

# Village Alert

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## Shred Event in Park Forest

- **When:** Saturday, May 8 from 9:00 am to noon.
- **Where:** Intersection of Main Street and Cunningham in Park Forest
- **Accepted Items:**
  - Limit of 2 boxes of paper per person
  - No moldy paper
  - No metal clips
  - No plastic sleeves
- **Just pull up in your vehicle – boxes will be removed from your trunk**



## Olympia Fields Residents Can Bring Paper to be Shredded to Downtown Park Forest on Saturday, May 8 from 9am to 12pm

In partnership with the Southland Green Committee, there will be a shredding event on Saturday, May 8th from 9:00am to 12pm noon in Downtown Park Forest at Main Street and Cunningham. Limit of two boxes per person. Please bring paper only (no moldy paper, metal clips or plastic sleeves).

Just pull up your vehicle and volunteers will take the boxes from your car trunk. Remember to recycle, restore and reuse in an effort to save our environment.

[Learn More About the Shredding Event](#)



## Springtime Home Renovation Building Permit

Over the last several years, the Village of Olympia Fields has had a growing number of residential renovation projects. This is good news because these projects increase property values.

Contact the Building Department to receive information about required building permits. You will need to pay any fees, submit plans and have inspections performed during the project. That way you will know your project is safe.

There is a very important reason why building permits are required for renovation. Building codes help ensure that the structures in which we live, work and play meet the standards against collapse, fire and other potential dangers. If structures are not up to code, insurance companies may not pay damage claims, and property owners can be liable for damages if someone is injured.

If you have any questions about the requirements of a building permit, please contact the Building Department at (708) 503-8000, or visit our website for more information.

[Find Building Permits on the Village Web Site](#)

## **To Avoid Damage To Underground Utility Lines, Illinois Law Requires Anyone Digging to Call the Joint Utility Locating Information for Excavators (J.U.L.I.E.)**

Regardless of the depth of the project, anyone digging must call J.U.L.I.E. at (800) 892-0123 at least 48 hours (two working days) prior to the start of excavation and begin that excavation project within 14 calendar days from calling J.U.L.I.E.

This call will allow all affected utilities sufficient time to locate and mark their respective utility lines. (The 48-hour notice does not include Saturdays, Sundays, or holidays.) Failure to contact J.U.L.I.E. prior to excavation in accordance with the law can carry penalties from \$200 up to \$5,000 for each separate offense.

Prior to calling J.U.L.I.E., be prepared to provide the following information:

- Your name, address, and phone number at which you and/or a site contact can be reached and fax and/or phone number, for any questions that may come up
- County and city or county and the unincorporated area of the township
- Location at which the excavation will take place, which may include (is not limited to) address, cross street, lot numbers, etc.
- The start date and time of the planned excavation work

### **Mark The Proposed Site**

Marking your proposed project site with white paint can help expedite this process. The following colors will be used by utility companies when marking the location of underground lines with either paint or flags or a combination of both:

- Communication, Telephone, TV - Orange
- Electric - Red
- Gas, Oil, Petroleum - Yellow
- Proposed Excavation - White
- Reclaimed Water - Purple
- Sewer - Green
- Temporary Survey - Pink
- Water - Blue

### **Privately Owned Lines**

It is important to note that some service lines extending from the property easement to the house belong to the homeowners, and as such are considered privately owned. J.U.L.I.E. member companies do not locate privately installed lines or facilities such as house-to-garage or outbuildings, gas lights, gas grills, pool heaters, etc.



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