The Official Newsletter of the Village of Melrose Park

A Message From Mayor Ronald M. Serpico Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

Dear Neighbors,

This note is entitled, *The Thank You Letter*, and is written as a message of extreme gratefulness to some very special people that can never be thanked enough.

To begin with, I would like to thank the wonderful nurses, staff, and doctors at Loyola Hospital, where I spent two long weeks recovering from my recent back surgery. I am grateful to each and every one of you for working so hard to get me back on my feet. I even forgive you for waking me up every two hours to ask how I was feeling. I also want to thank my friends and neighbors for all of your prayers and encouragement, your thoughtfulness not only



helped me, but also my wife Donna, who I also owe a debt of gratitude to for putting up with me during my lengthy hospital stay.

I am happy to report the 35th Taste of Melrose Park was a huge success. We enjoyed three days of perfect weather that helped draw record crowds and Saturday night's concert, featuring the Bronx Wanderers, attracted the largest crowd to see an artist(s) in our entire 35-year run. None of this success would be possible without our sponsors, volunteers, food vendors and our Taste of Melrose Park Director Peggy DiFazio and her team. I thank all of you for making this year's Taste the best one ever!

I would like to take a moment to pay tribute to Arnold Palmer, who recently passed away and was one of my childhood heroes along with Nellie Fox, Billy Pierce, Dick Butkus, Gale Sayers, Bobby Hull and Stan Mikita. These were no mortal men, but the gods of my youth, whom I worshiped. They graced the arenas of their time bringing excitement and superior athleticism to each of their sports. Even today when I see one of these aging gods, such as Dick Butkus or Bobby Hull, I am immediately transported back to a time when these sports heroes filled my days and nights with awe and joy ... and for those great memories I can never thank them enough.

Ronald M. Serpico Mayor

Finally, it is with a heavy heart that I offer this final thank you, for it goes along with the announcement of the retirement of our longest-serving village trustee and my good friend, Cathleen Cossident Italia. Cathy is a lifelong resident of Melrose Park and has served as a trustee for nearly 20 years. Cathy inherited her deep commitment to public service from her father Gerry, who founded and served as Melrose Park's first Civil Defense director, and her two uncles, who were 20-year Melrose Park police officers.

Cathy is now stepping down to devote more energy to her law firm and to spend more time at her winter home in Arizona. I will never forget Cathy standing shoulder-to-shoulder with me as we transformed Melrose Park from an old worn-out, inner-ring suburb into the vibrant community it is today.

Cathy, we will miss your humor, insight, and most of all, your unending passion to improve Melrose Park. To paraphrase that great philosopher, Winnie the Pooh, "How lucky I am to have known someone who is so hard to say goodbye to." Goodbye my friend and on behalf of the residents of Melrose Park, I say thank you for a job well done.

Sincerely,

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Check Out www.MelrosePark.org to Learn More About Our Great Community!

Early Voting for the 2016 Presidential Election runs Monday, Oct. 24, thru Monday, Nov. 7, in the Gynasium of the Melrose Park Civic Center, 1000 N. 25th Ave., Melrose Park. This includes two Sundays – Oct. 30 and Nov. 6.

Early voting hours are: Monday, Oct. 24-Saturday, Oct. 29 – 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sunday, Oct. 30 – 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; Monday, Oct. 31-Friday, Nov. 4 – 9 a.m.-7 p.m.; Saturday Nov. 5 – 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sunday, Nov. 6 – 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; and Monday, Nov. 7 – 9 a.m.-5 p.m.



Ronald M. Serpico, Mayor

Mary Ann Paolantonio, Village Clerk

Trustees Anthony J. Abruzzo • Jaime Anguiano Arturo J. Mota • Sonny Nicotera Anthony J. Prignano • Mary Ramirez Taconi



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Non-Emergency	
Animal Control	
Fire Emergency	911
Non-Emergency	
Public Safety/Homeland Security	(708) 649-8000
Library	(708) 343-3391
Public Works	(708) 343-5128
Building and Code	
Civic Center	(708) 450-0555
Hall and Field Rentals, Sports, Etc.	
Community Service(708) 34	
Senior Services(708) 34	13-4000, Ext. 4448
Taste of Melrose Park	
Dial A Ride	
Proviso Township Assessor	
Economic Development	(708) 865-8809

Important Upcoming Dates

Village Board Meetings Oct. 24, Nov. 14 and 28, Dec. 12 Village Hall Holiday Closing.....Nov. 11, Nov. 24 and Nov. 25 Senior Club MeetingsNov. 10 and Dec. 8

Resident Response

Dear Mayor Ron Serpico, Peggy DiFazio and Patti Dindia...

A sincere thank you for the warm welcome extended to the District 89 administrators, teachers and staff at the Taste of Melrose Park. We enjoyed a wonderful time eating and socializing our way through the Taste! Your hospitality was greatly appreciated and will always be remembered. We are looking forward to next year!



• Sincerely,

Superintendent Dr. David Negron Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum Barbara Dahly

Dear Mayor Serpico...

Recently, you and your team honored our family with the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Park and its dedication and ceremony, because Frank Gilchrist is one of the fallen soldiers remembered.

What a tremendous effort all involved made for this tribute and the memorial marker is stunning. Also having Melrose Park as the home of this memorial park.

We have talked about gathering at the park to remember Frank on special dates. How very convenient to have Russell's BBQ and Johnnie's nearby for those get-togethers! We will definitely return often to Melrose Park and tell others.

You gave a deeply touching speech, reaching out to all the veterans present meant a lot to them. It was a privilege to hear you speak and an honor to be present at the event.

Thank you for all you do for Melrose Park, its citizens and the future of both.

Sincerely,

W. Tom Gilchrist, Jr.

Dear Police Chief Sam Pitassi...

On Aug. 24, the Maywood Police Department responded to a horrific fatal rollover crash at Ninth Avenue and Roosevelt Road. The incident was compounded even more by the time of day, 15:20 hour, the massive crowd of spectators and media.

My department requested a Level II ILEAS alarm and officers Miglore and Smyth from your agency responded to assist us with traffic and crowd control in the area.

Unfortunately, due to the severity of the crash, we had to keep the area secure for over six hours.

Officers Miglore and Smyth maintained the posts throughout the incident, did so in an extremely effective manner and demonstrated professionalism reflective of good training and discipline.

Chief, I would like to take this opportunity to express my personal appreciation and the appreciation of the members of the Maywood Police Department for the help of your staff.

• Fraternally, Chief Val Talley

Maywood Police Department

Dear Fire Chief Rick Beltrame and Police Chief Sam Pitassi...

Thank you so much for your assistance in making our Annual Sacred Heart Walk-A-Thon a safe event. We appreciate your department's presence at the park and for helping our students cross the busy streets safely to and from school. Thank you for taking the time to help and be there for us.

Sincerely,

Susan Golding, Walk-A-Thon Chairperson, and the Parents and Students of Sacred Heart School

Dear Mayor Serpico...

Please allow us the honor of saying "Thank You" for your generous donation toward the purchase of T-shirts for our 2016 Summer Youth Challenge.

Your donation made it possible for us to provide 50 shirts for both youth and staff.

As usual, you have proven to be loyal to our mission and supportive of our cause and we take this very seriously.

May God continue to bless you and the entire village of Melrose Park as we continue to work together, making a difference in our community.

• Regards,

Sis. Kimberly Belser, SYC Director Pastor John L. Belser

Dear Police Chief Sam Pitassi...

In May, my wallet was stolen while I was in the Jewel store in Melrose Park. Officer Gennaro Manzo responded to the call.

I want you to know how very kind and thoughtful he was to me and my son, Michael (who I called after the incident).

I am 80 years young, so this was a very upsetting event for me.

Gennaro even called my son and I the next day to let us know how the investigation was going.

He made a very bad thing much easier for me.

You should be very proud to have such a fine officer as he is on your force.

 Margaret Tardella Resident of Chicago

MP Village Clerk Paolantonio and MAP of Hope Foundation Host Coat & Vote Donation Drive

Please be advised that during the 2016 Presidential Early Voting Election period starting Monday, Oct. 24 through Monday, Nov. 7, Village Clerk

Mary Ann Paolantonio and founder of the MAP of Hope Foundation will be hosting a Coat & Vote Donation Drive.

Drop off your used, but clean coat(s) to help those who are in need. All sizes are welcome, from children to adults. Any and all coat



donations will be appreciated. A donation box will be located outside the Clerk's Office located on the second floor of the Village Hall, 1000 N. 25th Ave., Melrose Park.

So when you come to vote, drop off your coat!

Thank You,

Melrose Park Village Clerk Mary Ann Paolantonio and MAP of Hope Foundation

Meet Melrose Park's New Trustee Sonny Nicotera



Sonny Nicotera is a 60-year Melrose Park resident.

Right out of high school Sonny took the route of many area residents of that era when he went to work at International Harvester (today known as Navistar) in Melrose Park. Sonny was a hard worker and eventually rose through the ranks to a management position in accounts payable.

At the age of 35, Sonny was presented with a golden opportunity when the Chicago Northwestern-Union Pacific Railroad offered him a position as manager of their Dining Car Services. He eventually

Sonny Nicotera

ascended to be in charge of the railroad's sleeper cars, bar cars and dinning cars. After 26 years working in the railroad car food industry Sonny retired.

Sonny Nicotera is one of Melrose Park's leading citizens when it comes to volunteering for village organizations and causes. He believes that one should leave their community a better place than when they found it. If that is the case, Melrose Park is a better community for Sonny Nicotera living here.

Sonny is very active in Mt. Carmel Parish where he is a long-time Eucharistic minister and is presently the president of the Parish Council. He is also a long-time board member of the Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Feast Committee and has served as its president on two different occasions. He is a member of the Veterans Park Senior Club.

He is very active in groups and organizations that promote and celebrate his Italian heritage. Mr. Nicotera is involved with the Joint Civic Committee of Italian Americans, the Calabrese in America Organization and a member of the Italian American Executives of Transportation Board.

Trustee Sonny Nicotera will use his business acumen on the village board. He believes that providing excellent but cost efficient village services will be his #1 priority. Sonny stated, "I love Melrose Park. I have always considered the village as part of my extended family. I hope my service on the village board will cause Melrose Park to be as proud of me as I am of our great town."



Birth Certificates

Birth Certificates – \$12 for first copy, \$2 each additional copy.

We only provide birth certificates if the individual was born at Westlake Hospital or Gottlieb Hospital in Melrose Park. Birth certificates can be only be obtained by the individual themselves, a parent, or legal guardian.

A valid ID is required or in a legal guardian case, the proper documentation is required along with the valid ID.

Death Certificates

Death Certificates – \$17 for the first copy, \$5 each additional copy.

Vehicle Sticker Information

2014-2015 village vehicle stickers have expired as of Dec. 31, 2015. New stickers can be purchased at the Village Hall.

Sticker fees are as follows:

Passenger Plates – \$30 for two years (2016-2017).

Senior Citizen – One free per household for two years (2016-2017).

Trucks – Good for one year (2016 only). Fee structure is as follows:

B PLATE	\$50
D PLATE	\$75
F PLATE	\$75
H PLATE	\$75
J PLATE	\$80
K PLATE	\$80
L PLATE	\$90
M PLATE	\$95
N PLATE	\$100

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P PLATE	\$105
Q PLATE	\$105
R PLATE	\$110
S PLATE	\$115
T PLATE	\$125
V PLATE	\$135
X PLATE	\$145
Z PLATE	\$155

All vehicle sticker sales are final. No refunds will be issued.

For additional information, please call the Village Hall at (708) 343-4000.

On November 8th Mayor Serpico Asks You To Please Consider Voting For

State Comptroller Candidate Susana Mendoza **State Representative Kathleen Willis**

Avoid the Lines You Can Vote Early for the November 8th Election

Where: Melrose Park Village Hall 1000 N. 25th Ave.

Monday-Friday; Oct. 24 – 28 from 9am-5pm Saturday; Oct. 29 from 9am-5pm Monday-Friday; Oct. 31 - Nov. 4 from 9am-7pm Sunday; Oct. 30 from 9am-3pm Saturday; Nov. 5 from 9am-5pm Sunday; Nov. 6 from 9am-3pm Monday; Nov. 7 from 9am-5pm

EARLY VOTING



From the desk of Mayor Ronald M. Serpico

On November 8th, I would kindly ask for your consideration in casting a vote for two friends of Melrose Park, State Comptroller Candidate Susana Mendoza

Susana Mendoza is always available when called upon to assist our community. In the state legislature Susana was an outspoken voice for the underdog, standing up for senior issues, health care legislation, and job creation proposals.

Kathleen Willis has knocked on doors in every corner of our village; hosted real estate tax appeal seminars for Melrose Park homeowners; sponsors an annual Community Resource Fair in our gym; and actively participates in our

Join me on November 8th and let's send our good friends, State Comptroller Candidate Susana Mendoza and State Representative Kathleen Willis, to Springfield. Thank you.

Sincerely Yours,

Ramles M. Cup Mayor Ron Serpico

Susan Mendoza Punch # 16

Kathleen Willis Punch # 42

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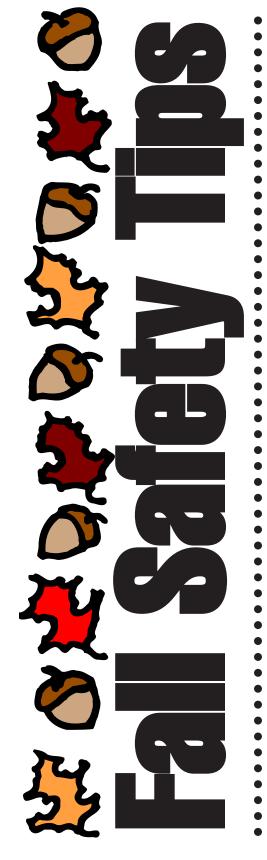


Melrose Park Fire Department NEWSA Message from
Fire Chief Rick Beltrame

Fall is a wonderful time of year with trees showing off their best colors while Halloween parties and harvest festivals add an air of celebration to the season. However, safety always is a concern. Following these tips will help make the season a safe and enjoyable one.

- Keep space heaters away from curtains, other fabric furnishings and combustibles. Make certain the heaters are in well-ventilated areas and that cords are not frayed or damaged. Use only K-1 kerosene in a kerosene heater.
- Keep heaters on firm, stable surfaces where they will not be knocked over easily.
- Change furnace filters and keep boxes and debris away from the furnace and hot water heater.
- Do not leave the clothes dryer running when leaving the house or going to bed.
- Install smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors. Change batteries every six months.
- Keep candles on a flat, stable surface and away from curtains, fabrics or paper. Make certain to extinguish candles before leaving the house or going to bed.
- Consider using artificial, battery-operated candles instead of real candles.
- Keep fireplaces and chimneys clean. Always use a protective screen for your fireplace and outdoor fire pits.
- Never leave children unattended around candles, fireplaces, fire pits, heaters, washers and dryers or furnaces.
- Make certain all door locks can be unlocked from the inside without a key.
- Have a fire evacuation plan for your family and designate a safe place to meet after evacuating.
- Have gutters cleared of leaves and debris. Clogged gutters can result in damage to the roof and spillage that causes slippery pavement.
- Clear fallen leaves. Fallen leaves that become wet can cause severe slip-and-fall injuries and auto accidents.
- Make certain Halloween costumes are bright enough to be seen at night, allow for clear vision and do not have excess material that can be tripped over or get caught in doors.
- Have an adult accompany young trick-or-treaters.
- Check all Halloween candy for tampering before eating it.
- All trick-or-treaters should bring flashlights with them.

Rick Beltrame Melrose Park Fire Chief



A Message from Police Chief Sam C. Pitassi



Sam C. Pitassi Melrose Park Police Chief



Stellato Receives MPPD Letter of Recognition

Retired Melrose Park police officer Anthony M. Stellato Jr., recently received a Melrose Park Police Department Letter of Recognition authorized and signed by Mayor Serpico and Police Chief Sam Pitassi.

The letter reads as follows:

Anthony M. Stellato Jr. 11/13/1943

Tony was born and raised in Melrose Park and attended Melrose Park Grammar School and Proviso East High School. He served two years in the Army and was awarded a medal for top shooter in his company. After the Army, he went on to become a police officer in 1960. Tony spent the next 31 years dedicating himself to the Melrose Park Police Department and the community. During his career he worked in communications, was promoted to detective and also served on a committee to design the new Police Station. He retired in 1991, spending his retirement years with his family and enjoying his grandchildren.

Thank you Tony for your service and dedication to the Melrose Park Police Department and the community. Congratulations to Anthony M. Stellato Jr.!

Trick or Treat Hours are 3-7 p.m.

Please Note These Halloween Safety Tips

Everyone loves a good scare on Halloween, but not when it comes to child safety. There are several easy and effective behaviors that parents can share with kids to help reduce their risk of injury.

Walk Safely

- Cross the street at corners, using traffic signals and crosswalks.
- Look left, right and left again when crossing and keep looking as you cross.
- Put electronic devices down and keep heads up and walk, don't run across the street.
 - Teach children to make eye contact with drivers before crossing in front of them.
- Always walk on sidewalks or paths. If there are no sidewalks, walk facing traffic as far to the left as possible.
 - Children should walk on direct routes with the fewest street crossings.
 - Watch for cars that are turning or backing up.
 - Teach children to never dart out into the street or cross between parked cars.

On average, children are more than twice as likely to be hit by a car and killed on Halloween than on any other day of the year.

Trick or Treat with an Adult

• Children under the age of 12 should not be alone at night without adult supervision. If kids are mature enough to be out without supervision, remind them to stick to familiar areas that are well lit and trick-or-treat in groups.

Keep Costumes Both Creative and Safe

- Decorate costumes and bags with reflective tape or stickers and, if possible, choose light colors.
 Choose face paint and makeup whenever possible instead of masks, which can obstruct a child's vision.
 - Have kids carry glow sticks or flashlights to help them see and be seen by drivers.
 - Have kids carry glow slicks or hashinghts to help them see and be seen by driver
 - When selecting a costume, make sure it is the right size to prevent trips and falls.

Drive Extra Safely on Halloween

- Slow down and be especially alert in residential neighborhoods.
- Children are excited on Halloween and may move in unpredictable ways.
- Take extra time to look for kids at intersections, on medians and on curbs.
 - Enter and exit driveways and alleys slowly and carefully.
- Eliminate any distractions inside your car so you can concentrate on the road and your surroundings.
 - Drive slowly, anticipate heavy pedestrian traffic and turn your headlights on earlier in the day to spot children from greater distances.
- Popular trick-or-treating hours are 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. so be especially alert for kids during those hours.

PARKING REGULATIONS WILL CHANGE EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1

Beginning Thursday, Dec. 1, 2016, parking will no longer be permitted on both sides of the street on weekends. Overnight parking restrictions remain the same in the West Melrose and Winston Park areas. Parking is only allowed on designated sides of the street depending on the day of the week as

indicated on notice signs posted throughout the community.

Parking laws will be strictly enforced. Violators will be ticketed.

From The Office of Ralph Sorce, Building Commissioner

Building, Planning and Zoning Department

The cooler weather is on its way and many residents and business owners will be performing indoor construction projects to their homes and businesses.



The Building Department of the village of Melrose Park is pleased to see the improvements within our neighborhood. Remember, before starting any construction project; obtain a building permit from the Building Department. All contractors performing work are required to obtain a contractor's license with the village. Rough and final inspections are to be performed

Ralph Sorce Building Commissioner

to make sure work is being performed to code.

If you are planning to update your home or business, or if you have any questions, please come into the Building Department at 1000 N. 25th Ave., call us at (708) 343-4000, Ext. 4470, or send an email to rsorce@melrosepark.org.

Go to www.melrosepark.org to obtain the following Building Department forms.

- Debris Hauling Contractor's License Application
- Vacant Property Registration
- Permit Application Page 1
- Permit Application Page 2
- Building Codes
- Certificate of Compliance Application
- Contractor's Registration Application
- Electrical Permit Application
- Form 3500
- Form 4000
- Items Covered in Cert of Compliance Inspection (Sale)
- Sign Application
- Process of Selling a Property
- Vending and Amusement License Application

Please note that registration does not replace building permits or other required information.

General contractors are responsible to assure that all their sub-contractors are licensed in Melrose Park. Failure to do so may result in citations, fines and work stoppage on site.

Flood Map Information Service for Village of Melrose Park

As a public service, the Building Department will provide you with the following information upon request:

• 1 – Whether a property is in or out of the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) as shown on the current Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) for Village of Melrose Park.

• 2 – Additional flood insurance date for a site, such as the FIRM zone, the Base Flood Elevation (BFE) or depth, if shown on the FIRM.

• 3 – We have a handout on the mandatory flood insurance purchase requirement that applies to people who are getting a federally backed mort-gage or loan for a property in the SFHA.

• 4 – Access to Elevation Certificates that have been processed in Melrose Park if they exist for a certain property.

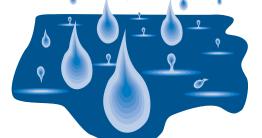
• 5 – We have copies of Letters of Map Amendment (LOMAs) or Letter of Map Revision (LOMRs) on file in our office.

If you would like to make an inquiry, please have the address and property's legal description available. We are open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Mondays through Fridays. You may reach us by telephone at (708) 343-4000, Ext. 4470, or send us an e-mail at rsorce@melrosepark. You may also inquire in person at the Building Department. Our staff will be willing to assist you any way we can. There is no charge for this service.

Help Keep Our Village Clean!

Now that fall is here and winter is on its way, help keep our village clean by making sure you keep all garbage in your 90 gallon blue garbage container to keep garbage from blowing throughout the neighborhood and getting buried under snow. The village is proud of the garbage and debris services it provides our residents. Help keep the parkways clean and in the front and rear of your house or building. The village is dedicated to working with and for our citizens; together we can make Melrose Park look even better!

Important Nelrose Park Flood Relief Information



It is that time of year when inclement weather can cause havoc with your most prized possession – your home. Arm yourself ahead of time by visiting the following links.

> To determine if your house is in a floodplain and eligible for flood insurance: www.melrosepark.org/docs/ Determine_if_your_house_is_in_a_floodplain_ and_eligible_for_flood_insurance.PDF

To find out what to do in case your home is flooded: www.melrosepark.org/docs/ What_to_do_in_case_your_home_is_flooded.PDF

To help prevent flooding in Melrose Park: www.melrosepark.org/docs/ Help_prevent_flooding_in_Melrose_Park_.PDF

For a FEMA Registration Flyer on how to apply for disaster relief: www.melrosepark.org/docs/ FEMA_REGISTRATION_FLYER(1)_(1).PDF

To view Real-Time River Gauge Near Melrose Park to Determine River Level: www.water.weather.gov/ahps2/hydrograph.php?wfo=lot&gauge=rvfi2

To view or download Flood Inundation and Response 3 Stage Map: www.melrosepark.org/docs/_inundation%20&%20Flood%20Response.pdf

The following two links give you important information regarding flood insurance regulations, qualifications, floodplain maps, and how to apply.

FEMA Flood Insurance Program: http://www.fema.gov/business/nfip/index.shtm

FEMA Map Service Center:

www.fema.gov/national-flood-insurance-program/map-service-center

The following link provides very important information on where to go for disaster assistance when a flood hits and answers many of a homeowner's questions regarding disaster assistance. http://www.disasterassistance.gov/

Village of Melrose Park Construction Notice Construction Hours

No construction or alteration activities shall be carried on between the nighttime hours of 7 p.m. and 7 a.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday. On Saturday, no construction or alteration activities shall be carried on between the nighttime hours of 5 p.m. and 8 a.m. On Sunday and federal holidays, no construction or alteration activities shall be carried on between the nighttime hours of 5 p.m. and 10 a.m. Construction and alteration activities on Sundays and federal holidays shall not be accompanied by loud or annoying noises except in the case of an emergency. Emergency operations necessitating deviation from

this section shall not be initiated until special permission is obtained from the director of Public Works. Construction or alteration activities with regard to public improvements and public service utilities, shall be exempt from this section.

Any person violating this section shall be fined not less that fifty dollars (\$50), nor

more than seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750), for each offense, and each day's violation of the same shall constitute a separate and distinct offense.



Village Hall Announces Holiday Closings

The Melrose Park Village Hall will be closed for the following holidays: Veterans Day – Friday, Nov. 11, 2016; Thanksgiving Day – Thursday, Nov. 24, 2016; Day After Thanksgiving – Friday, Nov. 25, 2016; Christmas Eve (1/2 Day) – Friday, Dec. 23; Christmas Day – Monday, Dec. 26, 2016; and New Year's Eve (1/2 Day) – Friday, Dec. 30, 2016.

> Residents are asked to make note of the dates listed. For more information, call the Village Hall at (708) 343-4000.

Public Notice of a Change in the Regularly Scheduled Board Meetings of the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Melrose Park

Take notice that the village of Melrose Park, Cook County, Ill., will conduct the regular scheduled meetings of the president and the board of trustees on the second and fourth Mondays of each calendar month, unless otherwise noted, at 6 p.m. at the Village Board Meeting Room located on the first floor of the Melrose Park Police Department, 1 N. Broadway Ave., Melrose Park.

The remaining schedule for calendar year 2016 is: Oct. 24; Nov. 14 and 28; and Dec. 12 and 27.

For more information, call (708) 343-4000.

Everyone Has the Right to Live Where They Choose

In the exercise of its power to regulate for the protection of the public health, safety, morals and welfare, it is declared to be the public policy of the village to assure fair housing and freedom from discrimination throughout the community, to protect the community from the effects of residential segregation by race, color, religion, sex, physical or mental handicap, familial status or national origin, and to secure to its citizens the economic, social, and professional benefits of living in an integrated and stable society.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Administers The Federal Fair Housing Act.

Every first Monday of the month the Fair Housing Review Board meets at 6 p.m. in the Village of Melrose Park (1000 N. 25th Ave.). If you feel you have been discriminated in any

way while renting, purchasing or selling a home you are welcome to attend our meetings to present your case.

> Village of Melrose Park James M. Vasselli, Office of the Village Attorney (708) 343-4000, Ext. 4487



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Mayor Serpico's Annual Toys for Tots Drive Begins Nov. 28

Mayor Ron Serpico's Annual Toys for Tots Drive for underprivileged children will be held at the Melrose Park Civic Center, Nov. 28 through Dec. 14, 2016.

The Toys for Tots Drive is open to all community members and organizations. Items can be dropped off at the Civic Center foyer, 1000 N. 25th Ave., Melrose Park.

All residents are encouraged to participate by dropping off new, unwrapped toys. Last year's drive was very successful and the village is hoping this year's event will be even better.

For more information, call Toys for Tots Chairperson Mary Ann Paolantonio at mpclerk1@yahoo.com.

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Melrose Park Public Safety News

From the Desk of Philip C. Schwartz, Chief of Public Safety – Homeland Security





For more information, please call Melrose Park Public Safety ~ Homeland Security at (708) 649-8000.

Are You Prepared for Winter Weather?

Winter weather too often catches people unprepared. Researchers say that 70 percent of the fatalities related to ice and snow occur in automobiles and about 25 percent of all winter related fatalities are people that are caught off guard, out in the storm. What winter weather preparations are being made in your area and what are the appropriate steps to take that will ensure your winter weather safety? Help your readers, viewers and listeners make sure their homes and cars are ready for the worst winter has to offer.

Winter Weather Watches, Warnings and Advisories – What Do They all Mean?

The National Weather Service uses specific winter weather terms to ensure that people know what to expect in the coming days and hours. A Winter Storm Watch means that severe winter conditions, such as heavy snow and/or ice, may affect your area, but its occurrence, location and timing are still uncertain. A Winter Storm Watch is issued to provide 12 to 36 hours notice of the possibility of severe winter weather. A Winter Storm Watch is intended to provide enough lead time so those who need to set plans in motion can do so. A watch is upgraded to a Winter Storm Warning when 4 or more inches of snow or sleet is expected in the next 12 hours, or 6 or more inches in 24 hours, or 1/4 inch or more of ice accretion is expected. Winter weather advisories inform you that winter weather conditions are expected to cause significant inconveniences that may be hazardous. If caution is exercised, advisory situations should not become life-threatening. A Blizzard Warning means that snow and strong winds will combine to produce a blinding snow (near zero visibility), deep drifts and life-threatening windchill. Be sure to listen carefully to the radio, television and NOAA Weather Radio for the latest winter storm watches, warnings and advisories.

Why is Predicting the Exact Amount of Snowfall So Challenging?

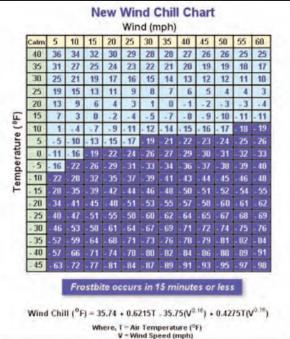
Snow forecasts continue to improve, but they remain a challenging task for meteorologists. Heavy snow often falls in small bands that are hard to discern on larger

resolution computer models. In addition, extremely small temperature differences define the boundary line between rain and snow.

What is Wind Chill?

One of the gravest dangers of winter weather is windchill. The windchill is based on the rate of heat loss from exposed skin by combined effects of wind and cold. As the wind increases, heat is carried away from the body at an accelerated rate, driving down the body temperature. Animals are also effected by windchill.

About Winter Storms...



Winter storms can range from a moderate snow over a

few hours to a blizzard with blinding, wind-driven snow that lasts for several days. Some winter storms are large enough to affect several states, while others affect only a single community. Many winter storms are accompanied by dangerously low temperatures and sometimes by strong winds, icing, sleet and freezing rain.

Regardless of the severity of a winter storm, you should be prepared in order to remain safe during these events.

Know the Difference

Winter Storm Outlook - Winter storm conditions are possible in the next two to five days.

Winter Weather Advisory – Winter weather conditions are expected to cause significant inconveniences and may be hazardous. When caution is used, these situations should not be life threatening.

Winter Storm Watch – Winter storm conditions are possible within the next 36 to 48 hours. People in a watch area should review their winter storm plans and stay informed about weather conditions.

Winter Storm Warning – Life-threatening, severe winter conditions have begun or will begin within 24 hours. People in a warning area should take precautions immediately.

How to Prepare for a Winter Storm

- Winterize your vehicle and keep the gas tank full. A full tank will keep the fuel line from freezing.
- Insulate your home by installing storm windows or covering windows with plastic from the inside to keep cold air out.
- Maintain heating equipment and chimneys by having them cleaned and inspected every year.
- If you will be going away during cold weather, leave the heat on in your home, set to a temperature no lower than 55° F.

Put Together a Supply Kit

- Water at least a three-day supply; one gallon per person per day.
- Food at least a three-day supply of non-perishable, easy-to-prepare food.
- Flashlight.
- Battery-powered or hand-crank radio (NOAA Weather Radio, if possible).
- Extra batteries.
- First aid kit.
- Medications (seven-day supply) and medical items (hearing aids with extra batteries, glasses, contact lenses, syringes, etc.).
- Multipurpose tool.
- Sanitation and personal hygiene items.
- Copies of personal documents (medication list and pertinent medical information, proof of address, deed/lease to home, passports, birth certificates, insurance policies).
- Cell phone with chargers.
- Family and emergency contact information.
- Extra cash.
- Baby supplies (bottles, formula, baby food, diapers).
- Pet supplies (collar, leash, ID, food, carrier, bowl).
- Tools/supplies for securing your home.
- Sand, rock salt or non-clumping kitty litter to make walkways and steps less slippery.
- Warm coats, gloves or mittens, hats, boots, and extra blankets and warm clothing for all household members.
- Ample alternate heating methods such as fireplaces or wood- or coal-burning stoves.

Protect Your Pets During Snowstorms

Make Sure Your Pets are Prepared for Winter Weather

Winter weather can be hard on all of us. It can be particularly difficult on our pets that rely on us for their well-being, especially for outdoor dogs and cats. To help keep your entire family safe and warm, the American Red Cross has winter safety reminders for both you and your pets.

Pet Safety in the Winter

• If possible, bring your pets inside during cold winter weather. Move other animals or livestock to sheltered areas and make sure they have access to non-frozen drinking water.

• If the animals are outside, make sure their access to food and water is not blocked by snow drifts, ice or other obstacles.

The following tips on winter pet safety are provided by the Humane Society of the United States:

• If pets cannot come indoors, make sure they are protected by a dry, draft-free enclosure large enough to allow them to sit and lie down, but small enough to hold in the pet's body heat. Raise the floor a few inches off the ground and cover it with cedar shavings or straw. Turn the enclosure away from the wind and cover the doorway with waterproof burlap or heavy plastic.

• Salt and other chemicals used to melt snow and ice can irritate a pet's paws. Wipe their paws with a damp towel before your pet licks them and irritates their mouth.

• Antifreeze is a deadly poison. Wipe up spills and store antifreeze out of reach.

For more information, please call Melrose Park Public Safety ~ Homeland Security at (708) 649-8000.

Do You Have a Disaster Supplies Kit?

A disaster supplies kit is simply a collection of basic items your household may need in the event of an emergency.

Try to assemble your kit well in advance of an emergency. You may have to evacuate at a moment's notice and take essentials with you. You will probably not have time to search for the supplies you need or shop for them.

You may need to survive on your own after an emergency. This means having your own food, water and other supplies in sufficient quantity to last for at least 72 hours. Local officials and relief workers will be on the scene after a disaster but they cannot reach everyone immediately. You could get help in hours or it might take days.

Additionally, basic services such as electricity, gas, water, sewage treatment and telephones may be cut off for days or even a week, or longer. Your supplies kit should contain items to help you manage during these outages.

Basic Disaster Supplies Kit

	Recommended Items to Include in a Basic Emergency Supply Kit	Additional Items to Consider Adding to an Emergency Supply Kit		
-	the Country of the Country of the Country of the	Prescription medications and glasses		
	Water, one gallon of water per person per day for at least three days,	Infant formula and diapers		
-	for drinking and sanitation	Pet food and extra water for your pet		
	Food, at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food	Important family documents such as copies of insurance policies, identification and bank account records in a waterproof, portable container		
	Battery-powered or hand crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with	Cash or traveler's checks and change		
	tone alert and extra batteries for both Flashlight and extra batteries	Emergency reference material such as a first aid book or information from www.ready.gov		
	First aid kit	Sleeping bag or warm blanket for each person. Consider additional bedding if you live in a cold-weather climate.		
	Whistle to signal for help	Complete change of clothing including a long sleeved shirt, long pants and sturdy shoes. Consider additional clothing if you live in a cold-weather climate.		
	Dust mask, to help filter contaminated air and plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place	Household chlorine bleach and medicine dropper – When diluted nine parts to one part bleach, bleach can be used as a disinfectant. Or in an emergency, you can us treat water by using 16 drops of regular household liquid bleach per gallon of water. Do		
	Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation	use scented, color safe or bleaches with added cleaners.		
	When all or allow to town all utilities	Fire Extinguisher		
-	Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities	Matches in a waterproof container		
	Can opener for food (if kit contains canned food)	Feminine supplies and personal hygiene items		
	ocal maps	Mess kits, paper cups, plates and plastic utensils, paper towels		
-		Paper and pencil		
-		Books, games, puzzles or other activities for children		

Maintaining Your Kit

Just as important as putting your supplies together is maintaining them so they are safe to use when needed. Here are some tips to keep your supplies ready and in good condition:

- Keep canned food in a cool, dry place.
- Store boxed food in tightly closed plastic or metal containers to protect from pests and to extend its shelf life.
- Throw out any canned good that becomes swollen, dented or corroded.
- Use foods before they go bad and replace them with fresh supplies.
- Place new items at the back of the storage area and older ones in the front.
- Change stored food and water supplies every six months. Be sure to write the date you store it on all containers.
- Re-think your needs every year and update your kit as your family's needs change.
- Keep items in airtight plastic bags and put your entire disaster supplies kit in one or two easy-to-carry containers, such as an unused trash can, camping backpack or duffel bag.

For more information, please call Melrose Park Public Safety ~ Homeland Security at (708) 649-8000.

Mayor Serpico's Free Magina

Dinner Delivery

For seniors (65 and older), and disabled residents with special needs who have nowhere to spend the holidays. (Melrose Park Residents Only.)

Mayor Serpico and the village of Melrose Park are now accepting reservations to deliver free Thanksgiving dinners to seniors (65 and older) and disabled residents on Thursday, Nov. 24.

> Sit at home, watch football and enjoy the holiday. Let us provide all the trimmings.

We will deliver a meal that will bring the holiday aromas into your home. The day will be filled with warmth, holiday cheer and a feast to remember.

TO MAKE A DELIVERY RESERVATION, YOU MUST COMPLETE THE THANKSGIVING DINNER RESERVATION FORM AND MAIL IT TO:

Village of Melrose Park, Thanksgiving Delivery, 1000 N. 25th Ave., Melrose Park, IL 60160

NO CALLS WILL BE ACCEPTED. FORMS ONLY!

Reservation must be received on or before Nov. 11, 2016. Meals will be delivered between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

YOU MUST BE HOME TO ACCEPT THE MEAL. MAXIMUM TWO PER HOUSEHOLD.

For more information, please call (708) 343-4000, Ext. 4448.

Mayor Serpico and the Village of Melrose Park Thanksgiving Dinner Reservation Form

TO MAKE A DELIVERY RESERVATION, YOU MUST COMPLETE AND MAIL THIS FORM. PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY.

Name		
Address		
Apt. #		
Phone		
Age		
Please check: 🖵 Senior 🛛 Disabled	One Meal	Two Meals



Village of Melrose Park Dial A Ride for Residents

The Village of Melrose Park Dial a Ride Program was initiated in 2000 to provide residents of our community with a new transportation resource to any location in the Melrose Park boundaries. Residents are encouraged to use the program to do their everyday needs such as grocery shopping, doctor appointments, etc. We are also handicapped accessible.

This service is available to residents Monday thru Friday from 8:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. To make a reservation, please call (708) 343-7047. You can make appointments from the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday thru Friday. We are closed on Saturdays and Sundays and all major holidays. To book an appointment or make a cancellation, you must call at least 24 hours in advance.

Policies and Procedures

Only one reservation per rider per day. NO EXCEPTIONS! Only two appointments a week can be made for miscellaneous use such as grocery shopping etc. Anyone using the van for doctor appointments, etc., may use the van up to three times a week.

You must stay at your destination you are going to for a minimum of an hour. Any residents of Victory Centre MUST go with the group provided at their center for grocery shopping, etc. Any doctor appointment can be made with us.

Only three shopping bags per rider. Forgotten items in the van will be returned at the next pickup date. Please note that our service is getting more popular every day so we will try to accommodate your needs to the best of our ability.

Call (708) 343-7047 for service.

Important Reminder Regarding Changes in License Plate Renewal



The Secretary of State's office is no longer sending out Annual License Plate Renewal Notifications. This means drivers are on their own to remember when their license plates renew.

Unfortunately, most people do not think about their renewal until they get

their notification. The end result is that people are now getting ticketed for missing their renewal deadline.

As a solution, you can sign up to receive an electronic notification which will also allow you the option to renew your license plates online.

To sign up to have a renewal notification sent to you by email follow these steps:

Go to the Secretary of State's website

www.cyberdriveillinois.com.

- On the right side of page click on the box that says "Email my renewal notice."
- It will then ask for your Registration ID and Pin number. These numbers are on your current License Registration Card. Then click submit.
- It will then take you to a page that shows Owner's Name, License Plate Number, Year and Make of Car. At the bottom of the screen it will ask if these are correct. Assuming correct, check yes.
- It will then ask for your email address. Complete, click, submit.
- It will then ask if you would like to enroll another vehicle. If yes, click on "enroll another license." If no, you are finished.

It would not hurt to go back into the site and recheck your work to make sure you're registered.

If you have any questions, contact the Secretary of State's office at 1-(800)-252-8980.

Walk Your Dog at the Village of Melrose Park Dog Park



As a convenience to our residents, the village of Melrose Park and Westlake Hospital have partnered for the dog park at 13th Avenue and Main Street.

All residents are invited to use the facility during hours of operation –

8 a.m.-8 p.m., seven days a week throughout the summer and fall months.

Rules and regulations have been posted at the site and individuals must obtain a permit from the village of Melrose Park to utilize the park.

For additional information, please call the village of Melrose Park at (708) 343-4000.



Village of Melrose Park Senior From the Desk of Peggy DiFazio, ews

Director of Senior Services, Special Events and Taste of Melrose Park

2016 Meeting Dates

Nov. 10 • Dec. 8

Meeting dates are scheduled that include lunch meetings and coffee and ... meetings. Registration must be made two weeks prior to meeting date.

Registration for New Memberships

We're looking for new members to join our club and we're inviting current members to renew their memberships.

You must be 55 years or older and a Melrose Park resident. Cost is \$10 per year and includes a picture ID. Each meeting cost \$5 per person and includes lunch, informative speakers and more. Preregistration for meetings is required.

It's a good place to make new friends and renew old ones.

For membership information, call (708) 343-4000, Ext. 4448.

Senior Services

Need help with Medicare, veterans benefits, circuit breakers, etc.? Need sources for home health care, equipment, etc.? Have questions you need resources for? We can help.

Call Peggy DiFazio at (708) 343-4000, Ext. 4448.

The Melrose Park Senior Club is currently accepting donations of canes, wheelchairs, walkers, etc., that can be given to those in need. If you have something you would like to donate, please call Peggy DiFazio at (708) 343-4000, Ext. 4448.



Dear Community Member,

The Village of Melrose Park publishes The Rose (the official newsletter of the Village of Melrose Park, and mails the publication to all Melrose Park residents and businesses).

We are offering advertising space and would greatly appreciate your participation.

Included is display ad pricing for your review.

Rates – Full Color Ads Full Page – \$400 per issue (9 x 10 1/2) Half Page - \$200 per issue (9 x 5 1/4) 1/4 Page - \$100 per issue (4 1/2 x 5 1/4) 1/8 Page - \$50 per issue (4 1/2 x 2 5/8)

If you are interested in advertising in one or more issues that will be delivered every other month, please complete this form and mail with completed ad to:

> The Rose c/o Village of Melrose Park 1000 N. 25th Ave. • Melrose Park, III. 60160

Or you can send an email to: therose@melrosepark.org w/pdf or jpeg file (Checks need to be made to the order of Village of Melrose Park.)

For more information, please call (708) 343-4000.

Save the Dates!

Next Issue – December 2016 (Deadline for material Nov. 25, 2016.) **Remaining Schedule for 2016 – December** Schedule for 2017 February, April, June, August, October, December

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Melrose Park Senior Center 900 N. 25th Ave. • Melrose Park

For more information, please call (708) 343-4000, Ext. 4448.



Village of Melrose Park

Mayor Serpico's Snow Removal Program for Senior and Disabled Residents



Save time and worries when the snow begins!

This service is offered to seniors (65 and older), disabled with special needs and those <u>WHO HAVE NO FAMILY OR NEIGHBORS TO HELP</u>.

AT 6 INCHES OR MORE OF PREDICTED FALLING SNOW, YOUR NAME WILL BE ADDED TO THE SNOW REMOVAL LIST. WE WILL DO A PATH FROM YOUR FRONT DOOR TO THE STREET AND A SWIPE OF YOUR DRIVEWAY.

<u>SINGLE FAMILY HOMES ONLY – NO ALLEYS</u> – NO ALLEY SKIRTS TO GARAGE – NO BACKYARDS.

TO RESERVE SERVICES FROM THE VILLAGE OF MELROSE PARK SNOW REMOVAL PROGRAM FOR THE FULL WINTER SEASON, YOU MUST COMPLETE AND MAIL THE MAYOR SERPICO AND THE VILLAGE OF MELROSE PARK SNOW REMOVAL RESERVATION FORM TO:

Village of Melrose Park, Snow Removal • 1000 N. 25th Ave., Melrose Park, IL 60160

Mayor Serpico and the Village of Melrose Park Snow Removal Reservation Form

TO RESERVE SERVICES, YOU MUST COMPLETE AND MAIL THIS FORM. PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY.	information,
Name	please call
Address	(708) 649-4450.

Phone_

Age____

MELROSE PARK RESIDENTS – PLEASE TRY TO HELP SENIOR AND DISABLED NEIGHBORS IN THE EVENT OF INCLEMENT WEATHER – THANK YOU.



Melrose Park Public Library

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Adult Services



Finger sandwiches, cookies and tea will be provided. Registration Required. Saturday, November 12 | 11am

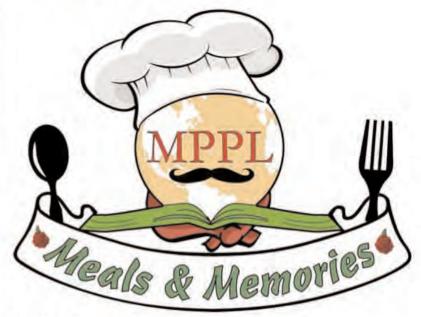


Looking for a place to hang out and have fun with your friends or family? Read, learn, and play during International Games Day @ your library. Join us in celebrating the educational, recreational, and social value of video and board games. We'll have activities for all ages including: table top games, Minecraft Hunger games, Jeopardy, video game lounge, and more!



www.MPPLibrary.org

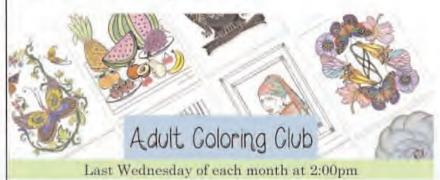
801 N Broadway, Melrose Park, IL 60160 mps@mpplibrary.org (708)343-3391



Meals & Memories: A Collection of Melrose Park Recipes

Sharing recipes is a wonderful tradition and we need yours! The Melrose Park Public Library is publishing a cookbook featuring the best recipes from our community. Please share your special recipes and memories. Your name will be printed with your recipe. You can turn in your recipe and memories to the library, send it via email to: recipes@MPPLibrary.org, or visit www.MPPLibrary.org for terms & conditions and

to submit your recipe online.



Library Hours

Monday-Thursday, 8:00am-8:00pm Friday, 8:00am-5:00pm Saturday, 10:00am-2:00pm Sunday, Closed Closed last Saturday of the month

Melrose Park Public Library

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Lego Club

Calling all builders! Kids in grades K-6 are invited to attend; kids ages 3-5 must attend with a parent.

Tuesday, November 8 • 4-5 p.m.

Coloring Craze

Do you like to be creative? Then join us for some intense coloring! We'll supply the coloring pages, pencils, markers, and crayons to complete all your artistic creations. All Ages

Wednesday, November 9 • 4-5 p.m.



Stay and Play

Join our lively and interactive playtime for great fun with books, music, puzzles and toys. Ages 0 - 5 Every Friday | 10 - 11 AM

Make It @ Melrose

Tweens come in to explore different kinds of activities. Everything from sewing, cooking and other projects, have fun while learning new skills. Grades 4-8



Thursday, November 3 • 4-5 p.m.



mill Service

Ready, Set, Tech!

Have fun experimenting with our amazing new tech toys and gadgets! Come in and play with our Magformers, Snap Circuits, Cubelets, and more! Grades 2 - 6

Tuesday, November 22 • 4-5 p.m.

Movie Madness

Spend an exciting evening at the library where you, your family and friends will watch a special movie and enjoy some snacks! All Ages Wednesday, November 23 • 5-7 p.m.

Tween Book Club

Come and join the tween book club! Share a great book, snacks, and have fun with friends. Grades 4-8

Thursday, October 27 • 4-5 p.m. Thursday, November 17 • 4-5 p.m.

Halloween Horror Read-Out

Choose your favorite scary story to read or perform in our "haunted" basement. Got stage fright? Just sit back and enjoy the spine-chilling show and tricky treats. Halloween costumes are optional but encouraged! All Ages



Wednesday, October 26 • 6-7 p.m.

All programs at the library are free, and registration is required. To register, call Youth Services at (708) 343-3391. ext. 7484.



www.MPPLibrary.org

801 N Broadway, Melrose Park, IL 60160 mps@mpplibrary.org (708)343-3391

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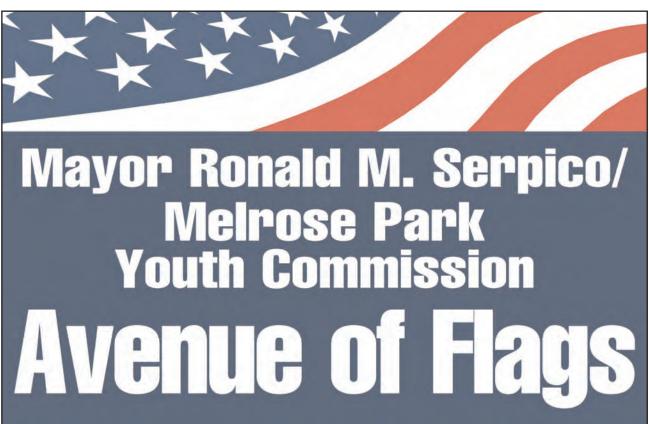
Show Your Support for Our Veterans and Those Currently Serving Our Country! Mayor Ronald M. Serpico and the Melrose Park Youth Commission Plan Launch of New Avenue of Flags Adjacent to MP's Veterans Housing Complex That Benefits Homeless Veterans

In 2014, Mayor Serpico and the Melrose Park Youth Commission launched Melrose Park's Avenue of Flags campaign. Flags representing the United States of America, the state of Illinois, the village of Melrose Park, the United States Army, United States Navy, United States Air Force, United States Marines, United States Coast Guard and POW/MIA

were displayed on lightpoles within the village.

The mayor and the MP Youth Commission will continue their efforts to show support for our veterans and those currently serving our country by launching another Avenue of Flags in the area adjacent to Melrose Park's new Veterans Housing Complex located between Lake and Main streets, and 13th, 14th and 15th avenues.

The intent of this project is to continue the beautification efforts of Mayor Serpico – enhancing and providing a new, respectful and fascinating look to our streets.



Donations of any amount to support this worthy cause are currently being accepted and will be used to purchase flags and other required material. If you are interested in making a contribution, please make checks payable to the Melrose Park Youth Commission or Melrose Park Sports & Family Benefit Fund and mail to: Village of Melrose Park/Avenue of Flags • 1000 N. 25th Ave. • Melrose Park, Ill. 60160

For additional information, please call the Youth Commission at (708) 450-0555.

MELROSE PARK YOUTH COMMISSION

time

The Melrose Park Youth Commission is holding a special holiday-themed Night-time Camp Fun for children 4-7 years of age.

For children 4-7 years of age!

The program includes a number of arts and crafts activities, movies and more, filled with seasonal fun.

Our Night-time Camp Fun runs three nights a week (Mondays-Wednesdays, 6:15-8:30 p.m.) Nov. 14-Dec. 19.

Cost is \$25 per child for Melrose Park residents and \$100 per child for nonresidents.

Why not join us? Come on and have some holiday fun. Registration can be made at the Youth Commission located on the first floor of the Melrose Park Civic Center (1000 N. 25th Ave., Melrose Park), Mondays-Fridays.

For more information, call (708) 343-2015 or (708) 450-0555.

REGISTER NOW! CAMP BEGINS NOV. 14!

A Special Message to the Parents of Melrose Park Children from the **MELROSE PARK** YOUTH

Dear Parent,

The Melrose Park Youth Commission is compiling a mailing list of children who attend an elementary school that is not located in Melrose Park.

We are trying to reach all children from our community and let them know of the great events and programming options the Youth Commission offers throughout the year.

If you have a son or daughter attending an out-of-town school or children who are being home schooled, please take some time to complete this form and mail it to:

Melrose Park Youth Commission 1000 N. 25th Ave. • Melrose Park, IL 60160

Once we receive this form, we will add your name to our database and follow up with a courtesy phone call to introduce ourselves and provide information about our organization.

Parent's Name

Address

Phone

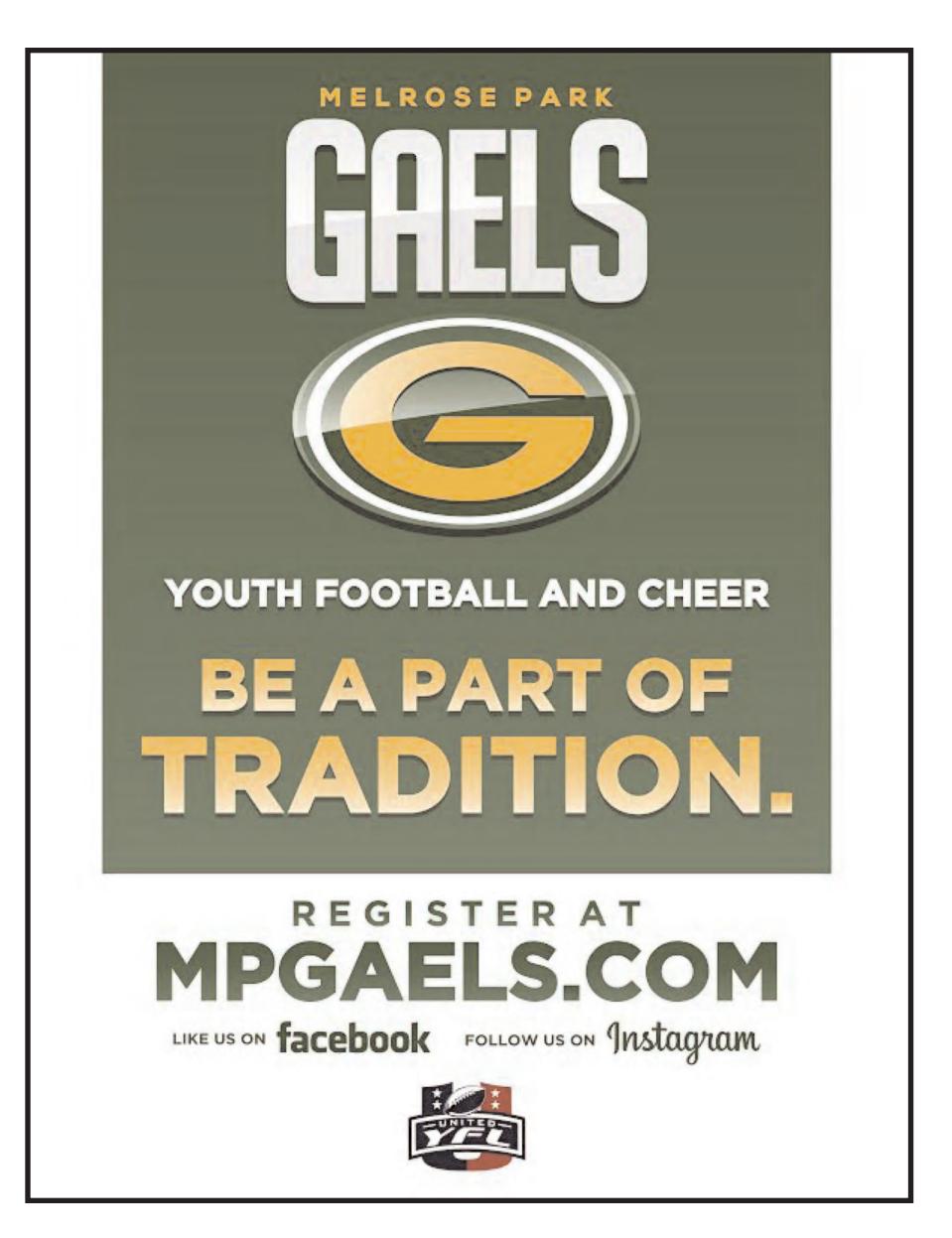
Age of Child #1

School Attending

Age of Child #2

School Attending

For more information, please call us at (708) 343-2015 or (708) 450-0555.



Village of Melrose Park TAEKWONDO PROGRAM





The Village of Melrose Park Martial Arts School is now offering martial arts classes at the Melrose Park Civic Center, located at 1000 N. 25th Ave., Melrose Park).

All classes are led by a team of instructors and assistants dedicated to teaching the best in form, sparring and discipline. Classes run five days a week with students ranging in age from 4 and up.

Interested parties are cordially invited to stop by and try one class for free!

WHAT IS TAEKWONDO?

Taekwondo is one of the most systematic and scientific Korean traditional martial arts that teaches more than physical fighting skills. It is a discipline that shows ways of enhancing our spirit and life through training our body and mind. Today it has become a global sport that has gained an international reputation and stands among the official games in the Olympics.

MEMBERSHIP PRICES

Residents: \$50 per month. Nonresidents: \$60 per month. Classes are held Monday-Friday, 4:50-8:05 p.m. (One class a day for each level.)

Please check in with instructors for exact times per level.



GRANDMASTER Duk Gun Kwon Ninth Degree Black Belt Oversees the curriculum for the taekwondo program.



CERTIFIED INSTRUCTOR Ericka Bucio *Fourth Degree Black Belt* Day-to-day classroom instruction.





For additional information or to register, please stop by the MP Civic Center or call (708) 450-0555.

Melrose Park Sports & Fitness Club *Fitness for All Ages* 1000 N. 25th Ave., Melrose Park • (708) 450-0555

AEROBICS

Instruction by Lena Step • Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays • Noon-1 p.m. Sr. Exercise (Low Impact) by Barb Rubright Monday-Friday 9-10 a.m. • Senior Center

MARTIAL ARTS

Monday-Friday • Residents – \$50, Nonresidents – \$60 For additional information, call (708) 450-0555.

BOXING

Limited instruction is currently available. For options, please call (708) 450-0555.

CYBEX AND NAUTALUS MACHINES

Crunching Machines Wrist and Forearm • Arm • Abdominal • Shoulder Fly • Chest Press • Rowing • Lateral Pulldown Lifefitness Treadmills • Gauntlet Stairmasters Life Cycle Bikes • Free Weights

ROOM RENTALS

Multi-purpose Room Birthdays • Anniversaries • Graduations Religious Celebrations Weddings • Business Meetings • Etc.

150 Maximum Capacity

Days and Nights Available Mondays-Saturdays • 9 a.m.-Midnight Sundays • 9 a.m.-7 p.m.

Rentals Include: Four Hours • Setup of Table and Chairs Security • Use of Kitchen and Ice Machine

HALL RENTALS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE IN THE SENIOR BUILDING (900 N. 25th Ave.)

Call (708) 450-0555 for info.

Come visit our surrounding park. Perfect for taking pictures for all occasions.

Stop by our front desk and we can answer any questions you may have about your next party or event.

We can accommodate most party requests.

For more information, call (708) 450-0555.

Summer Hours (Memorial Day-Sept. 30) Weekdays – 7 a.m.-8 p.m. • Weekends – 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Winter Hours (Oct. 1-Memorial Day) Weekdays – 7 a.m.-10 p.m. • Weekends – 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Gracias Casio



Thank You Gracias Grazie

Mayor Serpico Thanks You for Supporting Another Successful Melrose Park Event!

hank You

On behalf of the Village of Melrose Park, I would like to once again take this opportunity to graciously thank all the volunteers, village employees, department heads, Taste sponsors, local businesses and supporters for their yearlong dedication and endless hours of hard work to ensure the Taste of Melrose Park continues its historical tradition of being the most family-friendly and family-affordable food festival in all of Illinois!

With Sincere Gratitude, and Appreciation,

Kon Queres

Mayor Ronald M. Serpico Village of Melrose Park **Dÿmo arigatÿ** Go raibh mile

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Taste of Melrose ParkCelebrates 35th Anniversary











FRIGHT NIGHT

Friday October 28 • 5-7 p.m. Bulger Park , Melrose Park

Free Family Event for Grades K-6. Wear Your Costume!

Haunted House 🔭 Jump House

Creepy Crafts 🛹 Ghoulish Games

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MOVIE NIGHT

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> \$1 charge for the Haunted House. Haunted House will be open until 8:30 p.m.

> > Saturday, October 29 Bulger Park 5-8 p.m.

MOVIE / PIZZA / HAUNTED HOUSE

Preregistration: \$3 per child / \$5 per adult At the door: \$6 per child / \$10 per adult

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VETERANS DAY * * * OBSERVANCE * * *

Friday, November 4 Ceremony starts at 10 a.m. Bulger Park, Melrose Park

On this Veterans Day think of how grateful we should be for all the Veterans who have sacrificed their lives by fighting for our freedom. For the past ten years, Veterans Park District has observed Veterans Day with a ceremony attended by community members, friends, employees, local schools, churches, and war heroes. Everyone is invited to observe and remember our soldiers during this moving ceremony.





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Active Adults

A Fireside Christmas

This season they will return to the traditional Christmas Show with beautiful singing, breathtaking dancing and gorgeous costumes. It's always original with new songs, new dances and a new cast, but the spirit of the show never changes. It is the perfect way for people to capture the holiday spirit! Also you can enjoy shopping in all the exquisite Christmas stores. Don't forget about the bakery! Shopping can be before the lunch or after the lunch, before the show or after the show!

• Wednesday, Nov. 9; Bus leaves at 8 a.m.from Cimbalo Fitness Center and 8:15 a.m. from Grant Park; \$90 per person.

Polonian Fest Luncheon

Another favorite among lunch menus is our annual Polish-style luncheon. Starting the meal will be stuffed cabbage with tomato gravy, pork tips with dill sauce, dumplings, sauerkraut, beets and tossed salad with a special dessert. Johnny Maggio will be performing a lot of favorite songs from the past! Don't leave until we raffle off the centerpiece and pull names for the lunch raffle!

• Wednesday, Nov. 2; Noon-2 p.m.; Bulger Park; \$17 per person.

Christmas Sweater Party Bingo

Do you have the perfect holiday sweater? You are wanted at our annual Holiday Sweater Bingo Party! Prizes will be given to the top four holiday sweaters. You also have the chance at winning prizes at our Bingo games. Come out and enjoy the Christmas holidays with friends, have a great meal and fabulous dessert!

• Friday, Dec. 9; Noon-2 p.m.; Bulger Park; \$10 per person.

Youth Sports

Kids CrossFit, Ages 7-12

Veterans Park District is excited to continue its partnership with O'Hare CrossFit. CrossFit is sweeping the nation and our instructors have found a way to tailor it perfectly to children interested in improving their athleticism and overall fitness. Come and join many others who are looking to have fun while working out and preparing themselves for a new sports season.

• Wednesdays and Saturdays, Dec. 7-Jan. 14 (No class on Dec. 24 and Dec. 31); Wednesday, 6-7 p.m./Saturday, 8-9 a.m.; George A. Leoni Complex; Cost for program – \$60.

American Basketball Academy Clinic, Ages 7-14

This four-week clinic is led by former USBA's Annie Roberts and other former college players. These clinics will focus on developing ball handling, offensive/defensive skills, passing, shooting and positioning. All players will improve greatly with this class, from beginner to AAU players.

• Tuesdays; Session 1 – Oct. 25-Nov. 15; Session 2 – Nov. 29-Dec. 20; 6:30-7:30 p.m.; Grant Park Recreation Center; \$40 In District/\$45 Out Of District.

VPD Soccer Advanced Drills and Skills, Ages 7-13

Looking to take your soccer training to the next level? Our very own VPD athletic staff will assist you by running you through specific skills and drills which are designed to give you that extra edge. During the one-hour session you will rotate through stations and play small sided games to enhance your abilities all while having a great time.

• Mondays, Nov. 14-Dec. 19; Ages 7-10 – 5-6 p.m; Ages 11-13 – 6-7 p.m.; George A. Leoni Complex Turf; \$45 In District.

VPD Soccer Beginner Drills and Skills, Ages 2-8

Are you looking for a class to have a lot of fun while learning soccer skills? We have the perfect class for you. Our Veterans Park District staff will lead you and your friends in specific drills and we'll improve your overall understanding of the game while having a blast! Each class

lasts for one hour and the children will rotate through different stations and drills. Smaller sided games will be used to bring everything together at the end of each class.

• Fridays – Dec. 2-Jan. 6; 4-5 p.m., ages 2-3 year olds; 5-6 p.m., ages 4-5 year olds; 6-7 p.m., ages 6-7 year olds; George A. Leoni Complex Turf; \$45 In District.

Early Childhood

Music & Movement, Ages 1.5-4

Children will sing and dance, and explore the sounds of various musical instruments, as well as make their own. Parents are more than welcome to stay and enjoy the fun!

• Thursdays – Jan. 5, 12, 19 and 26; 6-7 p.m.; George A. Leoni Complex Activity Room; \$20 In District/\$28 Out of District.

For more information on Veterans Park District events and activities, call (708) 343-5270 or visit www.veteransparkdistrict.org.

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VETERANS PARK DISTRICT Annual Holiday Food & Joy Drive

Holiday Food Drive November 1- December 12

Help provide food for the hungry. We are looking for individ-uals and/or corporations to help aid us in our mission to fight packaged foods (no glass please) to any of the locations

Grant Park Recreation Center, Northlake
 George A. Leoni Complex, Melrose Park

Holiday Toy Drive November 1– December 12

for last year's drive. Please make the holidays happier and help preserve the spirit of giving. Drop off a NEW toy or game at any of the locations listed below and make a differ-ence in someone's life this holiday season.

• Grant Park Recreation Center Gym, Northlake • George A. Leoni Complex, Melrose Park

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Saturday, December 17 • 10 a.m.- Noon **Bulger Park, Melrose Park**

This is a wonderful way to kick off the holiday season. Breakfast With Santa has become a family tradition. Families will enjoy a hot breakfast with many tasty treats. Each family will receive a gingerbread house to decorate. A candy table will be provided, loaded with candies to create a special family decoration. Santa will have a gift for each child. Bring your camera! You'll want to capture the memories of that special visit with Santa.

Includes: · Visit with Santa Hot Breakfast · Gingerbread House (one per family) • Gift from Santa for each child Hot cocoa table Special Holiday mug for children (\$15 extra fee for each additional house.) Preregistration is necessary to guarantee a gingerbread house for each family. **Registration Opens:** Oct. 11 In District Out of District Nov. 1 Fee: In District **Out of District** \$11 \$13 Ages: 3-10 \$16 \$18 Ages: 11-Adult Children under 3 are admitted free, but still need to be registered for the gift count. Max: 125 people Registration deadline is December 1.

Triton NEWS

Come One, Come All: What's Happening at Triton College this Semester?

As always, Triton College aims to engage members of our communities by offering on-campus events that will suit a variety of interests. We look forward to seeing you on campus soon!

Here is a list of events happening at Triton this semester (dates and times subject to change).

RSVP Underwear for Veterans Collection Drive

Now-Nov. 11, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Thursday, and 8 a.m.-noon on Friday, Drop Off in Room R-221 (R Building)

The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) of West Suburban Cook and Southern DuPage Counties is collecting new underwear for veterans at Hines VA Hospital in honor of Veterans Day on Nov. 11. RSVP is collecting new undershirts in sizes L, XL, XXL, and larger, as well as new underwear also in sizes L, XL, XXL, and larger. All items must be provided in sealed packages. For more information, call the RSVP Office at (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3603, or email kayfrey@triton.edu.

Triton College Job Fair

Thursday, Oct. 27, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Student Center Cafeteria (B Building)

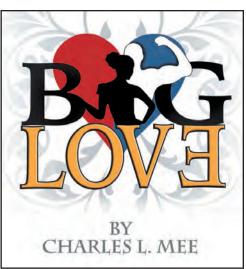
Employers from various industries will be on campus recruiting for full-time, part-time and internship positions. Some will conduct on-site interviews. This job fair is open to students, alumni and community members. It is free to attend. Professional dress and a resume are strongly suggested. For more information or assistance with resumes, contact (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3789.

Free Robotics for Youth Program

Saturday, Oct. 29, Noon-3 p.m. A Building, Library, Room A-321

All girls and boys are invited to Triton College as robots take over the campus. Expert builders from Triton's Engineering Technology Department will be on hand to help attendees build a working Lego robot that will move in ways kids never imagined it could. Families are encouraged to arrive at noon to ensure they have a robot to work on. All materials are provided free of charge. While kids are building their robots, other family members can learn more about Mechatronics (robotics), one of Triton's newest programs. No registration is required, but space is limited and will be based on first-come, first served. For more information, call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3698.

BIG LOVE (Theatre Performance) By Charles L. Mee Directed by Andrew Gallant Dec. 2-4 and 9-11 Fridays and Saturdays – 7:30 p.m. Sundays – 2 p.m. Cox Auditorium – Fine Arts Building (J Building, Room J-108) \$10 General Admission \$5 Students, Faculty/Staff and Seniors



Based on the ancient Greek play, *The Danaids*, *Big Love* tells the madcap story of 50 brides who flee their 50 grooms. The ensuing battle royale of the sexes involves helicopters, pop songs, dancing and murder. *Big Love* is disarmingly funny, hip and a dazzlingly theatrical exploration of the power of love.

Music Concerts

All music events listed are free admission.

For more information about music concerts or to reserve tickets, please call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3506, or email music@triton.edu.

Learn about Triton College's Music Ensembles on the web at www.triton.edu/music.

Community Band

Fairytales and Scary Tales, Josh Hernday, Director

Monday, Oct. 24, 7:30 p.m.

Triton College Performing Arts Center of the Robert M. Collins Center (R Building, Room R-218)

Put on your favorite costume and come join the Triton Community Band for a night of creepy-crawly magical music making. Featuring Saint-Saens' Carnival of the Animals and much more!

Faculty Artist Series

Josh Hernday, Horn – Tim Burns Quartet, Jazz Ensemble

Wednesday, Nov. 16, 7:30 p.m.

Triton College Performing Arts Center of the Robert M. Collins Center (R Building, Room R-218)

In this faculty recital, Josh Hernday performs classical and contemporary works written for horn, and guitar faculty member Tim Burns performs jazz works supported by his quartet. Join us for a reception in the lobby following the event!



Report Ranks Triton Graduates Among Nation's Top Earners

A new national report shows that students are parlaying the high quality, affordable education they receive at Triton College into some of the highest paying careers in the nation. The recently published *2016/2017 Payscale College Salary Report* ranks Triton College as the 25th best two-year college in the country in terms of producing the highest-paid graduates.

According to the survey, which ranks nearly 400 two-year schools, Triton graduates reported earning an early career (0-5 years experience) median salary of \$37,500 and a mid-career (10 plus years experience) median salary of \$63,400 annually. The survey ranks Triton College first among all community colleges in Illinois.

Topping the list of highest paid professions of Triton graduates is registered nurse, earning an average hourly rate of \$30.64.

Other professions of Triton graduates included in the survey and their national rates are as follows: respiratory therapist – \$29.63; licensed practical nurse (LPN) – \$28.29; surgical technologist – \$20.80; certified surgical technologist (CST) – \$21.87; automotive technician – \$25.50

Triton's state-of-the art equipment and facilities, innovative programs and dedicated faculty give graduates the edge when entering the workforce.

For example, the next generation of health care professionals are learning their craft in Triton's new Health and Sciences Building, which opened in 2015. Classrooms feature training equipment similar to what is used at top hospitals and medical schools. Ultrasound simulators that provide hands-on experience and a virtual dissection table that helps anatomy students better understand the inner workings of the human body are some of the features of the new facility.

Triton's School of Health Careers and Public Service Programs is helping students interested in entering the fields of ophthalmic technology, surgical technology, diagnostic medical sonography, nuclear medicine, nursing and more.

Triton offers a wide variety of programs fit to suit students aspiring to enter other high earning potential fields as well.

This fall, Triton's launched a new Cybersecurity and Information Assurance AAS Degree Program that is equipping students with skills that will help them protect businesses and organizations against cyberattacks. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, security analysts earned almost \$89,000 per year on average.

Triton's renowned Hospitality Industry Administration (HIA) Program features a newly renovated Hospitality Demonstration Kitchen and Bistro, which is helping students pursue careers in culinary arts, as well as restaurant management and hotel management.

To see the entire Payscale 2016/2017 College Salary report, visit www.payscale.com/college-salary-report/2-year-colleges?page=2.

Community Band

Music for the Holidays, Josh Hernday, Director

Monday, Dec. 5, 7:30 p.m.

Triton College Performing Arts Center of the Robert M. Collins Center (R Building, Room R-218)

Join the Triton Community Band this holiday season for folk-tunes and holiday jingles from around the globe.

Community Choir

Joann Cho, Director

Thursday, Dec. 8, 7:30 p.m. Triton College Performing Arts Center of the Robert M. Collins Center (R Building, Room R-218) Admission – Free

The Triton Community Choir, a diverse group of students and community members, performs choral music from the Renaissance to the 21st century. Holiday selections will be included in this concert.

Jazz Ensemble

James Davis, Director

Thursday, Dec. 8, 7:30 p.m. Triton College Performing Arts Center of the Robert M. Collins Center (R Building, Room R-218) Admission – Free

The Triton College Big Band presents an evening of jazz music, ranging from swing and bebop to Latin and contemporary selections. Along with the Triton jazz combos and special guest artists, this concert will feature the music of the jazz greats such as Count Basie, Duke Ellington, Stan Kenton, Miles Davis, Horace Silver and many soloists from within Triton's jazz ensembles.

Art Gallery Exhibits

All exhibits take place in the Triton College Art Gallery (Room J-108, J Building) and are presented without charge. Please visit frequently.

Art Gallery Hours

Available for viewing by appointment only. Call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3506. Or visit www.triton.edu/entertainment.

Berwyn Art League

Now-Oct. 21

Public Reception for the Artists – Friday, Oct. 21, 7-9 p.m.

Great work and great people. And they know how to host a reception. Each year the artists of the Berwyn Art League please and surprise us with a new collection of work in all media. The artists are on hand for the reception and welcome questions about their work and their methods. Please join us for one of the Triton Gallery's best traditions. You will be happy you did.

Fall Student Art Show

Nov. 7-Dec. 7

Public Reception for the Artists – Wednesday, Dec. 7, 6-8 p.m.

We love showing off the work of our students! Twice a year we dedicate our gallery space to an exhibition of current student work. Drawings, paintings, photographs, ceramics and sculpture will compete for your



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In-home appointments are available for the disabled and seniors. Second Call for scheduling and for more information.

Washington Dual Language Academy

Academia de Lenguaje Dual Washington

Learning languages together!!! Aprendiendo lenguajes juntos!!!

If your child is attending pre-school, kindergarten or first grade in Maywood-Melrose Park-Broadview School District 89 during the 2016-2017 school year, you may be interested in learning more about our district's dual language program at Washington Dual Language Academy where children learn in two languages.

For more information and a description of the program, you can visit our website <u>www.maywood89.org</u> or simply schedule a visit to Washington Dual Language Academy for a tour of the school by calling 708-450-2065

Si su niño(a) va a entrar al pre-kinder, kindergarten o a primer grado en cualquiera de las escuelas del Distrito 89 de Maywood, Melrose Prk, Broadview durante el año escolar 206-2017, quizás a usted le interesaría conocer más sobre nuestro programa de lenguaje dual en la Academia de Lenguaje Dual Washington en donde los niños aprenden en dos lenguajes.

Para más información y descripción del programa, puede visitar nuestra página electrónica www.maywood89.org o simplemente llame para una visita a la Academia de Lenguaje Dual Washington llamando al 708-450-2065.



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Melrose Park Mayor Ron Serpico Endorses Katheen Willis Democrat for State Representative

Kathleen Willis is a full-time State Representative (Democrat) for the 77th District.

Committee Assignments:

Human Services, Cities & Villages (Vice-Chairperson), Higher Education, Special Needs Services, State Government Administration, Elementary Secondary Education, School Curriculum Policies, Substance Abuse Special, and Local Governmental Subcommittee.

Represents and has the Support of All Mayors in the 77 District: Addison, Bellwood, Bensenville, Franklin Park, Maywood, Melrose Park, Northlake, Stone Park and Wood Dale.

Kathleen's top priorities as a prior educator are to improve access to outstanding education, provide greater property tax relief to local homeowners, make our neighborhoods safer by supporting to remove the statute of limitations on child sex abusers to ensure these criminals are brought to justice and put behind bars.

Kathleen is leading by example by refusing a pension for state lawmakers and she supports legislation making it harder for legislators to raise their own pay. She is also working on eliminating free taxpayer-funded health care for retired politicians.

ENDORSEMENTS:

Federation of Labor Organizations AFL/CIO, Associated Fire Fighters of Illinois AFFI, Illinois Federation of Teachers IFT, Illinois Education Association IEA, Personal PAC, Gun Violence Prevention G-PAC, National Association of Social Workers IL NASW Illinois PAC, Sierra Club and Excellent Ratings from Disability Advocates.

For more information, to volunteer, or to request a yard sign, please call (708) 681-1997 or email kathy4rep@gmail.com. Paid for by Friends to Elect Kathleen Willis.

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MissionStatement

The mission of Maywood-Melrose Park-Broadview School District 89 is to ensure the well-being of our students academically, emotionally, and socially. It is our responsibility to provide an environment that will prepare students to pursue college or career opportunities through meaningful learning experiences.

VisionStatement

As a result of our "Whole Child" approach to education, District 89 Schools will be the school system of choice and source of community pride.



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The D89 Board of Education recognizes and thanks Back to School Picnic sponsors, Mayor Ronald Serpico, Trustee Arturo Mota, State Representative Chris Welch, Triton College, Lakeview Bus Lines, Girl Scouts, Preferred Meals, Chief Craig Bronaugh-Maywood Fire Department, Sanchez Daniels and Hoffman LLP, Wilkens Food Service, Empowerment Church, CEI Vending, St. Gregorios Orthodox Church, COSTCO, Jewel Osco, Food4Less and Home Depot.



Thank you to Westlake Hospital administrators and staff for their generous donation of over 100 school book-bags filled with supplies to D89 students, making it a great start to the school year! CEO Patrick Maloney, Chaplain Janet Lundblad, Director of Wellness Programs Dr. Marta Alvarado, Dr. Dilip Patel.



BandandOrchestraRecruitingNight

District 89 students and parents visit Band and Orchestra Recruitment Night! Students in grades 4-8 have an opportunity to learn how to play a band or orchestra instrument. Lessons on string instruments begin in third grade.



Ukuleles have been integrated into the music curriculum for all third and fourth grade students.

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MPSchool/IllinoisMathand ScienceFusionMeeting

Melrose Park School hosted their annual Illinois Math and Science Academy (IMSA) Fusion meeting for students in fourth and fifth grade. IMSA Fusion is a teacher professional development and student STEM enrichment program for Illinois students who are talented, interested and motivated in mathematics and science.

In brief, the program goals are:

- Maintain or increase students' interest, involvement and literacy in science and mathematics.
- Enhance the knowledge and skills of teachers in science, mathematics and technology; and stimulate excellence in schools.
- Stimulate excellence in schools' science and mathematics programs.

All District 89 schools participate in IMSA Fusion as an after-school program in grades 4-8.



PreschoolforAllTraining

District 89 hosted an Illinois State Board of Education training on Early Childhood Best Practices for administrators and teachers of the Preschool for All Program.



MPSchoolPBISBooster

Melrose Park School held their Positive Behavior Intervention System booster to support positive student behavior, social and academic outcomes.





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Stevenson Middle School has established a positive behavior incentive for students. Earn five Pirate Bucks for positive behavior and you may participate in a "Thursday Lunch with the Teacher."

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District 89 values our partnership with Triton College, Proviso Partners 4 Health, Veterans Park District and our community libraries as they joined us at D89 Open House nights supporting students and families.



HispanicHeritageDay Melrose Park and Lincoln School celebrate Hispanic Heritage Day!

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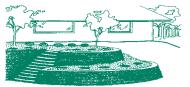
Jane Addams recently received a donation from the Melrose Park Sports and Family Benefit Fund.

Thank you to Mayor Serpico and the village of Melrose Park.

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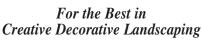


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The resource center refers persons to area agencies and follows up on each person's needs.

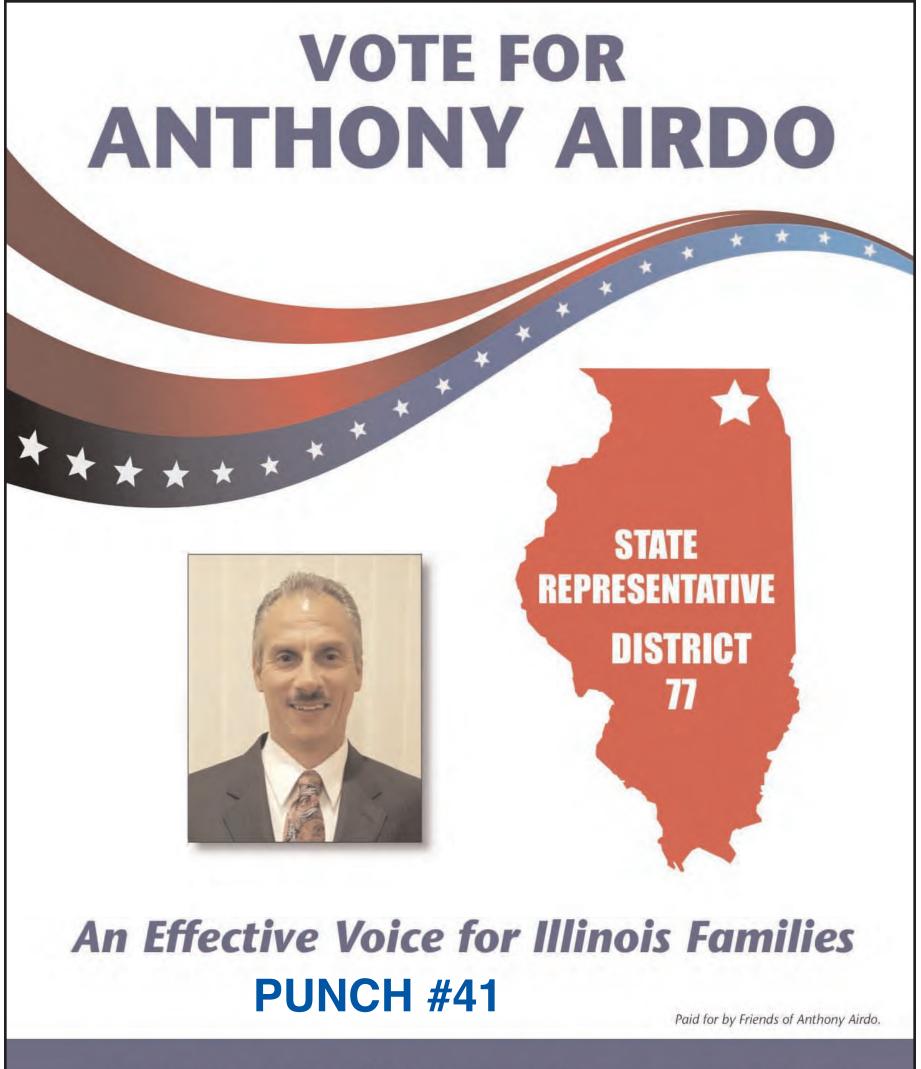
For an appointment or further information, please call Sr. Nila or Sr. Jan at (708) 567-5083, Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., or send an e-mail to franciscanresourcecenternfp@gmail.com.

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El Centro de Recursos Franciscanos es un centro sin fines de lucro para personas que buscan ayuda en sus necesidades humanas, como la salud mental depresión immigración, problemas internos, hambre, ayuda, medica, adicciones, control de la ira, abuso de sustancias, ropa y necesidades humanas basicas.

Este centro de recursos ayuda a referir a personas, a las agencias adecuadas y hacen el siguimento para que las personas reciban la ayuda necesaria.

Por favor llame a la hermana. Nila o hermana. Jan al (708) 567-5083 para hacer una cita ... Lunes-Viernes 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. ubicacion en Melrose Park.



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Illinois Boxing Hall of Fame Announces 2016 Inductees

Melrose Park's Rocky DiFazio Among Honorees

Mike McNamara, the co-director of the Illinois Boxing Hall of Fame, has announced the Hall's 2016 class of inductees. As was the case with the Hall's first class in 2015, this year's inductees include a wide range of participants and contributors to boxing in Illinois.

They are:

Muhammed Ali – The Greatest! Ali was a resident of Chicago during his most productive professional years and was a huge contributor to the local boxing community.

Jesus Chavez – AKA Gabriel Sandoval, "The Matador" was the former IBF World Lightweight Champion and a 44-8 pro.

Johnny Coulon – Undisputed World Bantamweight Champ, and owner and head trainer at Chicago's famous Coulon's Gym.

Sean Curtin – former head of the Illinois Boxing Commission, top official, amateur and pro boxer, and author of two books about Chicago boxing history.

Rocky DiFazio - Top Middleweight contender who went 19-2-2 and fought all comers.

Mike Glienna – One of the top judges in the world, Glienna judged more than 70 WBA, IBF, WBO, and IBO World Championship fights and scores of International, Regional, and US State title fights.

Andrew Golota - Olympic Bronze Medalist and a 41-9-1 top contender who fought for the World Heavyweight title four times.

Clarence Griffin – Legendary Chicago trainer, owner of the famed Windy City Gym in Chicago, and father and trainer of World Light Heavyweight Champion Montel Griffin.

Johnny Heard – Chicago-based Light Heavyweight who fought many of the world's best in his 64-fight pro career.

Fred Houpe - Heavy-handed heavyweight who fought many of the best of his era on some of the world's biggest stages.

James Kaulentis - Manager of top boxing talent including James "Quick" Tillis, who fought relentlessly for his fighters.

Primo La Cassa – a 17-5-2 pro, La Cassa went on to become one of the country's top trainers, training Rocky DiFazio, Lenny LaPaglia, Luke Capuano, Luis Mateo, Joey Adelfio and many, many others.

Jeff Lanas – Slick 17-4 Middleweight who fought many of the world's best, including a split decision loss to Roberto Duran.

Tony LaRosa – Accomplished pro fighter who fought all comers, including many champions and former champions.

Vinny Letisia – Hugely popular, hard punching 16-0-1 Super Lightweight with 15 KOs who tragically died at 21 years old in a motorcycle accident, just as his career was about to take off.

The Fighting O'Shea Brothers – Brian, Mike, Rory and Tom O'Shea – top amateur and pro competitors and trainers.

Alfonso Ratliff – Former WBC World Cruiserweight Champion with a 25-9 pro career, whose only losses were to the best of the best.

Genaro Rodriguez - International referee who has worked scores of World Championship fights

Barney Ross – Legendary multi-division champion ranked as one of the greatest Lightweights and greatest Junior Welterweights of all time as well as a decorated war hero.

Henry Sims - Solid Chicago-based Cruiserweight who fought most of the best in the division and was ducked by many of the rest.

Jim Strickland – Top trainer (World Champion David Diaz and many others) and sought after cutman (Evander Holyfield, Cory Spinks and many, many more).

James "Quick" Tillis – The Fighting Cowboy was a four-time AAU National Champion. Based in Chicago for his pro career, Tillis fought for numerous titles and fought nearly all of the top fighters of his era.

The inductees will be read into the Hall Friday, Nov. 4, at the Hall's Second Annual Banquet and Ceremony at Abbington Banquets, 3S002 IL-53, Glen Ellyn, Ill., 60137, near Butterfield Road and Route 53, in suburban Chicago.

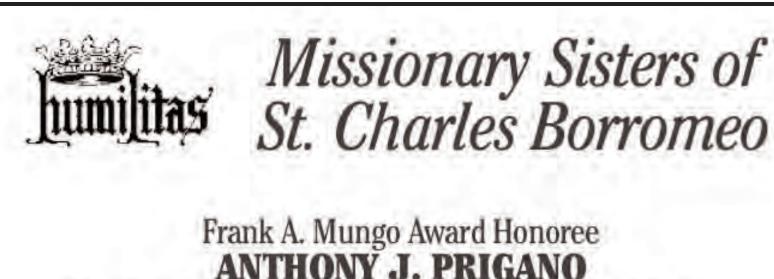
This year marks the second year of the Hall's existence, following its first hugely successful event last year.

According to the Hall's Co-Director Mike McNamara "there was obviously a lot of pent up demand for a Boxing Hall of Fame in Illinois to honor accomplished individuals who have contributed so much to the state's vibrant, 150-year-old boxing scene.

"Last year we sold out the event at 400 seats and could have easily sold 200 more if we'd had the space. As it was we had to change venues three times to accommodate the demand for tickets" said McNamara. "We expect a similar crowd this year. It will be a great evening!"

For tickets and more information about the event, contact

Illinois Boxing Hall of Fame Director Mike McNamara at (708) 473-0682 or at macveg3@aol.com.



and Mother Caetana Borsatto In Memoriam Award Honoree VIRGINIA DeSTEFANO

Saturday, November 5 at Villa Brunetti Banquets, 9755 W. Grand Avenue, Franklin Park Cocktails, 6-7pm • Dinner, 7:30pm • Entertainment • Raffle Prizes

Friends,

The Missionary Sisters of St. Charles Borromeo have served the community with great faith and compassion since the late 1940's. The Annual Dinner Dance is an opportunity to recognize friends of the Sisters who have also served the community in many ways. All proceeds from the event benefit those Sisters still caring for the aged, sick and poor and helps support those Sisters now residing at Our Lady of Fatima Retirement Home in Melrose Park.

Tickets to the dinner are \$65.00 each.

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Alpha Omega Learning Center, Super Tacos Morelos, Welcome to the Melrose Park Community!

Alpha Omega Learning Center and Super Tacos Morelos opened their doors recently with a celebration and a warm welcome from members of the Melrose Park community.

Mayor Serpico and state Rep. Kathleen Willis joined in the grand openings and thanked the businesses for their commitment to our village!



Alpha Omega Learning Center, is a full service childcare program that provides an express agape love to the families they serve, specializing in providing quality childcare services, initiated by children interest as a tool for learning and the importance of providing developmentally appropriate activities to provide opportunities for growth. Alpha Omega is located at 2217 Division St. #1, Melrose Park, (708) 344-6633.



Super Tacos Morelos, located at 3415 W. North Ave., Melrose Park, (708) 223-2245, serves an extensive variety of south-of-the-border favorites including burritos, quesadillas, tortas and more.

Fresenius Kabi Announces Major Investment in U.S. Manufacturing Expansion of Melrose Park, Illinois Site Will Create State-of-the-Art Urban Manufacturing Campus

Fresenius Kabi recently announced it will invest approximately \$250 million over 10 years to expand the company's Melrose Park site which manufac-



tures generic, sterile injectable pharmaceuticals used in hospitals and clinics throughout the United States. The expansion of the current Melrose Park site into a manufacturing campus is a multi-stage, multi-year project with groundbreaking planned for 2017 and final project completion in 2026.

Fresenius Kabi is a global health care company that specializes in lifesaving medicines and technologies for infusion, transfusion and clinical nutrition. The company's U.S. headquarters is based in Lake Zurich, III. In total, the company employs more than 1,500 people in Illinois.

"We are creating a state-of-the-art pharmaceutical manufacturing campus that will be a showcase for our company and the production of injectable generic medicines," said Steven R. Nowicki, senior vice president of Global Operations for North America, Pharmaceuticals Division at Fresenius Kabi. Fresenius Kabi operates more than 70 manufacturing sites across the globe and the Melrose Park location will be one of its largest.

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The plant today produces a broad range of generic injectable medicines used to treat critically and chronically ill patients. The expansion will create multiple new buildings connected to the existing manufacturing site and will feature fully automated aseptic filling lines using state-of-the-art isolator technology, expanded lyophilization (freeze-drying) capabilities, formulation areas, a dedicated warehouse for raw materials and components and an administration build-ing with conference center, laboratories, office space and cafeteria.

"This project will create many opportunities for our employees, who work around-the-clock to produce lifesaving medicines for patients who need them," Nowicki said. "Our expectation is that the positive effects of this extensive construction project and our continued growth will benefit the people and business community of Melrose Park and Illinois."

"We are glad Fresenius Kabi has chosen to invest in its Melrose Park location and its employees," Gov. Bruce Rauner said. "Fresenius Kabi is a leader in pharmaceutical manufacturing and its investment reinforces Illinois' position as a hub for life sciences and biotechnology. This also shows a commitment for supporting high-skilled technical jobs for Illinois residents."

"We are delighted to be the home of this \$250 million investment and major plant expansion by one of our best corporate neighbors," said Melrose Park Mayor Ron Serpico, who spearheaded the intergovernmental approval process for the Fresenius Kabi project. "It represents hundreds of new high-paying construction and highly skilled permanent jobs in our community and underscores my commitment to the continued economic renaissance underway in Melrose Park."

"Our goal is to expand our U.S. manufacturing capabilities while ensuring continued compliance with increasing regulatory and quality requirements and improve production capacity and efficiency," Nowicki added. "I'd like to personally thank Mayor Serpico of Melrose Park and the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for their support as we developed our plans for this major development project."

In addition to its Melrose Park locations, Fresenius Kabi has multiple locations in Illinois including Bensenville, Skokie and Lake Zurich. The company also has manufacturing sites in New York, North Carolina and Pennsylvania and employs more than 2,500 people in the United States.

About Fresenius Kabi

Fresenius Kabi (www.fresenius-kabi.us) is a global health care company that specializes in lifesaving medicines and technologies for infusion, transfusion and clinical nutrition. The company's products and services are used to help care for critically and chronically ill patients. The company's U.S. headquarters is in Lake Zurich, Ill. The company's global headquarters is in Bad Homburg, Germany.





Congratulations!

Copa HispanoFest Soccer Tournament is held yearly during the HispanoFest Festival at the village of Melrose Park.

HispanoFest is a nonprofit organization that promotes education in the Hispanic community. Funds raised allow the committee to award scholarships to local Hispanic students that live in the surrounding suburbs who are attending college, a university or a trade school.

For more information on Copa HispanoFest Soccer Tournament, contact Gloria Orozco, sports coordinator, at (708) 253-3452.



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U14 2nd Place - Deportivo Ocotlán





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Dear community member,

This year *The Rose* (the official newsletter of the village of Melrose Park) is offering an opportunity to purchase a special greeting ad in the Holiday 2016 issue.

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You'll Feel The Pinch This Year: Get The Flu Shot

This year, everyone will have to roll up their sleeves and receive the flu shot via injection, as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) no longer recommends the nasal flu mist vaccine due to ineffective-ness.

"Feeling the pinch is a small price to pay to protect your health and, importantly, to protect the health of those more vulnerable to illness," said Jorge Parada, MD, MPH, medical director, infection prevention and control program, Loyola Medicine.

"The message is still loud and clear," said Dr. Parada, a professor in the Division of Infectious Disease of Loyola University Chicago Stritch School of Medicine. "Everyone 6 months and older should be vaccinated effective immediately. The flu shot is safe and effective and it's a myth that you can get the flu from the flu vaccine."

Flu season traditionally begins in October and ends around April, peaking in January and February.

"It takes almost two weeks after vaccination for the flu shot to become fully effective," said Dr. Parada. "Similarly, it can take four to five days after exposure to the flu virus to develop symptoms."

According to the CDC, the flu kills 3,300 to 49,000 people each year, with children and the elderly particularly vulnerable.

"Unlike many infectious diseases, the flu can be prevented and even eliminated when everyone in a community gets the vaccine," said Dr. Parada. "Just as a hard hat is necessary safety equipment for construction workers, those of us who work in healthcare know that we need to take special precautions. Getting a flu shot protects ourselves, our patients and our entire community from harm."

Loyola is a leader in infectious disease prevention and is in its seventh season of mandatory flu vaccine as a condition of employment.

Each February, an FDA committee determines which virus strains will go into vaccines sold in America for the coming season. The committee considers which viruses are making people sick in Asia, where the flu season first begins, and the effectiveness of the previous season's vaccine.

According to the CDC, flu vaccines protect against the three or four viruses that research suggests will be most common. For 2016-2017, three-component vaccines (trivalent) are recommended to contain:

- A/California/7/2009 (H1N1)pdm09-like virus.
- A/Hong Kong/4801/2014 (H3N2)-like virus.
- B/Brisbane/60/2008-like virus (B/Victoria lineage).

Four component vaccines (quadrivalent) are recommended to include the same three viruses above, plus an additional B virus called B/Phuket/3073/2013-like virus (B/Yamagata lineage).

Dr. Parada offers the following tips to protect yourself and your community this flu season:

- Get your flu shot anytime starting now and certainly before the end of October.
- Wash your hands thoroughly and frequently throughout the day.
- Cover your mouth and nose with the crook of your arm when you sneeze to limit the spreading of germs.
- Stay home if you have the flu.

"You'll know you have the flu and not just a cold, if you also have a fever," said Dr. Parada. "Stay home for two to three days until you are not in danger of infecting others. And remember there are multiple strains of the flu virus so it is possible to get sick with flu more than once during the flu season."

Loyola University Medical Center is one of a few select hospitals who invest in universal screening of all inpatients for MRSA, was the only academic hospital to participate in a national C. difficile study and performs the most accurate testing for bacteria.

Proviso East Class of 1967 Sets 50th Class Reunion for Saturday, Sept. 30, 2017

The Proviso East class of 1967 is planning our 50th class reunion. It will be held on Saturday, Sept. 30, 2017, at Pinstripes in Oak Brook. We are trying to find all the members of our class so everyone is included. If you are a '67 graduate, or know of others who are, go to Facebook (search on Proviso East Class of 1967 and click on Join), or Classmates.com (Reunions > Upcoming Reunions), or send us an email with your



contact information at 1967pirates@gmail.com and we'll keep you up-to-date.

Glady Macapagal Promoted to Executive Director of Victory Centre of River Woods

Glady Macapagal, of Chicago's Albany Park neighborhood, was promoted to executive director of Victory Centre of River Woods, 1800 Riverwoods Drive, Melrose Park, owned and operated by Chicago-based Pathway Senior Living, LLC, a premier owner, operator, manager and developer of independent and assisted living communities for seniors.

In 10 years, Macapagal worked his way up from administrative assistant for Pathway's support center to executive director of Victory Centre of River Woods, an assisted living community operating at full census with 125 residents. Macapagal held positions as a payroll specialist for the support center and as the business office manager for two Pathway communities. Seeking a professional challenge, Macapagal worked toward becoming an executive director by becoming an Affordable



Glady Macapagal, Executive Director, Victory Centre of River Woods in Melrose Park

Assisted Living Coalition certified SLF manager and graduate of Leading Age's Leadership Academy.

"Pathway is a company that you can grow with, and I'm a living example. They helped me achieve my professional goal," said Macapagal, who worked at St. Paul's House and Health Care Center in Chicago before joining Pathway Senior Living's team.

Pathway Senior Living is a privately held, Chicago-based senior living company managed by an experienced team that is dedicated to improving the lives of older adults. The innovative, award-winning company develops, owns, operates, and/or manages market-rate and mixed-income independent living and assisted living communities in the Midwest.

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Obituaries

Alvarez

Milton Alvarez. Loving father of Sandra Alvarez, Katherine Marcela Bruscato, Silvana Alvarez, Paulo Alvarez, Milton Alvarez Jr. and M. Alex Alvarez; beloved son of the late Manuel and the late Maria Dolores Corrales; cherished grandfather of Christian, Julio, Sebastian, Brandon, Jacob, Alexandria, Michael, Benjamin, Stefano, Nicole, Paula and Emily; great-grandfather of Christina, Julianna, Lucia, Aidan, Joaquin, Daily, Dilan and Derian; dear brother of Hernan, Trajano, Francisco, Maria Elena, Julio, Mayra, Luis, Fernando and Fanny; loving uncle of many nieces and nephews. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery.

Bianchi

Alan John Bianchi. Veteran of Vietnam. Dearly beloved son of Jennie (nee Mucci) and the late Albert; dear brother of Dolores "Dee" Tintori, John (Joanne) Bianchi, Richard Francisco, Ken (Fernanda) Bianchi and Jeff Bianchi; loving uncle of many nieces, nephews, and great-nieces and nephews; fond friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Entombment private.

Dal Cerro

Gerald J. "Jerry" Dal Cerro. Dearly beloved husband of Linda (nee Jurek); loving father of Mario (Gabriela) and Kim (Mike) Beltrame; cherished grandfather of Anthony, Marina, Nico and Alyssa; dear brother of Bosco, Donna Draganski, Neil, Jimmy and the late Gino and Richard Dal Cerro; fond brother-in-law, uncle and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Member of Italo National Union, Jake La Spisa Lodge.

Espino

Jose A. Hernandez Espino, age 55, of Melrose Park, passed away Aug. 28. Beloved husband of Lilian Coto; dearest son of Maria Olivia Espino Paz and the late Jose Manuel Hernandez Moscoso; cherished son of Lilian, Jose, Cintia, Daniel and Sarai Hernandez. Arrangements by Bormann Funeral Home. Interment Fairview Memorial Park Cemetery.

Geis

Theresa Geis, age 75, of Melrose Park, passed away July 25. Beloved wife of Ronald; loving mother of Susan; cherished sister of Joanne and Rita; dearest aunt and friend of many. Arrangements by Bormann Funeral Home. Interment private.

Gualano

Charlotte M. Gualano, nee Henthorne. Dearly beloved wife of Paul; loving sister of the late Al, Bill, Ralph, Robert and Jeanette; fond aunt and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery.

Keating

Jacqueline R. Keating, age 77, of Melrose Park, passed away peacefully on Aug. 15. Beloved wife of the late Joseph Keating Sr.; loving mother of Joseph Jr. (Sue), Teresa (Jim), James, Jacqueline and the late Stephen; fond sister of Barbra (Bob), Bert (Kathy), the late Jerry and the late Joseph; dearest grandmother of Stephen Jr., Anthony (Roxy), Shania, Samantha (Joshua), Tonya (Curt), Joseph III (Adrianna), Kelly (Vince), Nikita, Danielle, Wilhelm, Jesica, Christopher and the late Kerri; great-grandmother of Delaney, Kassidy, Logan, Cayden, Stephen III, Alexis, Molly, Gianna, Kailey, Victoria, Adrianna, Lyla, Josiah, Conner, Bryson, Joseph IV, Catalina, Elijah, Wesley and Brooklyn; cherished aunt, cousin, niece and friend of many. Arrangements by Bormann Funeral Home. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery.

Kerbis

Sylvia Loisi Kerbis, (July 25, 1930-Sept. 19, 2016). Reunited now in Heaven with her cherished husband Sidney H. Kerbis; treasured daughter of Joe and Marietta (DeRobertis) Loisi; beloved mother of Karen, Andrea, Jodi (Tom) Zavos, and Sam (Edita); adoring grandmother of Patricia and M Zavos, Sidney Kerbis, Rocky Kerbis and her princess, Leia. She had a very special bond with Leia, her faithful companion and sentry to the end. Sylvia was a cherished cousin of so many here in Chicago and Bari, Italy; and fond aunt to many loving nieces and nephews. She had a wonderful life, and will be missed forever by her children, friends and family. Born during the Depression, she came of age during World War II, and was a part of Chicago history. She could tell you stories of the Ogden Avenue streetcar, skipping a week of school to see every Frank Sinatra show at the Chicago Theatre, and sleeping on the beach with her extended family on hot summer nights. She grew up in Douglas Park on the West Side of Chicago, and lived to see many changes in America, many of which she embraced, especially cable television and Facebook. She loved being modern. Sylvia held many jobs over the years including working the soda counter at a candy store at Kedzie and Ogden; Holland Furnace Company where she met her dearest friend Mary Lavelle; Spiegel's on "Madison and Crawford," St. Paul Federal Bank in Galewood; the Country Club Motel in Melrose Park; a neighborhood orthodontist office to cut the bills for braces for her children; and Polk Brothers in Melrose Park. Her last and favorite job was working as a receptionist at her daughter Andrea's beauty salon, where she spent most of the day talking about what to eat for lunch, ordering lunch, and booking out any appointments during lunch so she and Andrea could eat lunch together. Sylvia made lifelong friends wherever she worked, and those friendships always outlasted the various jobs. Sylvia spoke English and Italian fluently, and understood the ways of finance better than any banker on Wall Street. Her greatest pleasure was taking care of her husband Sidney, a Chicago police officer, and her four children, who tried to drive her crazy sometimes. Sundays at home were like feast days: she always prepared delicious meals and everyone was welcome at her table. Her Thanksgiving and Christmas Eve feasts were legendary. She raised her family in Galewood, and made both education and pursuing dreams a dual priority. She supported her children in every career and life path they chose, and encouraged them all to be happy and successful. She was a loving and supportive wife who took great care of her husband always, nursing him through every illness with tender care. Thank you Rainbow Hospice for your excellent and kind care of our mother (and us) especially Mary and Cecilia, aka "Marge" and "Chinchilla." She is happy now with her husband, her parents, her dearest cousins Clare and Gino, her sister-in-law Brenda, her best friend Mary, her god-sister Jeanne, her cousin Tony Feroni, and all of her beloved friends and family who have gone before her. We will miss her forever. One of her guilty pleasures was reading the obituaries of strangers, ordinary people and marveling at their lives. If you are still reading this, you'd be making her very happy. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Westlawn Cemetery.

Kolvitz

Marla Kolvitz, age 80, of Melrose Park, passed away June 5. Beloved wife of the late Eugene; loving mother of Diane (Brian) Kapuscinski, Keith (Patricia) Kolvitz, Brad (Judy) Kolvitz, Brian (Michelle) Kolvitz and Laurlei Kolvitz; cherished grandmother of 11. dearest sister of Paul Thielmann. Arrangements by Bormann Funeral Home. Interment Elm Lawn Cemetery.

Lacina

Jennifer M. Lacina, age 40, formerly of Melrose Park, passed away June 14. Beloved daughter of Richard Lacina and Rebeca Lacina; loving mother of Ricardo, Mariana, Angelica, Anastasia and Cristian; cherished grandmother of Jordan; dearest sister of Anthony (Carina) Lacina and the late Michael (Stacie) Lacina; fond aunt of Anthony and Michael Jr. Arrangements by Bormann Funeral Home. Interment private.

Lopez.

Cande Lopez, age 57, of Melrose Park, passed away Aug. 23. Beloved wife of Miguel Sandoval; dearest daughter of Hilda and the late Romeo Lopez; loving mother of Lance Nieves, Frank Nieves and Candice Maltz; cherished grandmother of Nathan Maltz, Armoni Nieves, Mia Nieves and Joshua Maltz; fond sister of Martin Lopez, Lenore Lopez and Jimmy Rodriguez; loving aunt and friend to many. Arrangements by Bormann Funeral Home. Interment private.

Mazzuca

Viola Y. Mazzuca, nee Petrella. Dearly beloved wife of the late Frank "Chico"; loving mother of Josephine "Chicky" (Anthony) Chiefari; cherished grandmother of Alanna and Christopher; dear sister of Joseph (Raeann), Mary (the late Herb) Buenger, Dora (the late Charles) Felella and the late Vincent (Rose) Petrella; fond aunt and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery.

Medina

Sergio E. Medina, born Jan. 29, 1995, passed away peacefully early morning Sept. 7, surrounded by his loved ones. Sergio loved spending time with the family, laughing and always wearing a smile on his face. He was always a loving and caring son, devoted brother and a cherished friend. He will be truly missed. The family wishes to express their sincere appreciation for the sympathy, comforting words, prayers and all expressions of kindness and concern. May God continue to bless you. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home.

Melgoza

Juan Melgoza. It brings us great grief to announce the passing of Juan Carlos Melgoza. On the evening of Sept. 24, he was called to the Heavens. He was surrounded by family and friends at Glen Oaks Hospital in Glendale Heights, Ill. Juan Carlos was born on Aug. 12, 1960, to Carlos and Eloisa Melgoza. Lived in Compton, Calif., where he found his love for music and cars. He loved playing drums, while in a band with his closest friends. He also loved being a part of a low rider car club. But above all, his family came first. Growing up with eight siblings before starting a family of his own and moving to Chicago about 15 years ago. Juan Carlos is survived by his loving mother Eloisa Melgoza. His dearly beloved wife Bertha Melgoza. His loving children Raymond and Carla, son-in-law Alberto and granddaughter Lilly. His loving brother and sisters Graciela (Chela), Maria (Mari), Lucila (Lucy), Guillermina (Guille), Eduardo (Lalo), Araceli (Chelis), Laura, Alejandra (Alex); and many nieces, nephews and cousins. Carlos was a great man, full of life and a blessing from above. He filled our hearts with love, joy and laughter. Thank you for all the great memories which we will cherish forever. You will always be in our hearts. You will be deeply missed. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Mt. Carmel Cemetery.

Mullaney

Anne Lynn Mullaney, age 85, of Melrose Park, passed away peacefully July 29. Beloved wife of the late John "Jack" Mullaney; cherished mother of Valerie Byrne and Christopher Byrne; loving grandmother of Megan Byrne; dearest sister of the late Drusilla Orth and the late Abigail "Gail" Sullivan. Arrangements by Bormann Funeral Home. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery.

Olson

Paul Olson. Seven short months after being diagnosed with lung cancer, our dad Paul Olson died on Sept. 1. He got his last wish and was surrounded by his wife and kids as he left this world. He will be remembered for his contagious smirk, sparkling blue eyes, and uncanny ability to close his eyes or grimace in photos. Dad was 'old school' through and through, a steadfastly loyal, hardworking man who could always be depended on to fix things. He was a true badass with two Purple Hearts from his service in Vietnam and a tool collection to rival Tim "The Toolman" Taylor. His surprising sense of humor and the enjoyment he got from seeing others happy made him an amazing friend, husband, dad and grandfather. He had a lifelong love affair with the Chicago Bears and loved watching Judge Judy, eating PBJ sandwiches, playing in the pool, Bette Midler, German Shepards, building models, properly wired electrics, wearing baseball caps, adding to his never ending 'to-do' list, and his dog Betty Boop. Paul spent over 35 years married to the love of his life, Sue Olson, and had four children. Although he achieved many things in his life, he was most proud of his 'babies' - Tracy, Colleen, Kevin and Brian, and his grandsons, Yusef and Adam Houssni. He loved his family deeply and lived to make us happy. We are profoundly grateful for the love and support we've received over the last seven months and for all the people who loved our dad. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home.

Pacheco

Juan Carlos Pacheco, age 32, of Melrose Park, passed away July 19. Beloved son of Tomas and Rosaura Pacheco; loving brother of Euelio, Adam, Nathan Isaac and Mayra Alejandra Pacheco; dearest grandson of Ramon and Maria Ponce; cherished uncle of Amaris, Makayla and Isaias Valencia; special friend of Fransta Jean. Arrangements by Bormann Funeral Home. Interment Fairview Memorial Park Cemetery.

Paglini

Joseph C. Paglini Sr., age 77. Owner of Park Ridge Shell, and Talcott and Cumberland Shell. Retired Cook County sheriff and veteran of the United States Army. Dearly beloved husband of Charlis (nee Flood); loving father of Charisse (Kenneth) Celiano and Joseph Jr.; cherished grandfather of Ciarra, Anthony, Gianna and Joseph III; dear brother of Gregory (Gail), Marie (John) Giovenco, Charles (Marilyn) and the late Roseann (James) Whalen and the late Constance and Jack Hughes; fond brother-in-law, uncle and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment with military honors at Irving Park Cemetery. Member of the Elks.

Perez

Macrina Palomino Perez, age 83, passed away Aug. 27. Beloved wife of the late Tarsicio Sandoval Sanchez; loving mother of Tarsicio Sandoval Palomino, Angelita Sandoval Palomino, Silvia Sandoval Palomino, Juan Sandoval Palomino, Hermilo Sandoval Palomino, Yolanda Sandoval Palomino, Holga Sandoval Palomino, Rosalea Sandoval Palomino, Araceli Sandoval Palomino, Erika Sandoval Palomino, Nancy Sandoval Palomino and the late Margarita Sandoval Palomino; cherished grandmother and great-grandmother of many. Arrangements by Bormann Funeral Home. Interment Tupataro, Michoacan, Mexico.

Petrogallo

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Frank Petrogallo. Veteran of World War II. Dearly beloved husband of Norma (nee Ricci); loving father of Robert, Victoria (Rick) Spillone and Lisa (Wilson) Zambonino; cherished grandfather of Dominique and R.J.; dear brother of Phyllis Hearn/Bartell and the late Victoria Pusateri; fond brotherin-law, uncle and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment with military honors at Queen of Heaven Cemetery.

Rakauskas

Michael Edward Rakauskas, age 62, of Yorba Linda, Calif., formerly of Melrose Park, passed away peacefully on Aug. 16. Beloved son of Walter and Ona (Tautkas) Rakauskas; loving father of Corinne (Billy) Lowe and Nancy (Justin) Anderson; dearest brother of Paul (Joyce) Rakauskas; cherished grandfather of Rachel Lowe, Caitlin Lowe and Allison Lowe; fond uncle of Matthew (Diana) Rakauskas, Jason (Tiffany) Rakauskas and Melissa (Josh) Kraus; nephew of Aldona (Tautkas) Chesna, the late Pete Tautkas and the late Arnold Chesna; also survived by cousins Ed Chesna, Tom Chesna, Donna Chesna, Paul Chesna, Kenny Tautkas and their families. Arrangements by Bormann Funeral Home. Inurnment Queen of Heaven Cemetery.

Romozzi

Robert Romozzi. Owner and chef of Villa Brunetti Banquets. Dearly beloved husband of Lena (nee D'Amico); loving father of Domenico and Lucia Romozzi; cherished son of Lucia and Domenico Romozzi; dearest brother of Anna (Franco) Bruno and Jerry (Marlene) Romozzi; loving sonin-law of Agostino and Maria D'Amico; fond brother-in-law of Frank (Karen) D'Amico, Patrizia (Michele) Cepparulo and Martino (Bettina) D'Amico; loving uncle, cousin and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Entombment All Saints Mausoleum. Member of Chef d' Cuisine.

Sanchez

Otilia Sanchez, age 89, passed away Aug. 2. Beloved wife of late Liborio; loving mother of Lucy (Horacio) Lucero, Liborio (Maria) Sanchez, Alfredo (Elizabeth) Sanchez and Roberto (Carmen) Sanchez; dearest grandmother of Martha Lucero, Roberto Lucero, Carlos Lucero, Lubia Sanchez Cortez, Mayra Sanchez, Frida Sanchez, Arlet Sanchez, Boris Sanchez, Robert Sanchez, Michelle Sanchez and Mike Sanchez; cherished great-grandmother of nine. Arrangements by Bormann Funeral Home. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery.

Scanio

Agatha M. Scanio, nee Reich. Dearly beloved wife of the late Vincent Sr.; loving mother of Mary (Chester) Lauth, Vincent Jr., Dolores and Thomas Scanio; cherished grandmother of Rachel, Natalie, V.J. and Marc; greatgrandmother of Gianna, Jacob, Madison and Vinnie; dear sister, aunt and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery.

Stolar

Robert Stolar, Army veteran of WW II. Burial with military honors at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home.

Torrejon

Leonel G. Torrejon, age 88, of Melrose Park, passed away June 18 at Loyola Medical Center in Maywood. Beloved husband of the late Dignora; cherished father of his one and only son, Leonel (Ana) Torrejon; dearest grandfather of Cristian R. Torrejon. Arrangements by Bormann Funeral Home. Interment private.

Valis

Katrina Valis, age 91, of Lombard, formerly of Melrose Park, passed away peacefully with her loved ones by her side July 14. Beloved wife of the late Casimer; loving mother of Astrid (Thomas) Rudaitis and Antanas Alkevicius; cherished grandmother of Astra Rudaitis, Thomas Rudaitis, Angela Bruce, Antanas Alkevicius, Cindy Grunwald, Amanda Creasbaum and Kristine Garwitz; dearest great-grandmother of 11; fond aunt of Elizabeth Macaluso. Arrangements by Bormann Funeral Home. Interment St. Casimir Cemetery.

Verzillo

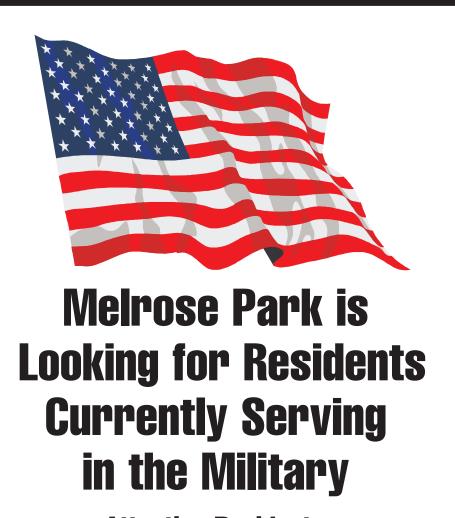
Giuseppe A. Verzillo. Dearly beloved husband of Cesaria (nee Imperatrice); loving father of Giuliana and Franco; beloved son of Rosa and the late Franco; dear brother of Luciana (Rocco) Colella; loving son-in-law of Maria and Peter Imperatrice; fond brother-in-law, nephew, uncle, cousin and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Entombment All Saints Cemetery.

Weiss

Clara Weiss, nee Manoni. Dearly beloved wife of the late Otto; loving mother of Tina, Richard, Elizabeth (Robert) Collins, Maria (Gary) Pignato; cherished nana of Lindsay, Bobbo, Anthony, Michael, Dayne, Maddie, Joey and Bella; dear sister of Agostino, Anzo (Pat), Secondo (Maria), Lucy and the late Christine, Jo Ann, John and Onelia; fond sister-in-law, aunt and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Member of Sacred Heart Women's Club and Melrose Park Senior Club.

Zuno

Juan Zuno, age 51, of Melrose Park, passed away Aug. 26. Beloved son of Ismael and Maria Zuno; dearest father of Jeanette (Alejandro) Perez; cherished grandfather of Madison Navarro and Alexander Perez; loving brother of Jorge Zuno, Jose Zuno, Francisco Zuno, Raul Zuno, Rosaura Rodriguez and Dolores Tinoco. Arrangements by Bormann Funeral Home. Interment Fairview Memorial Park Cemetery.



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The village of Melrose Park would like to know if any of our residents are serving in the military. If so, please contact Peggy DiFazio via email – peg@melrosepark.org or phone – (708) 343-4000, Ext. 4448.



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