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CITIZEN UPDATE - MAY 2010

This E-Newsletter is being sent by the City of Lockport to update you on current and future issues, projects, events, and successes involving the city. This is our sincere way of showing our residents and businesses that “We Care”.

2010 Census Takers Coming Door-2-Door

Now that the deadline to mail back your census survey has passed, the U.S. Census Bureau is training census workers to go door-to-door to obtain the information necessary for population and demographic calculations within communities. If you have not mailed in your census survey, you can expect a census worker to knock on your door to ask just a few questions. Although we encourage you to answer these questions, because the community receives money from the federal government based on our population, we urge you to take caution so you do not become a victim of fraud or identity theft.

How do you tell the difference between a U.S. Census worker and a con artist? If a U.S. Census worker knocks on your door, they will have a badge, a handheld device, a Census Bureau canvas badge, and a confidentiality notice. **Ask to see their ID badge BEFORE answering any questions!** Also, **never** invite anyone you do not know into your home. Finally, keep in mind that census workers are knocking on your door only to verify address information. **DO NOT** give your social security number, credit card or banking information to anyone, even if they claim they need it for the census.

Red Light Photo Enforcement Cameras in Place in Lockport

The City of Lockport will begin operation of automated red-light photo enforcement cameras at the intersections of IL 7 & Read and IL 7 & Farrell Road on April 20th, 2010. Signs are posted at these intersections indicating to motorists the presence of the cameras.

To introduce residents to the program, **Warning Violations will be issued until May 11th, 2010.** At the conclusion of the 21-day Warning Period, the City will begin issuing \$100 citations for red light violations.

Through the Red Light Enforcement Program, the City's goals are to reduce the number of injury-causing crashes through the reduction of right angle and turning collisions, reduce the total number of crashes at an intersection overall and reduce the number of red light violations at an intersection.

When a vehicle enters the intersection during the red phase, the in-ground sensors trigger the camera, which then takes three photographs with 12 seconds of digital video. The first photograph shows the vehicle behind the limit line on the red light. The second photograph shows the vehicle proceeding

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through the intersection on the red light. The third photograph is a zoomed in image of the vehicle's license plates. Each photograph will be imprinted with data indicating the time, date, intersection, posted speed limit, and precise number of seconds the signal light was red prior to the vehicle entering the intersection.

Citations will be issued to registered vehicle owners who run red lights without stopping; make right turns against red lights without stopping; and stop after crossing the limit line/stop bar while making a right turn against a red light, forcing a pedestrian into the roadway.

Tickets are not issued if:

- A motorist stops completely and then proceeds forward to get greater sight distance and completes the right turn when safe to do so.
- A vehicle enters an intersection on a green light that turns to red before the motorist has a chance to complete a left turn.
- A vehicle enters the intersection on a yellow light.

All video and violation images are reviewed and approved by a Lockport Police Officer before a Citation is mailed. Each reviewing Officer has been specifically trained in the operation and review process of the Red Light Photo Enforcement Program.

Registered vehicle owners have the right to contest a citation through the City's administrative hearing system for red-light enforcement violations. An administrative hearing system is a local method to judge municipal violations rather than going through the county court process. For more information, go to <http://www.lockportpolice.info/Red%20Light.htm>.

IDOT to Resurface Route 7 (159th St.) from Gougar to Route 53 Starting Next Week!

IDOT has just informed the City of Lockport that work on the resurfacing project will begin next week, Monday May 3, 2010. The first two weeks of work will consist of traffic control and patching, with grinding of the existing pavement to begin the week of May 17, weather permitting. There will be intermittent temporary lane closures with flaggers while the contractor is working. IDOT also mentioned the possibility of night work. The motoring public is advised to follow the posted speed limits and be alert for workers. IDOT anticipates the project to be completed by July 4, 2010.

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City to Hold a Public Input Meeting RE: Adopting and Funding a Capital Improvement Program

On Wednesday, May 12th, at 7:00 p.m., in the Central Square board room (222 E. 9th Street, 3rd Floor), the City of Lockport will be holding a public input meeting to discuss adopting and funding a Capital Improvement Program for roads. Council will discuss the existing conditions of our roads, the recommended capital improvements and funding the program through utility taxes. If you would like to comment about this issue, please attend this meeting.

To view the city's powerpoint presentation regarding the capital improvement plan, go to:
http://www.egovlink.com/public_documents300/lockport/published_documents/Road%20Improve%20Plan%203-2010.pdf.

Lockport Graduate Competing for MISS USA!

Ashley Bradarich, a 2004 LTHS graduate, is competing as Miss Illinois on May 16th for the Miss USA 2010 title. The competition will be televised live beginning at 7 p.m. ET on NBC on Sunday, May 16. Good Luck Ashley!

UPCOMING EVENTS IN LOCKPORT

Clean Sweep. On Saturday, May 15th, Main Street Lockport is sponsoring its annual Clean Sweep event at 8:30 a.m., at the South Public Landing parking lot in downtown Lockport. Come help keep Lockport clean! Our volunteers will sweep, rake, plant and pick up trash throughout the downtown and along the I&M Canal. A free lunch will be served to all volunteers at 11:30 a.m., at the CCC Shelter on Canal Street where prizes will be won. If you have any questions or plan on bringing a group, please contact Main Street at 834-0700 for more information.

New this year...The City of Lockport Beautification Commission will be enhancing the intersection of State and Division during this year's Clean Sweep event. Thanks to donations from Homer Tree Service, Dahl Landscaping, Rocks, etc., Les Moore, Lockport Lions Club, Lockport Rotary, Lockport Woman's Club, and many other sponsors, we will be planting perennials, surrounded by a cobblestone border, at this intersection. Also, special thanks to the Lockport High School Junior ROTC, the St. Dennis Youth Group, and other volunteers who are committing their time to help beautify Lockport.

If you are interested, please come out on May 15th to help keep Lockport clean and beautiful!

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Farmer’s Market on the Landing. NEW EVENT COMING IN JUNE!!!

Every Monday, starting June 14th – October 11th, the Chamber of Commerce will be sponsoring a Farmer’s Market from 3:00 until 7:00 p.m., at the South Public Landing Parking Lot, at 10th & Commerce. Numerous meat and produce vendors will be selling goods as well as other “food” related vendors (i.e., cheeses, jams, etc.). Please tell all of your family and friends to come to the Farmer’s Market on the Landing every Monday!

After you visit the market....be sure to stroll down to Central Square for the Monday Night Car Shows – Cruisin’ Into Lockport.

Cruisin’ Into Lockport Classic Car Shows

Every Monday, starting June 14th – August 30th, the City of Lockport, Lockport Township Park District, and Lockport Township Government, will be sponsoring our annual Cruisin’ Into Lockport car show from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m., at Central Square, 222 E. 9th Street.

Come see the finest classic cars of not only Lockport, but from a tri-county area. There will be a different featured car every week (although all makes and models are welcome).

Also, we will have live bands playing every week; a clown for face painting and balloons; free snowcones and/or popcorn; inflated balloon jumps and slides for the children; food vendors, plus much more.

We encourage everyone to attend this **free** weekly event. You do not have to be a car enthusiast to enjoy yourself. The historic district has much to offer as well, such as the new Farmer’s Market event, the new Lincoln Landing Park, the I&M Canal trail, fine restaurants, antique and specialty shops, and several historic buildings, just to name a few. If you have any questions, please contact Jodi Herman at 838-0549, ext. 2102.

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The 2010 Car Show schedule is the following:

6/14: Chevy	(Neverly Brothers): Sponsored by Advanced Family Dental
6/21: Corvette	(Lisa Rene Band): Sponsored by Studio 305 Salon & Spa
6/28: Street Rod	(Peter Oprisko)
7/5: Trans am/ Camaro	(Bopology)
7/12: Custom Truck & Motorcycle	(Soda): Sponsored by Canals & Trail Credit Union
7/19: Buick/ Olds	(The Ragtops)
7/26: Pontiac	(BBI)
8/2: Import	(White Saddle Band)
8/9: Lincoln/Mercury	(The Rhythm Rockets)
8/16: Ford	(R-Gang)
8/23: Mopar	(The Metors)
8/30: GTO/Mustang	(Neverly Brothers): Sponsored by CITGO Lemont Refinery

38th Annual Canal Days~Lockstock Festival

Come out for FREE Family entertainment and lots of fun at the 38th annual Canal Days~Lockstock Festival. This **New and Improved** event will take place in and around the new Lincoln Landing on Friday and Saturday June 18 & 19, 2010. Enjoy the State Street parade Friday evening from 6:30-8pm and don't forget to come hungry to the "Tastes of Lockport" opening Friday at 5pm at the bottom of 10th Street. Main Stage band entertainment and beer garden will open Friday at 5pm, as well, located in the S. Landing Parking Lot. Two fantastic bands are sure to entertain as you taste your way through the fabulous restaurants that Lockport is home to! Saturday brings FREE family entertainment inside Lincoln Landing from 1-5pm. Too much fun to list it all! The Public Landing Restaurant will have a child/family friendly lunch menu to enjoy while you are being entertained! Saturday evening is host again to the "Tastes of Lockport" and two new bands inside the beer garden to get your toes-a-tapping. We hope to see you there! For a complete listing of activities and entertainment, please visit www.lockportcanaldays.com.

The City of Lockport would like to thank the 2010 Canal Days~Lockstock Festival Sponsors and Partners. Without their support, this event would not be possible. This event is presented by Advocate Christ Medical Center/Hope Children's Hospital The "Healthy You" Sponsor.

- Chevron
- Wal-Mart (Partner of the festival)
- Canal & Trails Credit Union
- Waste Management
- Silver Cross Hospital
- State Farm Insurance, Cindy Verhoek, Agent
- First Community Bank of Homer Glen & Lockport
- Gamache Insurance Group, DBA Allstate Insurance Co.
- Jazzercise, Tanya Hopper, Liz Weber
- Accelerated/OccuSport Rehabilitation Center
- STE Accounting & Income Tax Firm
- Edward Jones Investments, Mark Sharp & Ryan Sharp
- Stephenson Photography

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY



FREE

Saturday, June 5th, 2010

**Dispose of
Old/Unused
Household
Chemicals
Properly**

**Joliet Junior College (South Parking Lot)
1215 Houbolt Road, Joliet, IL**

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.



**Drop off your household hazardous
waste items such as:**

Oil based paints/stains	Used oil
Unwanted medication	Used oil Filters
Paint thinners	Old gasoline
Solvents	Antifreeze
Drain cleaners	Automotive/Boat batteries
Cleaning products	Fluorescent light bulbs
Rechargeable batteries	Compact fluorescent bulbs
Mercury & mercury items	Pool chemicals
Aerosol paints & pesticides	Driveway Sealer
Lawn & garden chemicals and fertilizers	



DO NOT drop off:

Latex based paints	Alkaline batteries
Fireworks/Explosives	Business wastes
Agricultural wastes	Regular garbage
Fire extinguishers	Tires
Ammunition	Smoke/CO detectors
Radioactive material	Medical waste/Sharps
Institutional wastes	Gas cylinders

(Please call our office for disposal alternatives/information on the above items)

www.willcountylanduse.com

Ph # 815-727-8834

Event Sponsored By:

Will County Land Use Department,
Waste Services Division



Location Sponsor:

Joliet Junior College

