



Community Connections

The City of Rochelle's Community Newsletter

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Visit cityofrochelle.net/calendar for a complete listing of community events!

Have an event to post? E-mail it to us at info@rochelleil.us.



Cinco de Mayo Festival—May 3

Rochelle's first Cinco de Mayo Festival will take place Saturday May 3 from 4-10pm Downtown Rochelle, near the Gazebo. The entire community is invited to attend.

Enjoy authentic Mexican dishes provided by Tecalitlan, Lupita's, and Perez. Aldo's Pizza will serve traditional Italian & American dishes.

Local students will showcase their talents through art dis-

plays, a presentation on the history of Cinco de Mayo and dancing. Elementary students participating in the Hub Pro-



ject after-school program will entertain with a ballet performance. Guests are welcome to partake in a game of Loteria, create a craft project

and participate in a Zumba demonstration!

A Chihuahua race will take place on Main Street at 5pm, with a Chihuahua parade and pre-race just before at 4:30pm. At 6:30pm the RTHS Jazz Band takes the stage and at 8:00pm, our headline band, Los Nueves Jefes begins.

Railroad Days—June 7 & 8

All aboard! The Rochelle Railfan Park is hosting the 9th Annual Railroad Days celebration on Saturday June 7 and Sunday June 8.

On Saturday from 11am to 8pm, visitors will enjoy the sights and sounds of the Railfan Park. The History of Whitcomb Locomotive will be on display inside the gift shop from 11am-6pm. Local musician, Jim Kanas will play from 5-6:30pm and 7-8:30pm and Gene Chlor, "Medicine Man" will give a History of Hobos presentation from 6:30-7pm. Children will be treated to

complimentary face painting and kiddie-train rides provided by Maplehurst.

Another fun-filled day begins Sunday at 11am and contin-



ues until 6pm. In addition to the Antique Mack Truck Display, History of Whitcomb Locomotive Display and the Flagg Township Museum opening, musician Mark Lyons will play at the Railfan

Park Pavilion from 1:30-3:30pm. Mr. D's Magic Show will entertain children of all ages at 4pm, 4:45pm and 5:30pm.

Enjoy a free shuttle service from Railfan Park to the Standard Oil Filling Station, Flagg Township Historical Museum, the Fire Department Museum and Roy's Transfer's Antique Mack Truck Display Saturday and Sunday from 11am to 5pm compliments of the Hub City Senior Center. Witter's Concessions will serve delicious fair-food for the weekend

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

RMU offers incentives for any local resident who has a professional tune-up on their central air conditioning unit!

Call RMU for details today!

562-4155



Solicitor Permits

All solicitors are required to obtain an ID badge and permit from the City of Rochelle. If a solicitor visits your home without these items, simply turn them away and call the Police at 562-2131. Do not let anyone into your house unless you know them and do not sign contracts without having time to learn about the company or visit your attorney. A reputable company will wait.

“No Solicitors” stickers are available at the Reception Desk at City Hall located at 420 North Sixth Street.

Building Permits

Springtime is the perfect time to start your household remodeling projects! Remember that a building permit is required for most projects including fences, roofs, and additions. Stop by the Building Division at 417 North Sixth Street to fill out an application for a building permit and to arrange an inspection. Questions about your project? Give us a call at 562-8717.



National Day of Prayer

Join us for the National Day of Prayer

Thursday May 1

Noon

City Hall Courtyard

420 N. 6th Street



Yard Waste Recycling Update

Northern Illinois Disposal has resumed Yard Waste Recycling with pick-ups being made every week on your regular garbage day.

All yard waste such as grass, leaves, flowers, plants, and sticks are recyclable through the yard waste recycling program. All stick bundles must be tied together with string and cut in lengths of five feet or less with individual limbs not to exceed six inches in diameter. Larger limbs should be placed out for brush pickup. Yard waste may be

placed in kraft paper bags or a standard garbage container with handles marked with an “X”, although not a recycling container, at a maximum size of 32 gallons and weighing less than 50 pounds. Plastic bags are not permitted for yard waste recycling. Place your yard waste at the curb by 5:00 AM on the morning of pickup.



Did you know? The City of Rochelle Street Division offers free mulch! Simply visit the Street Division located at 251 East First Avenue or call 562-2494 for more information.

MAY

- 1 National Day of Prayer
12:00pm, City Hall
- 3 Cinco de Mayo Festival
Downtown Gazebo
- 5 Planning & Zoning Commission
7:00pm, Council Chambers
- 12 City Council Meeting
7:00pm, Council Chambers
- 17 Appliance & Electronics Recycling
Sign up at RMU or City Hall
- 21 Utility Advisory Board
3:00pm, RMU Tech Center
- 22 Railroad Advisory Board
12:00pm, City Hall Conference Center
- 26 Memorial Day
City Offices Closed
- 27 Airport Advisory Board
3:00pm, Council Chambers
- City Council Meeting
7:00pm, Council Chambers

JUNE

- 2 Planning & Zoning Commission
7:00pm, Council Chambers
- 7 & 8 Railroad Days
Railfan Park
- 9 City Council Meeting
7:00pm, Council Chambers
- 10 Police & Fire Commission
3:00pm, Council Chambers
- 11 Stormwater Advisory Commission
5:00pm, Council Chambers
- 21 Appliance & Electronics Recycling
Sign up at RMU or City Hall
- 23 City Council Meeting
7:00pm, Council Chambers



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