

A Message From Mayor Ronald M. Serpico

Our Famous Feast's History ... Celebrating 124 Years!



Ronald M. Serpico
Mayor

Dear Neighbors,

I can't believe that in all the years I have been writing *The Rose* letter, I have yet to include a story about the one thing that has put Melrose Park on the map and set our little village apart from all the other Chicago suburbs. Of course, I am talking about none other than our Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. And so, relying on historical archives, I now present a cliff note version of our famous Feast's history, which is the longest running religious festival in the Chicago area.

In 1894, ladies from Laurenzana, Provincia Potenza, Italy, founded the Societa Di Signore Italiane Di Maria Santissima Del Carmine. Their leader was Mrs. Emanuella DeStefano, whose husband was seriously ill at the time. Emanuella made a pledge to the Madonna that if her husband was returned to good health she and the members of the Societa would establish the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Melrose Park.

Mr. DeStefano's health was restored, and the first Feast was held on the DeStefano farm at 25th and North avenues on July 16, 1894, when Melrose Park was just 12 years old. Hundreds of newly arrived Italians came to the first Feast to honor the statue of Our Lady, which Emanuella had commissioned from a Neapolitan artist. It is a replica of the famous statue of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, venerated for centuries in Laurenzana.

In 1895 a wooden chapel was built on 24th Avenue to house the statue and offer a place of worship for the local Italian community. In September of 1905, Father Benjamin Franch arrived in Melrose Park. He founded the Congregazione Parrocchiale Maria SS Del Monte Carmelo with the intention of getting this group to help him finance and build a new church. But this was not their only task, they were also

asked to help prepare the Feast – thus, becoming the proto-type of what would eventually become the official Feast Committee. In 1907, the chapel was moved to 1101 N. 23rd Ave., and in 1908, a much larger and more beautiful church was built for the burgeoning number of Festa devotees.

From that point on the Feast began developing its own traditions, some of which are still practiced today. On Thursday eve as devotees exited Novena, a marching band would serenade the Virgin and then the band would march through the streets of the parish. On Saturday evening, the band would repeat the ritual, but would also add a concert. It didn't take long before out-of-towners started arriving and camping out on the lawns of homes along the procession route so they too could be part of the celebration.

The procession would start with fireworks saluting the Madonna's exit from church after Solemn High Mass. From there Our Lady was carried on a platform adorned with an arch of flowers and trailed by a satin embroidered canopy. In 1926, this was all changed when Fr. Franch hired an Italian woodcarver to reproduce an elegant Baldachino, which is still used today. What never changed were the crowds of people who would march behind the statue of Mary, praying and singing in thanksgiving or supplication. In the evening there would be a band concert, the crowning of the Queen of the Festa and a magnificent show of fireworks that would bring the Feast to a close.

Despite its Italian origin, other ethnic groups have also been involved in the Feast. Due to Fr. Franch's encouragement, both the St. John Baptist and the St. Anne Lithuanian Societies have marched in the procession. As have the San Rocco and the San Michele Societies, with the San Michele Society carrying a statue of their patron, St. Michael the Archangel, at the lead of the procession for years. And today, Hispanic residents are deeply involved in the Feast and are represented in the procession by Our Lady of Guadalupe and the Grupo San Lucas Societies.

In 1921, the first official Feast Committee met. By 1925, the growing number of groups marching created a need for a grand marshall to organize the procession. Sebastian Lorenzo became grand marshall in 1930 and served 40 years.

Since 1925, decorative, illuminated arches have been set up over 23rd Avenue from Lake Street to Cortez Street. The committee at that time also decided to serve refreshments and have amusements for the children.

In 1922, the Madire Christiane was originated for the mothers of the parish and they marched in the procession until 1960 when they merged with Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Sodality, who had been marching since their founding in 1936. Together they formed the Altar and Rosary Society. Melrose Park followers of St. Anthony of Padua began marching in 1956.

When World War II began, area Italians flocked to the feet of Our Lady to pray for the safe return of their sons and the end of the war. Thousands marched behind the Virgin during these years and many are the stories of prayers answered through her intercession.

In 1944, the Golden Jubilee of the Feast was celebrated and new crowns were purchased for the statue. Because of the large crowd expected, an outdoor altar was constructed near 25th and Augusta; and the first Field Mass was celebrated. The tradition of the outdoor Mass was continued until 1981.

In 1966, a new church was dedicated with a place for Our Lady in a chapel near the entrance. At that point, the Blue Army of Our Lady of Fatima and members of the Italian Catholic Federation began marching in the Feast.

In 1969, in preparation for the 75th anniversary of Our Lady, Fr. Adam Torresan, the pastor at that time, had an Italian jeweler create new crowns for the statue, which were made of 18k gold and bejeweled with precious gems. The crowns were made possible through votive donations made by devotees, who according to custom, would present the statue of Our Lady with a votive offering in gratitude for the favor she had granted. Fr. Adam crowned the statue after the Field Mass that year.

This year the Feast celebrates its 124th anniversary. The dates for this year's Feast are July 13-16. Attend this year's Feast and be part of Melrose Park's grandest tradition.

For More Information on the 124th OLMC Feast Celebration, See Pages 36-37.

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

Taste of Melrose Park Sponsorships Available, See Pages 27-33.

Sincerely,

Ron Serpico
Mayor Ron Serpico



Village of Melrose Park

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Mary Ann Paolantonio, Village Clerk

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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 MeetingsJuly 10, Aug. 28

Village Hall Holiday Closing.....July 4, Sept. 4

Senior Club Meetings.....Aug. 10

Resident Response

Dear Mayor Serpico...

I am very grateful to you and the Melrose Park Youth Commission for posting the U.S. Army flag outside of my family home.

As a lifelong resident of Melrose Park and a former member of the Youth Commission, I take pride in the fact that you (our leader), accompanied by the members of the Melrose Park Youth Commission (our future leaders), set a positive example for other communities by maintaining our truly American values of respect and honor for those who are willing to sacrifice their lives for the betterment of our country. I am comforted that the citizens of our hometown still respect and honor our veterans and those who continue to serve our great nation despite today's unfortunate culture where high-profile politicians, academics, the media and celebrities openly express disdain for our men and women in uniform.

My family has served our country during every conflict since World War II, including one family member, Private Joseph A. Maggio, Jr., who paid the ultimate price for freedom while serving in Viet Nam.

As you continue to receive requests to honor more veterans, you will discover the rich heritage of patriotism and valor that has always filled the hearts of Melrose Park's citizens who have served in uniform, and their families and friends who continue to support their efforts in many capacities during wartime and in peace.

As we prepare to celebrate our nation's 241st birthday, I pray that God continues to bless the citizens of our wonderful village, that he continues to bless and guide our current and future leaders, and that he continues to bless the United States of America.

• Sincerely,

Eric J. Marella

Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Army

Deputy Commandant, Civil Affairs Proponent

Dear Mayor Serpico and Police Chief Sam Pitassi...

I am writing you today to thank the Melrose Park Police Department for recovering a stolen piece of construction equipment owned by Joel Kennedy Construction Corp.

We worked with Officer Lenny Bartemio and he was professional, proactive and extremely helpful in the process.

Thank you again for the police work in recovering our stolen piece of equipment.

• Regards,

Joel Kennedy

Joel Kennedy Constructing Corp.

Dear Melrose Park Resident Susan Datoli (Duke of Oil)...

On behalf of the residents of Melrose Park, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your generous donation and support of the Mayor Serpico/Melrose Park Youth Commission Avenue of Flags initiative.

We're hoping our efforts continue throughout every street in Melrose Park in support of our veterans and the beautification efforts of Mayor Serpico.

- With grateful appreciation,
The Board and Staff of the Melrose Park Youth Commission

Dear Mayor Serpico...

Thank you so much for allowing us to conduct IDPH Vision and Hearing Training sessions in the Melrose Park Senior Building during the 2016-2017 school year. Upon successful completion of this training, school personnel are certified to provide mandated vision/hearing screening for children in schools and preschools throughout the state. Hundreds of children are referred for treatment of hearing and vision problems each year as a result of screening services provided in Illinois schools.

Staff members at the Senior Building, particularly John and Frank, were very accommodating and helpful to us and our training participants. We greatly appreciate the assistance and warm welcome everyone extended to us when we used your facility.

Thank you for supporting our effort to maintain a quality Vision/Hearing Screening Training Program.

- Sincerely,
Christine A. Budorick, M.A.
Vision/Hearing Training Program Manager
Illinois Department of Public Health

Dear Fire Chief Rick Beltrame...

Please accept this as a thank you for the assistance your department gave us on Tuesday, April 18, at 11:30 hours for the fire at 2410 Gardner in Broadview.

I always appreciate how well Division XX departments work together.

- Sincerely
Chief Tracy Kenny, Broadview Fire Department

Dear Fire Chief Rick Beltrame...

The Schiller Park Fire Department responded to a report of smoke coming from a building on Thursday, April 6, 2017. First arriving units had smoke showing and requested a "working fire" response. The fire investigative crew found a fire in the boiler room due to some repairs being made that traveled through pipe cases to the second and third floors before entering the attic space.

With fire in four units, the incident commander requested a box alarm. On the box alarm, we were fortunate to have your department respond and assist in suppression and support.

We would like to thank all the members who responded. Without the quick response and professionalism displayed, this could have escalated into a much bigger incident. The fire was contained to these units and the other six units were spared fire damage.

Please extend to your department and members our deep appreciation.

- Sincerely,
Chief Peter N. Chiodo, Schiller Park Fire Department

Dear Mayor Serpico...

On Friday, June 9, my family experienced a loss greater than we can ever imagine. But one where we had felt so at ease witnessing on the sidelines. As our house and our neighbors house were being taken over in flames we knew Fire Chief Beltrame and the Melrose Park Fire Department had everything under control. For that I want to send out a special thank you to the Fire Department for your quick action and kind words through this all. They all impressed us with their bravery and selfless attitude on saving something that wasn't even theirs. It is because of their quick and skilled response that everyone from both houses were able to escape unharmed.

I also want to thank the two village workers that woke up my husband and our dog as the fire spread from our neighbors house to ours.

Mayor Serpico, I want you to know your town is truly one of a kind. The prayers, condolences and support we have been receiving are like no other. We are forever grateful for all those who have helped and continue to help as we get back on our feet.

- Sincerely,
The Efrosinis Family
1204 Division Street, Melrose Park

Dear Chief Beltrame, Chief Pitassi, Chief Schwartz...

On Friday, June 9, I was approximately 400 miles away on vacation when I received a call from a fellow village employee passing by that a home next to my daughter's was on fire. He called 911 and asked if I knew if anyone was in her home. Come to find out my son-in-law and dog were asleep in the house. By this time it had passed to her house and it was in flames, village of Melrose Park worker, John Scobba, immediately popped the window open to get my son-in-law and family dog out of a smoked-filled house.

The departments of those listed above were on the scene immediately and did an outstanding job of trying to save their house. I was kept updated by friends and coworkers as we raced home. I was told how dangerous the scene was and that the fire departments fought extremely hard in the scorching heat to save their house.

I will be forever grateful.

I want to say thank you from my family and I for all those who have called and reached out to my daughter, her husband and grandson. Your generosity will never be forgotten!

- Sincerely,
Bill Rich

Mayor Serpico...

Thank you doesn't seem enough to recognize the tireless service you give to the children and families of School District 89.

Please know that it means a great deal to all of us that you took the time to speak words of encouragement and to congratulate the Stevenson Middle School graduates recently at Dominican University.

May God continually bless and keep you.

- Gwaine Dianne Williams
School District 89 Board President

Dear Melrose Park Police Lt. Rieger...

As per our phone conversation, here is the story of how your police officers, Sullo and Korsch, saved a family of ducklings. Please thank them for me.

Recently, Melrose Park Police officers, Sullo and Korsch, heroically saved a family of ducks from certain death. Under what circumstances the family began their journey from the Winston Plaza parking lot to the forest that lay north of the North Avenue shopping district is unknown.

However, this part of the story begins on a day that seemed to be just like any other day. Or, so I thought, I happened to be doing a quick errand in Winston Plaza. As I got out of my car, I saw a mother duck waddling across the parking lot, with eight tiny ducklings in tow. My first reaction was a feeling of thankfulness for having seen such beautiful creatures.

However, that feeling quickly turned to concern, for she was marching her little ones toward North Avenue and toward an inevitable and catastrophic death. Realizing the danger ahead of them, I walked along with them. As I did so, I tried to coax her into leading her babies in a different direction. But she would have none of it. She knew where she wanted to go and nothing, and no one, was going to prevent her from continuing in this direction.

As we drew nearer to the speeding cars on North Avenue, I wasn't sure where to turn for help. I called a few animal groups, but there was not enough time for them to get there. I then called the Melrose Park Police, begging them to come and help these poor, innocent creatures.

Officers Sullo and Korsch quickly came to the rescue. After having sized up the situation, they stood by their side and watched the family move closer to the street – waiting for the perfect time in which to act. Right before the mother duck jumped into the street, Officer Korsch turned on his lights and slowly drove his car into the eastbound lanes, preventing the cars from moving forward. As the mother duck jumped off the curb and into the street, the babies followed her, tumbling headfirst and rolling down onto the pavement. They quickly got back into line behind their mom and continued waddling to the center medium.

When the mother duck was close to the medium, Officer Korsch moved his car into the westbound lane, again stopping the traffic. Mom easily jumped over the medium, but the babies didn't have the strength to do the same.

Officer Sullo walked into the street and gently picked up each one of the ducklings and placed them on top of the medium. Mom turned and quacked at Officer Sullo, as though she was asking him to hurry up because she had places to go! The ducklings jumped and tumbled down onto the pavement, and again they got to their feet and lined up behind mom. The mother duck and her paddle of ducklings waddled to the curb and jumped up into the soft, safe grass.

As I walked back to my car, I stopped to thank officers Sullo and Korsch for a job well-done. As Officer Sullo put hand sanitizer on his hands, he had a smile on his face and I couldn't help but think that for these two heroic police officers and for this family of ducks, this was a very good day.

Thank you!

• Respectfully,

Eileen Hourihan McCarthy, M.FN., R.D.N., L.LXN., C.P.T. C.M.T.
Illinois Dietitians, LLC

MP Village Officials Take Oath of Office

On May 8, a ceremony was held for Melrose Park's recently elected village officials who were sworn in for a new term in office.

The ceremony, performed by Judge Paula Daleo, was open to the public and attended by several community members and village representatives.

Pictured (left to right) are Melrose Park trustees Sonny Nicotera and Jaime Anguiano, Village Clerk Mary Ann Paolantonio, Mayor Serpico and Melrose Park trustees Mary Ramirez Taconi, Arturo J. Mota, Anthony N. Abruzzo and Anthony J. Prignano.



MP Looking for Residents Currently Serving in the Military



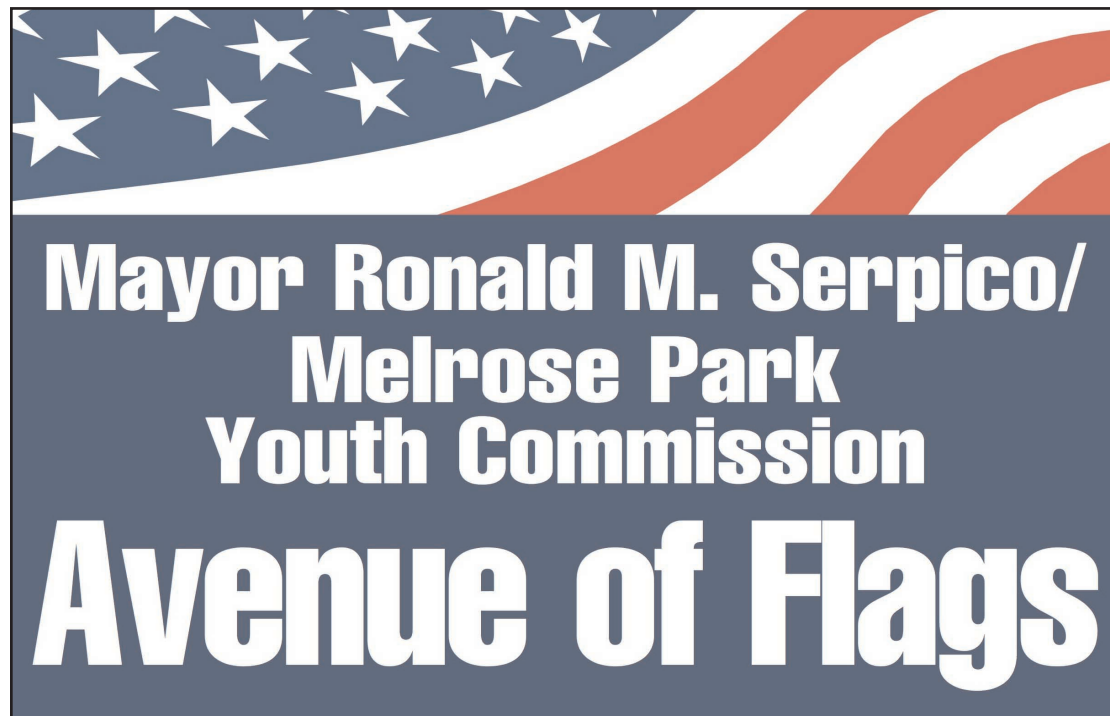
Attention Residents

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.

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

Call the Village Hall Today to Reserve a Flag in Their Honor



NEW FOR 2017



In 2014, Mayor Serpico and the Melrose Park Youth Commission launched Melrose Park's Avenue of Flags campaign and we're continuing our efforts.

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 have been displayed on lightpoles within the village.

If you know of a veteran or someone currently serving from the community and would like to have a flag displayed on a lightpole near to their home, please call the Melrose Park Village Hall at (708) 343-4000 with details on their U.S. military branch.



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**

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.



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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.

Beware of Unexpected Checks in the Mail, Scammers Target Anyone

Take a look at the check that Melrose Park PD received in the mail recently. The only problem ... this is a counterfeit check.

How it Works

Scammers send checks in the mail. They usually ask at the time of delivery, or in a follow-up message/letter that you deposit the check into your account, and then send back a portion of the amount via your own check or wire transfer. In this

case, the scammer sent the check in a United States Postal Service priority mail envelope.



The Problem Is

The check or money order that you receive and deposit will turn out to be counterfeit. The counterfeit check will be returned to your bank without funds and you will be charged the full amount.

Your Account, Your Responsibility

Any check or money order that you deposit into your bank account is your responsibility. Should the check be returned as unpaid, you will be stuck with the charges. Because of federal law, banks must make deposited money available within one to five business days. This means that it is possible for a person to withdraw funds from their account after unknowingly depositing a counterfeit check. It can sometimes take weeks for a check to be returned to your bank as unpaid. When that happens, the person that deposited the check into their account is responsible for the charges.

What You Should Do

As the saying goes ... "If it seems too good to be true, it likely is." If you receive a check like this in the mail, you should not deposit it. You should shred the check so that it isn't mistakenly deposited later. BEWARE – scammers can be very persistent. If you are contacted via electronic communication, block the scammer. If the scam is on an internet website, report the scammer to the administrator of the site.

If you have any questions contact the Melrose Park Police Department.

Useful Links

There are numerous ways that people may try and scam you out of your money. Here are some helpful links with tips on how to avoid being scammed:

- <http://www.fakechecks.org>.
- <https://postalinspectors.uspis.gov/pressroom/schemealerts.aspx>.
- <https://postalinspectors.uspis.gov/pressroom/videos.aspx>.
- <https://postalinspectors.uspis.gov/pressroom/pubs.aspx>.



Melrose Park Police Offer Safe Disposal Method for Prescription Drugs

The Melrose Park Police Department has partnered with the Cook County Sheriff's Office to offer residents a safe and convenient method for disposing of unused and unwanted prescription medications.

These types of drugs pose a danger within the home. They may become the source of an accidental poisoning or overdose. According to the U.S. Department of Justice, most abused prescription drugs are obtained from friends and family. Disposing of these drugs by throwing them in the trash or flushing them down the toilet may pose health/safety and environmental risks.

In order to provide a preferable alternative for the disposal of these drugs, a secure collection box has been placed in the lobby of the Melrose Park Police Department. "Our residents may now safely dispose of unwanted drugs by simply placing them inside of the collection box in our station," stated Police Chief Sam Pitassi. "This is another way we can assist our residents and promote drug safety within the home," said Pitassi.

The secure collection box is available to residents for unwanted medications 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Please do not place garbage, food, bio-hazardous waste or sharps in the collection box. If you have any questions, you may call the police desk at (708) 344-8409.

Chicago PD Films in Melrose Park

In the spring, the crew of NBC's hit TV show *Chicago PD* were in Melrose Park to film the episode that aired on May 10 titled *Army of One*.

Sophia Bush, who plays Det. Erin Lindsay, and fellow cast members took time out of their busy schedule to chat with MP Police Chief Sam Pitassi, MP Deputy Police Chief Michael Castellano, MP Fire Chief Rick Beltrame, Chief of Public Safety – Homeland Security Phil Schwartz and several representatives from the Melrose Park Police Department.



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Melrose Park Police Department



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.

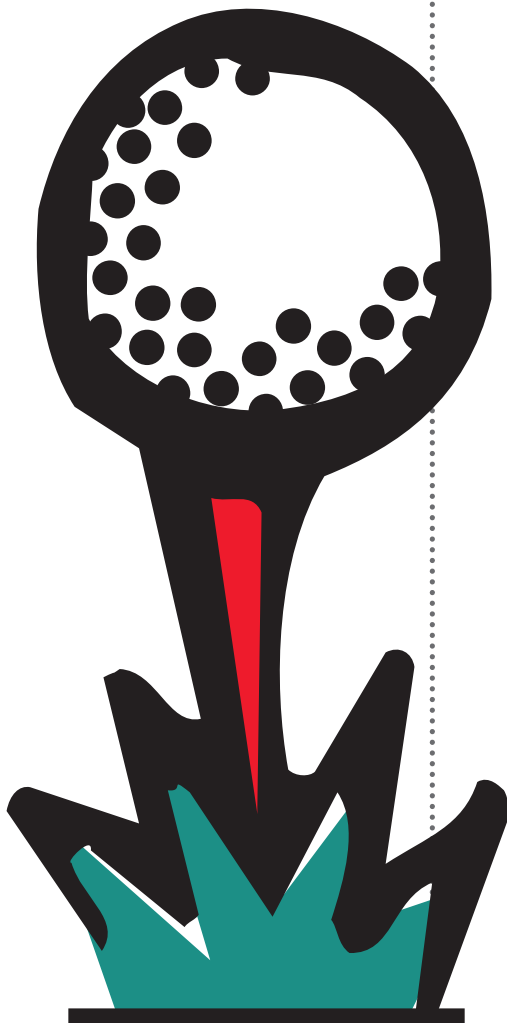
Please contact Richie Dalitto at 708-790-0953 (cell) or at 708-344-1210 (shift 3), if you require further assistance or to schedule a golf time.

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.





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 summer season. All summer equipment is ready to go at a moment's notice. The following are projected projects, ongoing projects and recently completed projects.

20th & Lake Street

Under Mayor Serpico's direction, the village of Melrose Park Public Work's employees demolished the blighted building on 20th Avenue and Lake Street. This property will be a much needed parking lot for the area business district. (See photos.)



Street Repaving Update

Lemoyne from 19th Avenue to 25th Avenue has been paved and 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; Haddon – 22nd Avenue to 25th Avenue;
Iowa – 24th Avenue to 23rd Avenue; Cortez – 15th Avenue to 14th Avenue; Armitage – 15th Avenue to George Street;
Hirsch – 19th Avenue to 17th Avenue; and Norwood – 19th Avenue to 15th 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.

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.

**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.

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

15th Avenue from North Avenue to LeMoyne is now closed as of May 3, 2017, and will remain closed until 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. (See photos.)



Important Notice Regarding Dumping Grass Clippings and Yard Waste Along Silver Creek

To all residents along Silver Creek –
Please refrain from dumping grass clippings and yard waste
along the fence of the creek area or citations will be issued.

Dumping of any material is strictly prohibited.

Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

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 (deadline to register is June 30, 2017).

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 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



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: _____

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.



Melrose Park Public Safety News

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



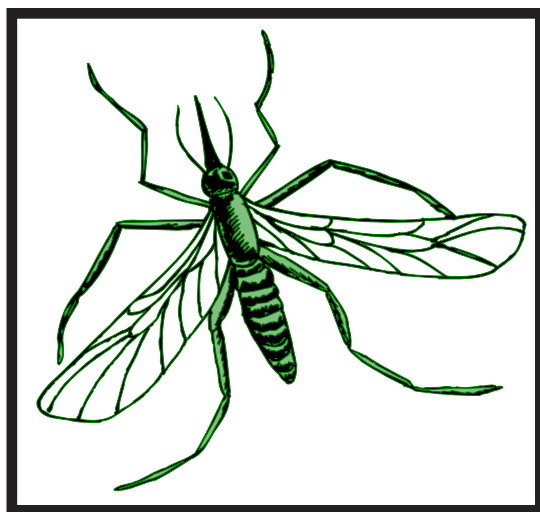
West Nile Virus

The Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) has confirmed the first West Nile virus positive bird and mosquito batches reported in Illinois for 2012. Although it is a little earlier in the season than we normally find it, it is not unheard of.

Last year 19 counties in Illinois reported a West Nile virus positive mosquito batch, bird and/or human case. A total of 34 Illinois residents contracted West Nile virus disease and three died. No human cases of West Nile virus have been reported so far this year.

Surveillance for West Nile virus in Illinois includes laboratory tests on mosquito batches, dead crows, blue jays, robins and other perching birds, as well as testing sick horses and humans with West Nile-like disease symptoms. People who observe a sick or dying crow, blue jay, robin or other perching bird should contact their local health department, which will determine if the bird will be picked up for testing.

West Nile virus is transmitted through the bite of a mosquito that has picked up the virus by feeding on an infected bird. Common West Nile virus symptoms include fever, nausea, headache and muscle aches. Symptoms may last from a few days to a few weeks. However, four out of five people infected with West Nile virus will not show any symptoms. In rare cases, severe illness including meningitis or encephalitis, or even death, can occur. People older than 50 are at higher risk for severe illness from West Nile Virus.



Five Common Myths About West Nile Virus

Myth #1: There's not much I can do about West Nile virus.

Truth: There is a lot that you, personally, can do to reduce your chance of West Nile virus infection.

- Reduce the number of mosquito bites you get. Make a habit of using insect repellent with DEET when outdoors. Spray repellent on exposed skin and clothing. Prime mosquito-biting hours are usually dusk to dawn. Pay special attention to protection during these hours, or avoid being outdoors.
- You can reduce the number of mosquitoes around your home. Mosquitoes breed in standing water, so check your yard once a week: get

rid of containers that aren't being used, empty water from flower pots, change water in bird baths and maintain clean gutters.

- Make sure window and door screens are in good condition. Have an older neighbor or family member? See if they need help installing or repairing screens.

Myth #2: Kids are at the most danger of getting sick from West Nile virus.

Truth: People over 50 are at the highest risk for developing severe West Nile disease.

- Relatively few children have been reported with severe West Nile Virus disease. By contrast, most of the deaths due to WNV during 2002 were among people over 50 years old. Half of those deaths were among people over 77 years old.

- It is always a good idea for children to avoid mosquito bites, but it's also important for adults – especially older adults – to take steps to avoid mosquito bites.

Myth #3: It's only people who are already in poor health who have to worry about West Nile virus.

Truth: Healthy, active older adults who spend time working and exercising outdoors have been affected by severe West Nile virus infection.

- Being over 50 is a risk factor for developing severe West Nile disease if infected with the virus. There is a risk of getting mosquito bites while leading an active life outdoors. This doesn't mean you have to stay inside – it does mean that it's important to use repellent when you go outside.

Myth #4: Repellents containing DEET are not safe.

Truth: Repellents containing DEET are very safe when used according to directions.

- Because DEET is so widely used, a great deal of testing has been done. When manufacturers seek registration with the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for products such as DEET, laboratory testing regarding both short-term and long-term health effects must be carried out.

- There are products with different strengths (percentage of DEET) available. The longer the protection you need the higher percent of DEET needed.

- Repellent with DEET can be used for both adults and children, according to directions

Myth #5: As long as my area has a mosquito control program, I don't have to worry about using repellent.

Truth: Mosquito control activities don't eliminate every mosquito, so personal protection is still important.

- Public activities, such as using products to kill mosquito larvae and adult mosquitoes, are one part of control. Personal protection, such as using repellent, keeping window screens in good condition, and control of household breeding sites are other important steps.

- Collaboration between the community, the family and the individual is needed to achieve the best prevention of West Nile virus infection.

West Nile Virus Facts

What is West Nile Virus?

West Nile virus (WNV) is a potentially serious illness. Experts believe WNV is established as a seasonal epidemic in North America that flares up in the summer and continues into the fall. This fact sheet contains important information that can help you recognize and prevent West Nile virus.

What Can I do to Prevent WNV?

The easiest and best way to avoid WNV is to prevent mosquito bites.

- When you are outdoors, use insect repellents containing an EPA-registered insect repellent. Follow the directions on the package.
- Many mosquitoes are most active at dusk and dawn. Be sure to use

insect repellent and wear long sleeves and pants at these times or consider staying indoors during these hours.

- Make sure you have good screens on your windows and doors to keep mosquitoes out.
- Get rid of mosquito breeding sites by emptying standing water from flower pots, buckets and barrels. Change the water in pet dishes and replace the water in bird baths weekly. Drill holes in tire swings so water drains out. Keep children's wading pools empty and on their sides when they aren't being used.

What Are the Symptoms of WNV?

- Serious Symptoms in a Few People – About one in 150 people infected with WNV will develop severe illness. The severe symptoms can include high fever, headache, neck stiffness, stupor, disorientation, coma, tremors, convulsions, muscle weakness, vision loss, numbness and paralysis. These symptoms may last several weeks, and neurological effects may be permanent.
- Milder Symptoms in Some People – Up to 20 percent of the people who become infected will display symptoms which can include fever, headache, and body aches, nausea, vomiting, and sometimes swollen lymph glands or a skin rash on the chest, stomach and back. Symptoms can last for as short as a few days, though even healthy people have been sick for several weeks.
- No Symptoms in Most People – Approximately 80 percent of people (about four out of five) who are infected with WNV will not show any symptoms at all, but there is no way to know in advance if you will develop an illness or not.

How Does West Nile Virus Spread?

- Infected Mosquitoes – Most often, WNV is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito. Mosquitoes become infected when they feed on infected birds. Infected mosquitoes can then spread WNV to humans and other animals when they bite.
- Transfusions, Transplants and Mother-to-Child – In a very small number of cases, WNV also has been spread through blood transfusions, organ transplants, breastfeeding and even during pregnancy from mother to baby.
- Not through touching. WNV is not spread through casual contact such as touching or kissing a person with the virus.

How Soon Do Infected People Get Sick?

People typically develop symptoms between three and 14 days after they are bitten by the infected mosquito.

How Is WNV Infection Treated?

There is no specific treatment for WNV infection. In cases with milder symptoms, people experience symptoms such as fever and aches that pass on their own, although illness may last weeks to months even in healthy persons. In more severe cases, people usually need to go to the hospital where they can receive supportive treatment including intravenous fluids, help with breathing, and nursing care.

What Should I Do if I Think I Have WNV?

Milder WNV illness improves on its own, and people do not necessarily need to seek medical attention for this infection though they may choose to do so. If you develop symptoms of severe WNV illness, such as unusually severe headaches or confusion, seek medical attention immediately. Severe WNV illness usually requires hospitalization. Pregnant women and nursing mothers are encouraged to talk to their doctor if they develop symptoms that could be WNV.

What is the Risk of Getting Sick from WNV?

- People Over 50 at Higher Risk to Get Severe Illness – People over the age of 50 are more likely to develop serious symptoms of WNV if they do

get sick and should take special care to avoid mosquito bites.

- Being Outside Means You're at Risk – The more time you're outdoors, the more time you could be bitten by an infected mosquito. Pay attention to avoid-ing mosquito bites if you spend a lot of time outside, either working or playing.
- Risk Through Medical Procedures is Very Low – All donated blood is checked for WNV before being used. The risk of getting WNV through blood transfusions and organ transplants is very small, and should not pre-vent people who need surgery from having it. If you have concerns, talk to your doctor.
- Pregnancy and Nursing do not Increase Risk of Becoming Infected with WNV – The risk that WNV may present to a fetus or an infant infected through breastmilk is still being evaluated. Talk with your care provider if you have concerns.

What is the CDC Doing About WNV?

CDC is working with state and local health departments, the Food and Drug Administration and other government agencies, as well as private industry, to prepare for and prevent new cases of WNV. Some things CDC is doing include:

- Coordinating a nationwide electronic database where states share infor-mation about WNV.
- Helping states develop and carry out improved mosquito prevention and control programs.
- Developing better, faster tests to detect and diagnose WNV.
- Creating new education tools and programs for the media, the public, and health professionals.
- Opening new testing laboratories for WNV.
- Working with partners to develop vaccines.

What Else Should I Know?

If you find a dead bird don't handle the body with your bare hands. Contact the Health Department at (708) 343-4000, for instructions on reporting and disposing of the body. They may tell you to dispose of the bird after they log your report.

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About the Zika Virus Disease

Zika virus disease (Zika) is a disease caused by the Zika virus, which is spread to people primarily through the bite of an infected Aedes species mosquito. The most common symptoms of Zika are fever, rash, joint pain, and conjunctivitis (red eyes). The illness is usually mild with symptoms lasting for several days to a week after being bitten by an infected mosquito. People usually don't get sick enough to go to the hospital and they very rarely die of Zika. For this reason, many people might not realize they have been infected. However, Zika virus infection during pregnancy can cause a serious birth defect called microcephaly(<http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/birthdefects/microcephaly.html>), as well as other severe fetal brain defects. Once a person has been infected, he or she is likely to be protected from future infections.

Zika virus was first discovered in 1947 and is named after the Zika Forest in Uganda. In 1952, the first human cases of Zika were detected and since then, outbreaks of Zika have been reported in tropical Africa, Southeast Asia and the Pacific Islands. Zika outbreaks have probably occurred in many locations. Before 2007, at least 14 cases of Zika had been documented, although other cases were likely to have occurred and were not reported. Because the symptoms of Zika are similar to those of many other diseases, many cases may not have been recognized.

In May 2015, the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) issued an alert regarding the first confirmed Zika virus infection in Brazil. On Feb. 1, 2016, the World Health Organization (WHO) declared Zika virus a Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC). Local transmission has been reported in many other countries and territories. Zika virus will likely continue to spread to new areas.

Specific areas where Zika is spreading (<http://www.cdc.gov/zika/geo/index.html>) are often difficult to determine and are likely to change over time. If traveling, please visit the CDC Travelers' Health site for the most updated travel information.

What We Know

- No vaccine exists to prevent Zika virus disease (Zika).
- Prevent Zika by avoiding mosquito bites.
- Mosquitoes that spread Zika virus bite mostly during the daytime.
- Mosquitoes that spread Zika virus also spread dengue and chikungunya viruses.

Steps to Prevent Mosquito Bites

When in areas with Zika and other diseases spread by mosquitoes, take the following steps:

- Wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants.
- Stay in places with air conditioning, and window and door screens to keep mosquitoes outside.
- Take steps to control mosquitoes inside and outside your home (<http://www.cdc.gov/zika/prevention/controlling-mosquitoes-at-home.html>).
- Sleep under a mosquito bed net if you are overseas or outside and are not able to protect yourself from mosquito bites.
- Use Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-registered insect repellents with one of the following active ingredients – DEET, picaridin, IR3535, oil of lemon eucalyptus or para-menthane-diol. Choosing an EPA-registered repellent ensures the EPA has evaluated the product for effectiveness. When used as directed, EPA-registered insect repellents are proven safe and effective, even for pregnant and breast-feeding women.
 - Always follow the product label instructions.
 - Reapply insect repellent as directed.
 - Do not spray repellent on the skin under clothing.
 - If you are also using sunscreen, apply sunscreen before applying insect repellent.

To Protect Your Child from Mosquito Bites

- Do not use insect repellent on babies younger than 2 months old.
- Do not use products containing oil of lemon eucalyptus or para-menthane-diol on children younger than 3 years old.
- Dress your child in clothing that covers arms and legs.
- Cover crib, stroller and baby carrier with mosquito netting.
- Do not apply insect repellent onto a child's hands, eyes, mouth and cut or irritated skin.
- Adults – spray insect repellent onto your hands and then apply to a child's face.
- Treat clothing and gear with permethrin or purchase permethrin-treated items.
- Treated clothing remains protective after multiple washings. See product information to learn how long the protection will last.
- If treating items yourself, follow the product instructions carefully.
- Do not use permethrin products directly on skin. They are intended to treat clothing.

Even if they do not feel sick, travelers returning to the United States from an area with Zika should take steps to prevent mosquito bites for three weeks so they do not spread Zika to mosquitoes that could spread the virus to other people.

Symptoms

Most people infected with Zika virus won't even know they have the disease because they won't have symptoms. The most common symptoms of Zika are fever, rash, joint pain or conjunctivitis (red eyes). Other common symptoms include muscle pain and headache. The incubation period (the time from exposure to symptoms) for Zika virus disease is not known, but is likely to be a few days to a week.

See your doctor or other healthcare provider if you are pregnant and develop a fever, rash, joint pain or red eyes within two weeks after traveling to a place where Zika has been reported. Be sure to tell your doctor or other healthcare provider where you traveled.

The illness is usually mild with symptoms lasting for several days to a week.

People usually don't get sick enough to go to the hospital and they very rarely die of Zika. For this reason, many people might not realize they have been infected.

Zika virus usually remains in the blood of an infected person for about a week but it can be found longer in some people.

Once a person has been infected, he or she is likely to be protected from future infections.

Diagnosis

The symptoms of Zika are similar to those of dengue and chikungunya diseases spread through the same mosquitoes that transmit Zika.

See your doctor or other healthcare provider if you develop the symptoms described above and have visited an area where Zika is found.

If you have recently traveled, tell your doctor or other healthcare provider when and where you traveled.

Your doctor or other healthcare provider may order blood tests to look for Zika or other similar viruses like dengue or chikungunya.

Treatment

There is no vaccine to prevent or medicine to treat Zika virus.

Treat the symptoms:

- Get plenty of rest.
- Drink fluids to prevent dehydration.
- Take medicine such as acetaminophen (Tylenol®) or paracetamol to reduce fever and pain.
- Do not take aspirin and other non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) until dengue can be ruled out to reduce the risk of bleeding.
- If you are taking medicine for another medical condition, talk to your doctor or other healthcare provider before taking additional medication.

If you have Zika, prevent mosquito bites (<http://www.cdc.gov/zika/prevention/index.html>) for the first week of your illness.

- During the first week of infection, Zika virus can be found in the blood and passed from an infected person to a mosquito through mosquito bites.
- An infected mosquito can then spread the virus to other people.

Know Your Risk When Severe Weather Occurs

Being prepared means learning about summer weather and water hazards such as hurricanes, heat, lightning, rip currents, air quality, tsunamis and wildfires.

Here's what you need to know:

- Since 2003, 43 states within the continental United States have come under a tornado watch; 49 states have come under severe thunderstorm watches; and lightning strikes occur in every state.
- Heat waves are common across the country during the summer. They are dangerous because the human body cannot cool itself properly when exposed to an extreme combination of heat and humidity.
- In 2015, there were 26 lightning fatalities.
- Flash flooding is the number one killer associated with severe weather.
- Air pollution can make it harder for people with asthma and other respiratory diseases to breathe. Children and teens may be more sensitive than adults to the health effects caused by air pollution. According to the EPA, poor air quality is responsible in the U.S. for an estimated 60,000 premature deaths each year.

Take Action

While the weather may be wild, you are not powerless. This summer, prepare for hazards with these simple steps:

- You may have only minutes to find shelter before a tornado strikes. Practice a family tornado drill at least once a year.
- Protect yourself from extreme heat by rescheduling outdoor activities to earlier in the day.
- There is no safe place outside when lightning is in the area. If you hear thunder, you are likely within striking distance of the storm. Just remember, When Thunder Roars, Go Indoors.
- Whether on foot or in a car, if you encounter flood waters, Turn Around Don't Drown!
- Make sure to check the Air Quality Index for your area at <http://airnow.gov>. If the air quality is poor, avoid prolonged or extreme exertion outdoors.

Be a Force of Nature

Your action can inspire others. Be a force of nature and share how you're working to stay safe from weather and water hazards this summer.

- Write a post on Facebook. Share with your friends and family the preparedness steps you're taking to stay safe this summer.
- Tweet that you're prepared with #SummerSafety. Tell us what you're doing to be prepared for summer hazards.
- Create a Family Communication Plan so that your loved ones know how to get in touch during an emergency. And let your friends know that they should create a plan also.
- Look for ways to help your town prepare, such as volunteering. Register for America's PrepareAthon! to learn how to stay safe during disasters.

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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?

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Please check in with instructors for exact times per level.

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 _____

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 Firefighters, Police Patrolman Receive Promotions

Five Melrose Park firefighters and three police officers were recently given promotions by the Melrose Park Board of Fire & Police Commissioners.

Firefighters Jason Cernauske, Sam Ciano, Dominic DiFazio, Mark Harty and Dominic Pilati were promoted to lieutenant, and police patrolman Eugene Cacciatore, Eddie Guzman and John Schillinger were promoted to sergeant.

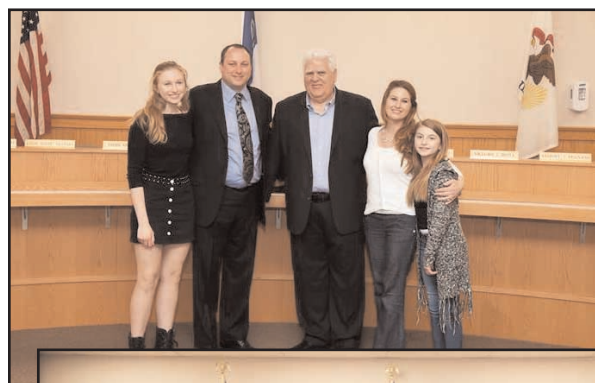
Congratulations to each of these gentlemen.



Pictured (left photo, left to right) being sworn in by Judge Paula Daleo are Dominic DiFazio, Jason Cernauske, Mark Harty, Sam Ciano and Dominic Pilati, who were promoted to MPFD lieutenants; and pictured (right photo, left to right) being sworn in by Judge Daleo are John Schillinger, Eugene Cacciatore and Eddie Guzman, who were promoted to MPPD sergeants.



Pictured are (top row, left to right) Jason Cernauske, Sam Ciano and Dominic Pilati, and (bottom row, left to right) Dominic DiFazio and Mark Harty, with their family members, friends and Mayor Serpico.



Pictured are (top row, left to right) Eugene Cacciatore and John Schillinger, and (bottom row) Eddie Guzman, with their family members, friends and Mayor Serpico.

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Serpico, MPFD Reps Attend Westlake EMS Luncheon

Mayor Serpico and representatives from Westlake Hospital and the Melrose Park Fire Department are pictured at Westlake’s annual Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Luncheon held in the spring. The luncheon is scheduled each year to recognize the efforts and quality service local EMS personnel provide to the community.



Mayor Serpico and Trustees Designate More Honorary Ways

Mayor Serpico and the village trustees recently issued proclamations recognizing Melrose Park citizens who have been instrumental in shaping our community. These proclamations designate streets as honorary ways in the name of community members Sandra “Sandy” Scatchell and Epigmenio “Eppie” Barajas. The Scatchell and Barajas families are pictured with Mayor Serpico during the honorary way sign presentation at a recent village board meeting.



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Adult Services

Salsa Contest

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Contact Adult Services for registration and entry information.

Ages 18+. Registration is required. (Limit 40)



**June 29th
at 6pm**

www.MPPLibrary.org/4th-annual-salsa-contest

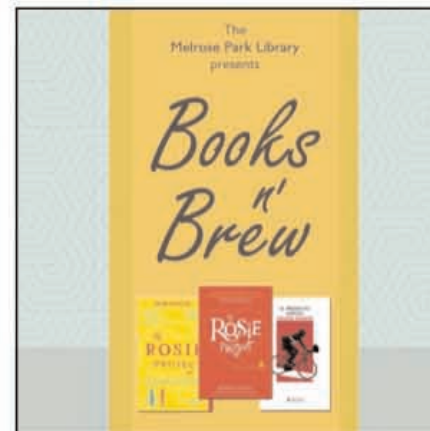
Books n' Brew!

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

Register and pick up a copy of the book now through June 30.

MPPL Adult Services is hosting an informal book chat at Il Poveretto Café on **July 18**.

Ages 21+. Registration is required. (Limit 20)



**July 18th
at 6pm**

www.MPPLibrary.org/books-n-brew

The Melrose Park Public Library will be closed on Saturdays from now through Labor Day. (Closed Saturdays, now-Sept. 2. Reopen Saturdays, Sept 8.)



All dates and times are subject to change without prior notice. Please see the website, or call us for updated programming information. All programs at the library are free but registration is required. MPPL card holders have first priority. To register, or with any further questions, please call 708.649.7400.



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Snakes & Snacks

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Friday, 7/7: 2-3pm, Registration required. Limit 25.



Lego Batman Movie

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

Friday, 7/14: 2pm, Registration required. Limit 25.

Cernan Earth & Space Center

Cosmic Laser Light Show: Go gaga for Lady Gaga as brilliant laser light and visual effects perform to some of her greatest hits! **All ages. (under 7 with caregiver)**

Thursday, 7/20: 11:30- 1:30pm, Registration required. Transportation provided. Limit 45.

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Youth Services



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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.

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7/3 and 7/17 - 5-7 p.m.



Master Makers

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Wednesdays,

6/28 and 7/12 - 1-2 p.m.

7/5 and 7/19 - 5-6 p.m.

Words with Friends

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Wednesdays,

6/28 and 7/12 - 5-6 p.m.

7/5 and 7/19 - 1-2 p.m.

LEGO Club

LEGO club goes weekly for summer.

Ages 5—12 (age 3-5 with guardian)

Tuesdays, 6/27-7/18 - 3-4 p.m.

All dates and times are subject to change without prior notice. Please see the website, or call us for updated programming information. All programs at the library are free but registration is required. MPPL card holders have first priority. To register, or with any further questions, please call 708.649.7400.



www.MPPLibrary.org

801 N Broadway, Melrose Park, IL 60160

mps@mpplibrary.org

(708) 649-7400

Library Hours

Monday-Thursday, 8:00am-8:00pm

Friday, 8:00am-5:00pm

Closed on Saturdays Memorial Day-Labor Day

Sunday, Closed



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.



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

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.**



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 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:

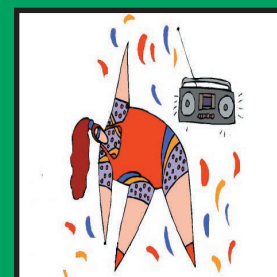
- No garage sales may be conducted in apartment buildings.
- No garage sales in the frontyard, i.e. on the grass.
- All garage sales to be conducted in backyard, garage or driveway.
- All sale items to be displayed on tables not on the ground.
- No sale items shall be located and no sale activity shall 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.



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.

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 CLUB

Tuesdays and Thursdays • 4-7 p.m. • Daily Fee – \$5
Must be 15 years old or older to join program. • Instructor: Mario
For additional information, 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.



Most
Family-Friendly
and
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.

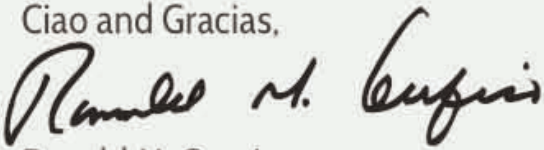
Great food at \$3 or less, wonderful entertainment, a carnival area for the kids, free parking and free trolley service are the ingredients for a blue ribbon recipe that is sure to please the entire family.

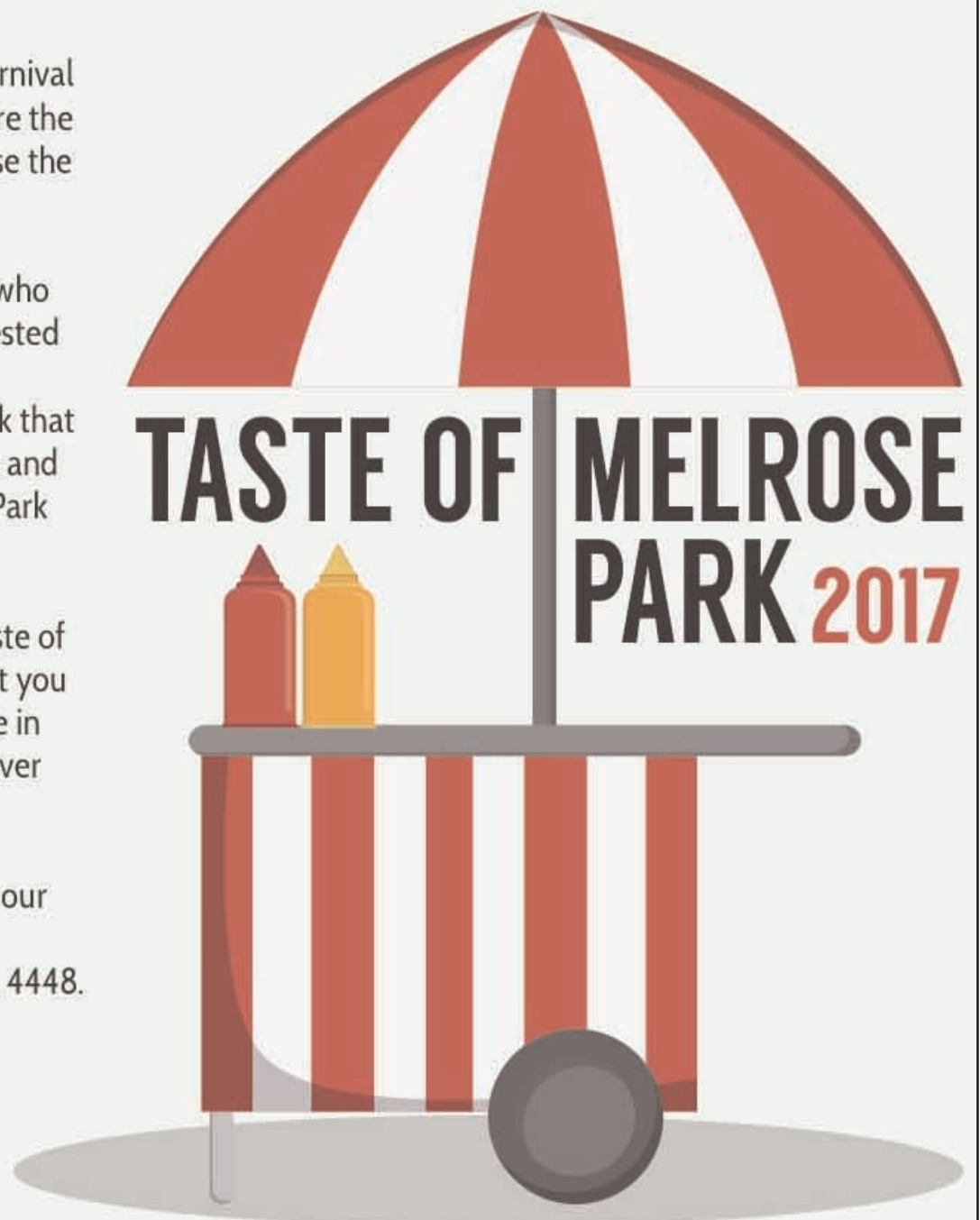
If you are an organization, a business or an individual, who is new to the Taste of Melrose Park and might be interested in underwriting some of the costs associated with this wonderful extravaganza of gastronomical delights, I ask that you read the documents in this folder. It contains news and detailed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

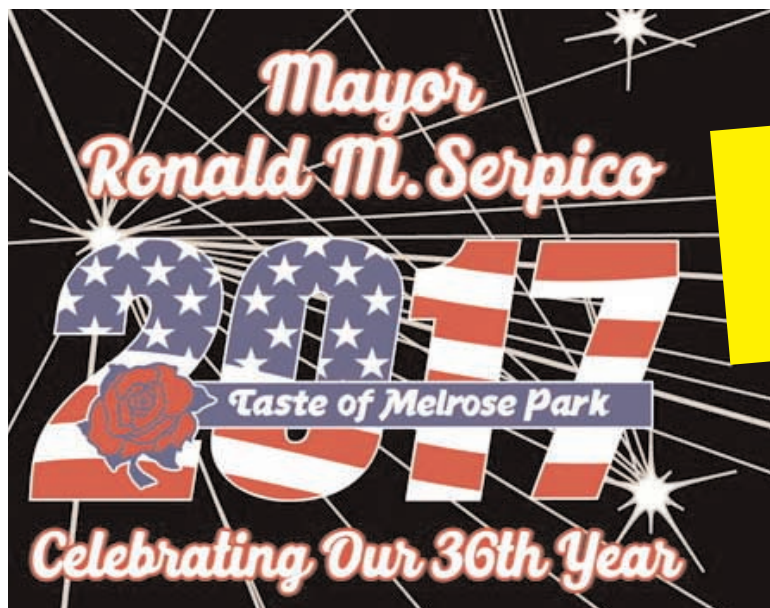
And to all of you, who so generously supported the Taste of Melrose in the past, I sincerely thank you and hope that you will kindly consider continuing your financial patronage in 2017; without your magnanimous backing we could never host such an ambitious undertaking.

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





Entertainment Schedule

Winston Plaza Stage

Friday, Sept. 1

6:30-8 p.m. • Lake Effect
8:30-10:30 p.m. • Nick Pontarelli Band

Saturday, Sept. 2

6-7:30 p.m. • Vic Lombardi & Chicago Seven
8-10:30 p.m. • American English

Sunday, Sept. 3

7-8 p.m. • Johnny Maggio
8:30-10 p.m. • Classic Rock Experience

Friday, Sept. 1

6-10:30 p.m. • Explosive Sounds Ent.

Saturday, Sept. 2

2-3:30 p.m. • Slice Factory "Slice-a-Palooza"
6:30-8:30 p.m. • Mike Riser Band
9-10:30 p.m. • Relativity

Sunday, Sept. 3

5:30-7 p.m. • Other 3 Tenors
7:30-9:30 p.m. • DeJaVu

Friday, Sept. 1

6-? • Karaoke-Greg Rini
7-8:30 • Tony Caponi
9-10:30 • John Anthony

Saturday, Sept. 2

5:30-? • Karaoke-Greg Rini
4-6 p.m. • Guitarra Azul
7-10:30 p.m. • R-Gang

Sunday, Sept. 3

3-5 p.m. • Classical Blast
5-? • Karaoke-Greg Rini
6-9:30 p.m. • R-Gang

MAIN DRIVE

Saturday, Sept. 2

3-4 p.m.
Jesse White Tumblers

Sunday, Sept. 3

2:30-3:30 p.m.
Jesse White Tumblers

4-5 p.m.

Pipes & Drums of
Emerald Society

Sabor de Mexico Stage

To be announced.
Watch for information
as it becomes
available.

Sunday Night Laser Show

Sunday, Sept. 3
10 p.m.

Big Gig Stage

Peroni Garden

Continuous Free Entertainment on Our Four Stages!



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 33 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 33 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





NORTH AVENUE & 9TH AVENUE



FREE CRAFT EVENTS 12-3 PM

KIDS 12 & UNDER

Join Us!

July 29 & August 26



THE LAST

SATURDAY

OF THE MONTH

#KidsFunZone Winston-Plaza.com



FREE Admission
& Participation!



NORTH AVENUE & 9TH AVENUE

Located throughout
Winston Plaza

SUMMER CHALK ART FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, AUGUST 5TH, 9AM-3PM



CALLING LOCAL ARTISTS!

**Prizes for Age Groups &
People's Choice Award Winners**

Professional artists welcome! (Ages 7+)
Pre-register at Winston-Plaza.com

EVENT SCHEDULE

9am: Artists CHECK-IN

9am-2pm: Sidewalk becomes a STREET MUSEUM

12pm-3pm: DJ, Face Painter & Balloon Artist in KIDS CORNER

2pm-3pm: VOTING for People's Choice, JUDGING & MAGIC SHOW

3pm: AWARD CEREMONY



Winston-Plaza.com





124th Feast of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Benefactor Opportunities

**Our Lady of Mt. Carmel is Offering
Several Benefactor Opportunities
for this Year's Feast**

Entertainment Benefactor – \$500

The Entertainment Benefactor includes printed sponsorship recognition displayed in the entertainment area, digital sign announcement during the Feast, parish Facebook and website logo placement with link to your website.

Keg Benefactor – \$150

The Keg Benefactor includes digital sign announcement during the Feast and two benefactor cups with unlimited refills.

**To make a reservation, please complete the Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Benefactor Reservation Form and mail it with payment to:
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish • 1101 N. 23rd Ave., Melrose Park, IL 60160**

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Benefactor Reservation Form

Please Reserve: _____ Benefactor—prices above \$ _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Please make check payable to OLMC Feast Committee and mail it to the Parish. For online payment, go to
<https://www.givecentral.org/location/317/event/9521>

Organization/Business: _____ Contact: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____ Email: _____

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish • 1101 N. 23rd Ave., Melrose Park, IL 60160 (708) 344-4140
Feast.olmc@gmail.com www.olmcparish.org www.facebook.com/olmcparish



124th Annual Italian Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Sunday, July 16, 2017



Ave del Carmine July 7th to 16th

The first celebration was initiated by
Emanuela Pellettieri-DeStefano,
founder of our first church,
erected in 1894

ATM available on site

If unable to attend, mail intentions and donations with
check payable to:

OLMC Feast Committee
1101 N. 23rd Avenue
Melrose Park, IL 60160
(708) 344-4140

Online donations:

<https://www.givecentral.org/location/317/event/9521>

Religious Events In Church

7:30 PM	July 7th-15th	Nightly solemn novena by Friar Johnpaul Cafiero, OFM
7:00 PM	Tues. July 11th	Presentation of the banners
6:00 PM	Wed. July 12th	Offering of rose bouquets to the Madonna
7:00 PM	Thurs. July 13th	Memorial service for deceased members of the Feast Committee
	July 7th-16th	Candle offerings, mass requests and donations may be obtained in church

Outdoor Festivities July 13th - 16th

Enjoy games, rides, music, and Italian food specialties

Thursday, July 13th 5:00 - 10:30 PM

5:00 PM	Street festival begins
6 - 10:00 PM	Children's day with unlimited rides for \$25
7:00 PM	Caliendo's Banda Napoletana marches through the streets
7:00 PM	The Redmonds with special guest Tony Caponi

Friday, July 14th 5:00 - 11:00 PM

6:30 PM	Jack Miuccio
9:00 PM	Party Time with Souled Out

Saturday, July 15th Noon - 11:30 PM

Noon - 5:00 PM	Children's day with unlimited rides for \$25
9 AM - 3:00 PM	Outdoor car show
1:00 PM	Alive Rescue, dog rescue - Dogs for adoption
4:30 PM	Johnny Maggio
6:30 PM	The Jersey Girls
8:30 PM	Hollywood Swinging tribute to Kool & the Gang

Sunday, July 16th 7:00 AM - 10:00 PM

7:00 AM	Mass in English
9:00 AM	Solemn Mass in Italian
10:30 AM	Statue leaves church for the first part of the procession
Noon	Statue returns to Church grounds for field mass
	Mass transmitted live to Church for those who wish to remain indoors
1:30 PM	Final part of the procession
4:00 PM	Statue returns to Church. Benediction follows
4:00 PM	The Nick Pontarelli Band with special tribute to Dean Martin
6:00 PM	El Bandolero Band

www.olmcparish.org - www.facebook.com/olmcparish
feast.olmc@gmail.com

Veterans Park District

Programs & Happenings

Especially for Active Adults@ George A. Leoni Complex

Bagels & Bunko

- Monday, Aug. 7

Bunko & Pizza

- Monday, July 10
- Monday, Aug. 14

Active Adult Day Trip

Rosemont Crawl Day Trip

Tuesday, Aug. 8, 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Fee: \$49

Visit the Donald E. Stephen's Hummel Museum which has the largest public display of Hummels in the world. On to Harry Caray's for a great lunch and the Cold Stone Creamery where you can create your own two-scoop ice cream sundae.

Youth Sports

Sports Camp at George A. Leoni Complex • Ages 8-13

Sports Camp offers basic instructions in a variety of various sports and skills levels. Sportsmanship, teamwork and overall physical fitness improvement while having fun is the goal! Before and after care available.

- Upcoming sessions:
 - June 26-July 14
 - July 17-Aug. 4

Fees: In District/\$250 – Friendly Neighbor/\$285 – Out of District/\$310

Soccer Beginner Drills & Skills • Ages 5-9

Have fun while learning how to play soccer. One-hour classes rotating children through different stations and drills.

- Fridays, Now-July 21 – July 7- Aug. 11 – Aug. 25-Sept. 29

Cheer Camp @ Grant Park

Mini Cheer Camp • Ages 5-8

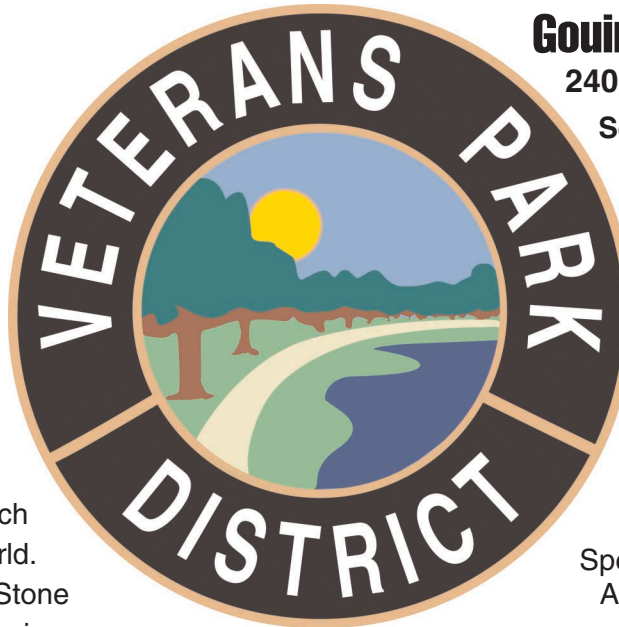
Cheers, mounts, rhythm coordination, flexibility and much more!

- Saturdays, Now-July 29
- Fee: In District/\$40 – Out of District/\$55

All-Star Cheer Camp • Ages 9-12

Beginners and intermediate cheerleaders welcome! In this camp you will learn basic cheer, forward rolls, cartwheels, round-offs, forward and back walk-overs and basic stunts.

- Saturdays, Now-July 29 Fee: In District/\$45 – Out of District/\$60



Gouin Pool & Water Slides

2400 Scott Street, Franklin Park, (847) 451-9396

Season Pass: In District/\$39 – Out of District/\$50

Register for pool passes at:

- Grant Park, 44 W. Golfview Drive, Northlake – (708) 343-5270
- Leoni Complex, 800 N. 17th Ave., Melrose Park – (708) 716-4822
- Gouin Pool, 2400 Scott St., Franklin Park – (847) 451-9396

Daily admission:

Ages 2 and Under	Free
Ages 3-11	\$6
Ages 12 and Up	\$7

Special pricing after 4 p.m.:

Ages 2 and Under	Free
Ages 3-11	\$3
Ages 12 and Up	\$4

Gouin Pool Special Days

DUCKY TUESDAYS

Rubber ducks in the kiddie pool at noon. Pick a duck and see if your number matches the number drawn by the manager. If you are a winner, you will receive a prize.

WISDOM WEDNESDAYS

Throughout the days on Wednesdays we will be asking trivia questions over the loud speaker. Be the first one to come to the office and answer it correctly and receive a prize!

TURTLE THURSDAYS

Find Crush the Turtle who will be hidden somewhere around the pool, and win a cool treat!

LUCKY CUSTOMER DAYS

June 30 & July 27

The first 100 pass holders get a concession stand coupon.
Every 30th paying customer gets one free admission that day!

- Pool may be rented on Saturday and Sunday evenings, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- Pool may be rented for one or two hours.
- Fee per hour:
 - In District/\$175 –
 - Out of District/\$325.
- \$100 deposit required when reserving date.

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



★ DJ ★
FOOD TRUCKS
BEER
WINE



CONCERT IN THE PARK

4TH OF JULY KICK-OFF PARTY FEATURING R-GANG

THURSDAY
JUNE 29TH

BATAAN PARK
MELROSE PARK

PATIO BAR OPENS AT 6 P.M.
BAND STARTS AT 7:30 P.M.

DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY TO THE MUSIC OF R-GANG, ONE OF THE BEST DANCE BANDS IN THE CHICAGO AREA, SAMPLE DELICIOUS FOOD FROM SOME VARIOUS LOCAL FOOD TRUCKS, KICK BACK AND RELAX WITH A COLD BEER OR A GLASS OF WINE.

DJ STARTS WHEN PATIO BAR OPENS AT 6 P.M.



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—Free— MOVIES IN THE PARK

Bring your lawn chairs or blankets and sit under the stars to enjoy movie night. No registration is necessary; open to residents of Veterans Park District and non-residents.

Concessions are available to purchase at Bulger Park and Gouin Park. You are welcome to bring your own snacks to any of the movies.

Please remember alcohol and dogs are not allowed on park properties.

** Rain date will be determined at the time of cancellation. Go to our Facebook page for the new date.*

THESE ARE FREE FAMILY EVENTS!

Come out and enjoy an evening with Veterans Park District.

Remember the Popcorn!



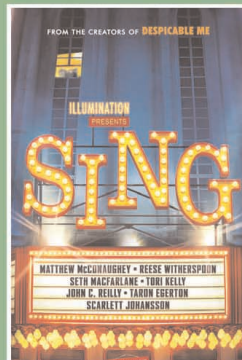
Thursday, July 6

Gouin Park, Franklin Park

Featuring:

Moana (PG)

Running time: 103 min



Friday, July 14

Grant Park, Northlake

Featuring:

Sing (PG)

Running time: 108 min



Thursday, July 27

Bulger Park, Melrose Park

Featuring:

Star Trek Beyond (PG 13)

Running time: 120 min



Thursday, August 10

Bulger Park, Melrose Park

Featuring:

Monster Trucks (PG)

Running time: 104 min



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VETERANS PARK DISTRICT

**SAVE THE DATE FOR VPD ANNUAL SOFTBALL AND BOCCE BALL TOURNAMENTS.
SPONSORS AND TEAMS NEEDED!**

MEN'S 16" & CO-ED 14"



THURSDAY, AUGUST 3 – SUNDAY, AUGUST 6

Veterans Park District will host its Annual Softball Tournament at Bulger Park, 1601 Hirsch St., Melrose Park.

We are looking for Men's 16" and Co-ed 14" softball teams to participate in each tournament. Team spots fill up fast for this yearly event so register your team now and don't miss this action-packed weekend of softball, food and drinks (alcoholic and non-alcoholic).

- A deposit is required to hold your spot or you can pay the fee in full.
- Registration will be taken throughout the spring and early summer.
- Monetary prizes and trophies will be awarded to all winning teams of each tournament. Game times to be announced.

CAPTAINS MEETING:

Bulger Park, 1601 Hirsch St., Melrose Park

Men's: 7 p.m. • Friday, July 21

Co-ed: 8 p.m. • Friday, July 21

Non Refundable Deposit: \$100 (applied towards balance).

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Late Fee: \$50 will be assessed to any team that has not paid the full tournament fee by the Captain's Meeting on Friday, July 21. Any team incurring a late fee must pay the entire tournament fee (including the late fee) by 10 p.m. on Friday, July 28.

WINNING PAYOUTS:

1ST PLACE: \$1,245

2ND PLACE: \$885

3RD PLACE: \$400

4TH PLACE: \$300



BOCCE BALL TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY, AUGUST 5 – SUNDAY, AUGUST 6 • 11 A.M.

Join Veterans Park District as we celebrate the tradition of bocce ball, a game that can be enjoyed by all ages. Sign up your team for the 2017 Tournament now! There must be two players on a team. Court times will be assigned the day of the tournament. Start time is at noon, match times to be announced. Pre-registration required. We average over 12 teams each year!

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Triton College NEWS

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With 400 thousand manufacturing jobs in the Chicagoland area, Triton College's one-of-a-kind summer camp is inspiring young ladies aged 12-16 from throughout Chicagoland to make their mark on the traditionally male-dominated field.

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Additionally, Camp GADgET's field trips to top manufacturing companies and inspiring visits from industry leaders will motivate young women from throughout the area to pursue their dreams.

For more information or to register, please contact Antigone Sharris at antigonesharris@triton.edu or (773) 580-8807.

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Make Enrolling a Breeze with Fast Pass Registration Event



Prospective Triton College students will find everything they need to get ready for the fall semester at the upcoming Fast Pass Registration event.

The event is set for Tuesday, July 18, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., in the Triton College Student Center (B Building), located on the west side of the Triton College Campus, 2000 Fifth Ave., River Grove.

On this day, students can register for classes, take placement exams, tour the campus, complete Triton's orientation program, and meet with academic counselors and financial aid advisors to learn about the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Students can also enter a raffle to win a three-credit hour voucher to take a class for free!

For more information, call (708)-456-0300, Ext. 3130.

Triton College Engineering Technology Job Fair – Aug. 4

Chicagoland employers from a variety of industries, including engineering technology, manufacturing, automotive and visual communications, will be at Triton College this summer recruiting for full-time and part-time positions.

The Engineering Technology, Automotive and Visual

Communications Job Fair is scheduled for Friday, Aug. 4, noon-3 p.m.

The event will be held in Room T-156 (T Building) on the east side of the Triton College campus, 2000 Fifth Ave., River Grove.

The job fair is open to community members and free to attend. Job seekers should bring multiple copies of their resume to provide to potential employers.

For more information, contact Rich Williams at (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3805, or email richwilliams@triton.edu.



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NEWS89 School District89 BRIEFS



New Board Member

On Thursday, April 27, School District 89 held their Board Reorganization Meeting where new board member Sally Alondra Casillas was sworn in. Ms. Casillas was born and raised in Melrose Park. She is a proud product of Melrose Park Elementary School and Proviso Mathematics and Science Academy. She contributes her time and talent to managing the Melrose Proviso Soccer League. Sally is excited about being a member of the Board of Education for School District 89 and the opportunity to continue her community service for the betterment of our youth.



Fourth Grade Student Wins National Art Contest

Jane Addams Elementary School fourth grader, Isle Saenz, has plenty of artistic talent. She is among five national grand prize winners in the 2016-2017 Preferred Meals "Healthy Breakfast for a Healthier Me!" Art Contest. Isle's winning design was revealed "larger than life" on the side of a Preferred Meals' delivery truck at a surprise assembly held at the school on Thursday, May 11, at 10 a.m. The traveling billboard will be on display across the city for years to come.



The Life Cycle of a Butterfly

The D89 Curriculum Department was delighted to partner with West 40 this year to purchase chrysalis for all pre K-second grade classrooms. Throughout the month of April, the students observed the life cycle of a butterfly from beginning to end. The students carefully nurtured, observed and released the Painted Lady butterflies.



D89 Students Attend Science Day at Loyola University

On Saturday, May 13, 30 middle-school girls from Irving and Stevenson Middle Schools attended the first Science Sisters Day at the Center for Translational Research and Education on Loyola's Health Sciences Campus where they experienced a day of educational science experiments and learning about women science pioneers. This event, coordinated with the Curriculum Department and Loyola University Health



Interns, was a way for these girls to get some hands-on experience with science and continue to nurture their interest in the field.



Day of the Child 4/29/17

Incoming Melrose Park Principal Letizia Valadez with Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum Barbara Dahly and Melrose Park Principal Maribel Taboada participated in Day of the Child on April 29 and are pictured (left photo) with Melrose Park Trustee Arturo Mota.



Middle School Students at "Feed My Starving Children"

As part of a community service project, District 89 Middle School students from Stevenson and Irving, including the SMS NJHS, volunteered at "Feed My Starving Children" in Schaumburg. The students were there to hand-pack rice, soy, dried vegetables and a nutritionally complete blend of vitamins and minerals into packaging that will be delivered to needy and hungry children in the country of Haiti.



Poetry Book

District 89 is excited to welcome Brandon Williams of "Real Talk Raps" for our Second Annual Student Poetry Club. Students participated in reading, writing and performances based on the direction and guidance of Brandon Williams and Marjean Gonzalez, seventh grade ELS teacher. The goal was to foster a creative voice while improving upon reading, writing and speaking skills. We had the privilege of hosting the Poetry Club at both Irving and Stevenson middle schools. Students in sixth through eighth grade were welcome to participate. The culminating project for this year's program was a poetry anthology. *#FreeLunch!* is a published anthology that showcases the works of our talented student poets! Each student poet will receive a copy of the anthology and it will also be available in both of our middle school libraries. We recognize and are grateful for the hard work and dedication of Brandon Williams, Marjean Gonzalez and our extraordinary student poets in making this year's poetry club a success!



Author Visits D89 Students

Children's author, Marla McKenna, visited District 89 Elementary Schools, May 17-19. Ms. McKenna read and signed copies of her book *Mom's Big Catch*. She gave a presentation to the second and third graders about the process of writing and publishing a book. To learn more about Marla McKenna and her books, please visit marlamckenna.com

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D89 Spring Concert

The Spring Concert was held on May 10 at Jane Addams School with performances by the Elementary School Band, Elementary School Orchestra, Middle School Band, Middle School Orchestra and Middle School Choirs.



STRIDE Students Celebrate End of the Year

STRIDE students have been working diligently over the last year on table and restaurant etiquette, using manners, looking someone in the eye while speaking to them, introducing themselves and working on understanding money. They have taken several community field trips to Anthony B's Pizza, 7-11, Burger King and Aldi in order to work on communication skills and practical money skills. On May 24, the students celebrated a year of hard work and successful learning at Il Poveretto Café after spending two weeks using the Il Poveretto Café menu, giving the students a budget, and having them figure out what they would like to (or can) order for the budget amount given while remembering to include tax and tip. They used those skills successfully!



The Lion King Jr. Musical

Irving and Stevenson Middle School students performed Disney's *The Lion King Jr. Musical* on May 4 and May 5 at Jane Addams School.

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D89atTritonFunFamilyFitnessDay

District 89 students joined Triton College President Mary-Rita Moore and District 89 Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum Barb Dahly on Saturday, May 13, at the Triton Fun Family Fitness Day. District 89 students and families enjoyed a variety of exercise including ZUMBA, a FUN RUN complete with a ribbon for crossing the finish line and free healthy meals prepared by the Triton College Culinary Department. Information on the summer programs offered at Triton College is available at www.triton.edu.

Be sure to check out the wonderful learning opportunities for students and adults at Triton College!



Encore Expo

On May 17, Stevenson held their Spring Encore Expo featuring student work from quarters 3 and 4 in the subjects of STEM, journalism, music, drama, global awareness and art.

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End of the Year Celebrations and Graduation



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PE Team at Stevenson Middle School Inaugural Walk-A-Thon/Field Day Raises Over \$800 for American Heart Association, Says Thanks



The PE Team at Stevenson Middle School recently held their inaugural Walk-A-Thon/Field Day at the Melrose Park Civic Center. The event was very successful with students raising more than \$800 for the American Heart Association.

The PE Team would like to take this opportunity to offer a sincere thank you to: Terry Serpico and the employees of the Civic Center for allowing the use of their facilities for the inaugural Walk-A-Thon/Field Day; Officer Treffens and the Melrose Park Police Department along with ESPS for providing an escort to and from the Civic Center. They were so helpful and accommodating to the team and the school community. The team would not have had such a successful event without the contributions of so many helpful people.

The PE Team would also like to thank Donna Peluso, Bill Otte and the rest of the Veterans Park District staff for allowing Stevenson Middle School to use Bulger Park for their physical education classes and their commitment to help getting the students fit and healthy! The use of the field really helps solidify the PE Program.

It is so nice to be a part of a such a great community like Melrose Park!

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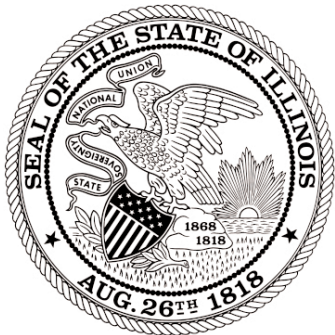


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A Message from Kathleen Willis

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Dear Friends,

For the third year in a row, Illinois' spring legislative session has come to an end without a balanced budget. At a recent House Appropriations-Human Services Committee hearing, I witnessed hours of heartbreaking testimony from survivors of domestic violence, parents of children with severe disabilities and breast cancer patients who have lost the vital state services they rely on to survive. Too many of our neighbors will continue to suffer unless Gov. Rauner comes to the table and negotiates a budget.

Despite this ongoing crisis, there has been progress made in Springfield.

- Earlier this year, I passed legislation that will allow emergency medical service technicians to administer vital medication to their patients, saving thousands of lives that could otherwise have been lost in route to the hospital.
- Families across the state will be safer under the Smoke Detector Act, an initiative I introduced to ensure the smoke detectors in our homes are of the highest quality.
- Under a measure I introduced, prospective college students will receive college credit for previous work experience or job training programs they've participated in. This will make it easier and more affordable for working people to pursue a degree.
- I have continued negotiating with my colleagues across the aisle to pass my bill that would place important safeguards on gun dealers that have the potential to drastically reduce illegal gun trafficking in Illinois.

I remain a strong supporter of policies that will lift up the middle class, including this year's initiatives to raise the minimum wage, protect individuals with preexisting conditions from losing access to health insurance and to stop large corporations from taking advantage of tax breaks before shipping local jobs out of state. Families, veterans and seniors would finally receive relief from our outrageous property taxes under legislation passed through the House this year.

The budget remains my number one legislative priority as the General Assembly proceeds into continuous session. The House Democratic Caucus stands ready as always to negotiate for the benefit of working families and our state's most vulnerable residents. I compel Gov. Rauner to look beyond his misguided Turnaround Agenda and finally begin working for true reform that will lift up Illinois.

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

Willis Passes Controls on Health Insurance Rates, Protections for People with Preexisting Conditions

As Washington politicians push for reckless changes to a federal law which would strip insurance from people with preexisting conditions and increase premiums, state Rep. Kathleen Willis, D-Addison, is fighting to stop massive insurance companies from gouging middle-class families and ensure no one can be denied care because of their medical history.

“Our neighbors deserve access to healthcare regardless of any preexisting medical condition,” said Willis. “Denying people, from cancer patients to kids with disabilities, from the treatments and procedures they need to be healthy would be devastating to millions of families throughout the state.”

Willis sponsored and voted to pass House Bill 2624, which creates an independent Health Insurance Rate Review Board to review and approve proposed insurance premiums and block unjustified increases intended only to increase corporate profits at the expense of consumers.

Additionally, Willis passed state-level protections for people with preexisting conditions like cancer, diabetes or heart disease. While Washington politicians continue fighting to repeal federal protections for these at-risk individuals, Willis’ House Bill 2959 would prevent insurance companies selling policies in Illinois from discriminating against the sickest, oldest and most in need of care. The legislation passed the House with bipartisan support.

“Families in our community would be protected from Washington’s disastrous healthcare policies under these measures,” said Willis. “The healthcare needs of working people, seniors and children must be prioritized over the profits of large insurance companies.”

Willis Passes Legislation Out of House to Protect First Responders

Firefighters and emergency medical service personnel face dangerous situations every day in their line of duty, but legislation passed out of the House recently by state Rep. Kathleen Willis, D-Addison, would encourage property owners to ensure their buildings are safe for first responders in case of an emergency.

“When a property owner creates a dangerous condition in a building or allows code violations to go unresolved, this is not just irresponsible – it’s potentially life-threatening to first responders should a fire or medical emergency occur,” Willis said. “Anyone who tries to cover up dangerous structural issues rather than fix them must face the consequences if their actions result in the death or injury of a first responder.”

House Bill 531, the Daniel Capuano Memorial Act, was created in reaction to the tragic death of firefighter Dan Capuano as he was responding to a fire in a vacant Chicago warehouse. The owners of the building failed to

install adequate protections in the structure while renovations were occurring. This oversight ultimately resulted in Capuano falling two stories through an open elevator shaft. Under Willis’ legislation, this action would result in a Class Four felony charge.

“First responders and their loved ones know that life-threatening situations can occur at any time – as the wife of a retired firefighter, I remember this anxiety,” Willis said. “We must be doing everything in our power to ensure these brave men and women can come home to families at the end of the day.”

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

Willis Advocates for Continued Federal Funding for Drug Prevention Programs

As deadly drug overdoses continue to rise in the Western suburbs and across Illinois, state Rep. Kathleen Willis, D-Addison, is urging President Trump to continue funding the federal programs that have been vital in helping local law enforcement address this epidemic.

“It’s heartbreaking that so many people – from teenagers to mothers and fathers – lose their lives every day due to drug overdoses. Last year in DuPage County, the number of heroin related deaths more than doubled,” Willis said. “Drug trafficking prevention programs work to put a stop to these terrible addictions before they can even begin by keeping drugs out of our communities and providing the support that people at risk of drug abuse need to stay safe.”

Donald Trump’s proposed budget seeks to cut 95 percent of the Office of National Drug Control Policy’s federal funding for the 2018 fiscal year. The Trump Administration’s budget proposal includes zero dollars for the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Program, which coordinates local, state and national efforts to stop the sales of narcotics. The Drug-Free Communities Support Program, which provides community-based youth substance abuse resources, would receive no federal funding. Willis is a sponsor of House Resolution 384, a measure encouraging President Trump to reconsider funding these vital programs.

“Over 2,300 people lost their lives in Illinois last year as a result of drug use. Without funding for the vital programs that train law enforcement to stop drug trafficking operations, provide substance abuse resources and conduct programming to help young people stay away from deadly narcotics, this crisis is only going to become more tragic,” Willis said. “I urge Donald Trump to stick to his promise to fight the opioid epidemic and fund programs that have been proven to save lives.”

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.



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Melrose Park Welcomes the Addition of La Tequileria

La Tequileria, a premium tequila lounge, opened its doors recently in Melrose Park.

"It's been a natural progression for our family," said owner and family member David Suarez. "Our family recognized the need for a sophisticated addition to the restaurant and bar scene in the Western suburbs. We are looking forward to sharing the experience and culture of tequila."

La Tequileria is an elegant, yet rustic, atmosphere that aims to be a place to experience premium tequilas. Tequila is the closest spirit to wine and takes over seven years for a blue agave plant to grow to maturity.

The owners have carefully stocked the bar with the finest premium spirits allowing guests to enjoy tequila in its purest form, straight or in a delicious

cocktail. Craft draft beer – as well as bottles and cans – from breweries like Three Floyds, 5 Rabbits and Lagunitas will also be available and served at La Tequileria.

The Suarez family has a lot of knowledge in tequila, having a deep appreciation for the cultivation of the blue agave plant and the precise process by which premium tequila must undergo. "My family's roots are in Jalisco (home of Tequila). Serving premium tequila is a way for us to honor our roots and to introduce new generations of people and backgrounds to high quality tequila and to create an appreciation its process and many variations." To be considered "tequila" the drink must be made from blue agave plants grown mostly in Jalisco.

La Tequileria has a welcoming, lounge atmosphere where the mission of the bar is to introduce its guests to tequila and create a new appreciation for its versatility. Guests may try a flight – or sampling – of tequila or decide from a plethora of unique cocktails developed by Head Mixologist and Manager Elliot Acosta.

La Tequileria offers a limited gourmet food menu of small plates, but the true focus is the drink menu. Additionally, the lounge will have live music with a couple gaming machines in a separate room.

La Tequileria is located at 2118 W. Lake Street in Melrose Park and is open Tuesday through Sunday 2 p.m. to 2 a.m. The exterior of the building will undergo facade improvements this summer.

For more information, visit www.thetequileria.com.

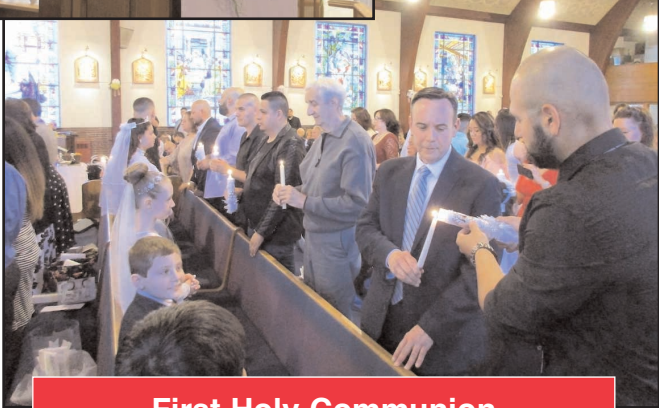


Pictured (left to right) at the La Tequileria Ribbon Cutting are: Javier Aceves, general contractor; David Suarez, executive manager (co-owner); Sergio Suarez and Mary Suarez, owners; Ronald Serpico, mayor of Melrose Park; and Elliot Acosta, manager.



A large crowd gathered for opening night on Friday, April 28.

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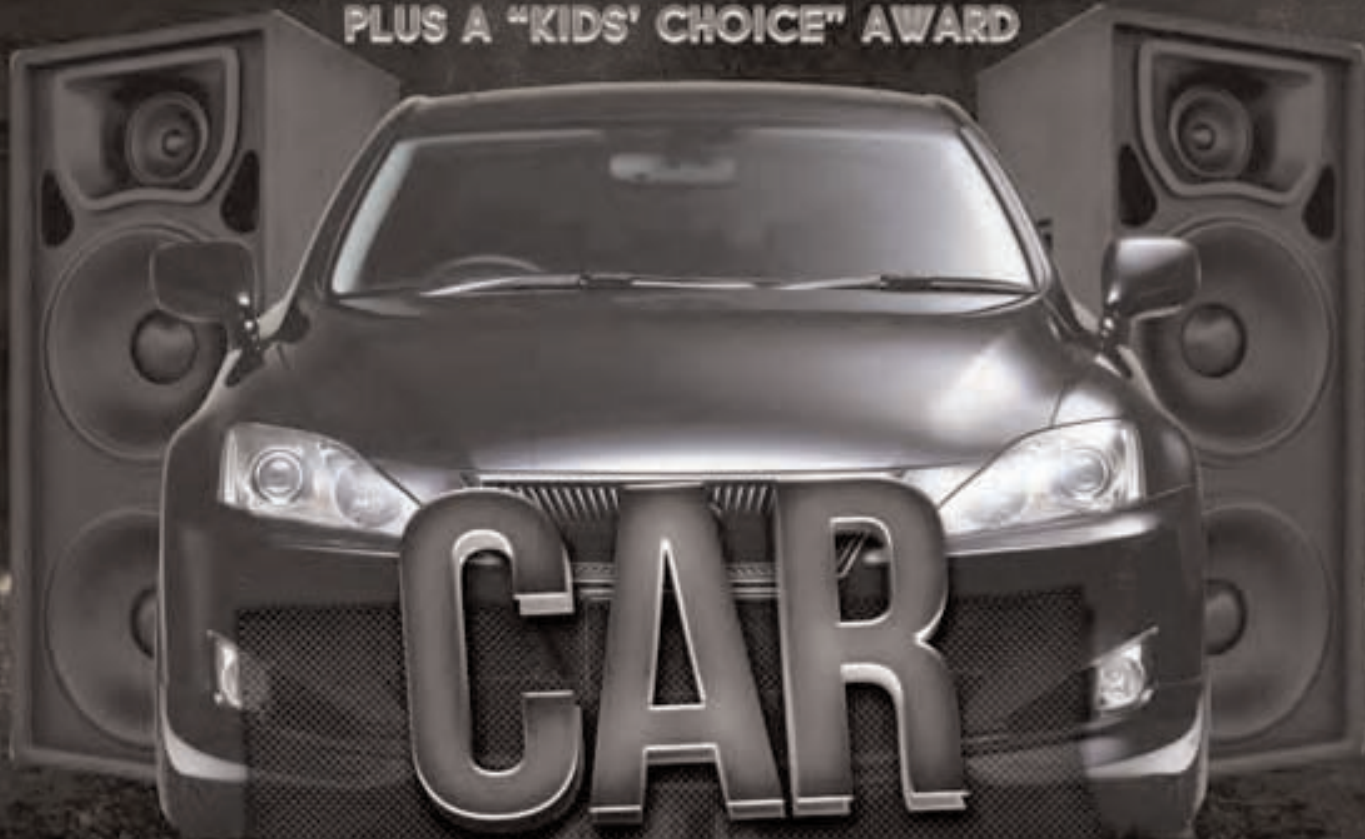
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Illinois State Representative
77th District

Westlake Hosts Annual Legislative Breakfast



Tuesday, April 11, Westlake Hospital held the annual legislative breakfast attended by key politicians and community leaders as well as Ruth Matthei, CNO; Dr. Marta Alvarado, director of Community Outreach; Joe Ottolino, CEO, West Sub; and Corey Davisson, VP of Business Relations for Tenet Healthcare.



Mike Ditoro, CEO, welcomed the group of over 100 and reminded the distinguished guests of Westlake's many contributions including 76 health events with 1500 participants, 4800 health screenings, 173 health education events with 2000 attendees, and in 2015, we gave \$4.1 million in charity care, \$4.9 million in 2016, and \$1.8 million in Q1 of 2017.



Guests included: Don Harmon, Illinois Senate president pro tempore; Chris Welch, state representative for the 7th district; Kathleen Willis, state representative for the 77th district; and Ron Serpico, mayor of Melrose Park.

State Rep. Willis Visits Westlake Hospital

More than a dozen citizens attended the Westlake Hospital-sponsored lunch with state Rep. Kathleen Willis on Friday, April 21. Rep. Willis, of the 77th district, spoke of recent changes in the services provided to the community, especially seniors. Tagjit Teji, MD, neonatologist; state Rep. Kathleen Willis; and Marta Alvarado, PhD, director of Community Outreach, participated in the discussion.



West Suburban Medical Center Receives 11th Consecutive "A" for Patient Safety from The Leapfrog Group

West Suburban Medical Center has been recognized by The Leapfrog Group as one of only 63 hospitals in the nation, and 11 in Illinois, to have achieved straight A's since 2012 for patient safety and quality. West Suburban is one of just 38 hospitals in Illinois to receive an "A" ranking this period.

"Patient safety is ingrained in every aspect of West Suburban's culture of patient care and is at the core of everything we do," said Joe Ottolino, CEO, West Suburban Medical Center. "I am extremely proud of the dedication of every single member of our team to have achieved this prestigious industry award every year."

The Leapfrog Group is a nonprofit organization committed to driving quality, safety, and transparency in the U.S. health care system.

"Straight 'A' hospitals are a rare breed. Not only do they achieve the highest national standards for safety, but they consistently maintain that level of excellence," said Leah Binder, president and CEO of The Leapfrog Group. "That means that they put the well-being of their patients first, every hour of every day, year after year. We are proud to recognize that tireless commitment."

West Suburban Medical Center is a 234-bed teaching hospital located in Oak Park, Ill., and accredited by The Joint Commission. More than 300 physician specialists offer a comprehensive array of advanced inpatient, outpatient and surgical services at West Suburban Medical Center and the River Forest Medical Campus in River Forest, Ill. West Suburban Medical Center is a leader in robotic and minimally invasive surgery, natural birthing and obstetrics, emergency medicine, cancer care, gastroenterology and rehabilitation. The hospital is a certified Chest Pain Center, a Primary Stroke Center and is accredited by the Commission on Cancer of the American College of Surgeons. West Suburban Medical Center has received straight A's from the Leapfrog Group for the Hospital Safety Score. West Suburban Medical Center is owned by Tenet Healthcare Corporation, a leading health care services company, which through its subsidiaries operates 20 short-stay surgical hospitals, 84 acute care hospitals, 470+ outpatient centers nationwide, in addition to 9 facilities in the UK. www.westsubmc.com.



A Safe Haven Foundation Announces 7th Annual 5K RUN! To End Homelessness!



A Safe Haven is proud to announce our 7th annual 5K RUN! To End Homelessness on July 15, 2017, at Chicago's beautiful Montrose Harbor.

The 5K will begin at 8:30 a.m. and will be immediately followed by a Kids' FUN RUN, open to all children 12 and under. All are welcome and invited to gather family and friends as we stand, walk and run together to support our neighbors in need!

A Safe Haven has garnered support from a growing list of honorary host committee members and sponsors throughout the Chicagoland area. Our Annual 5k RUN! is our largest fundraising event, growing by leaps and bounds each year. As an anchor human service organization, A Safe Haven provides services and housing for an average of 5,000 people in need each year to provide housing, treatment, education and job training services to enable our clients to escape the cycle of homelessness and achieve sustainable self-sufficiency. Each and every dollar we raise from the 5K RUN! will go towards supporting these programs.

"Funding to support the homeless in the state of Illinois has been declining for years. It's at times like these that we need to acknowledge our country's decades of neglect and broken systems that too often have let families in crisis down. Today, it is no coincidence that the resulting impact is being felt and seen in the form of the widespread and generational blight, unemployment, crime and despair that exists in poverty stricken communities, even in neighborhoods that were once thought immune to the perils and consequences of long-term poverty. I'm incredibly grateful for all of the support we've received for the 7th Annual 5K RUN! To End Homelessness. Supporting and giving to A Safe Haven is a gift to hundreds of mothers, children, families and veterans: there is nothing we want more than to help each and every one of them succeed. A Safe Haven was founded with the goal of breaking the cycle of poverty and each year I am humbled by just how many are willing to stand in solidarity with that goal. The amazing teams and individual participants, corporate and political sponsors, and those on the ground promoting our event enable us to continue raising awareness and providing support to those in need," states Neli Vazquez Rowland, president.

Individuals and groups are encouraged to register via the event web page – www.athlinks.com.

For more information about the event or to learn about sponsorship opportunities, please visit – <http://www.asafehaven.org/5k-run-to-end-homelessness/>.

The ROSE AD RESERVATION FORM

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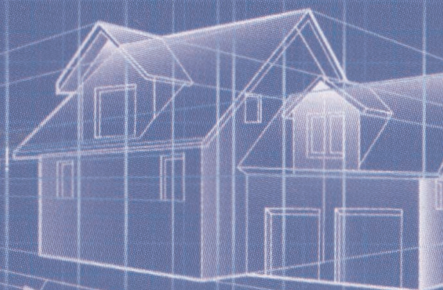
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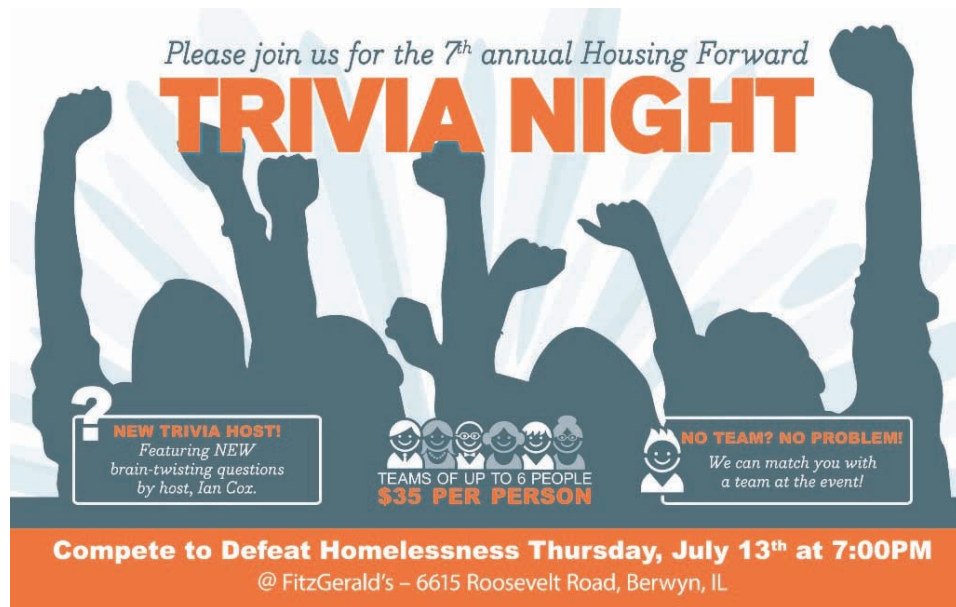
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Compete to Defeat Homelessness Thursday, July 13th at 7:00PM
@ FitzGerald's - 6615 Roosevelt Road, Berwyn, IL

Break out the old Trivial Pursuit and start brushing up on your facts for this year's 7th Annual Trivia Night! Select your team members wisely for this challenging and exciting event benefiting Housing Forward on Thursday, July 13, 7 p.m., at FitzGerald's, 6615 W. Roosevelt Road, Berwyn. Admission is \$35 per person, and includes appetizers, drink ticket and trivia with host Ian Cox.

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Interested parties can register as a team or individually by visiting <https://www.firstgiving.com/housingforward/trivia> or call (708) 338-1724, Ext. 230. Space is limited.

The event will feature:

- Trivia Challenge – Earn the title of "Trivia Champions" by achieving the high score at the end of the night.
- Fundraising Challenge – Become "Homelessness Defeaters" by raising the most money through your fundraising page. Every dollar raised will go directly to support our programs and services.

Thanks to our generous corporate and event sponsors, 100 percent of every ticket benefits Housing Forward's mission to end homelessness.

If you have any questions about event registration or creating fundraising pages, please contact Amanda Rochon at arochon@housingforward.org or (708) 338-1724, Ext. 230.

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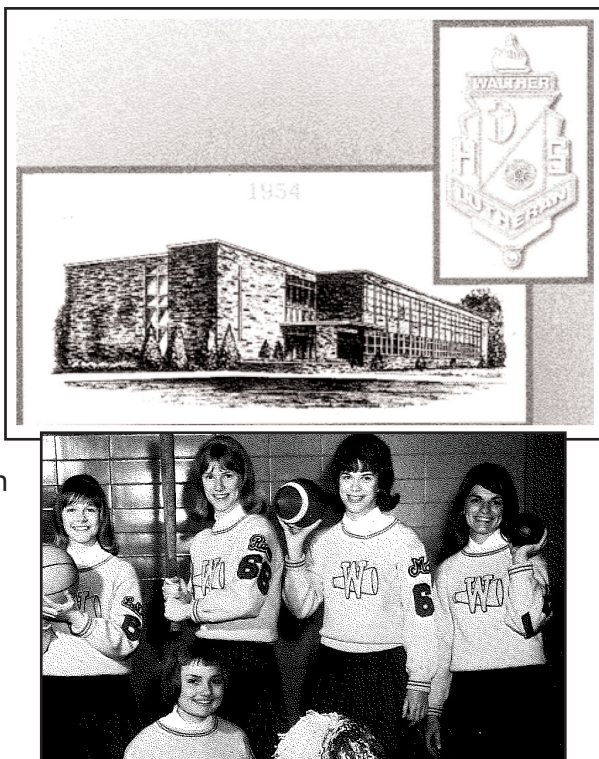
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2017 Walther Christian Academy Homecoming – Saturday, Sept. 23

Mark your calendars for Saturday, Sept. 23. In celebration of Walther Christian Academy's Homecoming, a variety of alumni activities will be offered during the day including the Erin Stanley Memorial Softball Game, building tours, lunch and the football game. Walther Lutheran High School reunion parties are planned for that weekend.

Visit Walther.com/alumni for more details or call (708) 344-0404.



Walther Christian Academy Tee Up for Student Scholarships – Monday, Oct. 9

Royal Fox Country Club in St. Charles

Join Walther alumni and friends for a great day of golf on Monday, Oct. 9, at Royal Fox Country Club in St. Charles, to raise funds for Walther Christian Academy student scholarships.

Four out of every five students rely on some form of discount, scholarship or financial aid grant. Funds raised from the golf outing make it possible for high school students to receive the advantage of a Walther education.

Not a golfer? Join others that day for a special outing and then have dinner with the golfers.

To register either as a golfer or outing/dinner guest, visit Walther.com/golf.

Can't make it on Oct. 9? Event sponsors are also needed. Contact Catherine_Hegarty@walther.com or call (708) 344-0404, Ext. 225, to learn more about these opportunities.



Members of the 2016-2017 Walther Christian Academy Golf Team.

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.



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!

Village Hall Announces Holiday Closings

The Melrose Park Village Hall will be closed for the following holidays:

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: 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.

Obituaries

Adams

Robert “Bob” Walter Adams Sr. Veteran of the United States Army. Beloved husband of Mary (nee Misasi); loving father of Robert “Robbie Jr.” (LaDonna), Danny (Deanna) and Michael; beloved son of Walter and Theresa Adams; fond grandfather of Joey, Alexa, Daniel Jr. and Mia; dear brother of Mary Fenolio, Richard Novak and the late Jean Johnson. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Queen of Heaven. Proud member of the Knights of Columbus and The Holy Name Society.

Apuzzo

Kay Apuzzo, nee Perrino, age 89, passed away on April 21 to be with her beloved husband, Alexandro ‘Butch’ Apuzzo, and her eldest son, Ronald Apuzzo in Heaven. She is survived by her two remaining children, Cathy Apuzzo-Partipilo and Tom Apuzzo; her four grandchildren, Alexandra Partipilo, Nicholas Apuzzo, Francesco Partipilo and Thomas J. Stella; her two brothers, Joe and Anthony Perrino; her best friend, who was like a sister to her, Annette Olmetti; and her many other loving relatives. We all hope that she is finally able to find peace. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Queen of Heaven.

Argento

Sam C. Argento. Loving father of Sam Joseph and Figianna Marie; beloved son of the late Sal and Concetta; cherished papa of Mia Grace; dear brother of Sandra and Anthony Argento; fond uncle and friend of many; loving master of Slades and Skletes. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment private.

Atkinson

Shirley E. Atkinson, nee Swanson. Dearly beloved wife of the late Wayne; loving mother of Judith (James) Fatigato and David Atkinson; cherished grandmother of Amy, Nick, Mike, Courtney and MacKenzie; dear sister, aunt and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home.

Camino

Eleni Stacy Camino (Lanie), 77, of Lake Forest, passed away on June 3, 2017, at home in Lake Forest. Born Aug. 8, 1939, to Dorothy Georges and Constantine Stacy in Milwaukee, Lanie graduated from Downer High School and Lake Forest College. Eleni taught elementary school in Milwaukee, where she met her husband of 52 years, Michael R. Camino, on a blind date. She was preceded in death by her parents and brother Peter (Doris) Stacy and is survived by her loving husband and daughters Jennifer (Chapin) Mower, Courtney (Charles) Petit and Stephanie (Nate) Wolverton, and her adored grandchildren Trevor, Caroline, Victoria, Alexandra and Elizabeth, and sister Vivian (Michael) Eacarrino. Eleni had a passion for interior design and served on the board of the Lake Forest Chapter of Infant Welfare Society of Chicago for over 45 years. As a past president, she was instrumental in creating the Bi-annual Showhouse & Gardens. Eleni also served on the boards of the Junior Garden Club of Lake Forest and the Northwestern Lake Forest Hospital Women’s Board. Her interest in collecting vintage and fine antiques led her to start a small business selling her finds in antique shops over 12 years ago. Of all her roles, Eleni’s favorite were nanie to her grandchildren, mom, wife and fond aunt. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Inurnment private.

Chaidez

Maria L. Chaidez, nee Rodriguez. Dearly beloved wife of the late Emiliano; loving mother of David (Consuelo), Arnoldo (Socorro), Amado (Evangelina), Susan (Francisco) Merez, Inno Chaidez, Graciela (Felipe) Velazquez, Hortencia (Rito) Reyes, Velia (Jesus) Saucedo and the late Jacinto (Cleme), and the late Alecia Chaidez; cherished grandmother of 28; great-grandmother of 26; fond sister, aunt and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery.

Jandrisits

Leo J. Jandrisits. Dearly beloved husband of Dolores; loving father of Joe (Bobbie), Laura (Rick) Zaksas and Joyce (Joe) Illig; cherished grandfather of Leslie (Dave), Matt (Gina) and Christopher; great-grandfather of Josie and Cora; fond uncle and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home at Salerno Rosedale Chapels. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery.

LaSalvia

Theresa LaSalvia, nee Gierek. Dearly beloved wife of the late Jerry; loving mother of Donna (Richard) LaRocco, Pam (Kerry) Erber and the late Roberta Rebb; cherished grandmother of Dawn Ganassin and Nicholas LaRocco; cherished great-grandmother of Justin, Lauren, Sayge, Gianna, and Vincent; dear sister, sister-in-law, aunt and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Entombment Resurrection Mausoleum.

Lisuzzo

Teresa Ann Lisuzzo, nee Caccamisi, 98 years young. Lifetime resident of Melrose Park. Dearly beloved wife of the late Frank; strong, independent mother of Marie (Peter) Urso, Josephine and the late Salvatore Lisuzzo. Passed peacefully after a short illness with her daughters by her side. Proud grandmother of Michelle (Don) Adams, Elizabeth (Brad) Habansky and Frank Urso; cherished great-grandmother of her beloved Emily, Jacob, William, Jane, Natalia, Teresa and Everett; fond sister of the late Jimmy, Domenic, Rosina and Marietta; loving aunt and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery.

Longo

Rita Longo, nee Mastronuzzi. Dearly beloved wife of Biagio; loving mother of Carol (Mario) Perfetti, Tina (Michael) O’Mara and Giovanni (Natalie) Longo; fond grandmother of Francesco Perfetti, Amelia (James) Lembo, Dino O’Mara, Lauren O’Mara, Ava, Giovanni, Dominic and Lola; great-grandmother of Karlie and Sophia; dear sister of Ida, Louigi, Esther, Rose and the late Julia; loving aunt, cousin and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Entombment Queen of Heaven Mausoleum.

Maioni

Carolyn Maioni. Dearly beloved wife of the late Felix; loving mother of John, Louise (Tom) Knack and the late Ralph; loving nane of seven; fond great-grandmother of one; dear sister of Dominic (late Mary) Mautone, Connie (the late Dominic), the late Louis (late Lucy) Mautone, the late Mary (late Pat) Amico, the late Patsy (late Beverly) Mautone, the late Maggie (late Bennie), the late Phillip (late Theresa) Mautone; loving aunt, cousin and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery.

Malpede

Donald C. Malpede, age 70. Dearly beloved husband of Susan (nee Condon); cherished father of Jodie (Edgar) Argueta, Christopher and Colin; adored papa of Joseph, Meriah and Ella; dear brother of Sandra (Richard) Bykowski; nephew of Charles "Geeg" (Carol) Sutura; loving brother-in-law, uncle and friend of many; loyal companion to Molly. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery with military honors.

Mola

Pasquale Mola. Dearly beloved husband of Maria (nee Addante); loving father of Joseph, Frank (Lisa) and Mike (Tina); cherished nonno of Joey (Gina), Ann Marie, Patrick, Maria, Isabella and Sara; great-grandfather of Vincent; dear brother-in-law, uncle and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home at Salerno Rosedale Chapels. Entombment All Saints Mausoleum.

Pallarino

Ralph Pallarino. Dearly beloved husband of the late Teresa (nee Tartaglione); loving father of Pasquale (Marilyn) and Louise Pallarino; cherished grandfather of Ralph and John Pallarino; great-grandfather of Kayden Rae, Marlo and Sonny Pallarino; dear brother, brother-in-law, uncle and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Entombment Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Christ the King Mausoleum.

Robledo

Carolina Robledo. Dearly beloved wife of Armando Camacho; beloved daughter of Jose Luis and Elisa Robledo; cherished sister of Adriana (Ramiro) Camacho, Veronica (Flavio) Cruz, Jose Luis (Silvia) Robledo and Alexander (Cynthia) Robledo; dearest daughter-in-law, sister-in-law, aunt and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Entombment Fairview Memorial Mausoleum.

Rubright

Carol L. Rubright, nee Repka. Dearly beloved wife of the late John Jr.; loving mother of Kenneth (Janet), Diane, James (Barbara), Donna (Joe) Ariola and the late John III; cherished grandmother of Dr. Samantha, Joey, Katie, Teena and Anthony; great-grandmother of Francesca; dear sister of Gloria (late Gilbert) Fagerlin and Janice (Clyde) Denis; fond aunt, cousin and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery.

Sanchez

Luis M. Lopez Sanchez. Dearly beloved husband of Bertha; loving father of Luis, Miriam (Noe) Salinas, Luis A. (Erica), Claudia (Juan Manuel) Diaz and Jacqueline (Rafael) Diaz; beloved son of Catalina and the late Francisco Lopez; cherished grandfather of Michael, Abby, Jacob, Julian, Dayanara, Aaron, Jonathan and Juliana; dear brother, brother-in-law, uncle and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Mt. Carmel Cemetery. Proud member of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Solazzo

Frank Joseph Solazzo, age 92, passed away April 15, 2017, US Army WWII, Bronze Star recipient, retired lieutenant, Melrose Park Fire

Department. Loving husband of Josephine (nee Priola); devoted father of Joseph (Patricia), Frank (MaryKay) and the late Thomas; cherished son of the late Joseph Solazzo and Providenza (nee Marchese); beloved brother of the late Domenica (Harold) Bailey and Joseph (Ida) Solazzo; dear uncle, fond cousin, steadfast friend and neighbor of so many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Entombment Queen of Heaven Mausoleum.

Stallone

James "Jimmy" Stallone. Dearly beloved husband of Lorraine; loving father of Laura Stallone; cherished papa of Joseph Rentmeister, Nicholas (Amanda) Rentmeister and Angela Rentmeister; loving brother, uncle and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Mt. Carmel Cemetery. Proud member of the Loyal Order of Moose.

Vacchiano

Joseph Vacchiano. Parents – Gabriel Vacchiano and Betty (Chiarito); wife – Carol Brown; son – Gabriel; daughter-in-law – Cristina; step grandsons – Christopher and John; many cousins and friends. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Private

Warren

Lillian Warren, nee Witczak. Dearly beloved wife of the late Edward P.; loving mother of Dianne (the late Lawrence) Rybak and Barbara (Michael) Kelly; fond grandmother of Shannon (Christopher) Stephen, Jason (Victoria) Rybak, Colleen (Stuart) Hemmings, Justine (Jon) Bailey and Kathleen (Michael) Waitzman; great-grandmother of 11; loving sister, aunt, cousin and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Entombment All Saints Mausoleum.

Zamboni

Laura Zamboni. Dearly beloved wife of the late Constant "Bubs"; loving mother of Rochelle (Luis) Roja and the late Robert "Bobby"; fond grandmother of Jason Palermo and Jaime (Anthony) Licht; fond great-grandmother of Kendra Licht and Angelo Licht; loving sister, aunt, cousin and friend to many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery.

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Melrose Park **Village Hall News**

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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:

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F PLATE.....	\$75	R PLATE.....	\$110
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All vehicle sticker sales are final. No refunds will be issued.

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



2017 Village of Melrose Park RE: 0311860 Consumer Confidence Annual Water Quality Report Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 2016

This publication conforms to the new federal regulation under the Safe Drinking Water Act that requires water utilities to provide a detailed water quality report to each of their customers annually. The Village of Melrose Park must provide you with this information. The Village also believes that knowledgeable customers are the Village's best allies in support of improving high drinking water standard.

If you have any questions relating to your water supply, and this report, please contact Mr. Mike Carpanzano, Water Superintendent (708-531-5360).

SPANISH NOTICE

Este informe contiene informacion muy importante sobre el agua que usted bebe. Traduzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

The report outlines the processes involved in delivering to you the highest quality drinking water available.

1. Where does my water come from? 2. How is my water treated and purified? 3. How safe is my drinking water?

SOURCE WATER (MANDATORY)

VILLAGE OF MELROSE PARK DRINKING WATER SOURCE

Lake Michigan is the surface water supply used to provide drinking water for Chicago and 123 suburban communities. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has found that the quality of Lake Michigan has improved dramatically over the past 21 years. Lake Michigan, by volume, is the second largest Great Lake and the only one located totally within the United States. It serves as a source of drinking water, as a place for swimming and fishing, and as a scenic wonderland. Sources of drinking water used for both tap water and bottled water can pick up contaminants as water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground. The drinking water source is vulnerable to industrial waste and runoff from surrounding lands. Potential sources of pollution such as pesticides, herbicides, radioactive materials, and organic and inorganic petroleum and gas production by-products can impact the source water. We do not have indications of the presence of these contaminants at this time, mainly because of restrictions, which prohibit industrial effluents from entering Lake Michigan, Sewage treatment plant effluents are not discharged into the lake, thereby reducing the threat of microbial contamination. All 63 miles of shoreline within Illinois are now considered to be in good condition. The Illinois EPA Office of Groundwater will be doing a source water assessment within the next three years. When completed, all sources of Pollutants into Lake Michigan will be identified and there will be information regarding the source water's susceptibility to contaminants based on the findings of the assessment. Since the quality of the raw water source is good, conventional treatment methods of disinfection, coagulation and sedimentation, and sand filtration are adequate for producing a water that is free of harmful contaminants.

HOW IS MY WATER TREATED AND PURIFIED?

The City of Chicago Water Department provides the water treatment necessary to safeguard the water delivered to Melrose Park. Water is taken from Lake Michigan at several water inlets located about 3 miles from shore. Chlorine is then injected into the water for disinfection. The water then flows through a series of settling and filtration basins where small amounts of polymer and sedimentation chemicals are added. After this process is complete, the water is filtered to remove the sediment. At this point the water is filtered through layers of fine charcoal and silicate sand. Small particles are removed and pure clean water is ready to be re-chlorinated as a safeguard and precaution against any microorganisms.

VOLUNTARY TESTING (OPTIONAL)

The Chicago Water Department monitors for contaminants which are proposed to be regulated or for which no standards currently exist but which could provide useful information in assessing the quality of the source water or the drinking water.

Cryptosporidium – Analyses have been conducted monthly on the source water since April 1993. Cryptosporidium has not been detected in these samples. Treatment processes have been optimized to ensure that if there are cryptosporidium cysts in the source water, they will be removed during the treatment process. By maintaining a low turbidity and thereby removing the particles from the water, the threat of cryptosporidium organisms getting into the drinking water system is greatly reduced.

Asbestos – Samples are examined for asbestos fibers in the source water and finished water on a routine basis. The EPA has determined that asbestos fibers greater than 10 microns in length could potentially cause lung cancer. We did not find fibers that are in this size category.

Taste and odor compounds – MIB and geosmin are monitored both in the source water and finished water. These analyses assist the personnel to determine the effectiveness of the treatment process as they strive to reduce these compounds and provide a drinking water without detectable tastes and odors.

The City of Chicago carefully monitors the chlorine, using just enough chlorine to protect its customers, without compromising taste. Lastly, fluoride is added to inhibit tooth decay. A corrosive inhibitor is added to protect the distribution system pipes.

The finished water is pumped into the City of Chicago supply system. The water there is pumped westerly by the city's Springfield Pumping Station through a 48"-36" supply line to the Village of Melrose Park's connection at Harlem and Wabansia.

Water is stored in the Village's 2 million gallon reservoir and again pumped by a booster station at 8300 North Avenue. The water travels through a 42" supply line to 2-4 million gallon reservoirs at the 15th Avenue pumping station and a 2 million gallon reservoir at the 23rd Avenue Main Pumping Station. At those points the water is pumped into the local water distribution lines. The Village of Melrose Park once again tests the water for chlorine levels, and adds the required chlorine to insure clean and safe water to its consumers.

SUBSTANCE EXPECTED IN DRINKING WATER

Under The Safe Drinking Water Act. S.D.W.A., the U.S.A. Environmental Protection Agency is responsible for establishing national limits for hundreds of substances in drinking water. The Act also specifies various treatments that water systems must use to remove these substances.

The Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the USEPA's Safe Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. USEPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the USEPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Village Of Melrose Park is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

IF THERE WERE A PROBLEM WITH WATER CONTAMINANT, WHO WOULD NOTIFY ME?

If contaminant levels were to exceed the M.C.L. for safe use, the Village of Melrose Park Department of Public Works will notify you with newspaper, TV and radio announcements. Also, the Village's Emergency Services/Public Safety would patrol the streets of Melrose Park instructing you of what appropriate action you can use to protect your family's health. These actions might include boiling the water for a particular period of time.

TABULAR INFORMATION

This report includes tables of contaminants found in drinking water. The tables do not list contaminants that were not found in the Chicago and Melrose Park water supply. Any contaminants detected in Melrose Park’s water were under maximum contaminants levels (M.C.L.) within the safe drinking water guidelines set by U.S. EPA and are not expected to cause any health risks. However, it is important for you to know exactly what was detected and how much of the substance was present in the water.

The Village of Melrose Park hopes this information helps make its water customers better informed on the water we use in our homes and businesses.

2016 NON-DETECTED CONTAMINANTS

The following table includes contaminants monitored for, but not detected in the most recent sample. The CCR rule does not require that this information be reported; however, monitoring had indicated that these contaminants were not present in the water supply. In some cases, if a contaminant is not detected in a water supply, monitoring can be reduced to once every three or six years, however, the Village monitors every year.

DATA TABULATED BY CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF WATER MANAGEMENT
2016 WATER QUALITY DATA

-Definition of Terms;

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL): The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
Level Found: This column represents an average of sample result data collected during the CCR calendar year. In some cases, it may represent a single sample if only one sample was collected.
Range of Detections: This column represents a range of individual sample results, from lowest to highest that were collected during the CCR calendar year.
Date of Sample: If a date appears in this column, the Illinois EPA requires monitoring for this contaminant less than once per year because the concentrations do not frequently change. If no date appears in the column, monitoring for this contaminant was conducted during the Consumer Confidence Report calendar year.
Action Level (AL): The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which water systems must follow.
Treatment Technique (TT): A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.n
Nd: Not detectable at testing limits. **n/a:** not applicable

DETECTED CONTAMINANTS

Contaminant (unit of measurement)	Typical Source of Contaminant	MCLG	MCL	Highest Level Found	Range of Detections	Violation	Date of Sample
TURBIDITY DATA							
Turbidity (%<0.3 NTU)		N/a	TT(95%<0.3NTU)	100%	100%-100%		
Soil runoff. Lowest monthly percent meeting limit.							
Turbidity (NTU)		N/a	TT=1NTUmax	0.16	N/a		
Soil runoff. Highest single measurement.							
INORGANIC CONTAMINANTS							
Barium (ppm)		2	2	0.0206	0.0196-0.0206		
Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.							
Nitrate (As Nitrogen) (ppm)		10	10	0.46	0.40-0.46		
Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.							
Total Nitrate & Nitrite (ppm)		10	10	0.46	0.40-0.46		
Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.							
TOC (Total Organic Carbon)							
The percentage of Total Organic Carbon (TOC) removal was measured each month and the system met all TOC removal requirements set by IEPA.							
UNREGULATED CONTAMINANTS							
Sulfate (ppm)		n/a	n/a	25.7	25.0-25.7		
Erosion of naturally occurring deposits							
Sodium (ppm)		N/a	n/a	8.92	8.49-8.92		
Erosion of naturally occurring deposits; Used as water softener.							
STATE REGULATED CONTAMINANTS							
Fluoride (ppm)		4	4	0.78	0.62-0.78		
Water additive which promotes strong teeth.							
RADIOACTIVE CONTAMINANTS							
Combined Radium (226/228) (pCi/l)		0	5	0.84	0.50-0.84	2/11/14	
Decay of natural and man-made deposits							
GROSS APLHA excluding radon		0	15	6.6	6.1-6.6	2/11/14	
and uranium Decay of natural and man-made deposits							

UCMR3 COMPLIANCE REPORTING

In compliance with the Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule 3 (UCMR3) as required by the EPA, the City of Chicago has monitored for 28 contaminants suspected to be present in drinking water, but that do not have health-based standards set under the safe drinking Water Act. The monitoring results were reported to the EPA. The list of the UCMR3 contaminants that we have monitored included volatile organic chemicals, metals, perfluorinated compounds, hormones, 1, 4-dioxane and chlorate.
The contaminants that were detected in this monitoring program are listed below.

CHROMIUM (ppb)	100	100	0.3	0.3-0.3		
Naturally-occurring element; used in making steel and other alloys						
MOLYBDENUM (ppb)	N/A	N/A	1.1	1.0-1.1		
Naturally-occurring element found in ores and present in plants, animals and bacteria; commonly used from molybdenum trioxide						
STRONTIUM (ppb)	N/A	N/A	120	110-120		
Naturally-occurring element; has been used in cathode-ray tube TVs to block x-ray emissions						
VANADIUM (ppb)	N/A	N/A	0.2	0.2-0.2		
Naturally-occurring metal; vanadium pentoxide is used as a catalyst and a chemical intermediate						
CHROMIUM-6 or	N/A	N/A	0.19	0.18-0.19		
HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM (ppb)						
Naturally-occurring element; used in making steel and alloys						

UNIT OF MEASUREMENT

ppm - Parts per million, or milligrams per liter ppb - Parts per billion, or micrograms per liter NTU – Nephelometric Turbidity Unit, used to measure cloudiness in drinking water
%<0.5 NTU – Percent samples less than 0.5 NTU
pCi/l – Picocuries per liter, used to measure radioactivity.

WATER QUALITY DATA TABLE FOOTNOTES

Turbidity
Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of the water. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of water quality and the effectiveness of our filtration system and disinfectants.

Unregulated Contaminants:
A maximum contaminant level (MCL) for this contaminant has not been established by either state or federal regulations, nor has mandatory health effects language. The purpose for monitoring this contaminant is to assist USEPA in determining the occurrence of unregulated contaminants in drinking water, and whether future regulation is warranted.

Fluoride
Fluoride is added to the water supply to help promote strong teeth. The Illinois Department of Public Health recommends an optimal fluoride range of 0.9 mg/l to 1.2 mg/l.

Sodium
There is not a state or federal MCL for sodium. Monitoring is required to provide information to consumers and health officials that are concerned about sodium intake due to dietary precautions. If you are on a sodium-restricted diet, you should consult a physician about this level of sodium in the water.

2016 VIOLATION SUMMARY TABLE FOR CHICAGO
No Violations for Year 2016

The following table(s) lists all violations that occurred during 2013. We included a brief summary of the actions we took following notification of the violation.

Contaminant or Program	Violation Type	Monitoring Period Start Date-End Date	Violation Explanation
None	None	None	None
Health Effects (if Applicable)	None	None	None
Actions we took:	None		

WHAT’S IN MY WATER?

Each year, the Village analyzes hundreds of water samples for bacteria, turbidity, inorganic contaminants, lead and copper, nitrate, volatile organic contaminants, total trihalomethanes, and synthetic organic contaminants. For your information, we have compiled a list in the table below showing what substances were detected in our drinking water.

VILLAGE OF MELROSE PARK

Lead & Copper – Lead and copper samples were collected from 30 area homes. None were found to exceed the Action Level. The 90th percentile values are shown.

Regulated Contaminants Detected in 2016 (Collected in 2014 unless noted.)

Lead and Copper				Date Sampled Aug. 26, 2014		
Lead MCLG	Lead Action	Lead 90th Percentile	# Sites Over Lead AL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contaminant
0 ppb	15 ppb	5.28 ppb	0	ppb	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems: Erosion of natural deposits
Copper MCLG	Copper Action	Copper 90th Percentile	# Sites Over Copper AL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contaminant
ND	ND	ND	0	ppm	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems: Erosion of natural deposits

WATER QUALITY TEST RESULTS

Definitions: The following tables contain scientific terms and measures, some of which may require explanation.

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Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLG's allow for a margin of safety.

mg/l: milligrams per litre or parts per million - or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water.

Ug/l: micrograms per litre or parts per billion – or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water.

Na: not applicable.

Avg: Regulatory compliance with some MCLs is based on running annual average of monthly samples.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL): The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDLG): The level of disinfectant to drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDGL's allow for a margin of safety.

Disinfectants & Disinfection By-Products	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	Regulated Contaminants		Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contaminants
				MCLG	MCL			
Total Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	2016	15	8.13-26.7	No goal for the total	60	ppb	No	By-product of drinking water chlorination
TTHMs (Total Trihalomethanes)	2016	29	16.29-45.3	No goal for the total	80	ppb	No	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Chlorine	12/31/16	0.9	0.8-0.9	MRDLG=4	MDRL=4	ppm	No	Water additive used to control microbes

*MCL Statement: The maximum contaminant level (MCL) for TTHM and HAA5 is 80 ppm and 60 ppm respectively and is currently only applicable to surface water supplies that serve 10,000 or more people. These MCLs will become effective 01/01/2005 for all groundwater supplies and surface supplies serving less than 10,000 people. Until 01/01/2005, surface water supplies serving less than 10,000 people, any size water supply that purchase from a surface water source, and groundwater supplies serving more than 10,000 people must meet a state imposed TTHM MCL of 100 ppm. Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years experience problems with their livers, kidneys, or central nervous systems, and may have increased risk of getting cancer.

2016 VIOLATION SUMMARY TABLE
No Violations Were Found for Year 2016.

WATER CONSERVATION TIPS

Water conservation measures are an important first step in protecting our water supply. Such measures not only save the supply of our source water, but can also save you money by reducing your water and sewer bills. Here are a few suggestions.

- Conservation measures you can use inside your home include:
- Fix leaking faucets, pipes, toilets, etc.

• Replace old fixtures, install water-saving devices in faucets, toilets and appliances.

• Wash only full loads of laundry.

• Do not use the toilet for trash disposal.

• Take shorter showers.

• Do not let water run while shaving or brushing teeth.

• Soak dishes before washing.

• Run the dishwasher only when full.
- You can conserve outdoors as well:
- Water the lawn and garden in the early morning or evening.

• Use mulch around plants and shrubs.

• Repair leaks in faucets and hoses.

• Use water-saving nozzles.

• Use water from a bucket to wash your car and save the hose for rinsing.

For questions or concerns regarding this report, please call the Melrose Park Village Hall at (708) 343-4000.



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