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## Meadows to Celebrate Summer's Arrival with Block Party, Concert in the Park, City Market

School's out, and it's time to let the Good Times "ROLL in Meadows" once again! The City's summer celebration kicks off with three exciting community events in June:

### Downtown Block Party

Fri., June 9th, 4:30 – 8:30 p.m., Kirchoff Road (between Meadow & Oriole)

Stroll along Kirchoff Road, groove to some music, and enjoy a variety of family-friendly activities. Play a round of mini-golf; grab a bite to eat from assembled food trucks; jump around in the bounce house, and explore an extensive public



Families hit the links for mini-golf at last year's Block Party.

safety vehicle display. Guests may also drop by the Rolling Meadows Cruisers' "Cruise Night," held simultaneously that evening.

### FRIDAYS ROCK! And Roll in Meadows

Fri., June 16th, 7 – 10 p.m., Kimball Hill Park

Bring a picnic dinner to Kimball Hill Park for this all-ages "Ravinia-style" concert event (or purchase food from onsite food trucks) and enjoy a live performance by popular Chicago-area band SODA. The group's diverse set list encompasses many genres, including Classic Rock, 80s New Wave, Motown, Disco, Hip-Hop, Reggae, and Alternative.



Shop for fresh fruits and vegetables at June's Farmers & Food Trucks City Market.

### Farmers & Food Trucks City Market

Sat., June 24th, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., City Hall

Peruse locally-grown fruits and vegetables and other items from an ever-expanding roster of vendors, and enjoy mouth-watering, freshly-prepared menu items from local food trucks in the City Hall parking lot. The June market will also feature raffle prizes, live music, and other "surprises."

A complete schedule of Rolling Meadows' 2017 community events is available at [www.cityrm.org/669/Community-Events](http://www.cityrm.org/669/Community-Events).

## Retiring Officer Joe Pistorius Lauded for Exceptional 32-Year Career

On the eve of Rolling Meadows Police Officer Joe Pistorius' June 8th retirement after a 32-year law enforcement career, Police Chief John Nowacki remarked that it would require "volumes" to describe in

detail his professional accomplishments.

"Officer Pistorius made a huge impact on his community from the very beginning," Chief Nowacki explained. "He is an outstanding officer whose knowledge and experience is outweighed only by the kindness he shows to others. Rolling Meadows has been extremely fortunate to have him as one of our own."

Officer Pistorius has earned more than 30 department commendations for service excellence, including two lifesaving awards. There have also been countless letters of appreciation from grateful residents he helped. Chief Nowacki said that many of those letters share a common

theme: Officer Pistorius' "compassion, kindness, caring nature, and empathy."

Joe Pistorius began his career in Rolling Meadows as a patrol officer in October 1985, after graduating from the Chicago Police Academy. At the time, a first-class postage stamp was 22 cents, gas cost around \$1 per gallon, and a movie ticket was less than \$3.

"A lot has changed in 32 years. What never changed was Officer Pistorius'

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Officer Joe Pistorius

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## City Hall Drop Box Offers Convenient, Safe Disposal of Prescription Drugs

Residents looking to safely dispose of unwanted prescription medications may bring them to City Hall, where a secure collection box stands near the Police Department's second-floor service desk.

The collection box, courtesy of the Cook County Sheriff's Office, only accepts pills. Liquids and injectors/sharps are not allowed.

For more information, contact the Rolling Meadows Police Department at 847-255-2416.

## Officer Pistorius...from page 1

drive, desire, and commitment to serving Rolling Meadows residents," Chief Nowacki explained.

Officer Pistorius spent five years as RMPD's Community Relations Officer, and eight years serving students and faculty as Rolling Meadows High School's School Resource Officer. From there, he transferred to the Investigations Unit, where his proficiency as an investigator resulted in many criminals being convicted and sent to prison.

Now, as a 32-year career nears completion, Chief Nowacki acknowledged Officer Pistorius' "uncompromising commitment to all he served. On behalf of my fellow officers and the residents of a grateful community, I wish Officer Pistorius a very happy, healthy retirement."



"May the 4th be with you" this Independence Day.

## Join City's July 4th Independence Day Parade; Complete Online Registration by June 23rd

City officials invite residents, businesses, community groups, schools, and local organizations to join Rolling Meadows' 2017 Independence Day Parade. This year's spectacle will take place Tuesday, July 4th, 11:30 a.m. The parade's theme is, "May the 4th Be with You."

Online application forms are available at ([www.cityrm.org/631/4th-of-july](http://www.cityrm.org/631/4th-of-july)) on the City's website. Submit completed applications by June 23rd to reserve a spot.

Event organizers are seeking floats and specialty vehicles of all kinds, including bikes, trikes, wagons, strollers, and scooters. Decorate your vehicle for a chance to win great prizes. Or, bring four-legged friends to march in-step, and enter them in the parade's "posh pooch" costume contest.

Residents will find further details on this



application forms. For more information, contact Lori Ciezak, Assistant to the City Manager, at [ciezakl@cityrm.org](mailto:ciezakl@cityrm.org) or 847-394-8500.

The 2017 parade will step off at Rolling Meadows High School. Participants will march west on Central Road to Owl Drive, then proceed north on Owl to Kirchoff Road. The route then turns east and culminates at the Rolling Meadows Shopping Center.

## Pace Shuttle Now Offers Online Reservations

Residents who use Pace's "Call-n-Ride" shuttle service to travel around town are now able to reserve rides online at [www.pacebus.com/CnR](http://www.pacebus.com/CnR).

Online booking lets users see what pick up times are available, making it simple to schedule rides when it is most convenient for them. Residents may also



reserve rides by calling 224-803-9277. Reservations are accepted up to one day in advance.

One-way rides are \$1.75. The shuttle operates in the geographic area bordered by Euclid Avenue (north), Arlington Heights Road (east), I-90 (south), Golf Road (southwest) and Route 53 (west).

## Police Department 'Rooftop' Event Raises Nearly \$4,500 for Special Olympics

Police Commander Tom Gadomski stands atop the Kirchoff Road Dunkin Donuts on May 19th, during a Cop on the Rooftop event designed to "heighten" awareness of, and raise money for, Illinois Special Olympics. The one-day event raised \$4,469.70 to support ISO athletes.

Customers who donated to the cause received coupons for free donuts and coffee, as well as stainless steel coffee mugs and t-shirts (while supplies lasted).



*Cop on a Rooftop*

## Fire Department Awards Honor Life-Saving Actions at Nelson Sports Complex

Fire Department officials in April honored a Rolling Meadows resident and a Park District employee who helped save the life of a heart attack victim at the Nelson Sports Complex earlier this year.

Fire Chief Scott Franzgrote and Deputy Chief Terry Valentino presented the Department's Citizen Award to Wayne Smith, a lieutenant with the Elgin Fire Department, and Stephan Polus for their onsite treatment of Dan Isola, a Palatine resident who went into cardiac arrest during a recreational league hockey game.



*Chief Franzgrote*

Lt. Smith, who was also playing hockey that evening, immediately began administering CPR on Isola. Polus, the rink

manager, helped Smith remove Isola's equipment before administering cardiac defibrillation using a Park District automated external defibrillator (AED) unit.

Both men continued treating Isola until paramedics arrived to stabilize and transport him to the hospital.

***"The first step in the EMS system 'safety net' is rapid access to defibrillation."***  
***– Chief Scott Franzgrote***

"The first step in the EMS system 'safety net' is rapid access to defibrillation, and having a community trained in CPR," Chief Franzgrote explained during the awards presentation.

The effectiveness of the safety net Chief Franzgrote described was a primary reason Isola, joined by his wife, Ann, was on hand for the ceremony honoring those who saved him.

Chiefs Franzgrote and Valentino also presented Unit Citation awards to RMFD crew members who treated Isola that evening: Firefighter/Paramedics Matt Cappelen, Josh Gould, Ryan Harding, Chad Lovick, Patrick O'Meara, and Dave Rill; Lieutenant Evan Dolinsky; and Battalion Chief Pete Sutter.

"We are truly fortunate to live, work, and play in a community where people care," Chief Franzgrote added.



*Dan Isola (center) thanks Stephan Polus (left) and Lt. Wayne Smith for their life-saving actions at Nelson Sports Complex.*



## This Month in Rolling Meadows

June 1: **Adjudication Hearing (Parking)**, 2 pm, City Hall

June 2: **Cruise Night**, 5 – 8 pm, Meadows Christian Fellowship (2401 Kirchoff Rd)

June 6: **Environmental Committee**, 6:30 pm; **Plan Commission**, 7:30 pm, both at City Hall

June 9: **Downtown Block Party**, 4:30 – 8:30 pm (Kirchoff Rd); **Cruise Night**, 5 – 8 pm

June 12: **Board of Fire & Police Commissioners**, 9 am, City Hall

June 13: **Crime Stoppers**, 5:30 pm; **City Council Meeting**, 7:30 pm, both at City Hall

June 15: **Adjudication Hearing**, 1 pm, City Hall

June 16: **Cruise Night**, 5 – 8 pm; **FRIDAYS ROCK! and Roll in Meadows**, 7 – 10 pm, Kimball Hill Park

June 20: **Water bills due; City Council Committee of the Whole**, 7:30 pm, City Hall

June 22: **Adjudication Hearing (Red Light)**, 2 pm, City Hall

June 23: **Cruise Night**, 5 – 8 pm

June 24: **Farmers & Food Trucks City Market**, 10 am – 2 pm, City Hall

June 27: **City Council Meeting**, 7:30 pm, City Hall

June 30: **Cruise Night**, 5 – 8 pm





Rolling Meadows' annual Streets Program helps reduce wear and tear on residents' vehicles.

## City Officials Add Flicker Lane to Streets Program

Competitive bidding that helps drive down costs for Rolling Meadows' annual street resurfacing has allowed City officials to expand the program's scope for the second consecutive year.

An \$85,000 supplemental contract approved by City Council provides funding to resurface Flicker Lane, between Campbell and Fremont Streets. Flicker joins six other City streets previously approved for resurfacing as part of a \$744,640 project bid:

- Cardinal Drive (Owl to Campbell)
- Dove Street (Park to Campbell)
- Fremont Street (Theda to Rohlwing and Rohlwing to Cardinal)
- Theda Lane
- Piper Court
- Park Street (Meadow to Grove – patching only)

Resurfacing costs for all seven roads comes to \$829,640 – well under the \$900,000 allocated in this year's budget.

The 2017 Streets Program will also completely rebuild Arlingdale Drive, between Quentin Road and Prairie Lane, and reconstruct several hundred feet of Highland Drive on the City's far west side.

Resurfacing and reconstruction projects are slated to be finished later this summer.



Public Works collects batteries, light bulbs, sharps, and more at monthly Farmers & Food Trucks events.

## Public Works Collects Batteries, Light Bulbs for Recycling at Monthly City Markets

Bring old batteries and spent compact florescent light bulbs (CFLs) to Public Works' booth at monthly Farmers & Food Trucks City Markets for safe, convenient disposal. Injectors/sharps and old medications are also accepted.

Upcoming markets will be held at City Hall on Saturdays, June 24th, July 22nd,

August 26th, and September 23rd, from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

The City also offers a weekday collection service available at the Public Works Department, 3900 Berdnick Street. Drop-off hours are 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. For more information, call 847-963-0500.

## May 25th Awards Banquet Celebrates Chamber's 2017 'Circle of Success' Honorees

The Rolling Meadows Chamber of Commerce welcomed eight new members into its "Circle of Success" on May 25th, during its annual awards dinner.

The awards program celebrates local businesses and individuals who make a difference in the community. This year's honorees were:

**Warner Cruz, J.C. Restoration** – Business Leader of the Year

**Tracey Crawford, Northwest Special Recreation Association** – Community Leader of the Year

**Arthur J. Gallagher** – Community Enhancement Award

**Yonan Carpet One** – Business of the Year

**Divine Design & Marketing** – Communications Partner

**Barry Skolak, BMO Harris** – Chamber Volunteer of the Year

**Meijer** – Community Outreach Award

The Chamber also presented a "special recognition" award to **Illinois Senator Tom Rooney (R-27th)**. Senator Rooney served eight years as Rolling Meadows' 4th Ward Alderman and nearly six years as Mayor, before being appointed to the Illinois Senate in 2016.





Staples, 1551 Algonquin Road



Continental Towers, 1701 Golf Road

## Local Business Survey to Help Guide City's Long-Term Economic Development Efforts

City officials will conduct an in-depth survey of the Rolling Meadows business community this summer, the results of which will be used to guide future economic development efforts, strengthen the local economy, and expand service offerings available to residents.

When completed, the market survey will provide a detailed picture of the current business climate in Rolling Meadows. It will also outline "areas of strengths and desired changes" from the perspectives of local business owners, according to a scope of services outline by Palatine-based Vicarious Productions, Inc, the firm selected to conduct the survey.

The survey will be disseminated this summer via multiple platforms that

gather data via online questionnaires, mailings, telephone calls, and in-person focus groups. The multi-media approach is designed to ensure maximum participation among local business owners. Vicarious Productions will then assemble the findings into an action report for review by City Council.

"Our goal is to gain a better understanding how local business owners and operators view Rolling Meadows as a base for their operations," City Manager Barry Krumstok explained.

"The information gained through this survey will strengthen our ongoing efforts to help current businesses continue their growth and attract new companies to the City," he added.



Arthur J. Gallagher, 2850 Golf Road



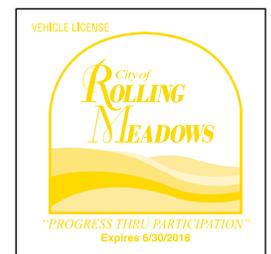
Bulldog Ale House, 1480 Golf Road

## Purchase 2017-18 Vehicle Stickers By June 30th; Prices Double July 1st

Residents have many convenient options for purchasing their 2017-18 vehicle stickers, which go on sale June 1st:

- **Online:** Visit [www.cityrm.org](http://www.cityrm.org) and reference the pre-printed application mailed to residents.

- **U.S. Mail:** Use the envelope enclosed with the pre-printed application to order stickers from home.
- **In-Person:** Motorists may also purchase vehicle stickers in-person at City Hall or select retail locations throughout town (please bring the application). *Applications may also be placed in the white drop box in the City Hall parking lot.*



Sticker prices start at \$30 for most vehicles (\$20 for senior citizens ages 65 and up). Active duty members of the U.S. Armed Forces are eligible to receive stickers at no charge.

All drivers with cars registered or housed in Rolling Meadows must purchase new stickers by June 30th. Sticker prices double on July 1st. Residents who do not display the new sticker on their vehicles by that date will be subject to a \$100 police citation.

The City generates nearly \$500,000 from vehicle sticker sales each year. That revenue helps fund ongoing street maintenance and infrastructure improvement projects.

### Retail Sales Locations

Residents who prefer to purchase new vehicle stickers in-person may do so at the following locations:

<b>Aldaliz Western Wear</b> 2210 Algonquin Road	<b>City Hall</b> 3600 Kirchoff Road
<b>Algonquin Wilke Currency Exchange</b> 1764 W. Algonquin Road Arlington Heights	<b>Confia Insurance Agency</b> 1320 W. Algonquin Road Arlington Heights
<b>Ben Franklin Bank</b> 3266 Kirchoff Road	<b>Rolling Meadows Currency Exchange</b> 3340 Kirchoff Road

# New 'Enterprise' Software to Streamline City Systems, Modernize Operations, Improve Delivery of Customer Service

State-of-the-art upgrades to City software systems scheduled over the next two years will vastly improve service delivery to residents and boost employee productivity.

City Council's approval of a nearly \$1 million contract with Tyler Technologies to license Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) software will bring together Rolling Meadows' current independent operating platforms into one streamlined system, Finance Director Melissa Gallagher reports.

"ERP will modernize City records and information by combining data currently stored in multiple databases into a fully-integrated system," Gallagher explains. "That will enable staff members to provide faster, more responsive services to residents."

The new, more robust system will offer expanded web-based services, such as online utility billing, and allow City employees to track the status of residential service requests.

Staff members across all departments will also be able to access information remotely with tablets, smartphones, and other mobile devices.

"ERP offers opportunities for customer service-focused efficiencies that we simply do not have right now," Gallagher adds, noting that the City's current software is

more than 10 years-old.

City staff, with the help of professional consultants, spent nearly a year researching ERP options.

They talked with a range of vendors and conducted multiple site visits to neighboring communities that have adopted ERP systems.

"We were interested in seeing what worked in specific communities and how they applied this technology to improve customer service," Gallagher says. "We also took note of things that didn't work so well, and applied that knowledge accordingly to ensure we adopted a system that met Rolling Meadows' specific operational needs."



**"ERP will modernize City records and information by combining data into a fully-integrated system." – Finance Director Melissa Gallagher**

Council members also approved a contract with Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, the firm that assisted during the assessment phase, to implement the upgrades and minimize the burden on City staff. Funding for software and consulting services was approved by City Council as part of the Fiscal Year 2017 budget and five-year capital improvements plan.

Project timetables call for the first ERP modules to go online in early 2018. Full implementation is estimated to be finished by 2020.

Software upgrades will be completed in phases to avoid service disruptions.

## Welcome New Businesses

### 24H Group Inc.

IT services  
5431 Elizabeth Pl  
(773-366-4870)

### Aurico Reports LLC

Background screening services  
3800 Golf Rd #120  
(866-255-1852)

### Biznussoft Inc.

Software  
5410 Newport Dr  
(847-258-9128)

### Clearbrook

Programs for adults with disabilities  
2100 Golf Rd #110  
(847-979-8563)

### Eusu Logistics, Inc.

Import/export  
3501 Algonquin Rd #830  
(630-504-2104)

### Investwise Corporation

Computer reseller  
5410 Newport Dr #31  
(847-919-4993)

### Nelson Building Group Inc.

Handyman services  
1803 Hicks Rd Suite C  
(331-200-0304)

### Sushi Maru Express

Take-out Sushi  
1301 Meijer Drive (in Meijer Store)  
(201-654-0422)

### Tasso Films Company

Film/photography services  
2406 Grouse Lane  
(847-431-9678)

### U-Haul Company of Illinois

Moving equipment/storage  
5201 Tollview Dr  
(602-776-3244)

## Contact City Officials: City Hall Hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday

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2nd Ward Alderman: Jerry Hill ..... 847-991-7959  
3rd Ward Alderman: Laura Majikes. .... 847-577-3746  
4th Ward Alderman: Joseph Gallo ..... 847-814-9271  
5th Ward Alderman: Rob Banger, Jr. .... 224-639-6686  
6th Ward Alderman: John D'Astice. .... 847-409-9367  
7th Ward Alderman: Tim Veenbaas ..... 847-385-1425  
City Manager: Barry Krumstok. .... 847-394-8500

### SERVICES

Fire & Police Emergency ..... 911  
Fire Non-emergency ..... 847-397-3352  
Police Non-emergency ..... 847-255-2416  
Public Works ..... 847-963-0500  
Finance/Utility Billing Questions. .... 847-394-8500  
Community Development ..... 847-506-6030  
Senior Handyman Program ..... 847-506-6030  
ComEd ..... 1-800-EDISON-1  
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