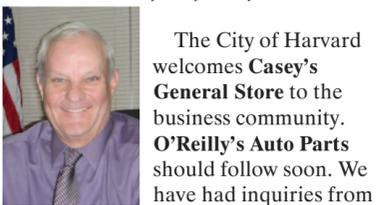




### From the Mayor's Desk



By Mayor Jay Nolan

The City of Harvard welcomes Casey's General Store to the business community. O'Reilly's Auto Parts should follow soon. We have had inquiries from several fast food franchises in recent months. New activity is good news for the Harvard economy!

Harvard's Fall Family Festival will take place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on October 11 along Ayer Street. Come for food, crafts and fun activities.

The holidays are also right around the corner and downtown Harvard will soon be aglow with holiday lighting. Please shop at local stores whenever you can. Harvard businesses depend on your patronage and the sales tax revenues that are generated help pay for important city services.

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 during Trick or Treating or playing outside after a fresh snowfall. They're not always paying attention to their surroundings, so it is up to us to be sure that we are watching out for them.

### NEED TO KNOW ...

#### BRUSH PICKUP SCHEDULE

Fall brush pickup will begin on Monday, October 13 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 2015.**

To ensure that your brush is picked up, have all branches by the curb before pickup begins on 10/13 but no earlier than 10/6. **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.

#### LEAF VACUUMING SCHEDULE

Leaf vacuuming will tentatively occur from October 1 through November 30, 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 20 – 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.

### From the POLICE DEPARTMENT

By Police Chief Mark Krause



With fall comes cooler weather, children returning to school and, of course, Halloween. Harvard's official Trick or Treat hours will be from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on October 31st. Each year, scores of young ghouls and goblins take to the neighborhoods in search of Trick or Treat goodies and, often, safety concerns are an afterthought. In order to make the holiday fun and safe, the American Academy of Pediatrics shares the following recommendations:

- Plan costumes that are bright and reflective. Make sure that shoes fit well and that costumes are short enough to prevent tripping, entanglement or contact with flame.
- Consider adding reflective tape or striping to costumes and Trick or Treat bags for greater visibility.
- Because masks can limit or block eyesight, consider non-toxic makeup and decorative hats as safer alternatives. Hats should fit properly to prevent them from sliding over eyes.
- When shopping for costumes, wigs and accessories look for and purchase those with a label clearly indicating they are flame resistant.
- If a sword, cane or stick is a part of your child's costume, make sure that it is not sharp or too long. A child may be easily hurt by these accessories if he stumbles or trips.
- Obtain flashlights with fresh batteries for all children and their escorts.
- Do not use decorative contact lenses without an eye examination and a prescription from an eye care professional. While the packaging on decorative lenses will often make claims such as 'one size fits all', or 'no need to see an eye specialist', obtaining

decorative contact lenses without a prescription is both dangerous and illegal. They can cause pain, inflammation and serious eye disorders and infections, which may lead to permanent vision loss.

- Teach children how to call 9-1-1 if they have an emergency or become lost.
- Report any suspicious activities to the Harvard Police at (815) 943-4431 or call 911.

### From the PUBLIC WORKS DEPT.

#### Preparing for Winter

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

When it snows, residential streets will be plowed one pass in each direction. Once all City streets are open, snow will be plowed to the curb. The business district, emergency routes and school areas will be plowed to the curb and salted right away. Intersections and steep grades will also be salted. The remainder of the streets in the city will be plowed only. **We ask all drivers to please drive with caution this winter.**

The downtown area will be plowed to the center as normal, but clean up and removal will be done after all city streets are open. The removal will be done as soon as possible, but it may take a few days, so please be patient.

#### 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 had been called or terminated, call the Public Works Dept. at 943-4161 or the Police Dept. at 943-0301.

#### Emerald Ash Borer Update

The emerald ash borer is an exotic beetle native to Asia which has destroyed millions of ash trees across the Midwest since it was first discovered in North America over a decade ago. The Public Works Dept. has been busy identifying and removing ash trees that have been infested with this destructive pest from the City's right-of-way and park system. About half of the identified infested trees have been removed to date. Trees that are marked with a red 'X' will be removed as expeditiously as possible over the next 12 to 18 months.

### Parks & Recreation News

#### EQUINE RIDING PROGRAM

RFD-TV star of Sure in the Saddle World Challenge 2014, Christy Bourbonnais and her staff will provide Western riding and Horsemanship programs. The four, one-hour sessions will cover grooming, safety, handling and riding. A well-rounded approach to balance and core foundation exercises are emphasized. Lessons are taught to the level of the rider. Advanced riding, barrel racing, roping, goat tying, pole bending and cow work programs are also available on individual requests for those who are more advanced. Helmet, boots with a heel and jeans are required. Some helmets are available for shared use.

**All sessions will be held at Cripple Creek Ranch, 23215 Graf Road, Harvard IL. Register at Cripple Creek Ranch.**

- 2014:**  
 Session I: Oct. 28, Nov. 4 and Nov. 11 (Tuesdays) 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Fee: \$90.00  
 Session II: Nov. 17, 24 and Dec. 1st (Mondays) 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Fee: \$90.00  
 Session III: Dec. 5, 12 and 19 (Fridays) 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Fee: \$90.00

- 2015:**  
 Session IV: March 17, 24 and 31st (Tuesdays) 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Fee: \$90.00

Other dates can be scheduled privately by calling the ranch directly at (815) 943-4513.

#### 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  
 Ages: Adults  
 Fee: Punch cards purchased at class (5 classes for \$25) + facility usage fees  
 Location: Crosby Elementary School (401 Hereley Dr., Harvard)  
 Date: Ongoing on Wednesdays  
 Time: 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

#### SPORTSCITY ACADEMY GIRLS SOFTBALL CLINIC

This SportsCity Softball Clinic will be offered on Thursday evenings from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. for four consecutive weeks. This clinic will focus on both basic and advanced skill work, hitting and fielding technique, base running and game knowledge. Athletes will engage in drills taught at the collegiate level.

The softball camp will be taught by Kristin Holzbauer who was a four-year varsity starter at Crystal Lake Central High School and received multiple All-Conference, All-Area and MVP Honors. She was among the first in the area to receive a Division I softball scholarship and chose to attend Butler University. She served as a starting middle infielder for the Bulldog's throughout her collegiate career and was honored with the distinction of a NCAA Academic All American. She is known for delivering clear, concise and positive coaching to local athletes as a private instructor, travel softball coach and head varsity softball coach.

**Register at Harvard City Hall**  
 Ages: Jr. High and High school (Grades 6th – 12th)  
 Fee: \$80  
 Location: **SportsCity Academy**  
 1269 Cobblestone Way, Woodstock, Illinois 60098  
 Dates: Thursdays, October 23rd - November 13th  
 Time: 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

#### INSTRUCTIONAL CO-ED BASKETBALL

Boys and girls will work on shooting, passing, dribbling, rebounding and defensive play skills utilizing instructional stations. The first half of the program will be instructed by high school varsity basketball coach, Donnie Nolen. The program is always looking for volunteers to help out. All players will need to bring their own basketball with their name on it. Players will need to wear clean gym shoes.

**Register at Harvard City Hall**, or on the first day of the program.

Ages: Grades 3rd - 6th  
 Fee: \$40 res./\$45 non-res. (T-shirt included)  
 Location: Harvard Junior High  
 Dates: October 18 - November 22  
 Times: Wed., 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.  
 Sat., 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

#### ADULT OPEN GYM

Adult Open Gym will be starting soon. Watch for details on the city website at [www.cityofharvard.org](http://www.cityofharvard.org).

#### JR. HORNETS BOYS TRAVELING BASKETBALL

Tryouts will be held on Saturday, November 8th at the Harvard Jr. High School. Bring your basketball with your name on it.

- 5th Grade 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.
- 6th Grade 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.
- 7th Grade 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.
- 8th Grade 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Watch for details on the city website at [www.cityofharvard.org](http://www.cityofharvard.org). **Coaches are needed for 5th and 7th grades.** Please email Mike Clingsmith at [clingsmith@cityofharvard.org](mailto:clingsmith@cityofharvard.org) if you or someone you know would be interested in coaching.

**Register at Harvard City Hall** or at tryouts.  
 Ages: Grades 5th - 8th  
 Date: November 8  
 Fee: \$148 res./\$158 non-res. Fees include new uniforms, officials and facility usage.  
 \$118 res./\$128 non-res. If you will be using last season's uniform.  
 Payment plan: \$100 due at registration, balance due Saturday, Dec. 6th.  
 A full refund will be made for those players who do not make the team.  
 Location: Harvard Junior High

#### GOLF LESSONS

Class instruction will include: G.A.S.P. (Grip, Aim, Stance and Posture), golf etiquette, full swing mechanics, basics of chipping and basics of putting. Clinic includes 30 minutes of instruction and up to three holes of golf, time permitting. Parents can play for free during clinic (does not include cart). Students must provide their own equipment.

**Register at Harvard City Hall**  
 Ages: Jr. High and High School  
 Fee: \$40 res./\$45 non-res.  
 Location: **Beaver Creek Golf Course**,  
 19619 Leroy Center Rd, Capron, IL 61012  
 Dates: Sept. 30, Oct. 2, 7, and 9. Tues. / Thurs.  
 Time: 4:00 - 5:15 p.m.

### Upcoming City Events

- Oct. 5-11 National Fire Prevention Week
- Oct. 11 Family Fall Festival - Downtown Harvard
- Oct. 13 Brush Pickup Begins
- Oct. 18 Community Movie Night
- Oct. 18 Jr. Hornets Intramural Basketball Sign-Up/Practice
- Oct. 20-31 Hydrant Flushing
- Oct. 31 Halloween Trick or Treat Hours 5-8 p.m.
- Nov. 2 Daylight Savings Ends
- Nov. 4 Election Day
- Dec. 6 Christmas in Harvard



Check the City's website at [www.cityofharvard.org](http://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.CITYOFFHARVARD.ORG**



### Municipal Information

[www.cityofharvard.org](http://www.cityofharvard.org)

Mayor ..... Jay Nolan  
 City Treasurer ..... Deb Szczap  
 City Clerk ..... Andy Wells

**Aldermen**  
 Ward 1 ..... Chuck Marzahl  
 Brian Leyden  
 Ward 2 ..... Phillip Ulmer  
 Crystal Musgrove  
 Ward 3 ..... Rauil Meza  
 Mike Clarke  
 Ward 4 ..... Carl Oppen  
 Jeremy Adams

**Municipal Staff**  
 City Administrator ..... Dave Nelson  
 Chief of Police ..... Mark Krause  
 Deputy Chief of Police ..... Tyson Bauman  
 Administrative Assistant ..... Lori Moller  
 Supt. Public Works ..... Jim Kruckenberg  
 Supt. Utilities ..... Jim Grant  
 Supt. Parks & Recreation ..... Mike Clingsmith

**Building Department**  
 Community Development Director ..... Steve Santeler  
 Code Enforcement Officer ..... Anne Nutley

**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. .... 943-0301  
 Public Works Garage ..... 943-4161  
 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.