

# From the Mayor's Desk By Mayor Jay Nolan



The City of Harvard is thankful to have a state senator who has helped our community obtain funding for much needed infrastructure improvements. Senator Pam Althoff helped the City obtain \$335,667

from the Illinois Department of Transportation to resurface Diggins Street and replace curb and gutter along that roadway. She also helped the City secure \$150,000 from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity to resurface portions of Northfield Avenue. The City of Harvard presented Senator Althoff with a Certificate of Recognition on Sept. 11.

The holidays are right around the corner. Downtown Harvard will soon be aglow with holiday lighting and city stores will be ready to accommodate shoppers. Please shop locally whenever you can. Harvard businesses depend on your support.

Changing seasons usually bring changing, unpredictable weather with them. Watch the community sign for snow alerts and move your cars when needed. Drive safely and watch for children who are out in full force during Trick or Treating, or following a fresh snowfall.

### From the

# **Public Works Dept.**

### **Preparing for Winter**

Winter is just around the corner and snow is predicted - again.

When it does snow, residential streets will be plowed one pass in each direction. The downtown area will be plowed to the center as normal, but clean up and removal will take place after all city streets have been plowed. Once all city streets are open, snow will be plowed to the curb. The removal will be done as soon as possible, but it may take a few days, so please be patient.

The business district, emergency routes and all school areas will be plowed to the curb on the first pass. These areas, and all intersections and steep grades will also be salted. All other city streets will be plowed only. Please drive with caution this winter.

### Snow emergencies

All vehicles must be off the streets following a two-inch snowfall. This enables City workers to plow and salt the roads quickly. If a snow emergency is declared, all vehicles must be removed from the streets immediately. A snow emergency can be declared before an expected two-inch snowfall and will be posted on the Community Sign as soon as possible. If there is any question as to whether an emergency has been called or terminated, call the Public Works Department at 943-0301 or the Police Department at 943-4431.

# **CITY RECOGNIZES SENATOR ALTHOFF**

Harvard Mayor Jay Nolan recognized Senator Pamela Althoff for her leadership in facilitating nearly \$500,000 in infrastructure projects for the City of Harvard. Althoff received the special recognition at a September 11 event hosted by the Harvard Economic Development Corporation. The event was attended by local business owners, who came to hear a presentation on the Affordable Healthcare Act by Rich Gruber, who is Vice President of Government Affairs for Mercy Healthcare System.

#### From the **POLICE DEPARTMENT** By Police Chief Dan Kazy-Garey



The Harvard Police Department is proud to introduce the newest member of our department to the community, Officer Nick Hill, who joined us in March 2013. He attended the Illinois State Police Academy in Springfield and graduated in June. Officer Hill will complete 10 weeks of field training shortly and will then be assigned to the evening shift. He resides in the area with his family and will make an excellent addition to our department and to the community.

Halloween 2013 Trick or Treat hours have been set by the City of Harvard for 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on October 31. I would like to take this opportunity to remind children, parents and residents of safety suggestions that will help make Halloween safe and enjoyable for everyone.

Parents

- Children • Always carry a flashlight and Trick or Treat with an adult or older sibling on designated routes;
- Only Trick or Treat at homes that have a porch light on and never enter anyone's
- home: Never talk or go anywhere with a stranger;
- Costumes should be bright and have reflective material. Avoid ill-fitting costumes or masks:
- Do not carry fake swords, guns, knives, or similar accessories that may look real;
- Don't run, always cross the street at an intersection, walk on sidewalks and respect private and public property;
- Never eat any treats until your parent or guardian has checked them. Do not eat fruit, homemade items, or unwrapped candy; and

The library is offering a variety of

interesting programs to enrich your life

this fall. Mark your calendars now to be

embellishments can turn old books into

to make that happen at the Folded Book

on Tuesday, October 15. Participants will

home their creations. This craft is suitable

size is limited and registration is required.

Art class that is scheduled for 6:30 p.m.

learn new folding techniques and take

for participants age 16 and older. Class

FROM YOUR LIBRARY

• Say Thank You and have fun!

By Karen Sutera, Director

sure that you don't miss them.

Simple folds and added

A \$5 supply fee is required at

the fascinating techniques used to

embalm deceased Civil War soldiers at

registration.

#### • Remind your children of the above safety tips;

- Plan a designated route and schedule and accompany your
- children while they Trick or Treat; for tampering;
- Consider hosting a Halloween party Remove hazards from your yard or rather than sending children out Trick or Treating;
- If you are driving, be cautious of other children who may not be paying attention;
- · Review 'Stop, Drop, and Roll' with your children in case a costume catches fire; and
- Report any suspicious activities to the Harvard Police at (815) 943-4431 or call 911.

### Homeowners

- Turn your porch light on if you are welcoming Trick or Treaters. Otherwise, leave it off and close your door;
- Do not invite children into your home and only distribute pre-packaged treats;
- Always inspect your children's treats Please secure your dogs in your home and away from Trick or Treaters;
  - porch that could cause a child to trip and fall, and do not use candles to illuminate any decoration; and
  - · Report any suspicious activities to the Harvard Police at (815) 943-4431 or call 911.

If you have comments to share or need information, I can be reached from Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. by calling (815) 943-4431,

Li'l Peeps Archery T.A.Z. Archery is offering a new session of Li'l Peeps. Learn to shoot, or perfect your archery skills, in the indoor archery range. Students will be taught proper techniques on how to use a bow and arrow. Bring your own equipment or you can rent from T.A.Z. for an additional fee. Parents, drop your kids off or stay and watch. Mike Nowatnik, T.A.Z. Archery Staff Shooter and Level 2 Certified Coach along with Jessica Greig, Level Two Certified Coach will be heading up this program alongside Owner and Professional Archer, Tim Zimmerman.

**Fee:** \$160 with your equipment, \$240 with rental equipment (8 weeks) Location: T.A.Z. Archery,

11908 Catalpa Ln. Woodstock IL. Date: Saturday's and Tuesday's, Nov. 2nd through Dec.21st. Saturday's 10:00-11:00am. and Tuesday's 6:00-7:00pm. Ages: 6 years to 17 years old. Questions call T.A.Z. Archery at 815-337-0332 Register at Harvard City Hall

900 East McKinley Street Harvard IL 60033 (815) 943-4671 www.harvard-diggins.org

6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 22. Using a re-enactor corpse as a visual aid, Austin will discuss how embalming impacted works of display art. Learn the techniques funeral practices during the war and how those practices have evolved over time. Registration is not required for this event. opportunity to learn the impact that this

Halloween is a great time to get crafty and kids love adding to holiday decorations. Register your youngsters to create a cool glow-in-the-dark bug. Two sessions will be offered, with one at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, October 9 and the other at 2 p.m. on Saturday, October 19. Jon Austin will visit the library to share Both sessions will offer the same content. Class size is limited and registration is required.





City of Harvard Certificate of Recognition to State Senator Pamela Althofy

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# NEED TO KNOW .... **Brush Pickup Schedule**

Fall brush pickup will begin on Monday, October 14 and will continue until all wards have been picked up. Public Works will go through each ward one time. THIS WILL BE THE LAST BRUSH PICKUP UNTIL MAY 2014.

To ensure that your brush is picked up, have all branches by the curb before pickup begins on 10/14 but no earlier than 10/7. All brush must be at least 3 feet long. This is a safety precaution for our employees. Shorter branches pose a hazard when feeding them into the chipper. When placing branches at the curb, stack the brush in a manner that it is easily picked up from the street, with the large end at the curb. This makes it easier, faster and more efficient to remove. The time limit for chipping brush at each stop is 20 minutes, per City policy. Arrangements can be made to remove any remaining brush at a cost to the owner of \$125.00 an hour, with a minimum charge of \$50.00. If you have branches down after a storm, place them at the curb and notify Public Works at 943-0301

# **Parks & Recreation News**

#### Water Aerobics\*

Improve joint mobility, flexibility, balance and Traveling and Intramural Jr. Hornets strength! Warm-ups, cardio and toning Basketball will be organizing soon! Watch combinations with a cool down will give you for details on the city website at the workout you desire. Water aerobics is great www.cityofharvard.org. for all ages and abilities! Coaches are needed. Instructor: Ashley Esunis Please email Mike Clingingsmith at Fee: Punch cards purchased at class or City ith@citvofha ard.org if interested. Hall (5 classes for \$30) or \$7.00 at the door. Location: Northfield Court Apartments indoor pool. Open Gym (1410 Northfield Court, Harvard IL) Everyone's favorite OPEN GYM will be Date: Saturdays Oct 19th.-Nov 16th. starting soon! Watch for details on the city website at <u>www.cityofharvard.org</u>.

**Time:** 10 – 11am. Ages: 18 and up.

\*Continuation of this program will be based on attendance numbers for the first 5 weeks.

#### Zumba

Experience calorie-burning, heart-racing, muscle-pumping, body-energizing movements! Move to different tempos of Latin American music with low/high-impact moves that build muscle.

**Instructor:** Nicole Wolf

**Fee:** Punch cards purchased at class (5 classes for \$25)

**Location:** Crosby Elementary School (401 Hereley Dr., Harvard IL) Date: Wednesdays, Ongoing. Time: 6:30 - 7:30pm.

Ages: 18+

Sign up is at Class.

or via email anytime to kazy-garey@cityofharvard.org. Harvard Diggins Library

> This year marks the 50th anniversary of the assassination of John F. Kennedy. Many of us remember where we were and what we were doing on that fateful day in November 1963. Everyone will have an event had on our nation when Jim Gibbons visits the library to present 'The Assassination of John F. Kennedy' at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 26. Registration is not required for this event.

For more information about any of these programs, call the library at (815) 943-4671. Information and a calendar of upcoming events is also available online at <u>www.harvard-diggins.org</u>.



### Leaf Vacuuming

Leaf vacuuming will tentatively occur from October 7 through November 25, depending on weather conditions and when leaves begin to fall. Please rake your leaves to the curb, NOT INTO THE STREET. Marengo Disposal Company will vacuum through the end of November, weather permitting. Contact them at (888) 775-3691 or (815) 568-7274 for additional information.

### Hydrant Flushing

The Utilities Department will flush hydrants from October 21 – 31, as weather permits. Hydrant flushing disrupts the water in the main and may turn your water rusty. Let your faucets run until clear and do not wash white clothes during the time that hydrant flushing is taking place in your ward. Signs will be placed in each ward during flushing and City Hall will have a schedule of where work will take place each day.

#### Basketball

#### Golf

We are taking golf lessons to a whole new level with the Revolution Golf HD, a state-of-the-art high definition indoor golf studio that provides the complete golf experience. This four lesson package includes high intensity instruction with computer analysis. The final lesson will allow each participant to experience actual simulated play on a course of their choice while receiving instruction and pointers. Professional club fitting is included in this group package. **Fee:** Group of 3 = \$48 per person Location: Revolution Golf HD, 77 N Ayer St., Harvard IL Date: Mon., Jan. 13 - Feb. 3, 2014 Time: 3:30 - 4:30pm Ages: Junior High through High School

Contact Revolution Golf HD at (815) 943-2255(BALL) for adult lessons and leagues.

Register at Harvard City Hall

### **Equestrian Programs** Introduction to the World of Horses at

Cripple Creek Ranch Would you like to know more about horses? Has your child expressed a desire to ride but you are not sure about the program details? Would you like to get back into riding or grooming a horse but do not know where to begin the process? This one hour session is a chance to meet and greet the horses, see our ranch and learn about the program details. You will get to learn about basic care and horse handling. Session 1: Oct. 14, 2013, 7 - 8 pm.

Session 2: Nov. 4, 2013, 7 - 8 pm. Cost: Adults/Parents \$10 p/person. Kids under 12 are free. 12-18 are \$5 with a parent.

#### Equestrian Programs, cont.

#### **Continuation series at Cripple Creek** Ranch \*

Continuation series that takes you from safely handling a horse, to grooming and basic balance. Program is broken down into three separate sessions where you can choose which program you would like to take. For anyone wanting to ride, they must be able to show they know the grooming and handling techniques before choosing to enter the riding program.

C-1. Oct. 9 and 16 7 - 7:30pm \$35 Two starter lessons. We will start with horse handling and grooming. Get a good start in how to properly groom and safely work around a horse. No riding in this session.

C-2. Nov. 2 and 9 7-7:30pm. \$35 Two day sessions on leading and ground work exercises. Lunging, loping, moving the horse over and around obstacles. These techniques help to build confidence in a rider. No riding in this session. C-3. Nov. 21 and 23 7-7:30pm. \$50 Two day sessions which help progress the rider to tack up a horse and then ride.

#### Western Riding Lessons at Cripple **Creek Ranch\***

Begin to build a solid foundation of western riding and horsemanship practices. The program consists of 4 - One hour sessions which include grooming, handling, safety, proper tacking and ground work exercises. Once comfortable with these skills we move into the riding portion. We teach a core balance program which helps a rider stay centered while riding

Nov. 2, 9, 23, and Dec 7. 2 - 3 pm. Cost: \$130

\*Please contact Cripple Creek Ranch with any questions. (815) 943-4513 ecenter.com www.ccree

\*All Equestrian programs are held at: Cripple Creek Ranch 23215 Graf Road Harvard, Illinois 60033

Keep an eye on the city website for dditional program offerings including; Ice Skating, Horseback Riding and Volleyball and Basketball open gym nights for adults. www.cityofharvard.org



# Upcoming City Events

Oct. 5	Community Movie Night
Oct. 6-12	National Fire Prevention Week
Oct. 14	Brush Pickup Begins
Oct. 26	Family Fall Festival- Downtown Harvard
Oct. 31	Halloween Trick or Treat Hours 5-8 p.m.
Nov. 2	Community Movie Night
Nov. 3	Daylight Savings Ends
Dec. 7	Christmas in Harvard
Feb. 1	Chamber of Commerce Recognition Dinner



Check the City's website at www.cityofharvard.org to e-pay water bills and parking tickets. There is also a drop box located in front of the City Hall building at 201 W. Diggins St.

READ IT ALL ONLINE AT WWW.CITYOFHARVARD.ORG



### **City of Harvard Municipal Information**

### www.cityofharvard.org

Mayor City Treasurer City Clerk	Deb Szczap
Aldermen Ward 1	
Ward 2	Brian Leyden Phillip Ulmer Crystal Musgrove
Ward 3	
	Mike Clarke
Ward 4	Carl Opper

Municipal Staff	,
City Administrator	Dave Nelson
Chief of Police	Dan Kazy-Garey
Administrative Assistant	Lori Moller
Supt. Public Works	Jim Kruckenberg
Supt. Utilities	Jim Grant
Supt. Parks & Recreation	. Mike Clingingsmith

### **Building Department**

Community Development Steve Santeler Director. Code Enforcement Officer . Clayton Brennecka

#### **City Phone Numbers**

City Hall		943-6468
-	Fax:	943-4556
Dial-A-Ride		943-6468
EMERGENCY		Dial 9-1-1
Police Dept. (non-emergency)		943-4431
Fire/Rescue (non-emergency)		943-6927
Harvard Diggins Library		943-4671
Public Works Dept		
Public Works Garage		
Swimming Pool		943-4300
WWTP		943-6626

City Council Meetings are held at City Hall on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. The public is invited to attend.