of natural deposits.	2	2	0.0205	0.0204 – 0.0205		
SELENIUM (ppb) Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries. Erosion of natural deposits	50	50	2.48	ND–2.48		
NITRATE (AS NITROGEN) (ppm) Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.	10	10	0.362	0.351 – 0.362		
TOTAL NITRATE & NITRITE (AS NITROGEN) (ppm) Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.	10	10	0.362	0.351 – 0.362		

## 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	2.18	2.00 – 2.18	n	03/02/11
BARIUM (ppm) Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries. Erosion of natural deposits.	2	2	0.0275	0.0208 – 0.0275	n	03/02/11
IRON (ppb) Erosion of naturally occurring deposits		1.0	2.79	2.79 – 2.79	n	03/02/11
MANGANESE (ppb) This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USEPA. However, the state regulates. Erosion of natural deposits.	150	150	122	41.6 – 122	n	03/02/11

## Inorganic Contaminants / Village of Itasca Results

Contaminant Likely Source of Contamination	MCLG	Action Level(AL)	90th Percentile	# Sites Over	Violation
COPPER Erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood Preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems.	1.3 ppm	1.3 ppm	.292 ppm	0	N

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 <sub>2</sub> ) ppm Water additive used to control microbes.	MRDLG=4	MRDL=4	0.6	0.3 – 0.74	N	12/31/2013
TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5) ppb By-product of drinking water chlorination.	no goal for the total	60	21	5.71 – 41.4	N	2013
TTHMs By-product of drinking water chlorination. (Total Trihalomethanes) ppb	no goal for the total	80	44	23.8 – 49	N	2013

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	0.9	0.856 – 0.922		

### State Regulated Contaminants / Village of Itasca Results

Contaminant (unit of measurement) Typical Source of Contaminant	MCGL	MCL	Highest Level	Range of Detection	Violation	Date of Sample
SODIUM (ppm) Erosion of naturally occurring deposits; Used in water softener regeneration.	n/a	n/a	116	86.1 – 116	N	03/02/11
FLUORIDE (ppm) Erosion of naturally occurring deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth. Discharge from Fertilizer and aluminum factories.	4	4.0	0.251	0.195 – 0.251	N	03/02/11

**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.

### 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	1.38	1.30 – 1.38		03/17/08
GROSS ALPHA excluding radon and uranium (pCi/l) Decay of natural and man-made deposits.	0	15	0.88	0.09 – 0.88		03/17/08

### Radioactive Contaminants / Village of Itasca 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) Erosion of natural deposits.	0	5	3.04	1.13 – 3.04	N	03/02/11

### 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	11.9	ND – 11.9		
SODIUM (ppm) Erosion of naturally occurring deposits; used as water softener.	n/a	n/a	7.84	7.42 – 7.84		

**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 II (UCMR II)** Our water system was required to monitor for all contaminants required under the Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule II (UCMR II). Started in 2009, monitoring under UCMR II was completed in 2011, with none of the contaminants detected. Inquiries and results may be obtained by calling the Water Quality Division office at (312) 742-7499

# We would like to hear from you!

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

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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](mailto:feedback@itasca.com)

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