

A Message From Mayor Ronald M. Serpico

MP Residents Work Together to Make Our Community a Place We're Proud to Call Home!

Dear Neighbors,

Flowers blooming, trees budding, this can mean only one thing ... it's time for spring-cleaning. The concept of spring-cleaning began in America during the 19th century. Back then, March and April were considered the best months for dusting because it was getting warm enough to open the house up, but not warm enough for insects to be a problem. It was also the time of year when coal furnaces didn't run and you could wash the soot from your home. Speaking of spring-cleaning, it's time for me to clean a few items off my desk that contain information you might find helpful.

The first item on my list concerns a recent *Chicago Magazine* article in which Melrose Park was named one of the three best suburbs for first-time homebuyers. This honor was possible because of our residents' shared commitment to maintaining their property. This joint effort makes Melrose Park a great place to live, work and raise a family. Again, hats off to everybody for making this honor possible. As they say, "It Takes a Village."

The second item deals with our village's appearance. I would like to enlist all of you in the ongoing effort to keep our village clean. You can help do this by letting us know about a broken streetlight, a pothole or any other infrastructure repair issue by visiting the village website at www.melrosepark.org and clicking on the Report A Problem tab along the top menu bar. After you click, please fill out the form that appears, which is then sent to the proper department to correct the issue.

The third item on my spring-cleaning list is to inform you that there is no better way to dispose of all the unwanted items that you come across during your own spring-cleaning than to host a garage sale. The first weekend to conduct a Melrose Park garage sale is May 18-20. No village permit is required but there are garage sale regulations that must be observed. Please visit our village website at www.melrosepark.org for more information.

My fourth item is to thank to all the people who volunteered for the April 8 Silver Creek Beautification Project. This event, held regularly since 2007, has earned Melrose Park the prestigious Governor's Hometown Award. This is another example of our residents coming together in order to assure our community remains a place that people and businesses want to call home.

The fifth item on my desk has to do with an exciting new development that is helping us to better communicate with area residents. Thanks to Shout Outdoor Media, Melrose Park is now running public service announcements on a large electronic billboard on the south side of North Avenue just east of the railroad underpass (around 27th Avenue). We have recently posted messages about Election Day, the opening of the Dog Park and the Sidewalk Replacement Program. So keep your eye out for future messages on this billboard.

Finally, the last item on my list is to issue this reminder: After all the cleaning is done, reward yourself with some delicious food, drinks and great music at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Feast – July 13-16; the Taste of Melrose Park – Sept. 1-3; and HispanoFest – Sept. 8-10. Now go grab the Windex, Swipes, Pledge and dust cloths and get cleaning.



Ronald M. Serpico
Mayor

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

Sincerely,

Ron Serpico
Mayor Ron Serpico

**Interested in becoming a sponsor for this year's Taste of Melrose Park?
See Pages 30-35.**



Village of Melrose Park

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



To Know

Village Hall.....(708) 343-4000

Hours – Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Birth Certificates • First Copy – \$12, additional copies \$2 each

Death Certificates • First Copy – \$14, additional copies \$4 each

Water, Tickets, Etc.

Office of the Mayor(708) 343-4000, Ext. 4410

Police Emergency911

Non-Emergency(708) 344-8409

Animal Control.....(708) 344-8409

Fire Emergency911

Non-Emergency(708) 344-1210

Public Safety/Homeland Security(708) 649-8000

Library(708) 343-3391

Public Works.....(708) 343-5128

Building and Code(708) 343-4000

Civic Center(708) 450-0555

Hall and Field Rentals, Sports, Etc.

Community Service(708) 343-4000, Ext. 4448

Senior Services(708) 343-4000, Ext. 4448

Taste of Melrose Park

Dial A Ride(708) 343-7047

Proviso Township Assessor.....(708) 449-4304

Economic Development(708) 865-8809

Important Upcoming Dates

Village Board MeetingsApril 24, May 8 and 22, June 12

Village Hall Holiday Closing.....May 29

Senior Club MeetingsMay 11, June 8

Resident Response

Dear Mayor Serpico...

Words cannot express what my daughters and I are feeling in our hearts.

We are so grateful for the wonderful United States Marine Corp flag that you hung on the lightpole in front of our house honoring Bill.

Every time I look at it, it puts a smile on my face.

What a great thing you have done honoring our military.

I know Bill is looking down on us and feeling very proud.

Please also thank the Melrose Park Youth Commission for their part in this great tribute.

• Sincerely,
Maria Galvin

Dear Melrose Park Trustee Arturo Mota...

We would like to thank you here or there. We would like to thank you anywhere! We would like to thank you in a boat, we would like to thank you with a goat, in the park or at the zoo 'cause that was awfully nice of you!

From the bottom of our hearts, thank you for being our special reader!

• With much gratitude,
The Staff and Students of Riley Elementary School

Dear Mayor Serpico...

This note is a simple thank you to let you know how I appreciate the bridge.

I grew up in Melrose Park from a baby to 12 years old, Melrose Park School.

As a child, I heard wishes for a bridge from adults around me.

It is wonderful not to have to sit for 10-15 minutes to cross.

My parents bought a home in Maywood when we moved.

I'd like to thank you in person and also see Tony Prignano after all these years. We were friends. Maybe that will happen.

• Sincerely,
Mrs. Evelyn Perkins Scales (Now senior at 80 years old – smile!)

Dear Mickenzie Vertuno Memorial Fraternal Order of Police...

Thank you for your recent gift of \$1,650 to help save lives from cancer.

More people are surviving cancer today than ever before and continued advances in prevention, early detection and treatment promise greater hope for the future. Your donation makes our work possible.

Your generosity is helping us invest in groundbreaking cancer research to better understand, prevent, find and treat the disease, provide free, comprehensive information and support to those facing cancer when and where they need it, and educate people about steps they can take to reduce their cancer risk or find it early, when it's most treatable.

Thanks to continuing support from caring donors like you, we are working to eliminate cancer as a major health problem. Contributions like yours have enabled us to help save more than 1.7 million lives in the United States in the past two decades. Together, our continued efforts are working to prevent even more cancer deaths, as well as continue to improve the lives of individuals with cancer.

To learn more about our lifesaving mission, how you can get involved, or how we can help you stay well and get well, call 1-800-227-2345 or visit cancer.org anytime, day or night. Thank you for your support.

• American Cancer Society

Illinois State Crime Commission



Police Athletic League of Illinois

April 10, 2017

Mr. Ronald Serpico
Mayor of Melrose Park
1000 N. 25th Avenue
Melrose Park, IL 60160

Dear Mr. Serpico,

Congratulations! The Illinois State Crime Commission Board of Directors has selected you as the recipient of the "Lifetime Achievement as Mayor of the Decade" Award at our annual "Salute to Those Who Make a Difference" Awards dinner in June.

The Illinois State Crime Commission remains the largest organization committed to combating public corruption and strengthening the Illinois criminal justice system in this state. The membership and Board of Directors comprise many of the state's most influential leaders in government, law enforcement, education, labor, business and in public policy. The record of accomplishments of ISCC/PAL is unmatched in crime prevention, anti-terrorism, education, youth outreach and in legislative initiatives. Our legislative efforts have been successful in the areas of drunk driving, investigations and exposes, violent crimes, drugs and narcotics, gang awareness, and protecting the lives of children and the citizens of Illinois. With your support, we will continue to increase awareness and further our mission.

You will join a most prestigious list of honorees at our dinner on Wednesday, June 21, 2017 (6pm) at the Drury Lane, 100 Drury Lane, in Oak Brook Terrace. As this is our only fundraiser of the year, we expect each honoree to sell at least two tables of ten for the dinner.

We will need your bio, a high res photo (minimum 300 dpi, 4" x 5" or so) and mailing list for invitations. Please email these items to Karl Paloucek at karlp@fanningcommunications.com.

Again, congratulations and we look forward to honoring you at our 22nd annual dinner.

Sincerely,

Jerry Elsner
Executive Director

Phone (630) 778-9191
1550 Spring Road, Suite 310 • Oak Brook, Illinois 60523
isccpal@illinoiscrimecommission.com • www.illinoiscrimecommission.com

Congratulations to Melrose Park Mayor Ronald M. Serpico from the Illinois State Crime Commission on Being Selected as the Recipient of the LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AS MAYOR OF THE DECADE AWARD!

Dear Mayor Serpico...

The West Central Municipal Conference would like to thank you and Forest Park Mayor Anthony Calderone for your role as Water Rate Task Force co-chairs and leadership related to water rates for suburban customers.

- Richard F. Pellegrino, Executive Director
West Central Municipal Conference

Thank You...

A sincere thank you to all you dedicated people who stood outside of the polling places handing out flyers on election day and a special thank you to all you fine men and women who spent countless hours in front of the Village Hall during early voting.

Your efforts did not go unnoticed and you were certainly appreciated.

May I say to each and every one of you, "Thank you for being a friend."

- Melrose Park Trustee Sonny Nicotera

Dear Mayor Ronald Serpico...

On behalf of the members of the Fraternal Order of Eagles – Aerie 1952, we would like to thank you for sending Tim Ude (Melrose Park Fire Department) for the training in the CPR classes on Saturday morning, March 18, 2017.

- Thank you,
Fraternal Order of Eagles – Aerie 1952 (Melrose Park)
Santo Flores, Trustee
Vidal Rios, Secretary

Melrose Park Highlighted in *Chicago Magazine* as One of the Best Areas for First-Time Buyers

The village of Melrose Park is currently featured in the April 2017 issue of *Chicago Magazine* as one of the best areas in the suburbs for first-time buyers.

Chicago looked for neighborhoods and close suburbs that show 'good appreciation and low volatility for condos and small homes in the \$150,000-\$450,000 range,' and good, strong schools.

CHICAGO
MAGAZINE

The article recognized Melrose Park as a tight knit, blue collar western suburb community containing several generations of families living within a few blocks of each other.

The median house sale price listed was \$170,000 with two-bedroom brick ranch homes going for approximately \$185,000.

Today's crime rate for the village was also mentioned as actually being lower than in tonier nearby suburbs like Oak Park.

One Melrose Park resident quoted in the article mentioned how everyone knows each other and says hello.

For more on the story, visit www.chicagomag.com.



Melrose Park **Village Hall News**

Village Hall Hours – 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday

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

New stickers can be purchased at the Village Hall.

Sticker fees are as follows:

Passenger Plates – \$30 for two years.

Senior Citizen – One free per household for two years.

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

B PLATE	\$50	P PLATE.....	\$105
D PLATE	\$75	Q PLATE	\$105
F PLATE.....	\$75	R PLATE.....	\$110
H PLATE	\$75	S PLATE.....	\$115
J PLATE	\$80	T PLATE.....	\$125
K PLATE	\$80	V PLATE	\$135
L PLATE	\$90	X PLATE	\$145
M PLATE.....	\$95	Z PLATE.....	\$155
N PLATE	\$100		

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

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

How Melrose Park Voted

In the April 4 Contested School Board Elections

FOR PROVISO TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 209 BOARD

DANIEL J. ADAMS	1486
TERESA D. McKELVY	1382
JACQUELINE M. WALTON	1183
BRIAN M. CROSS	1174
Samuel Valtierrez	632
Amanda J. Grant	603
Arbdella “Della” Patterson	420
Rodney Alexander	368

FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT 89 BOARD

VERONICA BONILLA-LOPEZ	1441
SALLY ALONDRA CASILLAS	1372
REGINA RIVERS	1353
Kimberly A. Hopson	280

FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT 88 BOARD

MARILYN A. THURMAN	87
KATIE S. ROSS	82
BARBARA CONNER	79
DELPHINE POWELL	68
Maria D. Perez	60
Deborah L. Giles	32
Dorothy C. Smith	27
April Falco	26

A Message from Police Chief Sam C. Pitassi



*Sam C. Pitassi
Melrose Park Police Chief*



Visit the
Melrose Park
Police Department
Website at
www.melroseparkpd.com

- For Melrose Park Police Department General Information
- To Pay Tickets
- To Obtain Police Reports

The website can be
translated to
Spanish and Polish.

A Gracious Thank You from the Melrose Park F.O.P.

The Melrose Park Fraternal Order of Police, Mickinzie-Vertuno Memorial Lodge 19, would like to graciously thank everyone who helped make their Annual Pancake Breakfast with the Easter Bunny, held on Sunday, April 9, a major success. Your continued support, helps raise funds that are given back to the community to help those in need.



Police Department Notice Regarding Weekend Parking

EFFECTIVE NOW THROUGH NOV. 1, 2017.

Parking is permitted on both sides of the street (weekends only)
Fridays 6 p.m. through Mondays 9 a.m.
Violators will be ticketed.

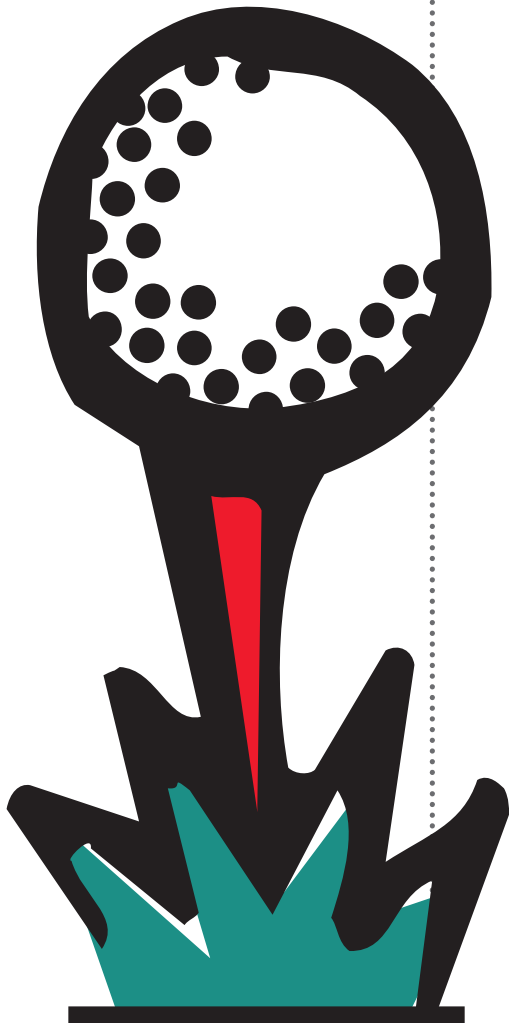


Melrose Park Fire Department NEWS



*Rick Beltrame
Melrose Park Fire Chief*

A Message from Fire Chief Rick Beltrame



Melrose Park Firemen's Association

Annual Golf Outing
Friday, June 30, 2017
White Pines Golf Club and Banquets
10 a.m. Shotgun Start

Proceeds will be used to make charitable contributions to various organizations. Tickets can be purchased for \$125.00 per golfer. Ticket price includes green fees, cart rental, t-shirt, halfway house snack and lunch. Those who donate \$125 or greater will receive a custom sponsorship sign that will be posted on tee areas of the course. Please feel free to call us and we will be happy to pick up your donation.

**Mailed donations can be sent to:
The Melrose Park Firefighters' Association
3601 West Lake Street - Melrose Park, Illinois 60160
Attn: GOLF OUTING CHAIRMAN
Please make checks payable to
the Melrose Park Firefighters Association.**

**Please contact Richie Dalitto at
708-790-0953 (cell) or at 708-344-1210 (shift 3),
if you require further assistance
or to schedule a golf time.**

Raffle tickets also available
\$5.00 Tickets: TV's, iPods, Sports Tickets & Much More
\$20 Tickets: (Only 200 Sold) Callaway Golf Clubs

Drawing: Friday, June 30, 2017. Winner need not be present.

**Annual
Silver Creek Clean Up
Saturday, April 8
– THANK YOU TO ALL –**



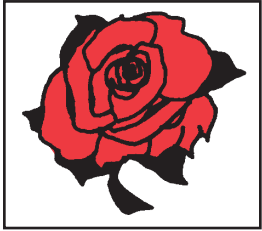
The Annual Spring Silver Creek Clean Up was held on Saturday, April 8, 2017. A great turnout of volunteers helped clean all debris and landscape material from and around the creek revitalizing the water system and surrounding area. The ongoing commitment to preserving Silver Creek from members of our community will continue to strengthen and enhance our community.

Thank you to all who helped support this annual event.

**Choose Your Ride.
DRINK.
DRIVE.
GO TO JAIL!**



**Melrose
Park
Police
Department**



Village of Melrose Park Public Works Report

*From the Desk of
Gary Marine,
Director of Public Works*

The Public Works Employees have been busy preparing for the spring season. All spring equipment is ready to go at a moment's notice. The following are projected projects, ongoing projects and recently completed projects.

Annual Spring Silver Creek Clean Up

The Annual Spring Silver Creek Clean Up was held on Saturday, April 8, 2017. Once again the cleanup was a great success and many volunteers came out to help clean up the creek. This yearly cleanup revitalizes the creek and the surrounding area.

Street Repaving

The following streets are currently being repaved:

- Division Street – Fifth Avenue to First Avenue
- 16th Avenue – Main Street to Lake Street
- 17th Avenue – Main Street to Lake Street
- 18th Avenue – Main Street to Lake Street
- Rice Street – 15th Avenue to 11th Avenue

Feeding Wildlife

Attention Winston Park Area Residents – Please refrain from feeding wildlife, especially deer, around the Winston Park area.

The food is attracting skunks and raccoons and they are becoming a nuisance throughout this area.

50/50 Sidewalk Program 2017

The 50/50 Sidewalk Project will begin in the summer. If you would like to participate in this program and request replacement of sidewalk squares, please call the Public Works Department at (708) 343-5128 for more information.

Mayor Serpico's Residential Painting Program for Individuals 65 Years of Age and Older

Mayor Serpico announced the village of Melrose Park will once again offer the free Residential Painting Program for individuals 65 years of age and older who reside and own a single family home in Melrose Park. Those who qualify and need light paint work around their homes – fences, garage doors, railings, etc., (no interior painting or no interior or exterior carpentry) – are encouraged to complete the MP Painting Program Request Form (at right) and mail it to:

The Village of Melrose Park Public Works
Attn.: Gary M. Marine, Director of Public Works
1000 N. 25th Ave. • Melrose Park, IL 60160

Village of Melrose Park Dog Park

Dog Park Hours – 8 a.m.-8 p.m., seven days a week throughout the summer and fall months. The fenced-in Dog Park is located at 13th and Main Street. Dog Park licenses are available at the Village Hall. Please follow rules posted at the park.

Tree Planting

If you are interested in a tree for the parkway, we are now compiling a list for fall tree planting. To request a tree, please call the Public Works Department at (708) 343-5128.

TV Pickup

Please call and make arrangements with the Public Works Street Department for pickup before putting out your TV.

15th Avenue Closing— Removal and Replacement of 15th Avenue Bridge Project

15th Avenue from North Avenue to LeMoyne will be closed now through October 2017 in order to remove and replace the bridge on 15th Avenue. Detour signs will be posted for the duration of the project. Local traffic will be permitted for the Pan American Bank, Burger King and Brown's Chicken.

17th Avenue will be a two-way street from North Avenue to LeMoyne. All residents of 17th Avenue from North Avenue to LeMoyne will be relocated for parking from the west side of the 1800 block to the east side for the duration of the project.



Mayor Serpico's MP Painting Program Request Form

Please print clearly.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Age _____ Birthdate _____

Item(s) to be painted (please circle): Fence Garage Door Railings

Other: _____

**The Public Works employees are always in full force, working to keep the
village of Melrose Park clean and well-maintained.
If you have a request, please feel free to call Gary M. Marine, director of Public Works at (708) 343-5128.**



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State Farm Florida Insurance Company, Winter Haven, FL

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



**Village of
Melrose Park**



**EQUAL HOUSING
OPPORTUNITY**

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.

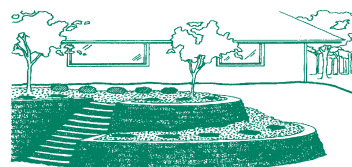


Any person violating this section shall be fined not less than fifty dollars (\$50), nor more than seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750), for each offense, and each day's violation of the same shall constitute a separate and distinct offense.

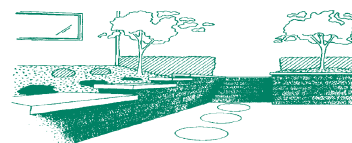
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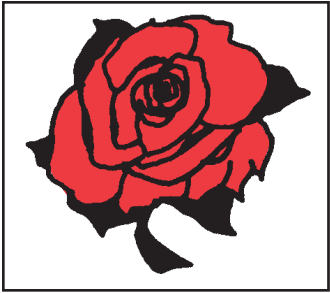
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Village of Melrose Park Building Dept. Report

*From the Desk of
Ralph Sorce,
Building Commissioner*

A Note to All Melrose Park Residents Regarding Property Flood Protection, Flood Insurance, Village Assistance

As of Oct. 1, 2015, the Village of Melrose Park has earned a Class 8 Rating through the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS); for this reason, flood insurance policies issued or renewed in the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) qualify for a 10 percent discount off the premium cost.

Flood Protection Information

The Village of Melrose Park strongly encourages these flood protection tips to be used:

- Stream Maintenance – Per the Clean Water Act and village ordinance, dumping into our ditches, creeks and sewers is strictly prohibited. This regulation helps prevent contamination to our water supply and lessens the chance of flooding. Grass clippings, leaves and branches can also cause problems as they can accumulate and plug the storm sewer channels. If your property is next to a ditch or creek, please do your part and keep the banks clear of brush and debris. Please feel free to contact the Public Works Department for information regarding the Village's Creek Maintenance Program or reporting downed tree and other major blockages.
- Construction Requirements – Always check with the Building Department before you alter, re-grade or fill your property. A permit is needed to ensure that projects do not cause drainage problems to other properties and to ensure the general public welfare.
- Flood-Proofing – There are several different ways to protect a building from flood damage – retrofitting (altering a building to eliminate or reduce flood damage) measures include:
 - Elevations – This involves raising the house so that the lowest floor is above protection level.
 - Relocation – Moving a building out of the flood zone is the surest way to protect it from a flood.
 - Floodwalls – These work to keep water from reaching your home by constructing barriers out of fill or concrete between the building and the flood water.
 - Dry Flood-Proofing – Makes the building's walls and floors watertight so water does not enter.
 - Wet Flood-Proofing – Modifies the structure and relocates the contents so that when flood water enters the building there is little to no damage.

Important notice: Any alteration to a building or land requires a permit from the Building Department. Even re-grading or filling in the floodplain requires a permit.

Flood Protection Assistance

If you have any concerns or issues with flooding or drainage, please call the Village of Melrose Park Sewer Department at (708) 531-5347 or the Building Department at (708) 343-4000. The Building Department can provide information, professional input and problem-solving measures without negatively affecting nearby neighbors. The Building Department can also provide a list of flood proofing contractors and conduct inspections.

Sand Bags

During a rainstorm or flood, sand bags are readily available for pickup at the Melrose Park Public Works Building located at 1002 N. 27th Ave. The Public Works Department also drops off sand bags throughout the village's high impact flood areas.

Flood Event Suggestions

Please keep in mind, during a flood the less water pumped into the village's storm sewer system the better. Please avoid excessive water use such as washing clothes, showering, washing dishes and toilet flushing. This provides time for the sewer system to stabilize and catch up to the large influx of water, thus, lowering the probability of a sewer backup in a building.

Be Prepared!

Have a plumber inspect sump pumps regularly!

If you experience flooding or drainage issues on your property, the village's staff may be able to help. Remember to televise and clean sewer laterals to prevent sewer backups.

Leaf Removal, Street Sweeping, Storm Sewers and Swales

It is a violation of village code and the Clean Water Act to directly or indirectly discharge illicit substances into a storm sewer. The village strongly encourages that all grass clippings, leaves and yard waste be placed in approved containers and placed at the designated location for garbage pickup on scheduled pickup days.

Community Effort

The Public Works Department kindly requests your help. Throughout the village's corporate boundaries there are many streets with curbside storm sewer catch basins, culverts and storm sewer pipes that are prone to trouble in heavy rains when they are blocked by leaves and grass clippings. The village street sweeping vehicle is not effective in removing large quantities of wet or dry leaves off the streets and curbed areas. The street sweeper's intended use is to remove road debris such as gravel, dirt and trash from the road surface by way of water and scrubbing brushes.

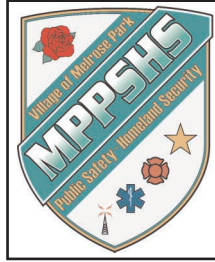
The Public Works Department respectfully asks that every village resident do their part in keeping our storm sewer grates, culvert pipe and swales in front of their property free from leaves and debris throughout the year. By doing this, this will greatly diminish the need for storm sewer cleanups, as well as, eliminating street inlet flooding due to leaves clogging the designed drainage path.

Flood Insurance

Homeowner's insurance policies do not cover damage from floods. The village strongly encourages property owners to invest in flood insurance. This insurance is backed by the federal government and is available to everyone, even properties that have been flooded. In some cases, flood insurance is required by a bank when people purchase a property and get a mortgage or home improvement loan. These policies typically only cover the building's structure and not its contents. During the types of flooding that occur in your area, there is usually more damage to the furniture and personal items than there is to the structure. Be sure you have contents coverage! Don't wait for the next flood to buy insurance protection! In most cases, there is a 30-day waiting period before NFIP coverage takes effect. Contact your insurance agent for more information on rates and coverage.

For more information regarding important Melrose Park flood information, please visit our village website at www.melrosepark.org and check under the Village Services tab. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns regarding flooding in Melrose Park, please feel free to contact the Building Department at (708) 343-4000, Ext. 4419. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Melrose Park Public Safety News



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

Lightning: What You Need to Know

- No place outside is safe when thunderstorms are in the area!
- If you hear thunder, lightning is close enough to strike you.
- When you hear thunder, immediately move to safe shelter: a substantial building with electricity or plumbing or an enclosed, metal-topped vehicle with windows up.
- Stay in safe shelter at least 30 minutes after you hear the last sound of thunder.

Indoor Lightning Safety

- Stay off corded phones, computers and other electrical equipment that put you in direct contact with electricity.
- Avoid plumbing, including sinks, baths and faucets.
- Stay away from windows and doors, and stay off porches.
- Do not lie on concrete floors, and do not lean against concrete walls.

Last Resort Outdoor Risk Reduction Tips

If you are caught outside with no safe shelter anywhere nearby the following actions may reduce your risk:

- Immediately get off elevated areas such as hills, mountain ridges or peaks.
- Never lie flat on the ground.
- Never shelter under an isolated tree.
- Never use a cliff or rocky overhang for shelter.
- Immediately get out and away from ponds, lakes and other bodies of water.
- Stay away from objects that conduct electricity (barbed wire fences, power lines, windmills, etc.).



Lightning Safety Myths and Facts

Myth: Lightning never strikes the same place twice.

Fact: Lightning often strikes the same place repeatedly, especially if it's a tall, pointy, isolated object. The Empire State Building is hit nearly 100 times a year.

Myth: If it's not raining or there aren't clouds overhead, you're safe from lightning.

Fact: Lightning often strikes more than three miles from the center of the thunderstorm, far outside the rain or thunderstorm cloud. "Bolts from the blue" can strike 10-15 miles from the thunderstorm.

Myth: Rubber tires on a car protect you from lightning by insulating you from the ground.

Fact: Most cars are safe from lightning, but it is the metal roof and metal sides that protect you, not the rubber tires. Remember, convertibles, motorcycles, bicycles, open-shelled outdoor recreational vehicles and cars with fiberglass shells offer no protection from lightning. When lightning strikes a vehicle, it goes through the metal frame into the ground. Don't lean on doors during a thunderstorm.

Myth: A lightning victim is electrified. If you touch them, you'll be electrocuted.

Fact: The human body does not store electricity. It is perfectly safe to touch a lightning victim to give them first aid. This is the most chilling of lightning Myths. Imagine if someone died because people were afraid to give CPR!

Myth: If outside in a thunderstorm, you should seek shelter under a tree to stay dry.

Fact: Being underneath a tree is the second leading cause of lightning casualties. Better to get wet than fried!

Myth: If you are in a house, you are 100 percent safe from lightning.

Fact: A house is a safe place to be during a thunderstorm as long as you avoid anything that conducts electricity. This means staying off corded phones, electrical appliances, wires, TV cables, computers, plumbing, metal doors and windows. Windows are hazardous for two reasons: wind generated during a thunderstorm can blow objects into the window, breaking it and causing glass to shatter and second, in older homes, in rare instances, lightning can come in cracks in the sides of windows.

Myth: If thunderstorms threaten while you are outside playing a game, it is okay to finish it before seeking shelter.

Fact: Many lightning casualties occur because people do not seek shelter soon enough. No game is worth death or lifelong injuries. Seek proper shelter immediately if you hear thunder. Adults are responsible for the safety of children.

Myth: Structures with metal, or metal on the body (jewelry, cell phones, Mp3 players, watches, etc.), attract lightning.

Fact: Height, pointy shape and isolation are the dominant factors controlling where a lightning bolt will strike. The presence of metal makes absolutely no difference on where lightning strikes. Mountains are made of stone but get struck by lightning many times a year. When lightning threatens, take proper protective action immediately by seeking a safe shelter – don't waste time removing metal. While metal does not attract lightning, it does conduct it so stay away from metal fences, railings, bleachers, etc.

Myth: If trapped outside and lightning is about to strike, I should lie flat on the ground.

Fact: Lying flat increases your chance of being affected by potentially deadly ground current. If you are caught outside in a thunderstorm, you keep moving toward a safe shelter.

Tornados

Before a Tornado

Know the terms used to describe tornado threats.

Tornado Watch – Tornados are possible. Watch the sky and listen to the radio or television for more information. Be prepared to take shelter. If you see any rotating funnel-shaped clouds, report them immediately by telephone to your local law enforcement agency. If you live in a mobile home, this is the time to move to a more substantial structure.

Tornado Warning – A tornado has been sighted or indicated by weather radar. Take shelter. Turn on a battery-operated radio or television and wait for the "all clear" announcement by authorities. Determine the best location in your home and office to seek shelter when threatened by a tornado. A basement or cellar will usually afford the best protection. If an underground shelter is not available, identify an interior room or hallway on the lowest level. Conduct periodic tornado safety drills with your family.

During a Tornado – Take the following actions when a Tornado Warning has been issued by the National Weather Service, when sirens have been activated or when a tornado has been sighted near your area.

At Home – Go at once to your predetermined shelter (storm cellar, basement or the lowest level of the building). In a basement, go under the stairs, under a heavy piece of furniture or a workbench. Stay there until the danger has passed. If there is no basement, go to an inner hallway or a small inner room without windows, such as a bathroom or closet. Stay away from windows, doors and outside walls.

Go to the center of the room. Outside windows and walls may be penetrated by high speed, wind-borne missiles.

Get under a piece of sturdy furniture, such as a workbench or heavy table, and hold onto it.

Use pillows, mattresses or cushions to protect your head and neck.

If in a mobile home, get out and seek shelter elsewhere. A mobile home can overturn very easily even if precautions have been taken to tie down the unit. If there isn't a substantial shelter nearby, seek shelter in a low-lying area. Shield your head with your hands.

In a School, Nursing Home, Hospital, Shopping Center or at Work – Go to the designated storm shelter, basement or to an inside hallway on the lowest level.

Avoid places with wide-span roofs, such as auditoriums, cafeterias, gymnasiums and large hallways. Stay away from windows and open spaces.

Get under a piece of sturdy furniture, such as a workbench or heavy table or desk and hold onto it. If sturdy furniture is not available, make yourself the smallest target possible. Squat low to the ground. Put your head down and cover your head and neck with your hands.

If in a high-rise building, go to small, interior rooms or hallways on the lowest level possible and seek protection as detailed above. Stay away from windows and outside walls.

Learn how to shut off the utilities to your home. Decide how and where your family will reunite.

If you live in a mobile home, identify a safe shelter outside of your mobile home such as a community park shelter, a neighbor or friend's house, or a nearby public building.

In a mobile home, consider installation of an underground shelter that is large enough to accommodate you, your family or several other nearby mobile home residents.

Consider retrofitting your house with special fasteners, connectors and reinforcing bands to strengthen the structural integrity. Also, consider installing a reinforced concrete and steel "safe room" as a small room within your house, or excavated and installed beneath your garage floor.

In a Vehicle – Never try to outrun a tornado in a vehicle. Heavy rain, hail and traffic may impede your movement. Tornados can change directions quickly and can easily lift up a vehicle and toss it through the air.

Get out of the vehicle immediately and try to take shelter in a nearby building. Do not park under a bridge or underpass.

If there isn't time to get indoors, get out of the vehicle and lie in a ditch, culvert or low-lying area away from the vehicle.



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



Village of Melrose Park

Garage Sale Notice

The rules on garage sales held in the village of Melrose Park are as follows:

Garage sales will be held on the third weekend only during the months of May, June, July, August and September. Sales are to be conducted on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of the designated weekends. No sales are allowed on Sundays.

The dates for 2017 are May 18-20, June 15-17, July 20-22, Aug. 17-19 and Sept. 14-16.

Garage sales shall be conducted only during the hours of 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

No permit is needed for garage sales, however the following rules must be followed:

- No garage sales may be conducted in apartment buildings.
- No garage sales in the frontyard, i.e. on the grass.
- All garage sales to be conducted in backyard, garage or driveway.
- All sale items to be displayed on tables not on the ground.
- No sale items shall be located and no sale activity shall be conducted in the frontyard area on the premises of any public sidewalk, parkway area or other public property.
- No sale signs, handbills or other advertising material shall be located or posted upon public parkway or on public property, signs, poles or light poles within the village of Melrose Park.
- Signs advertising the sales shall not exceed 3-by-5 feet and may be located only in the frontyard (private property) of the address having the garage sale and must be removed immediately after the sale.
- The sale will be conducted without the use of outdoor loud speakers, amplification equipment or illuminated advertising devices.

Any person violating these rules shall be subject to a fine not to exceed \$500.

A copy of the garage sale rules is available at the Village Hall.





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Adult Services

Summer Salsa Contest

Mark your calendars for the MPPL's 4th annual Salsa Contest. Enter a fabulous homemade salsa or come simply to sample, vote, and socialize.

Contact the Adult Services department for registration and entry information.

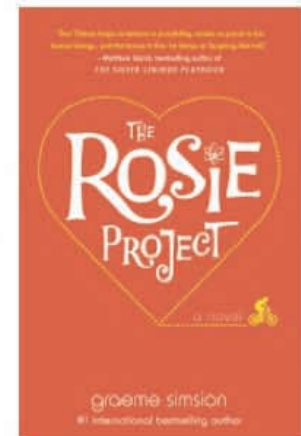
June 29: 6PM Adults Only



Books n' Brew!

Join your community members, share a cold one, and discuss **The Rosie Project**.

Melrose Park Public Library Adult Services is hosting an informal book chat at Il Poveretto Café on **July 18**.



Register and pick up a copy of the book between **June 12 and June 30**.

(Participants must be 21+)

The Melrose Park Public Library will be closed on Saturdays from Memorial Day - Labor Day.
(Closed Saturdays 6/3 - 9/2.
Reopen Saturdays 9/8)



All dates and times are subject to change without prior notice. Please see the website, or call us at 708.343.3391, for further programming information. All programs at the library are free. To register, or with any further questions, please call 708.343.3391.



www.MPPLibrary.org

801 N Broadway, Melrose Park, IL 60160



mps@mpplib.org

(708)343-3391

Library Hours

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Friday, 8:00am-5:00pm

Saturday, 10:00am-2:00pm

Sunday, Closed

Closed last Saturday of the month



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It's that time again...

Summer Spectacular 2017

At the Melrose Park Public Library
June 12 - July 21

Featuring 5 Fabulous Fridays!

Community Health, Safety, & Awareness Day

Featuring food, fun, & info in the MPPL Parking Lot. Come to inspect police & fire department vehicles, talk to Homeland Security, have your blood pressure checked & more!

Friday, 6/16: 2-4pm



Lego Building Workshop

A Lego expert will bring some fabulous Lego creations and provide Lego building tips & tricks.

Friday, 6/23: 2-4pm, Registration required

Games Galore

Play "Minute To Win It" style games with friends @MPPL during this Fabulous Friday. All ages.

Friday, 6/30: 2-3pm, Registration required

Snakes & Snacks

Learn all about remarkable reptiles. Snakes courtesy of the Trailside Museum, snacks provided by the MPPL.

Friday, 7/7: 2-3pm, Registration required



Lego Batman Movie

Beat the heat while enjoying a movie day with friends. For kids ages 7-17. Adults accompanying a child are welcome to attend.

Friday, 7/14: 2pm, Registration required

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Youth Services



Come on in to the library this summer for the MPPL's Summer Spectacular 2017. Our programming theme this year is "Build a Better World". So let's get together and have some fun at all our amazing activities! **Dates: June 12 - July 21**

Stay and Play

Join our lively and interactive playtime for great fun with books, music, puzzles and toys. For families with children 5 years old or younger.

Tuesdays, 6/13 - 7/18: 10-11am

Thursdays, 6/15 - 7/20: 10-11am

Build with Code

We're hosting weekly coding help if you are eager to begin building for the web. We'll have lessons available for all abilities. Get started or start where you left off. Ages 7 - 13.

Thursdays, 6/15, 6/29, and 7/13: 3 - 4pm

Kid's Care

Make a difference @MPPL. We are beginning a collaborative project to transform your old grocery bags into sleeping mats for those in need.

Ages 8 and up.

Mondays,

6/12, 6/26, and 7/10: 10am - 12am

6/19, 7/3, and 7/17: 5 - 7pm



Better Builders

Come in for a weekly unconventional building challenge. With both individual and cooperative builds, your imagination will go wild!

Wednesdays,

6/14, 6/28, and 7/12: 1 - 2pm

6/21, 7/5, and 7/19: 5 - 6pm

Words with Friends

We're playing games on Wednesdays this summer! From Hangman to Bananagrams, we will play, laugh, and have fun with words.



Wednesdays,

6/14, 6/28, and 7/12: 5 - 6pm

6/21, 7/5, and 7/19: 1 - 2pm

LEGO Club

LEGO club goes weekly for summer. Ages 5—12 (age 3-5 with guardian)

Tuesdays, 6/13 - 7/18: 3 - 4pm

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It's Time to Register!

MELROSE PARK YOUTH COMMISSION

1000 N. 25th Ave. • Melrose Park, IL 60160 • (708) 343-2015

Summer



Camp Fun

For children 4-7 years of age!

Camp runs Mon., Wed. & Fri., Mid June-Mid August • 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Registration can be made at the Youth Commission – Evenings From 6-8 p.m.

(The Youth Commission is located on the first floor of the Melrose Park Sports & Fitness Club.)

\$125 per child (Melrose Park residents).

Nonresidents Fee – \$450 Per Child

For more information, call the Youth Commission at (708) 343-2015.

Show Your Support for Our Veterans and Those Currently Serving Our Country!

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

Contributions are still being accepted and additional flags can be flying in new areas of the village in the spring.

Donations of any amount to support this creative project are appreciated and can be sent to: Village of Melrose Park/Avenue of Flags, 1000 N. 25th Ave., Melrose Park, Ill. 60160.

Please make checks payable to the Melrose Park Youth Commission or Melrose Park Sports & Family Benefit Fund.

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



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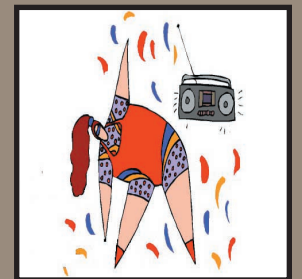
**If you would like to sponsor a flag of a specific branch of the military for your block,
or if you know of a veteran in the community and would like to
have a flag displayed on a lightpole adjacent to their home, please call the
Melrose Park Youth Commission at (708) 450-0555 for details.**

VPD and MP Youth Commission Easter Egg Scrambler a Big Hit!



Veterans Park District and the Melrose Park Youth Commission hosted their annual Easter Egg Scrambler at the George A. Leoni Complex on Friday, April 7. Hundreds attended the big event and children were eager to collect as many eggs as possible hoping to get a prize winner!

Free Exercise for Melrose Park Seniors

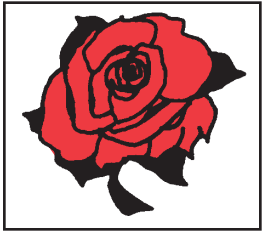


*Come Join in the Fun with
Instructor Barb Rubright
of Rube's Garage!*

Monday-Friday • 9:15-10:15 a.m.

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

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



Village of Melrose Park Senior Club News

*From the Desk of Peggy DiFazio,
Director of Senior Services,
Special Events and
Taste of Melrose Park*

2017 Meeting Dates

May 11 • June 8 • July (Cancelled) • Aug. 10
Sept. (Cancelled) • Oct. 12 • Nov. 9 • Dec. 7

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.**

Melrose Park Senior Club 2017 Renewals

*It's that time of the year to
renew memberships
for calendar year 2017.*

*Senior Club members,
your memberships must be
renewed before the 2017 meeting.*

*To renew, please complete the
Melrose Park Senior Club
2017 Membership Renewal Form
and mail it with your renewal fee of \$10 to:
Village of Melrose Park
Attn.: Peggy DiFazio
1000 N. 25th Ave.
Melrose Park, IL 60160*

Please make checks payable to the Melrose Park Senior Club.



Melrose Park Senior Club 2017 Membership Renewal Form

Please print clearly.

Name _____
Address _____
City, State, ZIP _____
Phone _____
Emergency Contact Name _____
Emergency Contact
Phone _____
Birthdate _____

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.



*Village of
Melrose Park*

TAEKWONDO PROGRAM

Register Now!



Village of Melrose Park Taekwondo Program Registration Form

Please clip and mail with payment (check made payable to Melrose Park Taekwondo Program) to:
Melrose Park Taekwondo Program • 1000 N. 25th Ave. • Melrose Park, IL 60160

Name _____ Age _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

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.



**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.

Se Habla Español.

MEMBERSHIP PRICING

Residents: \$50 per month.

Nonresidents: \$60 per month.

Classes are held Monday-Friday, 4:50-8:05 p.m.

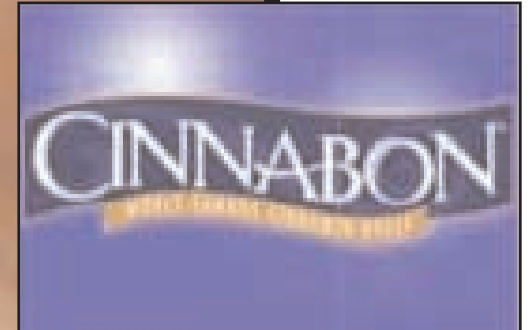
(One class a day for each level.)

Please check in with instructors for exact times
per level.

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

**The Melrose Park Civic Center
is located at
1000 N. 25th Ave.,
Melrose Park.**

Melrose Park Little League



Melrose Park Little League Invites You to Participate In Our 2017 Cinnabon Fundraiser

We are taking orders now through April 30. Call and place your order today!
For questions, please call Cindy at (708) 705-8251
or send an email to cmunoz1524@hotmail.com.

Melrose Park Little League



Movie Night!

Come Join Us at Ruby Field
Friday, June 23 • 7 p.m.



Veterans Park District

Programs & Happenings

Active Adults

The Soaring Eagle Casino and Resort, Mount Pleasant, Mich.

Sunday, July 16-Tuesday, July 18

\$275 per person based on double occupancy

Once again we will be taking a two-night/three-day trip to the Soaring Eagle Casino and Resort in Mount Pleasant, Mich. The scenery is beautiful, with many shops, spas, an indoor pool and great restaurants. Whether you want to sit down and get waited on or just a quick bite, they have it all. Also included in the fee: each night you will receive \$30 in free play on your player's card and \$20 in dining for food. So that's \$100 in comp for the two nights!

- Departure – Sunday, July 16, 8:30 a.m., Cimbalo Fitness Center/8:45 a.m., Grant Park; Return – Tuesday, July 18, leaving Mount Pleasant at 3 p.m., arriving home at 8 p.m.

Tulip Time at Holland, Mich.

Tuesday, May 9, \$69 per person

It's Tulip Time! Join us for this wonderful trip to Holland, Mich., for the annual Tulip Festival. Enjoy lunch in the downtown area while listening to jazz, folk and bluegrass music. The lunch consists of a ciabatta sandwich, pasta and a dessert. After lunch we will be stopping at the Windmill Island Gardens to see thousands of tulips. Following that we will drive through the downtown area to see more tulips on the Main Street, then stopping at the Delfware Wooden Shoe Factory. In this factory there will be over 800 items to choose from, from bakery to ceramics to wooden shoes!

- Departure – 8 a.m., Cimbalo Fitness Center/8:15 a.m., Grant Park; Return – 8 p.m.

The Beat Goes On...

Friday, May 12, Noon-2 p.m./Grant Park, Northlake, \$17 per person

This luncheon is themed after "Sonny and Cher." Come and celebrate this era with a Mediterranean lunch, consisting of boneless Greek chicken, Greek salad, green beans almond mix, penne alla vodka, roasted potatoes, dinner rolls and dessert. Our entertainment will be a Sonny and Cher duo performing all of our favorites from their classic show!

Under the Tuscan Sun Luncheon

Friday, June 9, Noon-2 p.m./Bulger Park, Melrose Park

Come and join us as Chris Colletti brings us back to the Big Band Era. This luncheon will consist of Italian beef sandwiches, Italian sausage, baked mostaccioli and salad. Don't forget a wonderful dessert! Following Chris' performance will be centerpiece giveaways and raffle prizes!

Youth Sports

VPD Hitting & Fielding Class, Ages 6-12

Calling all baseball and softball players! Individual players can sign up for this program and show us their stuff in this instructor led baseball class. Participants will improve their fielding and batting skills while also improving their knowledge of the game. We will have our batting cages set up and tees lined up for you. Please bring your own bat and glove. We will run you

through rapid rotations in the cage and drills outside of it all with the aim of improving your skills.

- Wednesdays, May 10-June 7 and July 12-Aug. 9; 5-6 p.m.; George A. Leoni Complex Turf; \$35 In District/ \$50 Out of District.

Lil' Sluggers, Ages 4-6

Batter up! This program is a great introduction for kids to develop baseball/softball skills and have fun. Offense and defense skills, as well as the rules of the game and teamwork are taught and incorporated in fun games. You must provide your own glove.

- Wednesdays, June 28-Aug. 2; 5-6 p.m.; George A. Leoni Complex; \$35 In District/\$50 Out of District.

VPD Soccer Beginner Drills and Skills, Ages 5-9

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 improving 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.

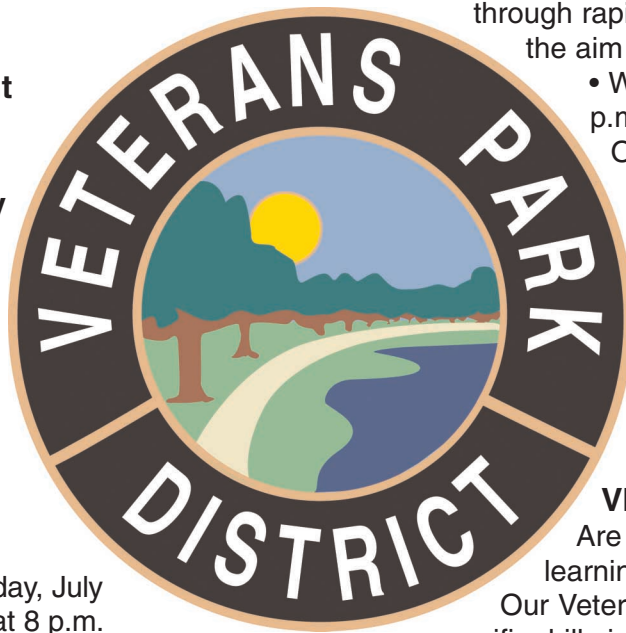
- Fridays, April 28-June 2, June 16-July 21 and Aug. 4-Sept. 8; Ages 5-6, 4-5 p.m./Ages 7-9, 5-6 p.m.; George A. Leoni Complex Turf; \$45 In District/\$60 Out of District.

Early Childhood

Pee Wee Picassos, Ages 1.5-3

Children will complete cute crafts with their guardian. Prepare to get a little messy, but also expect to come home with many keepsakes.

- Thursdays; June 1, 8, 15 and 22; 11 a.m.-noon; George A. Leoni Complex Activity Room; \$35 In District/\$50 Out of District.



June 5-Aug 4

**Summer Day Camp
Ages 6-12**

**Junior Counselor Program
Ages 13-15**

**Sports Camp
Ages 6-12**

**Learn & Play Summer Preschool
Ages 3-5**

**Special Recreation Camp
Ages 6-13 and 14-22**

**Registration Begins April 29 at the VPD Summer Kick Off Event at Grant Park!
Affordable Rates! Before and After Care Available.**

**For more information on VPD programs,
call (708) 343-5270 or
visit www.veteransparkdistrict.org.**



SUMMER KICK OFF REGISTRATION DAY

Saturday, April 29 • Grant Park Glick Hall 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Register early for Summer Day Camp, Special Recreation Camp,
Sports Camp and Gouin Pool Early Bird Passes.



**FREE GIVEAWAYS • CRAFTS
GAMES • FACE PAINTING**

Family Indoor Garage Sale & Flea Market

Saturday, April 29 at Grant Park Gymnasium
9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Come out and shop at the VPD community Garage sale. Time to clean out your attic, closets or garage for items to sell. Time to upsell your baby clothes, toys, games, tools, books or anything else you may have. Tables are available on a first come, first served basis. Registration is required in order to reserve your space. Set up time is from 8-9 a.m. Concessions will be open for snacks.

Fee: \$20 In District / \$35 Out of District (10'x10 space, 2 tables, 2 chairs)
Must register for a space and fill out an application. Deadline is April 22.



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**Girls, Do You Love Cheer,
Making Friends and Having FUN?**

JOIN OUR TEAM!



Melrose Park
Gaels



**CHEERLEADING
CLUB**

A NEW TRADITION!

INITIAL REGISTRATION DATES

Saturdays – April 22 and April 29 • 1-3 p.m.

Saturdays – May 6 and May 20 • 1-4 p.m.

**During Our Free Cheer Clinics at the
Melrose Park Civic Center • 1000 N. 25th Ave. • Melrose Park**

For more information, send an email to mpgaelscheer@gmail.com.

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Melrose Park Village Attorney Del Galdo Named as Super Lawyer for Seventh Time



Michael T. Del Galdo

Michael T. Del Galdo, of Del Galdo Law Group, LLC, was recently named as a super lawyer for 2017.

This is the seventh time that Del Galdo has received this distinction. This recognition is consistent with the high quality legal services Del Galdo and his firm strive to provide their clients.

Concentrating on the fields of municipal law, economic development and governmental relations, Del Galdo founded and manages Del Galdo Law Group, LLC, a firm comprised of 20 attorneys who focus their practice on government and public sector law. More than 1 million taxpayers are represented by Del Galdo through his firm, which represents some of the largest municipalities, school districts, park districts and other government units in Cook and DuPage counties.

In addition to his government practice, Del Galdo also provides election and policy advice as legal counsel to numerous political campaigns. A DePaul College of Law graduate, Del Galdo frequently lectures on municipal government, economic development and election campaigns.

Super Lawyers, part of Thomson Reuters, is a rating service of outstanding lawyers from more than 70 practice areas. The selection process is multi-phased and includes independent research, peer nominations and peer evaluations.

Super Lawyers Magazine features the list and profiles of selected attorneys and is distributed to attorneys in the state or region.

Super Lawyers is also published as a special section in leading city and regional magazines across the country. The attorneys selected to Super Lawyers are limited to 5 percent of the practicing attorneys in Illinois.

License Plate Renewal Notification Sign Up Today!

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 Melrose Park Dog Park



As a convenience to our residents, the village of Melrose Park and Westlake Hospital have opened 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.

MP Looking for Residents Currently Serving in the Military



Attention Residents

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.

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.



Most
Family-Friendly
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Affordable
Food
Festival in
Illinois!

September 1st 5 PM-11 PM

September 2nd Noon-11 PM

September 3rd Noon-10 PM

Melrose Park Village Complex
Near the NW Corner of 25th Ave. and Lake St.

Affordable
Carnival For
Children 10
& Under

ADMISSION
PARKING
TROLLEY SERVICE

FREE

ENTERTAINMENT FOR ALL AGES ON 4 STAGES
ROCKIN LASER LIGHT SHOW, 10:00 PM, SUNDAY
ARTS & CRAFTS BOOTHS IN GYMNASIUM
GOVERNMENT & BUSINESS INFORMATION BOOTHS

All Food Items Cost \$3 or Less!!!

WELCOME TO THE 36TH ANNUAL TASTE OF MELROSE PARK

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No matter where you're from or how you say it, people everywhere savor delicious food, which is why September 1st through September 3rd there will be no better place on earth to feast on scrumptious delicacies than the 36th Annual Taste of Melrose Park.

The Taste is a family-friendly food festival that hosts over 200,000 patrons every year. We are unique to the world of food festivals because the vast majority of our food vendors are local residents who serve up original family recipes; why we even have Sisters from a local convent dishing up their version of heaven in a special desert. In addition to all the culinary delights, we also provide continuous free entertainment on our four stages.

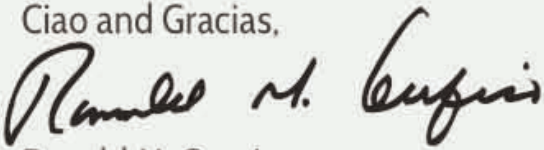
Great food at \$3 or less, wonderful entertainment, a carnival area for the kids, free parking and free trolley service are the ingredients for a blue ribbon recipe that is sure to please the entire family.

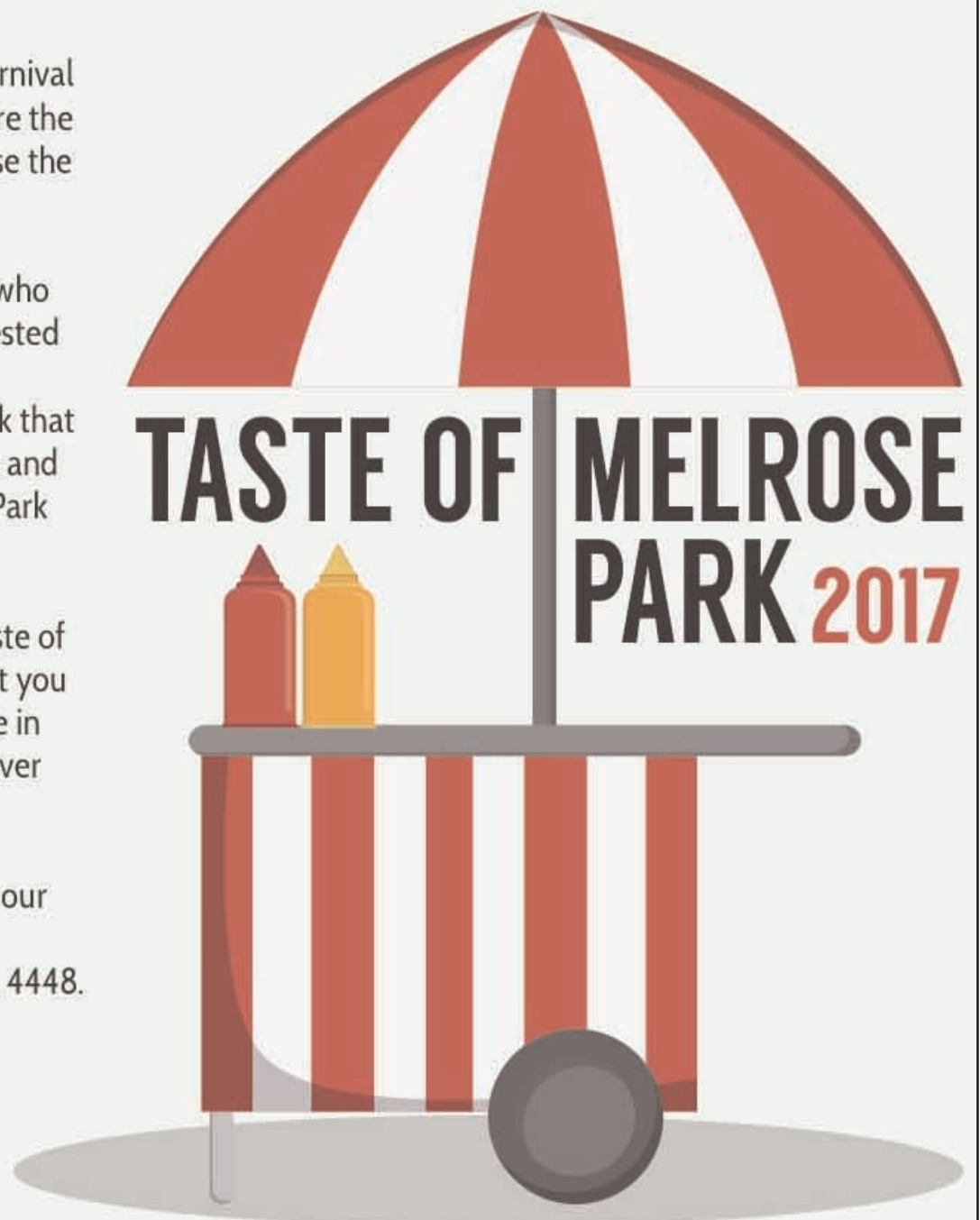
If you are an organization, a business or an individual, who is new to the Taste of Melrose Park and might be interested in underwriting some of the costs associated with this wonderful extravaganza of gastronomical delights, I ask that you read the documents in this folder. It contains news and detailed information about different Taste of Melrose Park sponsorship packages.

And to all of you, who so generously supported the Taste of Melrose in the past, I sincerely thank you and hope that you will kindly consider continuing your financial patronage in 2017; without your magnanimous backing we could never host such an ambitious undertaking.

If anyone has questions, please don't hesitate to email our Taste of Melrose Park Director Peggy DiFazio at: taste@melrosepark.org or call her at: 708-343-4000 ext. 4448.

Ciao and Gracias,


Ronald M. Serpico
Mayor of Melrose Park





Continuous
Free
Entertainment
On Our 4 Stages

More Food
Booths Than
The Taste
Of Chicago



What is unique about The Taste of Melrose Park is that most of the food vendors are residents who spend days preparing their gourmet specialties... we even have nuns from a local convent running a food booth.



For 2017 Taste info, e-mail us at taste@melrosepark.org or visit www.melrosepark.org

TASTE OF MELROSE PARK SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES

SPONSOR

\$7,500.00 PLATINUM SPONSOR PACKAGE

1-Full Page Color Ad
10x10 Hospitality Tent
Main Stage Video Wall
2-4 x 6 Banners
1-2 x 4 Billboard
Public Address System Announcements
3-VIP Parking Passes
Entertainment Sponsor

*See Page 35 to
Reserve Your
36th Anniversary
Taste of
Melrose Park
Sponsorship!*

If none of these packages meet your needs or budget, we will work closely with you in designing a sponsorship package that will.

For more information or to answer any questions, call Peggy DiFazio at 708-343-4000 ext. 4448 or email her at taste@melrosepark.org

PACKAGES

\$5,000.00 GOLD SPONSOR PACKAGE

1-Full Page Color Ad
10 x 10 Hospitality Tent
Main Stage Video Wall
1-4 x 6 Banner
Public Address System Announcements
2-VIP Parking Passes

\$3,500.00 SILVER SPONSOR PACKAGE

1-Full Page Color Ad
Main Stage Video Wall
1-2 x 4 Billboard
1-3 x 4 Banner
Public Address System Announcements
1-VIP Parking Pass

\$1,500.00 TITANIUM SPONSOR PACKAGE

1-Half Page Color Ad
1-3 x 4 Banner

\$3,000.00 T-SHIRT SPONSOR PACKAGE

Your Company Logo On
1,000 Volunteer Shirts
(T-Shirt Space Will Be Limited)

\$2,500.00 ROCKIN LASER LIGHT SHOW SPONSOR

Main Stage Video Wall

\$1,000.00 MAIN STAGE VIDEO WALL ADVERTISING PACKAGE

Your Ad Will Scroll On An 8 x 15 Screen
On The Main Stage From
6:00 PM - Close Each Night

TASTE OF MELROSE PARK SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION

\$750.00 COLOR BANNER

3 X 4 Color Banner will be displayed throughout the grounds.

\$500.00 BILLBOARD

2 x 4 Color Billboard, which can include your logo.

\$300.00 BILLBOARD

1.5 x 3 Black and White Billboard, which can include your logo.

\$395.00 HALF PAGE AD

9.25" x 5.5" Color Ad

Appears in the Rose Newspaper that is mailed to nearly 10,000 homes and businesses.

\$245.00 QUARTER PAGE AD

4.63" x 5.5" Black and White Ad

Appears in the Rose Newspaper that is mailed to nearly 10,000 homes and businesses.

For additional questions, please do not hesitate to call!
Peggy Difazio - 708-343-4000 ext. 4448
Email: taste@melrosepark.org



*See Page 35 to Reserve Your
36th Anniversary Taste of Melrose Park Sponsorship!*



TASTE OF MELROSE PARK ORDER FORM

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: TASTE OF MELROSE PARK

Please Return This Form With a Check or Money Order to:

Taste of Melrose Park

c/o Peggy DiFazio
1000 N. 25th Ave.
Melrose Park, IL 60160

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Sponsor Name: _____

Contact Name and Title: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

Call Peggy DiFazio at 708-343-4000, ext. 4448 and she will work with your company to develop a sponsorship package that will meet your budget.

PLEASE SELECT ONE
OF THE FOLLOWING PACKAGES:

____ \$7,500.00 PLATINUM SPONSOR

____ \$5,000.00 GOLD SPONSOR

____ \$3,500.00 SILVER SPONSOR

____ \$1,500.00 TITANIUM SPONSOR

____ \$3,000.00 T-SHIRT SPONSOR

____ \$2,500.00 ROCKIN LASER SPONSOR

____ \$1,000.00 VIDEO WALL SPONSOR

____ \$750.00 3 X 4 COLOR BANNER

____ \$500.00 2 x 4 COLOR BILLBOARD

____ \$300.00 1.5 X 3 B/W BILLBOARD

____ \$395.00 - 9.25" x 5.5" HALF PAGE AD

____ \$245.00 - 4.63" x 5.5" 1/4 PAGE AD

Important! Please Check Appropriate Box Below:

____ Emailing Camera Ready Artwork to: taste@melrosepark.org

____ Please Develop Our Ad (if you have a logo, please include)

____ Please Use Our Previous 2016 Taste Ad

____ Please Use Our Previous 2016 Taste Billboard

For more information or if you have a question please call Peggy DiFazio at 708-343-4000, ext. 4448 or email her at taste@melrosepark.org



Triton COLLEGE NEWS

Register Now for Summer Classes at Triton College

Our 5•8•5 Summer Scheduling Option is Convenient and You'll Still Have Time for Fun in the Sun

We know summers are for vacations, being out in the sun and seeing your friends who have been hibernating through the winter. But Triton College can help you earn some college credit this year and still leave you plenty of time for work, vacation or both.

Students can make the most of their summer by taking advantage of Triton's reasonable tuition rates and convenient 5•8•5 scheduling option, while moving ahead toward their degree.

Summer 2017 registration is currently open with a large selection of summer classes available, including accounting, biology, calculus and analytical geometry, chemistry, economics, English, history, psychology, rhetoric, sociology and more.

Triton's 5•8•5 scheduling option includes three sessions:

First five-week session runs May 30-June 30.

Eight-week session runs June 12-Aug. 4.

Second five-week session runs July 3-Aug. 4.

If you choose the first five weeks, you can take a quick class or two and have your independence by June 30 – and the rest of the summer to yourself. Or you can follow up with another five-week course and be done by Aug. 4.

Maybe you want to put your summer relaxation time up front and take just the second five-week session.

There's always the eight-week option to consider. It lets you complete your reading assignments or lab work at a slightly slower pace. It also gives you enough flexibility in class times that you can fit in a full-time job or three-day weekends.

Triton's summer courses, whether they're five weeks or eight weeks, are equivalent in content to any you'd take during the school year.

The choice is yours with Triton's 5•8•5 scheduling option.

Enroll early for the best selection of classes.

For more information, visit www.triton.edu, or call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3130.

Register Now! Triton College Foundation 20th Annual Golf Outing

Wednesday, June 21

White Pines Golf Club • Bensenville

Individual Golfers – \$135
Foursomes – \$540

Hole-in-One Special! Par Sponsorships – \$740

Includes one foursome, hole signage on two courses
and name/logo on promotional material for event.

It's that time again! The Triton College Foundation, a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization will host its 20th annual golf outing

on Wednesday, June 21, at White Pines Golf Club in Bensenville. The event, open to novice and skilled golfers alike, will kick off at 10 a.m., with an 18-hole round of golf, golf carts, goodie bags, lunch, dinner and prizes.

Golfers may register as individuals for \$135 per person or as a foursome for \$540. Exclusive Friend of the Foundation, corporate, par and hole sponsorships are also available. Sponsorships begin at \$200.

The Foundation also is accepting raffle prizes.

Sponsorships and donations are tax deductible.

Proceeds from the annual golf outing will benefit Triton College Foundation scholarships.

To register for the event or to become a sponsor,
contact the Triton College Foundation for details!

Call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3758, or send an email to
golf@triton.edu.



First-Ever *Tritonysia* Play Festival Premieres at Triton College May 5

Stories of difficult choices, consequences, oppression, love and redemption will be on display during the first ever *Tritonysia* Play Festival at Triton College next month.

The *Tritonysia* features original short plays written by Triton College students, faculty and community members that will whisk audiences away to every corner of

the globe and introduce them to fascinating characters from all walks of life – including some from beyond the confines of Earth. The festival was created by Triton College Visual, Performing and Communication Arts Department faculty member and Chicago theatre veteran Sommer Austin.

The *Tritonysia* is inspired by the ancient Greek festival, the Dionysia, which honored the god Dionysus in many ways, including with a contest of stage plays.

Highlights of the festival include *REFUGEE CAMP WEDDING*, written by Rohina Malik and directed by Austin. Audiences will be captivated when things don't go according to plan as MJ and Billy are about to wed in a Syrian refugee camp. Malik is a critically acclaimed playwright and performer who has been nominated for and received a myriad of awards. Her work will be featured at Chicago's Goodman Theatre later this year.

Other plays in the *Tritonysia* include *THE BOOK OF JUDITH*, written by Hope Rehak and directed by Austin. Tension builds as a woman ponders the possible lifelong consequences of her split-second actions.

Additionally, friendships are tested as racism is suspected on a small college campus in *PLEDGING*, written by Janet Ruth Heller and directed by James Mann.

The full list of plays is as follows:

1971 by Jack Schultz (Directed by Sommer Austin**)

AFTERGLOW by Stefan Brundage (Directed by Sommer Austin**)

REFUGEE CAMP WEDDING by Rohina Malik^
(Directed by Sommer Austin**)

GUIDELINES FOR PUBLIC SPEAKING by Jim Jacob
(Directed by Neomara Serges*)

MICKEY CARES by Mia McCullough (Directed by Sommer Austin**)

PERSONAL CONSCIOUS by Mary Berrum*
(Directed by Bonnie R. Phillips*)

PLEDGING by Janet Ruth Heller (Directed by James Mann*)

POSITIONS AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY, LOCAL FIRM by Kevin J. Miller**
(Directed by Mary Berrum*)

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS by Shawn Duncan*
(Directed by Tina Williams*)

THE CATCH by Scot Savage**
(Directed by Isabella Cartagena* and Diamond Gray*)

THE BOOK OF JUDITH by Hope Rehak (Directed by Sommer Austin**)

* Denotes Current/Former Triton Student • ** Denotes Triton Staff/Faculty

^ Denotes Parent of a Triton Student



Pictured (left to right) are Erica Baffa, Miguel Torres and Magdelin Enich rehearsing for Triton College's upcoming Tritonysia Play Festival.

The *Tritonysia* Play Festival performances are May 5-7 and May 12-14 in the Cox Auditorium of the Fine Arts Building (J Building), located on the west side of Triton's campus, 2000 Fifth Ave., River Grove.

Shows begin Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m., and Sundays at 2 p.m.

The *Tritonysia* Play Festival is this season's final theatre production of Triton's Visual, Performing and Communication Arts Department.

Tickets can be purchased at the door and are \$10 for the general public and \$5 for seniors (credit/debit cards are not accepted). For more information, call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3506, or visit www.triton.edu/entertainment.

Triton College Fun Family Fitness Day Activities and Resources for All Ages



Triton COLLEGE **Fun Family Fitness Day**

May 13
10 A.M.-NOON
Robert Collins Center (R Building)
Triton College East Campus

Join Triton College for this **FREE** event celebrating health, wellness & family fitness.

Enter Raffles to Win Great Prizes!

- Open to the Community
- Fun Run for Adults & Kids
- Healthy Snacks
- Healthy Cooking Demonstrations
- Athletic Activities
- Zumba Class
- Youth Sports Camp Sign-Ups
- and more...

You'll find lots of resources that will help you and the entire family live a healthier lifestyle during our second annual Fun Family Fitness Day on May 13, 10 a.m.-noon. All are welcome to join us for this free event that celebrates health, wellness and family fitness. The event builds on the success of last year's Fun Family Fitness Day, which brought families from across the area to Triton.

Our healthy cooking demonstrations will help you find the right ingredients to create delicious meals for your family that will have them asking for seconds. You'll find your groove as you work up a sweat during our Zumba class, and the kids are sure to enjoy the athletic activities and 'Fun Run' around our outdoor track. Faculty and students from Triton's Nursing Program will be on hand to perform free blood pressure screenings and provide other information and resources.

In addition to all of the activities, you can enter raffles to win great prizes, enjoy healthy snacks and sign the kids up for our summer youth sports camps.

For more information, call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3168.

NEWS89 School District89 BRIEFS

Mission Statement

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.

Vision Statement

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.



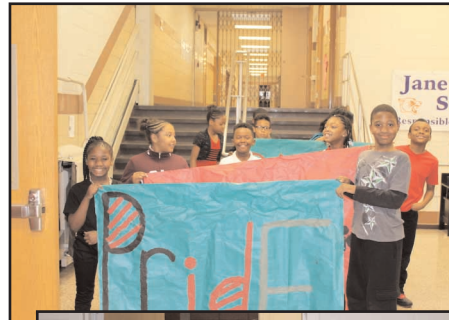
District89 Celebrates SCOTY Award Winners

School District 89 is proud to announce its School Citizen of the Year (SCOTY) award winners for the 2016-2017 school year. The following students were recognized on March 15, 2017, by the West 40 Intermediate Service Center #2 at the 21st Annual SCOTY Awards Ceremony at West Leyden High School; third grader Evelyn Guillen of Washington Dual Language Academy; fifth graders Joshua DeLaCruz of Emerson Elementary, Jamaria Harrington of Garfield Elementary, Brisa Aguirre of Jane Addams Elementary, Christopher Aleman of Lincoln Elementary, Tanya Talavera of Melrose Park Elementary, Arrin Tibbs of Roosevelt Elementary; and eighth graders Christopher Hernandez-Tejeda of Irving Middle School, and Pricilla Pena and Ross LaSalle of Stevenson Middle School.

In order to be considered for the award, these students must be good school citizens and models for others to emulate, along with grades and activities playing a small role. Each student received a medal, certificate and a copy of the SCOTY Honor Roll Book.

West 40 Intermediate Service Center #2 serves school districts in western Cook County. West 40 serves seven high school districts, one unit district, 30 elementary districts, five special education cooperatives and 63 non-public schools.

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First Annual African American History Program

Students and families from all over the district attended the First Annual African American History Program at Jane Addams Elementary School on Tuesday, Feb. 28. The program featured a variety of family and student performances ranging from poetry and songs, to dance and drumming. Several community vendors attended the event as well and offered free services such as blood pressure screenings and samples of African-American cuisine! A great educational time celebrating Black History was had by all!



Stevenson Sixth Grade Team Olympians at Bulls/Sox Youth Academy

On April 5 and 6, the Sixth Grade Team Olympians from Stevenson Middle School took a trip to Bulls/Sox Youth Academy to learn about healthy, active lifestyles.



Middle School Concert Orchestra

The District 89 Middle School Concert Orchestra, directed by Robin Krieb, recently performed at the 163rd Illinois Education Association (IEA) Representative Assembly on March 30, 2017.

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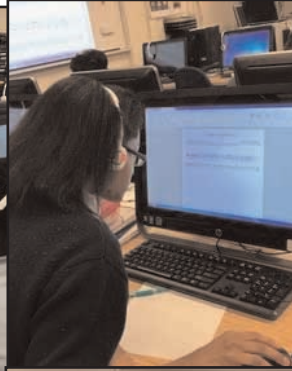
Math Professional Development

On Tuesday, March 28, 2017, School District 89 hosted a Professional Development for 3-5 grade Math Teachers focused on fractional number sense and fluency. Scott Wold, District 89 Math Coordinator, and Pauline Zdonek, D89 Math Coach, demonstrated different strategies and activities for teachers on fractions to be used in the classroom.



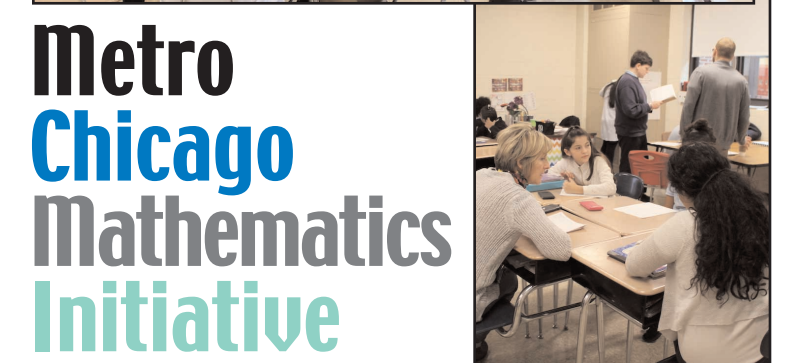
Maywood-Proviso Rotary Club

District 89 Superintendent, Dr. David Negron, addresses the Maywood-Proviso Rotary Club at their April meeting.



Stevenson Middle School Encore Music Class

Stevenson Middle School Encore Music class led by Mr. Jeffrey Hedberg engage in musical composition using 'Noteflight', a music notation software curriculum.



Metro Chicago Mathematics Initiative

The District 89 math coaches hosted a coaching institute at Stevenson Middle School where math instructional coaches in the Chicagoland area observed Pauline Zdonek (D89 math coach) observing and coaching Taylor Paluch (sixth grade math teacher). The coaching cycle included a pre-conference, classroom observation and post-conference. This event was an opportunity to showcase the instructional coaching taking place in D89 to improve student learning in mathematics across our district.



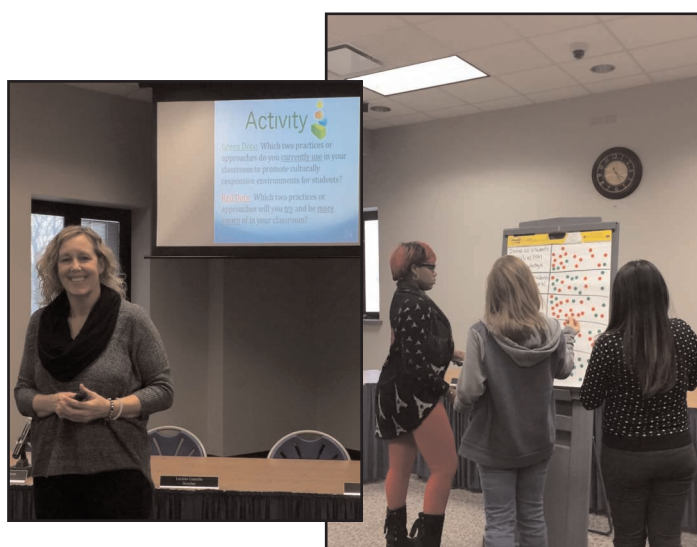
Parent Advisory Council

On March 28, the Parent Advisory Council held a meeting on the '21 Irrefutable Laws of Leadership' led by Board of Directors Vice President Dianne Williams with guest speaker President Elect Maywood Proviso Rotary Club Talei Thompson.



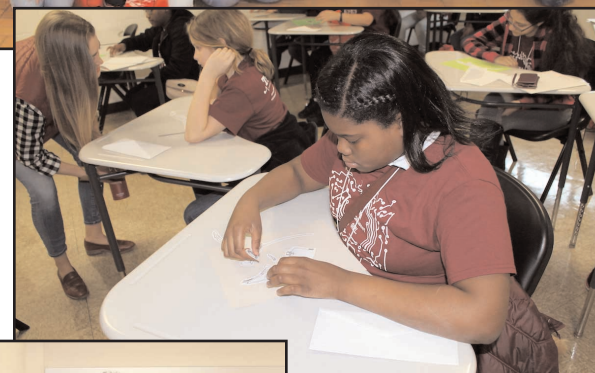
Preschool for All

Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) coach joined D89 Preschool for All staff for an in-depth training on best practices in early childhood.



New Teacher Network

Brooke Wozniak from West 40 presented Foundational Services to new teachers titled Family Engagement and Cultural Relevancy.



Middle School Girls Attend Tech Savvy Conference

On Saturday, March 25, 2017, 27 female students from Irving and Stevenson Middle Schools attended Tech Savvy at Triton College. Tech Savvy is a daylong science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) career conference designed to attract girls in sixth through ninth grades to STEM education and careers. Our students enjoyed learning about 3D printing, DNA, robotics, solar cells, paleontology, aviation and much more. Thank you Triton College!

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NEWS89 School District89 BRIEFS



Family Learning Night

On Thursday, March 9, 2017, Lincoln Elementary School partnered with Melrose Park Elementary School to provide a Family Learning Night to support students taking the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) state assessment. Families were invited to visit 10 stations at this event where they learned about programs used in and out of classes, such as RAZ-kids and Lexia, as well as other online resources to help students prepare for PARCC testing.



Destination Imagination Teams to Move Onto State Competition!

At the March 4 Destination Imagination Regional Competition, the District 89 scientific team not only won a spot to compete at the Affiliate Competition in DeKalb on April 8, but also won a coveted "Spirit of DI" Award for their hard work, perseverance and problem-solving abilities! Our fine arts team also won a spot to compete at Affiliate finals coming in second place against eight teams! Congratulations to the dedicated team of Stevenson's own Mrs. Nicole Pieranunzi, parents and students!



West Cook Division Meeting

On Thursday, March 2, 2017, School District 89 hosted the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB) West Cook Division Meeting at Stevenson Middle School. Ms. Kathryn Larson from the IASB commented, "We love having our events at the schools when the students are able to show off their work. We all really like seeing what the students are learning, and this gives the students a chance to show off what they can do." 100 IASB participants attended from neighboring districts. IASB members were impressed by the Stevenson Middle School facility and student presentations.



Teachers and Staff Celebrate π (Pi) Day!

On March 14, School District 89 teachers and staff participated in the Pi Day Pi K Fun Run/Walk organized by the Illinois Science Council to honor their favorite irrational number π . Our very own District 89 math coach, Pauline Zdonek, was the big winner of the race, coming in first place!

The race was followed by π (Pi) Trivia in which District 89 staff took second place.

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Community Alliance

**Taller para Padres y
Estudiantes los retos de la
pre-adolescencia**

Di Si a Tu Futuro!

Martes, Mayo 2, 2017 • 6-8 p.m.

**Irving Middle School
805 S. 17th Ave. • Maywood**

El Comité Juvenil de Alianza en colaboración con el Distrito 89, el Departamento de Policía de Maywood, Presence Health, Wynnning Teams y la Representante Estatal Kathleen Willis – les presentan un taller para los padres y estudiantes sobre la adolescencia y la escuela intermedia (middle school).

Padres y estudiantes participarán en una presentación de cómo balancear los estudios con los retos sociales, emocionales y personales.

Hablaremos sobre los temas de cómo motivar y comunicarnos efectivamente con nuestros hijos.

Admisión es gratis y abierta al público.



Kathleen Willis
State Representative • 77th District



**Representantes de organizaciones locales estarán disponibles para
proveer información sobre sus programas y servicios.**

Para obtener más información, por favor llame (708) 562-6970.



Community Alliance

Awareness Workshop for Parents and Middle School Students

Say Yes to Your Future!

Tuesday, May 2, 2017 • 6-8 p.m.

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The Youth Community Alliance in collaboration with presenters – School District 89, the Maywood Police Department, Presence Health, wyning teams and Illinois State Representative Kathleen Willis – brings you an awareness workshop to help students and parents navigate the challenges of middle school.

Parents and students will participate in an engaging presentation on balancing academics with social, emotional and personal challenges.

Topics covered will include how to motivate and communicate effectively with our children.

Light refreshments will be served and supervised activities will be provided for children 10 and under.

Admission is free of charge and open to the public.



Kathleen Willis
State Representative • 77th District



**Representatives from local organizations will be on hand to
provide information on their programs and services.**

For more information, please call (708) 562-6970.

***124th
Feast of
Our Lady
of
Mount
Carmel***

Friday, April 28th, 2017
Our Lady of Mount Carmel
***Annual Award
Dinner Dance***



MAN OF THE YEAR
Louis Napolitano III

**Candle House
Recognition**

**DeChristopher Family-
Padre Pio**

**Fr. Benjamin Franch
Biretta Award**

James V. (Jimmy) Lorenzo

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**Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Annual Award Dinner Dance
Friday, April 28, 2017**

Man of the Year – Louis Napolitano III
Candle House Recognition – DeChristopher Family-Padre Pio
Fr. Benjamin Franch Biretta Award – James V. (Jimmy) Lorenzo

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Sacred Heart Band Solo Winners

Sacred Heart School Band students recently participated in a Band Solo Program in Schaumburg, Ill. The following students took home awards: Benjamin – Gold, Marco V. – Gold, Natalie – Gold, Elyssa – Silver, and Omar – Gold and Silver.



Sacred Heart Sock Drive

Sacred Heart Student Council, with the help from Miss Caponi and fourth grade, sponsored a "Sock Drive" for Our Lady of Angels Mission. Our students, staff, families and friends collected 796 pairs of brand new socks. Many thanks to Sr. Jamie and Sr. Jess for taking time to thank and talk to the students. Mayor Serpico, Village Clerk Paolantonio, Mrs. Contursi and Miss Fran all came out to support the Sock Drive.



Sacred Heart Reconciliation



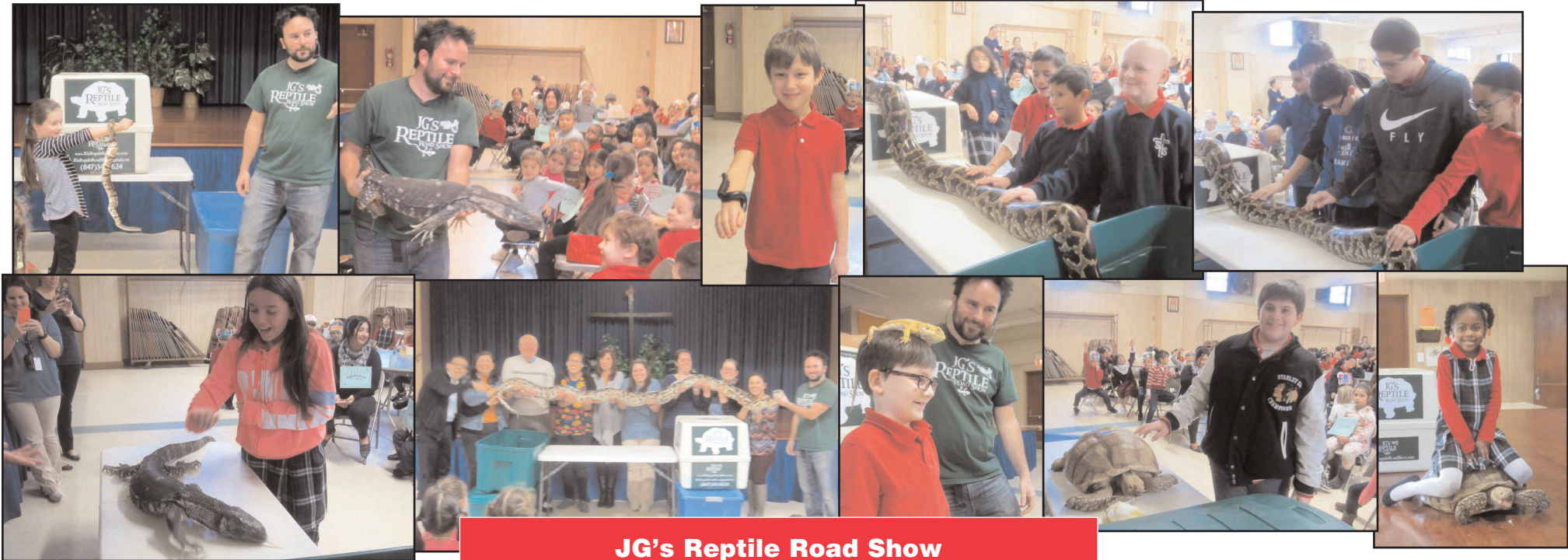
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Proviso Public Partnership OPERATION CARE PACKAGE

It's that time of year again where we let those who protect us know how much they mean to us and how much we appreciate everything they do. Operation Care Package in collaboration with the Proviso Public Partnership is once again reaching out to the Proviso community to express our gratitude by sending care packages for members of the military who are currently active overseas.

The Proviso Public Partnership is asking everyone including schools, churches, libraries, family/friends and all businesses, to consider taking part in an event to show our support to those who give so much to us. Like last year, we will provide all collection supplies and information materials. Everything we collect will be

transported to Operation Care Package in Manhattan, Ill., and be immediately shipped to our members of the military serving around the world. If you would rather show your support through a financial donation, you can do so through PayPal on the Proviso Public Partnership website, www.pppnfp.org. If you prefer not to send it electronically, you can mail a check to: Proviso Public Partnership, 4565 West Harrison Street, 3rd floor, Hillside, Ill. 60162. Please write: Operation Care Packages (in the memo of the check). 100 percent of the proceeds donated go directly to Operation Care Package. Everything from collection to distribution is done through volunteers.

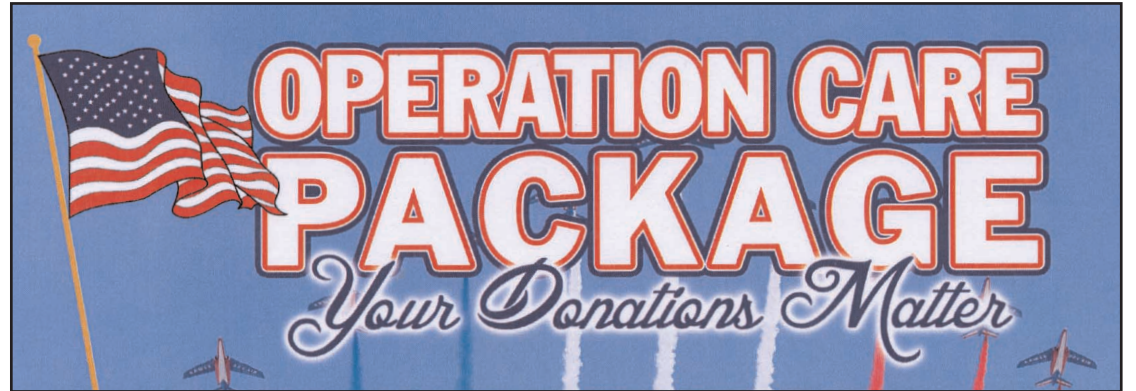
We are currently seeking additional locations that would accept a collection box and allow us to mention the location's participation on the local news, in newspapers and on social media. We are also encouraging people to write letters. The servicemen and servicewomen appreciate how much the personal letters mean and how much they boost morale.

If you want to join us, please contact Janet at (708) 240-4435 or email her at jarrieta@pppnfp.org. We will start dropping off boxes soon. This will give us enough time to make sure the items are received by Memorial Day, May 29.

Thank you very much for helping support those that support us. Please note that all the work for collection and distribution of career packages is done by volunteers.

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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.



Run with Team OLA in the Volition America Half Marathon/5K or Bank of America Chicago Marathon!



The Mission of Our Lady of the Angels (via the Franciscans of the Eucharist) provides hope to the poor on the west side of Chicago via food pantries, afterschool programs, seniors programs, community meals and much more. At the current time, the Mission is seeking runners to join their team and participate in upcoming marathons.

Benefits of joining either team include:

- T-shirts, pre-race Mass and dinner, place to stay the night before the race and more ...
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Village Hall Announces Holiday Closings

The Melrose Park Village Hall will be closed for the following holidays: Memorial Day – Monday, May 29, 2017; Independence Day – Tuesday, July 4, 2017; Labor Day – Monday, Sept. 4, 2017; Columbus Day – Monday, Oct. 9, 2017; Veterans Day – Friday, Nov. 10, 2017; Thanksgiving Day – Thursday, Nov. 23, 2017; Day After Thanksgiving – Friday, Nov. 24, 2017; Christmas Eve (1/2 Day) – Friday, Dec. 22, 2017; Christmas Day – Monday, Dec. 25, 2017; and New Year's Eve (1/2 Day) – Friday, Dec. 29, 2017.

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

Public Notice Regarding Scheduled Board Meetings

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 schedule for calendar year 2017 is: April 24; May 8 and 22; June 12; July 10; Aug. 28; Sept. 11 and 25; Tuesday, Oct. 10 and Oct. 23; Nov. 13 and 27; and Dec. 11 and Wednesday, Dec. 27.

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

Join Urban Partnership Bank for Community Shred Day, Saturday, April 29

In support of Money Smart Week®, April 22-29, 2017, Urban Partnership Bank is hosting a free Community Shred Day on Saturday, April 29, 10 a.m.-noon at the Urban Partnership Bank, Bellwood Financial Center, 4310 St. Charles Road, Bellwood.

Bring your old documents, bills, receipts and other non-essential papers for safe and secure recycling. Paper only. No plastic or metal. Ten box maximum. No companies are allowed. Free parking is available.

For more information, please visit communitypartners@upbnk.com or call (773) 420-5050.

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You're Invited! Access to Care Annual Fundraising Luncheon

Access to Care, a nonprofit primary health care program for low-income, uninsured and underinsured individuals living in suburban Cook County and northwest Chicago, is hosting their Annual Spring Luncheon on Tuesday, May 23, 2017. This year, the luncheon will be held at the Art Institute of Chicago from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Lourdes Duarte, anchor and reporter at WGN TV, will serve as the emcee and lead a dynamic panel discussion on "The Future of Healthcare: What's Next?" featuring: Commissioner Julie Morita M.D., Chicago Department of Public Health; Dr. Layla Suleiman Gonzalez, J.D., Aunt Martha's and Cook County Health & Hospitals System Board; and Mildred C. Hunter, United States Health and Human Services. With the changing healthcare climate and its uncertainty, it is important to address the everchanging needs of the uninsured and underinsured.

To register to attend the luncheon or to become a sponsor, visit www.givegab.com/nonprofits/access-to-care/campaigns/luncheon-event
We hope to see you there!

Sponsorship Opportunities Available

Interested in becoming a sponsor for our Annual Luncheon? We currently have sponsorship opportunities available! For more information about becoming a sponsor or joining the Host Committee, contact Colleen O'Neill, director of Development, at colleen@sphcc.org.

Access to Care is located at 2225 Enterprise Dr., Suite 2507, Westchester, Ill., and can be reached by phone – (708) 531-0680, or via their website – www.accesstocare.org.

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Solutions for Care Connects Clients with State and Federal Programs

As a designated ADNR (Aging and Disability Resource Network) site, Solutions for Care provides up-to-date information and quality referrals to individuals with disabilities, ages 18-58, and to older adults and their family members. ADNR also offers the Senior Health Assistance Program (SHAP) which connects clients with state and federal programs such as: Benefits Access Application; RTA Senior Free Ride Program and reduced cost vehicle registration; Medicaid; SNAP; Medicare Savings Program and Prescription Drug Plans; Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP); Senior Tax Freeze; Options Counseling; Extra Help; and Lifeline /Safelink.

ADNR conducts services at their main office in North Riverside, as well as at offsite locations such as Westlake Senior Center and Casa Esperanza, and hosts enrollment events at alternate locations throughout the year.

If you would like assistance, please call (708) 447-2448 to set up an appointment.

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Ideas for Life Senior Fair Saturday, April 22

Join Solutions for Care, the village of Maywood and vendors – Humana, Addus Healthcare, MB Financial Bank, Westlake Hospital, Riveredge Hospital, NAM I(National Alliance on Mental Illness), Oak Street Health, YMCA, Captel, Proviso Township and others at the 2017 Ideas for Life Senior Fair, Saturday, April 22, 9 a.m.-1 p.m, at the Village of Maywood Recreation Hall, 200 S. Fifth Ave., Maywood.



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Presentations that will be offered, include: The Basics of Medicare; Defense Tips for Elders; Do I Need a Power of Attorney?; and Mental Health: Stop the Stigma.

ZUMBA, Chair Yoga and File of Life will also be part of the day's activities as well as bone density, blood pressure and glucose screenings, and more! Free breakfast will be available from 9-9:30 a.m.

To register, call Solutions for Care at (708) 447-2448.

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Consider St. Paul as Your Church Home and Family

St. Paul Lutheran Church, located at 1025 W. Lake St., Melrose Park, is a diverse community of Christians, established in 1892.

For well over a century the “seed” planted at St. Paul has taken root. We welcome you to participate in any of our worship services – every Sunday at 9 a.m. (English), Sundays at 11:30 a.m. (Spanish).

Sunday school for children, youth activities and adult Bible study are a part of each week’s schedule.

In 100+ years our physical church structure has changed and so has our community and the language(s). The sure constant continues to be our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Come join us for a visit and consider St. Paul as your church home and family. Become a part of our heritage in Christ.

For more information, please visit www.facebook.com/stpaulmp or call (708) 343-1000.



St. Paul to Host National Day of Prayer, NeighborFest and More in May

St. Paul Lutheran is holding a special event for the National Day of Prayer on Thursday, May 4, at 1:25 p.m. Join them as they gather together outside around the cross in front of the church, hold hands, and pray for our country, our community, and our own personal needs. Then come inside the church for a Hymn Sing! It's simple ... come, pray and praise! All are welcome!

Join the fun on Saturday, May 6, from 11 a.m.-5 p.m., as St. Paul Lutheran hosts their annual NeighborFest as a Cinco de Mayo celebration! This year promises to be special as St. Paul is also celebrating 125 years of service the community! Live music will be performed by Castillo Fuerte and from Josephinum Academy, (a Sacred Heart School) Unaccompanied Minors! Pocket Circus and jugglers will roam and entertain! Tlahuapan Dancers will also perform! Taquitos, bunuelos, hot dogs, chips, popcorn, snow cones and cotton candy will be served! There will be games and crafts, a bounce house and slide for the kids! Human Foosball for the tweens, teens and grown-up kids! Bingo for the adults! Lot's of family fun for everyone, and IT'S ALL FREE! Be The Match will be there to answer your questions about bone marrow donations, and there will be guest political appearances and other surprises at NeighborFest!

If you're in the mood for some fresh homemade desserts, then come to the Youth Group Bake Sale on Sunday, May 7, after the 9 a.m. service! Show your support for the kids and get a little something for your sweet tooth!

Care Givers Cafe will meet on Saturday, May 13. The café is a place where you can share your story, find encouragement and obtain resources for additional help. Care-Giver Café meets the second Saturday of each month from 10-11 a.m. You are welcome to bring the person for whom you provide care. Refreshments will be provided and everything is free.

May 27 is Craft Day! Bring your crafts to work on and meet with others who may inspire you with their crafting ideas! Craft Day starts at 9 a.m. and goes until 9 p.m. There is a \$40 fee per person for lunch, dinner, drinks and additional snacks. You will also have half of a 5-foot round table for the day. Be ready for a full day of fun! You must register at least a week in advance. To register, call Jean Williams at (708) 344-8306, jean1106@att.net, or Lura Langley at (708) 681-0793, rlang221@comcast.net.

Please use the entrance behind the church by Ninth Avenue and Superior Street for the Youth Group Bake Sale, Care Givers Cafe and Craft Day.

St. Paul Lutheran is located at 1025 Lake St., in Melrose Park, and is honored to serve the community for 125 years! For more information, call (708) 343-1000.

Franciscan Resource Center Offers Local Assistance

Melrose Park-based Franciscan Resource Center is a nonprofit center for persons seeking help in their human needs, such as health, depression, domestic problems, hunger, medical aid, addictions, anger management, substance abuse, clothing and basic human needs.

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.

Centro De Recursos Franciscanos, NFP

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 inmigración, 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 seguimiento 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.

Loyola Pediatric Infectious Disease Expert Available to Discuss Mumps Cases



Nadia Qureshi
MD, FAAP

On Tuesday, March 7, the Lake County Health Department confirmed a third case of mumps at Barrington High School, qualifying it as an outbreak.

Loyola Medicine pediatrician Nadia Qureshi, MD, FAAP, is available to speak on the topic of mumps in children. Dr. Qureshi has clinical expertise in infectious disease and immunizations.

Contact Kate Hedlin at (708) 216-0787 or kate.hedlin@luhs.org to set up an interview.

To learn more about Loyola Medicine or find a physician, visit loyolamedicine.org.

Need a Place to Meet?

Does your organization, church or club, etc., need a place to meet? We are located at 841 Elsie in Melrose Park (with a large basement, a working kitchen, etc.) and have an opening on Sunday evenings (6 p.m. until?).

If you are interested, contact Jim Pagani at (708) 715-2715. Rent is very affordable!

Michael Ditoro, Pharm.D, Named CEO of Westlake Hospital



Michael Ditoro, Pharm.D, has been named chief executive officer of Westlake Hospital.

Mr. Ditoro has served as the interim CEO of Westlake Hospital since October 2016. He has driven quality and service enhancements in the OB and Bariatric programs and also created an Occupational Health Clinic, improving access and service to local companies and municipalities.

Prior to his recent assignment, Michael served as the chief operating officer of Westlake, which is part of the Tenet Health organization. Mr. Ditoro joined Tenet in 2006 in the Massachusetts market as the director of Pharmacy Services at Saint Vincent Hospital, followed by a promotion to pharmacy lead for the entire Chicago market in 2011. He holds a doctorate degree in pharmacy from Northeastern University in Boston, Mass.

Mr. Ditoro is a member of the American College of Healthcare Executives, the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists and the Illinois County of Health-System Pharmacist. He is a licensed registered pharmacist in Illinois and Massachusetts. In 2011, he was the recipient of the Institute for Safe Medication Practices Medication Safety Alert! Subscriber Award.

Two Westlake Physicians Named 2017 Top Doctors

Two Westlake Hospital physicians have been named to *West Suburban Living* magazine's 2017 Top Doctors list. The list was compiled by Castle Connelly, a healthcare research and information company. Physicians were selected after nominations from their peers, extensive research and careful review and screening by a physician-directed research team. Doctors could not nominate themselves, nor pay to appear on the list.

Westlake Hospital physicians on *West Suburban Living* magazine's Top Doctors list are Nabil Saleh, MD – Pediatrics, and Stephen Laga, MD – Thoracic & Cardiac Surgery.

The Top Doctors are listed in *West Suburban Living* magazine's April 2017 issue, on newsstands now.

"Food is Medicine" Food-prescribed Pantry Celebrates First Anniversary

At West Suburban Medical Center, patients experiencing medical issues like diabetes, obesity and heart disease can fill prescriptions for a different kind of medicine – in the form of vegetables, fruit and lean protein.

"After seeing thousands of patients over the years here at West Suburban Medical Center, one thing I know for sure is that food is medicine," said Scott Levin, MD, the hospital's family medicine residency program director.

The food pantry is a collaboration between West Suburban Hospital, the Greater Chicago Food Depository and Temple Jeremiah, a Reform synagogue in Northfield, Ill.

"Patients who have social determinants that affect their ability to get food have greater health problems like diabetes, obesity and heart-related issues, and for someone who is food insecure, this is an insurmountable problem – they may not have access to healthy fruits and vegetables that can help lower their health risks; they may not have the funds to purchase these healthier items; and they may not have the education behind what healthy food is and how to prepare it," said Barb Miller, Temple Jeremiah's executive vice president. "So we decided to place a medical food pantry inside of West Suburban Medical Center so that we can give these patients the information to change their diet and a place to get their food, and doctors can hold their patients accountable for their treatment."

The program, which began in April 2016, has several criteria for patients.

The program requires that patients take a two-question screening to determine if they are food insecure; that patients have a diagnosis that requires a change in diet; and that patients agree to participate in a study that would determine the effects of a medical food pantry.

"The goal here is to not just provide the food but to see what the positive health outcomes are for the patients," Dr. Levin said. "We want to use this research to show that food is medicine and can lead to positive health outcomes. For example, if you are a diabetic, it is much more beneficial to eat healthy food than to be on insulin for the rest of your life."

Over the last year, nearly 60 patients have used the food pantry. Patients receive 14 meals per visit, and Miller estimates that they've provided more than 5,700 meals. Each meal consists of fresh vegetables, fresh fruit, lean protein and whole wheat grains; and when first joining the program, patients receive canola oil, olive oil and herbs. Patients also receive sample recipes and preparation instructions.

To participate in the program, doctors provide patients with "prescriptions" to visit the food pantry. Patients must go back to their West Suburban Medical Center physicians for regular checkups to renew their prescriptions.

Volunteers from Temple Jeremiah, West Suburban Medical Center and the Another Chance Assembly Church, located in the Austin neighborhood of Chicago, staff the food pantry. Seven volunteers are needed on each day the food pantry is open, which is the first and third Tuesday of the month for three hours.

"There are only a handful of food pantries within a medical center throughout the country and there's no other food pantry like ours in Chicago," Miller said. "At Temple Jeremiah, we're a strong advocate on the issue of hunger, and one of our platforms is that we support access to healthy, fresh, and nutritional food for everyone. As Jews, too, we have a responsibility to make the world a better place."

Patients are already seeing the benefits of healthy eating.

"Before, I would eat healthy from time to time, but now I eat healthy very consistently, and it's because of the program," said Maya Ross, a West Suburban Medical Center patient. "Having it here at the doctor's office holds you accountable – your doctor not only told you to eat healthy, but they are going to give you a way to actually do it."

Another patient, Lee Wilson, said he lost 27 pounds through this program.





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1400 S. Lake Park Avenue
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King Conservation Science Scholars Teen Program at Brookfield Zoo

The King Conservation Science Scholars is a teen program at Brookfield Zoo which focuses on developing well-rounded conservation-minded, college- and career-ready individuals. Participants have meaningful interactions with our guests while practicing public speaking and presentation skills during exhibit interpretation out in the park. In addition to interpreting at Brookfield Zoo during the peak summer season, program participants also assist staff during special events such as Summer Nights, Boo at the Zoo and Holiday Magic.

The program also provides participants the opportunity to engage in thought provoking conversations in different conservation and animal topics through courses and workshops taught by zoo professionals. Furthermore, staff encourages teens to pursue higher education by providing workshops on career and college readiness topics. Participants are able to work on their interview skills, learn the college application process and how to define their career paths. This year, the King Conservation Science Scholars team will be hosting a Teen Conference to expose teens around Chicago of careers in conservation and STEM.

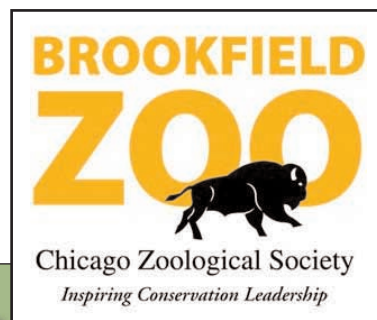
Lastly, King Conservation Science Scholars are exposed to diversity while contributing their time at Brookfield Zoo. Participants are recruited from all over the Chicago area and they represent a variety of ethnicities, neighborhoods and backgrounds. Our programs provide trainings and team-building opportunities for participants to get to know and learn from one another as well as learn from mentors at Brookfield Zoo. "The program really offers the opportunity to grow personally and professionally. A significant number of current and former participants consider our participation in the program a life-changing experience," says Luis Mendez, manager of High School and College Outreach Programs, and alumnus of the program.

The King Conservation Science Scholars has two recruitment periods:

- Spring: February-April (Application due April 28).
- Fall: August-October (Application due Oct. 27).

To download a Scholars Application, go to www.czs.org/scholars/.

For more information, please visit our Conservation Action page at www.czs.org or email Scholars@czs.org.



Goodwill Workforce Connection Center Offers Help for the Job Seeker

Goodwill Workforce Connection Centers are valuable community resources that provide convenient access, tools and technology, and support to those looking for work. A large range of work opportunities are promoted to help connect job seekers to positions that meet their unique employment needs. The revenue generated from sales of donations in our Goodwill Store & Donation Centers help fund these services.

The centers bridge the gap between the job seeker and local companies. We provide an array of services, including resume assistance, job preparation workshops, access to computers and other technology, job leads and a regular schedule of employer recruitment sessions. Services are provided at no charge to our customers.

Anyone 16 years of age or older can use the center services to find work.

Resources available include:

- Computer and internet access.
- Resume/cover letter assistance.
- Printer, fax and telephone access.
- Career exploration tools.
- Community resource information and referrals.
- Assessment tools and tutorial stations.

Coming soon! New registration system with enhanced features for job seekers, such as:

- Remote access to customized job leads and on-site recruitment events.
- Resume and cover letter document storage.
- Direct link to TalentBridge job opportunities.
- Online registration to workshops and events.

Stay tuned for more details!

Employer On-site Recruitment Sessions

Goodwill's Workforce Connection Centers host on-site presentations with local companies who are hiring across a wide range of jobs and industries. We average two to three employer recruitment sessions per week, per center. Visit your local center to see the upcoming schedule.

Additional job opportunities can be found through Goodwill TalentBridge and through a variety of our training programs.

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351 East Roosevelt Road (IL Route 38)

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The Cook County Forest Preserves are Coming Alive!

Be a Part of the Excitement and Nature-related Activities



Don't you sometimes just want to escape? Explore the natural beauty of Cook County for an hour, a day or even a night. When you're surrounded by 70,000 acres of wild and wonderful – there's no better place to feel free.

All throughout the Forest Preserves of Cook County, nature is beginning to show us that spring is here. Birds have started their bi-annual migration and wildflowers are starting to bloom. The Forest Preserves are coming alive!

Springtime encourages each of us to renew our commitment to the natural environment. Consider visiting the Forest Preserves for a special event or participate in one of the numerous volunteer opportunities happening countywide. Visit fpdcc.com/volunteer for details.

Finally, if you're already planning fun, educational summer activities for your children, be sure to check out the summer camps at the Forest Preserves Nature Centers. Registration is now open. Visit fpdcc.com/events/category/day-camps to learn more.

Check out these upcoming events, all happening close to home hosted by the Trailside Museum in River Forest!

Fragile Beauty – Wildflowers Painting Exhibit

Enjoy a display of detailed paintings of local orchids and other wildflowers by artist Kathleen Garness. Open every day.



Birdhouse Building Contest

Build a creative, functional birdhouse. We'll hang it up at Trailside where visitors will vote on their favorite. More info on fpdcc.com. Entries accepted now-May 1.

Giant Bird Art Workshops

Make "giant birds" paintings with artist Liita Forsyth for display at Trailside. Adults and children welcome. – **Saturdays, April 22 and 29 • 1-3 p.m.**

Singing Frogs

We'll learn about our local frogs and identify them by their calls. For adults and older children. – **Sunday, April 23 • 1 p.m.**

Wildflower Walk

Join us for a guided walk to learn about the life and lore of our local spring wildflowers. For adults and teens. – **Friday, April 28 • 10 a.m.**

Nature Story Times

Nature-inspired stories, followed by a craft and snack. For children ages 3-6 with adult. – **Thursdays, May 4 and 18 • 10:30 a.m.**

Morning Bird Walks

Enjoy a casual guided walk to look for birds. All levels welcome. No groups, please. – **Fridays, May 5 and 19 • 9:30 a.m.**

Spring Festival at Trailside

Celebrate spring with a day of activities for all ages, including animal encounters, kids' tree climb, guided wildflower walks, dip netting, seed planting, building a bird house to take home and much more. – **Sunday, May 7 • 10 a.m.-3 p.m.**

#birdthepreserves Big Sit

Stop by anytime to see how many birds we can spot or hear without leaving a 17-foot circle. Binoculars provided. Drop-in family activity. – **Saturday, May 13 • 6 a.m.-Noon**

Photo Meet-Up at Wolf Road Prairie

Hike and explore Wolf Road Prairie, and take photos of the stunning wildflowers and scenic vistas. All levels of photography expertise and camera types welcome. Meet at 31st Street, west of Wolf Road in Westchester. – **Sunday, May 14 • 10 a.m.**

Makin' Music Bluegrass Jam

Join us on the second Sunday of every month for Trailside's bluegrass jam. Make a simple instrument or bring your basses, fiddles, mandolins, guitars and banjos. All are welcome to join the jam or just listen. Held indoors if it rains. Family program. – **Sunday, May 14 • 1 p.m.**

Trailside History Hike

A long guided hike to learn about the history of Trailside Museum and Thatcher Woods. Visit Native American sites, an abandoned village and more. Adults and children 12 and up. Register by May 19. – **Saturday, May 20 • 1-3 p.m.**

"Bone" Appétit

Join us during feeding time to learn about Trailside's outdoor resident animals. Family program. – **Sunday, May 21, and Monday, May 29 • 1 p.m.**

Sketch-booking and Journaling Along the Trails

An introductory class on the materials and techniques for quickly sketching birds and other wildlife on hikes. Taught by artist Joe Feliciano: [instagram.com/thehorsepuppy/](https://www.instagram.com/thehorsepuppy/). For adults and teens. All art materials supplied. Register by May 25. – **Saturday, May 27 • 1-3 p.m.**

**The Trailside Museum of Natural History is located at
738 Thatcher Ave., in River Forest.**

Hours (now-October):

Building – 9 a.m.-5 p.m., closed Fridays;

Grounds – 8 a.m.-5 p.m. daily.

For more information, please call (708) 366-6530.

Interested in Doing Volunteer Work with the Cook County Forest Preserves?

If you have time, skills and enthusiasm to give, consider volunteering with the Forest Preserves. Our thousands of acres provide endless opportunities for individuals and groups to get involved. From removing invasive species to picking up litter to monitoring birds and other animals, volunteering is fun and meaningful. To find out more, visit fpdcc.com/volunteer.

State Rep. Emanuel "Chris" Welch's Healthy Lives Matter Event Set for May 20

Members of the community are invited to join 7th District Illinois state Rep. Emanuel "Chris" Welch for a free monthly Healthy Lives Matter fitness class on Saturday, May 20, 2017, at Proviso West High School, 4701 Harrison St., Hillside.

The Healthy Lives Matter class runs from 10 a.m.-noon, and health screenings and/or wellness sessions will be offered as well.

Healthy Lives Matter is sponsored by state Rep. Welch, Westlake Hospital, Trainer Charles Robinson, Agent Larry Williams and State Farm Insurance.

Additional classes will be held throughout the year. The schedule is as follows: July 15, Aug. 19 and Sept. 16 – Stevenson Center, 3105 Washington Blvd., Bellwood; and Oct. 21, Nov. 18 and Dec. 16 – Westchester Park District, 10201 Bond St., Westchester

For more information or to RSVP, please contact state Rep. Welch's constituent service office at (708) 450-1000 or send an email to repwelch@emanuelchriswelch.com.

Feel free to share this, as this event is open to all seeking to live a healthy lifestyle.



Please join 7th District State Representative

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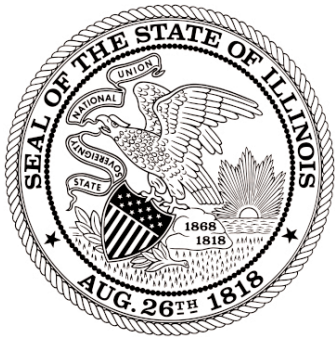


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Willis Advances Measure to Award College Credit for Work Experience, Skills Training

Receiving a college degree could become more attainable for nontraditional students under legislation passed out of committee and onto the House floor recently by state Rep. Kathleen Willis, D-Addison.

"The world is full of learning opportunities that exist outside of the classroom," Willis said. "Prospective students who have taken time off from pursuing a formal education deserve the opportunity to receive credit for the knowledge and skills they've obtained from previous jobs, training and experiences."

Under the Credit for Prior Learning Act, the Illinois Board of Higher Education and Illinois Community Colleges Board would create rules allowing institutions of higher education to award college credit for prior learning experiences. Public colleges and universities would be required to submit their policies for distributing this credit to the board.

"As a state, we should be doing everything in our power to make obtaining a higher education accessible for people who want to progress and be successful in today's workforce," Willis said. "This bill would make college more affordable and less time consuming for nontraditional students, expanding the opportunity of earning a college degree to people who might not have the ability to go back to school otherwise."

For more information, please contact Willis' full-time constituent service office at (708) 562-6970 or email RepWillis77@gmail.com.

Kathleen Willis is serving her third term in the Illinois General Assembly as state representative of the 77th District, which includes O'Hare Airport and portions of Addison, Bellwood, Bensenville, Franklin Park, Maywood, Melrose Park, Northlake, Stone Park and Wood Dale.

State Rep. Kathleen Willis Presents

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Thursday, July 20 • 6 p.m.

Melrose Park Village Hall • 1000 N. 25th Ave., Melrose Park



Residents of **Proviso Township**, learn how to appeal your property tax bill. If you are interest in filing an appeal, **please bring your latest tax bill and a valid state ID or driver's license to the seminar.**

**For more information, please contact
Rep. Willis' constituent office at
(708) 562-6970 or repwillis77@gmail.com.**

Obituaries

Aeberli

Henry C. Aeberli. Private service.

Cosentino

Francesco Cosentino. Dearly beloved husband of Ines (nee Conforti); loving father of Gino and Anthony (Ursula); fond grandfather of A.J. and Danny; loving brother, uncle and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home.

Daniele

Andrew Daniele. Proud member of the United States Navy. Dearly beloved husband of Filomena; loving father of Pamela Valente, Anna (Angelo) Panvino and Anthony Daniele; cherished grandfather of Juliana Valente, Alexander (Jacqui) Panvino, Megan Daniele and Andrew Daniele; great-grandfather of Julian Moore, Lucy Panvino, Layla Panvino and Liliana Jordan; loving uncle and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Funeral service from Salerno's Rosedale Chapels. Entombment All Saints Mausoleum.

De Biasio

Andonella De Biasio. Dearly beloved daughter of Archangela and the late Romolo De Biasio; loving sister of Marco (Stephanie); cherished aunty of Dominic, Luca and Nico; fond niece, cousin and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Entombment Elmwood Cemetery.

Di Orio

Rose A. Di Orio, nee De Angelo. Dearly beloved wife of the late Nuncio; loving mother of Pat (Buzz) Puccio, Nicky and Donna (Bill) Di Cosola; cherished grandmother of Joseph (Emma), Anthony (Jessi), Anna and Nick; great-grandmother of Sophia and Joseph; fond sister, aunt and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery.

Falco

Eda Falco, nee Pennacchia. Dearly beloved wife of the late Joseph; loving mother of Joseph (Chris), Gail (Michael) Dioguardi, Sam (Sherry) and Nancy (Michael) Gatto; beloved daughter of the late Enis and Cesare Pennacchia; cherished grandmother of Joseph (Rita), Nikki (John), Gianna (Ryan), Michael, Deanna (Maurice), Sam (Jackie) and Sara; great-grandmother of seven; dear sister of the late Joseph and the late Fiore (late Sharon); fond aunt and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment private.

Galione

Joseph Galione, age 37, went to be with the Lord on March 19, the Feast of St. Joseph. Dearly beloved husband of Maria (nee Aliasi); loving and devoted father of Domenica (6) and Giuseppe (4) Galione; loving son of Maria (nee Ruffolo) and the late Vincenzo Galione; dear brother of Gioacchino and Vince Jr. (Julie) Galione; cherished uncle of Enzo, Francesca and Antonella; loving son-in-law of Federico Aliasi and Domenica (nee Manzo); brother-in-law of Gino (Aliasi) (Disa) and Rosa Aliasi; dear cousin, nephew and dear friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery.

Gonzalez

Jonathon Gonzalez. Visitation and interment private.

Grochowski

Diane M. Grochowski, nee Calarco. Dearly beloved wife of James; loving mother of Jimmy, Katie (Anthony) Rotella and Kristie (Patrick) Billings; cherished grandmother of Gino, Bella, Bianca, Easten, Jax and Ember; dear sister of Donald (Cindy), Dennis, Donna (Mitch) Kiernicki and the Late Deborah Ismar; fond sister-in-law, aunt and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery.

Mc Garr

Frank Mc Garr Jr. Father of Deborah Mc Garr Hutchins and Michele (John) Case; beloved son of the late Judge Frank Sr. and Margaret Mc Garr; grandfather of Donald, Jordan, Monique, John Jr. and Marisa; brother of Mary Bronny, Patricia Di Maria, Michael and William Mc Garr and the late Raymond Mc Garr; uncle and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home.

Mc Graw

Sally A. Mc Graw, nee Evans. Dearly beloved wife of John; loving mother of Michelle Kathryn Trela and Erin Kathlyn (Nick) Fiore; cherished grandmother of Mairead, August and Lucio; dear sister of Cindy and the late Diane and Jerry; fond sister-in-law of 12; aunt and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. "The world was bankrupted of 10 million fine actions the night (she) passed on." – Ray Bradbury Sally Ann (Evans) McGraw was born on Jan. 31, 1950, in Mankato, Minn. She passed away on April 3, 2017, in Chicago, Ill. Sally grew up primarily in Mankato with her three siblings, Diane, Cindy and Jerry, and her parents, Harvey and Kathryn. In 1966, she met John McGraw. On Nov. 29, 1968, they wed, and she gained 12 brothers and sisters. From 1970 to 1971, she waited anxiously for John's return from fighting in Vietnam. In September 1971, to her great relief and happiness, he arrived back home safely. In 1974, Sally and John made the first of many moves outside of their home state of Minnesota, living briefly in Marshall, Mich. In 1976, after moving to Marshall, Mo., they welcomed their first daughter, Michelle Kathryn. Five years later, Sally gave birth to their second daughter, Erin Kathleen, and their family was complete. Throughout the rest of the 1980s and the first part of the 1990s, they moved throughout the Midwest and as far west as Denver, before finally settling in suburban Chicago in 1994. In 2002, Sally found one of the greatest joys of her life when she became a grandmother for the first time to Michelle's daughter, Maggie. In 2006, she welcomed the first baby boy in her life when Michelle had a son, Gus. And in 2015, Erin gave birth to her third grandchild, Lucio. She was an honorary grandmother to Abby's ("Daughter #3") daughters, Lily and Cece. In December 2016, she was elated to learn that Erin was pregnant again. One of her family's greatest sadnesses is that she will never meet her next grandchild. Sally was the grandmother every child should have, showering them with her love and affection, warm arms and warm cookies always at the ready. Sally's heart had no enemies. Throughout her 67 years, she touched everyone who knew her with her vast love, kindness and generosity. It was impossible to know Sally and not have a story to share about how she had touched your life. And one of her very favorite ways to show her love was to cook! No one will ever forget Sally's cooking. Not only would everyone who met her have a story to share about her, they'd have a favorite dish of hers, too – or, more likely, many favorites! Sally was never happier than she was in the kitchen, preparing an endless array of meals, cookies, cakes, appetizers and drinks, and so much more to share with the people she loved. Sally's death leaves a hole in the lives of all who knew her, especially John, Michelle, Erin and her precious grandchildren, Maggie, Gus and Lucio. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Paras

Marie G. Paras, nee Teodori. Dearly beloved wife of Mario Paras; loving mother of Candy DeLuca, Pattie (Michael) Lupo and Therese (Carmen) Corvino; cherished grandmother of Karisa Disano, Michael and Dominick Lupo, Natalie Patite, Carmen and Paris Corvino, and Dina Perez; great-grandmother of Michael, Anthony, ToTo, Alena, Alyssa, Aria, Siena, Lea and Gia; dear sister of the late Lefty Teodori; fond aunt of Michael and Nancy Teodori; fond family member and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment private.

Piemonte

Kathleen Campanelli Piemonte. Dearly beloved mother of Christine, Larry, Joey and Vanessa Piemonte; cherished grandmother of Anthony, Annina and Sam; loving sister of Tony, Mary Ellen, Mary "T.C." and Billy Campanelli; fond aunt, cousin and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery.

Principe

Michael Principe. Dearly beloved husband of Barbara (nee Jurek); loving father of Michele (Michael) D' Alessandro and Dana La Rocco; cherished papa of Arianna, Tessa, and Mia; dear brother of Frank Jr., and the late Theresa; fond uncle, cousin and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Queen of Heaven.

Rizzo

Anita Rizzo, nee Catalano. Dearly beloved wife of the late Alphonse; loving mother of Philip (Judith) and Donna (John) Maentanis; loving nana of Philip Jr. (Natalia), Steve, Natalie, John Jr., and Alexa; loving great-nana of Colleen, Dominic and Anthony; dear sister of Ron Catalano; loving aunt, cousin and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Entombment Queen of Heaven Mausoleum.

Santilli

Lenina Santilli. Dearly beloved daughter of the late Nazzareno and Santa Santilli; cherished sister of Josephine (the late Vito) Iacobazzi, the late Rinaldo (Ann) Santilli and the late Berardino (the late Eleanor) Santilli; dear uncle of Mark and Donald (Karen) Iacobazzi, Sandy (Nick) Tenerelli and Ronald (Leslie) Santilli; dear great-aunt and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home from Hursen Funeral Home. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery.

Sperando

Stella J. Sperando, nee Giampietro. Dearly beloved wife of the late Michael; loving mother of Steven (Colleen), Vito (Kathryn) and Michelle (Gary) Klecka; cherished grandmother of Stephen (Sara), Kathryn (Sam) Odom, Lauren (Joe) Breeden, Anthony, Julianna and Ashlyn; great-grandmother of six; dear sister, sister-in-law, aunt, cousin and friend of many. Arrangements by

Carbonara Funeral Home. Entombment Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Christ the King Mausoleum. Member of Italo-American National Union Rose Lodge.

Spillone

Anthony Spillone. Dearly beloved husband of the late Carmella Deandre; loving father of Joseph, Anthony J. Spillone Jr. (Annette) and Rick (Vicki); fond grandfather of Dominique, RJ, Lisa, Toni (Bobby), Joey, Christine, Anthony (Renee), Mark, Matthew, Nicholas, Michael, Danny, Samantha (Nick) and Dominic; dear brother of Chris, Marie, Frank, the late Vito, Gus, Claire, Louie, Virg and Rosie; loving great-grandfather, uncle and friend to many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery.

Vicari

Louis V. Vicari, owner of Vicari Tool & Plastics. Dearly beloved husband of Wilma (nee Daniels); loving father of Linda (Frank) Gibson, Louis (Fran), Mark (Roxanne) and Ralph (Liz); cherished grandfather of 10; loving great-grandfather of 10; dear brother, brother-in-law, uncle and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Entombment Queen of Heaven Mausoleum.

Weber

Geraldine B. Weber, nee Brindisi. Dearly beloved wife of the late Rudy; beloved daughter of the late Rose and Daniel Brindisi; dear sister of the late James; loving aunt, cousin and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery.

Zaccone

Josephine M. Zaccone, nee Barbera. Dearly beloved wife of the late August; loving mother of Thomas (Barbara) Zaccone and Marietta (Dr. Robert) DeLuca.; cherished grandmother of Dena Muzi, Michelle Schmit, Dominick DeLuca, Nicky DeLuca and the late Nadia Folkeson; great-grandmother of five; fond sister, aunt and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Entombment Queen of Heaven Mausoleum.

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