

JOLIET NEWSLETTER

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SUMMER 2023

A Message from Mayor D'Arcy

Dear Joliet residents,

First of all, I would like to thank all of you who supported my candidacy for mayor. It is my hope to earn the trust of those who supported one of the other candidates and soon have us all working together to move our City forward.



Mayor D'Arcy

Since taking office on May 1, I have begun working with our City Council representatives and our administrative team to plan Joliet's future. There is so much potential in our community, and it's time to start the renaissance of our City one neighborhood at a time.

Building our future with forethought and ingenuity requires a long-term comprehensive plan. Planning our future is one of the most important aspects of becoming a world-class city. Twenty years ago was the best time to plant a tree. Today is the next best time. Let's begin planning for tomorrow by working together and bringing everyone's voice into the discussion.

With summer now upon us, it is time to enjoy all the amenities Joliet has to offer, from festivals and baseball games, to family time in our parks. I hope all of you have a safe and happy summertime here in the City we love.

Sincerely,

Mayor D'Arcy

New Historic Preservation and Joliet Heritage Information Available

The City of Joliet has added several new reports and information regarding Joliet's history and heritage, as well as historic preservation technical assistance to its website. You can find this information within the Planning Division's webpage on the City of Joliet's website. www.joliet.gov/historicpreservation.



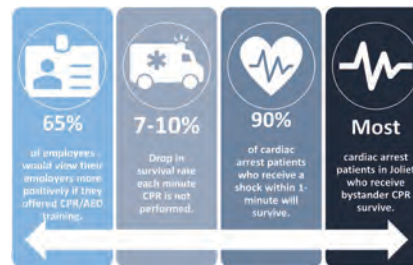
Union Station, Beaux-Arts style, 1912

CPR/AED Initiative

Is your business prepared? Each year, over 10,000 cardiac arrests occur in businesses. The Joliet Fire Department is offering FREE training in hands-only CPR and AED to employees of businesses that have or purchase an AED.



Contact the Fire Department's EMS Division at (815) 724-3503 or jfdems@joliet.gov for information.



American Heart Association (AHA). (2020). Guidelines for CPR and ECC.; Joliet Fire Department (JFD). (2021). 2020-2021 Annual Report.

WELCOME, NEW BUSINESSES

DD's Discounts | 1500 N Larkin Ave, 60435

El Pique Tacos | 48 McDonough St, 60436

Galaxy Auto Repair | 500 E Jackson St, 60432

Gallo de Acero | 351 E Cass St, 60432

I Love Nutrition | 1206 Plainfield Rd, 60435

Los 2 Carnales | 700 Ruby St, 60435

Med Natural | 421 Collins St, 60435

Mels Tacos and More | 2049 Rt 59, 60586

Olive Garden | 16337 S Boulevard Pl, 60586

Paleteria Maya | 1023 Woodruff Rd, 60432

Ride Autohaus | 409 Ruby St, 60435

Royal Smoothies | 1745 S Rt 59, 60586

ODD ADDRESS?

Water on odd-numbered days

EVEN ADDRESS?

Water on even-numbered days.

Only water between the hours of **6-10 AM** or **6-10 PM**.

RETHINKWATERJOLIET.ORG



What's Happening

Customers Given More Time for Water and Sewer Payments

Did you notice that you have more time to pay your City utility bill and there is now a 10-day grace period before penalties are applied? Starting in May, bills are now due 20 days from when the City mails them and a 10-day grace period after the due date has been added before penalties are applied. This gives customers 15 more days to make a payment before penalties are charged. This means that if your bill is due on the 1st of the month, you will only receive a penalty if the bill is not paid by the 11th of the month. Please remember that if you make a payment after the due date, it is possible that your next bill could show a prior balance.

Rethink Conservation



The Water Conservation Incentive Program, "Rethink Conservation" was presented at the Joliet Water Conservation Stakeholder Meeting in April. This incentive program will run quarterly and encourages residents of all ages to participate. For information about "Rethink Conservation" please go to www.RethinkWaterJoliet.org. Our next virtual Stakeholder meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 27, to discuss Rebate Programs.

Rental Inspection Program

On October 4, 2022, the Joliet City Council approved several changes to the City's rental inspection program. This change added all residential units occupied by anyone other than the owner including single family homes, condos, and two-unit properties in which the owner resides in one unit. In addition, there is now a requirement for owners to register and obtain a license with a cost of \$100 annually. The intent of the rental inspection program is to:

- Promote the health, safety, and welfare of the general public
- Assure preservation of the existing housing supply
- Help maintain property values
- Work toward eliminating substandard and deteriorating rental housing
- Maintain a living environment that contributes to healthful individual and family living

Please be certain that you have completed and submitted your registration form. Each unique owner (i.e. each entity) requires a license. The registration form is required to list all rental properties held by the owner. The registration form and more information about the program can be found at www.joliet.gov/rentalinspectionprogram.

Contact Neighborhood Services at (815) 724-4090 with any questions.

Construction Zone: 2023 Water Main Replacement Projects and 2024 Look Ahead

For the last 5 years (2017 to 2021) Public Utilities has replaced 1% of the City's water main on an annual basis. Beginning in 2022, the City accelerated the water main replacement program and replaced 3% of our water mains. Continuing in 2023, this accelerated water main replacement program is part of the City's non-revenue water reduction strategy as required by IDNR to maintain our Lake Michigan Allocation. Between 2023 and 2030 we will be replacing all water mains constructed prior to the 1970s.

In 2023, eleven construction contracts have been awarded to replace approximately 130,000 linear feet of water main. To keep up to date with current projects under construction and to view projects anticipated for construction in 2024 visit at www.Joliet.gov/construction-zone.



Roadway Reconstruction

Since 1982, the Department of Public Works has reconstructed neighborhood streets within the City of Joliet. The 2023 Roadway Reconstruction Program includes both streets from previous years reconstruction programs that were delayed due to utility conflicts as well as additional streets for 2023. Roadway Reconstruction Projects are scheduled to take place beginning in late Spring through late Fall.

The following is a listing of streets to be reconstructed (storm sewer, curb and gutter, road reconstruction) as part of the 2023 Roadway Reconstruction Program:

- Broadway Street (Marion Street – Jefferson Street)
- Cora Street (Frank Avenue – Russell Street)
- Dekalb Street (Pleasant Avenue – Center Street)
- Dora Avenue (Woodruff Road – Garvin Street)
- Garnsey Avenue Bridge over Spring Creek: Bridge Replacement
- Helen Avenue (Charity Avenue – Mills Road)
- Parks Avenue (Elwood Avenue – Liberty Street)
- Stone Street (Hickory Street – Center Street)
- Wallace Street (Pleasant Avenue – Center Street)
- Walsh Avenue (Douglas Street – Taylor Street)
- Washington Street (York Street – Eastern Avenue)

In addition to reconstructing numerous streets, the Department of Public Works completes an Annual Roadway Resurfacing Program on various streets throughout the City. The 2023 Roadway Resurfacing Program is funded with approximately \$4.4 million of Motor Fuel Tax and \$7.25 million in Capital Improvement funding. A full list of streets to be resurfaced in 2023 will be provided in a future Newsletter.

Property owners are advised to seek alternate routes when a given street is being reconstructed. Please contact the Department of Public Works at (815) 724-4200 with questions or concerns regarding the 2023 Roadway Reconstruction Program.

Sizzling Summer Events

Billie Limacher Bicentennial Park & Theatre

Great entertainment in your backyard! Bicentennial Park, located at 201 W Jefferson St, is hoppin' this summer with festivals, fireworks, FREE concerts, shows, and more! For details, visit: www.bicentennialpark.org or call (815) 724-3761.



"Godspell" Musical

June 16-18, 23-25 | Friday & Saturday, 7 pm | Sunday, 2 pm
"Prepare ye the way" for a show to lift your spirits!

Summertime On-Stage Drama & Tech Camp

June 19-July 16
All levels of interest welcome (ages 5-18) to learn "Anne of Green Gables."

Independence Celebration & Fireworks - FREE!

Monday, July 3 | 6-10 pm
Live music, food vendors, brews, and fireworks at 9:30 pm

"Anne of Green Gables" Musical

Saturday & Sunday, July 16 & 17 | 2 pm
Presented by Summertime On-Stage Drama Camp.

Stuff On Bluff

Saturday, July 22 | 10 am - 4 pm
Our first flea market! Save a spot and make some moolah. Cha-ching!

Polka Luau - Eddie Korosa Jr Band & Ukulele Moonshiners

Thursday, July 27 | 6:30 pm | Concerts on the Hill - FREE

"Wizard of Oz" Musical

July 28-30 & Aug 4-6 | Friday & Saturday, 7 pm | Sunday, 2 pm
Joliet Drama Guild invites you to follow the yellow brick road (indoors).

5th Annual Joliet Blues Fest

Saturday, August 12 | 3-10 pm
Diverse blues styles fill the air on the pavilion with food and brews to boot!

Skip Griparris: Elvis, Buddy, Ricky & Roy

Friday, August 18 | 7:30 pm
Singer, guitarist, and impressionist recreates the magical 50's music.

2nd Annual Wine & Jazz Fest

Saturday, August 19 | 3-9 pm
Smooth tunes on the pavilion, wine tasting, food, and other libations.

Women Singing Our Stories - Music by Women Across the Decades

Thursday, August 24 | 6:30 pm | Concerts on the Hill - FREE

Season finale with JTHS Orchestra, JTHS Band & Joliet American Legion Band - the 2022 National Champs!

Thursday, August 31 | 6:30 pm | Concerts on the Hill - FREE

Star Wars Day Saturday, June 3 | 11 am - 4 pm

The Joliet Public Library's Star Wars Day returns to downtown Joliet. Join us for a parade, costumed characters, food, artists and authors, music, vendors and more! For details, visit www.jolietlibrary.org.



Salsa Fest Friday, June 9 | 5:30-10:30 pm

Downtown Joliet - Van Buren Plaza
FREE event with salsa tastings, salsa dancing lessons, DJ, and Latin Satin Soul Band.
For details, visit www.jolietccp.com.



Taste of Joliet Friday - Sunday | June 23-25

Busey Bank Field at Joliet Memorial Stadium
Main stage headliners include: Train, Tyler Hubbard, and Mitchell Tenpenny. Over 20 food vendors, carnival, and Kids Zone. For details, visit www.tasteofjoliet.com.



KIDZ FEST Saturday, August 5 | 10 am - 3 pm

Downtown Joliet - Van Buren Plaza
FREE event that includes magic shows, roller rink, pony rides, petting zoo, games, and more!
For details, visit www.jolietccp.com.



Visit Downtown Joliet this summer and get "Ready to Rock!" View twelve 6-foot guitar sculptures uniquely designed by local artists all while taking in the sites downtown.



Duly Health and Care Field | 1 Mayor Art Schultz Dr

Head to downtown Joliet for America's favorite pastime! For the full schedule and tickets, visit www.jolietsslammers.com.

2023 SCHEDULE

JUNE							HOME	AWAY
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
				NJ 6:35PM 1	EVN 6:35PM 2	EVN 6:05PM 3		
EVN 1:05PM 4		OC 5	OC 6	OC 7	OTT 8	OTT 9		
OTT 10		OC 11	OC 12	OC 13	OTT 14	OTT 15		
OTT 16	12	WSH 13	WSH 14	WSH 15	LE 16	LE 17		
LE 18	19	WSH 19	WSH 20	WSH 21	LE 22	LE 23		
	26	WC 27	WC 28	WC 29	EVN 6:35PM 30			

GATEWAY DRIZZLES WINDY CITY THUNDERBOLTS JOLIET SLAMMERS SCHAUMBURG BOOMERS	OHIO REC CAPITALS OTTAWA TITANS TRIOS-RIVERS ANGLERS EMPIRE STATE GREYS	EVN EVANSVILLE OTTERS FLD FLORENCE Y ALLS LE LAKE ERIE CRUSHERS WSH WASHINGTON WILD THINGS	NY NEW YORK BULLDOGS SO SUSSEX COUNTY MINERS NJ NEW JERSEY JACKALS T.C. TELLE CITY WALL EXPLORERS
JUNE 1 - BO'S NIGHT JUNE 2 - PRINCESS NIGHT JUNE 3 - SITCOM NIGHT JUNE 4 - PAWS ON 66 JUNE 13 - WATER CONSERVATION DAY JUNE 14 - SENIOR NIGHT JUNE 15 - BEATLES NIGHT Follow us for updates!	JUNE 16 - FIRST RESPONDER FAMILY NIGHT JUNE 17 - PRIDE NIGHT JUNE 18 - FATHER'S DAY JUNE 20 - THROW CANCER IN THE SLAMMER JUNE 21 - DAY CAMP DAY JUNE 22 - COUNTRY NIGHT JUNE 30 - POLISH NIGHT	Gates open 1 hour before game	

Water Conservation Night

Join Public Utilities at Water Conservation Night on Tuesday, June 13! Stop by for raffle giveaways, water tips, and a great game!

City Information & Resources

Other Great Events

Visit www.joliet.gov/events or www.visitjoliet.com for upcoming events. The following affiliate organizations also have upcoming programs, events, and festivals scheduled:

Joliet Area Historical Museum: www.jolietmuseum.org
Rialto Square Theatre: www.rialtosquare.com



Water Quality Report

The annual Water Quality Report, which explains where the City's water comes from, the treatment process, and how it is delivered to our customers, is now available at www.joliet.gov/waterqualityreport. A paper copy can be obtained by calling (815) 724-4230.

Customer Water Portal

Are you signed up for the Customer Water Portal? This free tool helps you monitor your water monthly, weekly, daily, or hourly! Key features allow you to view water usage in gallons or cubic feet, set vacation and usage alerts, and help track down the source of usage at odd times. To learn more and sign-up, visit www.joliet.gov/CustomerWaterPortal. As an added reason to use this valuable tool, sign up by Monday, July 31, to be entered into the drawing for the "Rethink Conservation" incentive program.

How to Report a Streetlight Outage

Please call Public Works at (815) 724-4200 to report street light outages. The following detailed information is needed:

- What is the pole made out of? Concrete, wood, aluminum, or decorative.
- Exact address or intersection where pole is located, including side of street, nearest side street, and name of subdivision.
- Pole number when available: If concrete pole number is located on the street side of pole, eye-level, yellow plaque with black numbers. If aluminum pole, it is halfway up the pole, white plaque with black letters and numbers?
- Is the light out? Does it go on / off? Is the lens dim? Does the pole lean or is it deteriorated? Has the pole been knocked down? Are wires exposed?

Depending on what the pole is made of determines who fixes it. The more detailed the information, the quicker response time for getting it fixed.

Reminders for Property Standards

- Lawns must be kept under 8 inches in height, this includes weeds.
- The parkway is the responsibility of the homeowner to maintain. This includes the alley, or in some subdivisions the rear parkway.
- The outdoor storage of one recreational vehicle or one watercraft not exceeding 25 feet in length or 10 feet in height is allowed but must be parked on paved surface areas that are not located in a required front yard space.
- Trash cans and lawn waste bags should not be placed at the curb until 6:30 pm the day before trash pickup, and all containers must be removed from the curb within 10 hours of collection.
- No person shall place any municipal waste at any collection point unless the municipal waste is from the premises served by the container or from the premises at which the collection point is located.

Concerns about Property Standards issues can be reported through the CitizenVue app or by calling the Community Complaint Line at (815) 724-4005. There is also a button on the City's home page at www.joliet.gov to Report an Issue.

Contact Neighborhood Services at (815) 724-4090 with any questions.

We Are Here

Police and Fire Emergency
9-1-1

Police Non-Emergency
(815) 726-2491

City Hall Information Desk
(815) 724-4000 infodesk@joliet.gov

Customer Service
(815) 724-3820 customerservice@joliet.gov

City Manager
(815) 724-3730 citymanager@joliet.gov

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(815) 724-3700 tdarcy@joliet.gov

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(815) 724-3746 lhug@joliet.gov

Councilman
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(815) 724-3749 pmudron@joliet.gov

Councilwoman
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(815) 724-3720 sreardon@joliet.gov

Councilman
Cesar Cardenas (District 4)
(815) 724-3745 ccardenas@joliet.gov

Councilwoman
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(815) 724-3742 sibarra@joliet.gov

Councilman
Joe Clement (At Large)
(815) 724-3747 jclement@joliet.gov

Councilman
Cesar Guerrero (At Large)
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Councilwoman
Jan Hallums Quillman (At Large)
(815) 724-3744 jquillman@joliet.gov

All City Department contact information can be found at www.joliet.gov.

Joliet City Hall
150 W Jefferson St
Joliet, IL 60432

Hours of Operation
8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday*
Entrances to City Hall are located on both Des Plaines and Joliet streets.

*Except on observed holidays

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City Hall Holiday Closure

Memorial Day | Monday, May 29

Independence Day | Tuesday, July 4

Downtown parking decks will be free of charge and there will not be enforcement of parking meters on these holidays.

Waste Management Holiday Schedule

Memorial Day | Monday, May 29 | Service one day late all week.

Independence Day | Tuesday, July 4 | Monday will be regular service.

Tuesday through Friday service will be one day late.

City of Joliet "CitizenVUE" App

Did you know that the City of Joliet offers a FREE app that enables residents to easily report non-emergency community concerns? Our VUEWorks: CitizenVUE app is available on Apple, Google Play, and Windows stores. Concerns such as overgrown grass, trash and junk in yards, street light outages, potholes, parkway tree trimming, and more can be reported directly to the City from your mobile device. For more information visit: www.joliet.gov/our-city/i-want-to/report.

Smart Message Community Alerts

Smart Message provides residents with alerts from the City of Joliet. Information includes notice of water main breaks and boil orders. Don't Delay! Sign up today at www.joliet.gov/smartmessage.