## The Official Newsletter of the Village of Melrose Park

# A Message From Mayor Ronald M. Serpico

Fall is the Time of Year When We Begin Our Annual Holiday Ritual of Planning Festive Occasions. This Holiday Season Celebrate the Gift of Giving to Ensure No One Goes to Bed Hungry!

Dear Neighbors,

Fall is the time of year for cheering on your favorite football team, watching leaves turn into spectacular colors, and bemoaning the shorter days. It is also a time when we begin our annual holiday ritual of planning festive Thanksgiving dinners, shopping for gifts and writing seasonal greeting cards. It should also be a time when we help those whose upcoming holiday season will not be anywhere as nice as the one most of us will enjoy.

It is estimated that one in seven Cook County residents is considered food insecure; that is, they do not know when their next meal will be or if it will be enough food. Among children the number is worse with one of five children considered food insecure.

This holiday season celebrate the gift of giving by ensuring no one goes to bed hungry. Please donate to the Northern Illinois Food Bank. Due to their volume buying power and extensive food industry contacts, they turn every \$1 donated into \$8 of purchased food. Visit www.solvehungertoday.org to make a donation or to learn how you can help.

Right here in our backyard let's ensure no neighbor goes to bed hungry or is forced to make a decision between buying food or their medicine. If you want to donate money or food to a pantry that serves our community, contact the following:

1) Mt. Carmel Parish (CASA) – 1119 N. 23rd Ave., Melrose Park • Contact: John Battista at (708) 344-4140.

2) Lighthouse of Hope – 1719 W. North Ave., Melrose Park • Contact: Donna Gaizutis at gaizutisd@myloha.org.

3) Proviso Pantry – 1112 N. Ninth Ave., Melrose Park • Contact: Jerry Hills at (708) 356-6743.

4) First Baptist Church of Melrose Park – 2114 Main Street, Melrose Park • Contact: Cynthia Mobley at (708) 344-7411.

Although nowhere as tough as going to bed hungry, 200,000 active duty U.S. troops stationed in foreign countries will miss out on the parties, gift giving and lavish meals, but most of all family and friends this time of year. Memories of past holiday seasons and ones to come are what keeps them going as they defend our country around the world.

We can help these brave men and women feel a little bit of home this holiday season by donating to nonprofit organizations, approved by the Department of Defense, that send care packages to our overseas military personnel like the following:

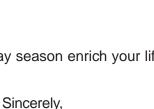
- Adopt a Platoon Soldier Support Effort www.adoptaplatoon.org.
  - Any Soldier Inc. www.anysoldier.com.
  - For the Troops www.forthetroops.org.
- Forgotten Soldiers Outreach, Inc. www.forgottensoldiers.org.
  - Hugs Project www.thehugsproject.com.
  - Operation: Care and Comfort www.occ-usa.org.
  - Operation Gratitude www.operationgratitude.com.

To quote Winston Churchill, "We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give." This coming holiday season enrich your life by feeding the hungry and comforting a lonely soldier.

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



Mayor Ron Šerpico



Ronald M. Serpico Mayor



Ronald M. Serpico, Mayor

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To Know

Village Hall
Office of the Mayor(708) 343-4000, Ext. 4410
Police Emergency
Non-Emergency
Animal Control(708) 344-8409
Fire Emergency
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
Taste of Melrose Park
Dial A Ride(708) 343-7047
Proviso Township Assessor(708) 449-4304
Economic Development

### Important Upcoming Dates

Village Board Meetings....Oct. 28, Tuesday, Nov. 12 and 25, Dec. 10

Village Hall Holiday Closing.....Nov. 11 and Nov. 28-29 Senior Social Club Meetings .....Nov. 7, Dec. 12



## 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 a.m. to 4 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.



#### Dear Mayor Serpico...

I'm writing you regarding your Senior Program and fence painting. Gerardo Ochoa came to my house and did a beautiful job. He took it from dilapidated to designer pretty. Brite white, professional looking and attractive. It's important it looks good because I'm on the corner lot of Division and Cardinal. Everyone sees it. Thank you.

Wishing you a Halloween filled with good old-fashioned fun.

- Ciaó,
- Donna L. Ruiz

#### Dear Mayor Serpico and Director of Police Sam Pitassi...

The residents at 921 Elsie Dr., would like to acknowledge their gratitude to the Melrose Park Police Department for the exemplary service performing the mission of protection and serving our community with respect and excellence on Aug. 20, 2019.

Unfortunately, a senior resident with medical conditions was reported as a missing person. The family was in a frantic state.

Officer Natale worked with the family members and fellow coworkers, and placed an alert which assisted with the safe arrival to his residence.

Words cannot express our gratitude for the compassion and concern that was shown to our family.

Thank you,

The residents at 921 Elsie Dr., Melrose Park

#### Dear Director of Police Sam Pitassi...

On behalf of Veterans Park District, I want to thank you and the Melrose Park Police Department for assisting us in patrolling Bulger Park during our annual softball tournament. The support of your officers highly contributed to the great success of the tournament.

Please extend my appreciation to officers Montino, Ferolo, Cappello and Farmer for being so attentive to the safety of the participants. It is comforting to know that the Melrose Park Police Department has such dedicated and professional police officers.

 Gratefully yours, Donna L. Peluso, Executive Director Veterans Park District

#### Dear Director of Police Sam Pitassi...

I am so sorry it has taken me so long to write this letter. It is always hard to lose a loved one even if you have time to prepare, it is still a loss. However, now that things are starting to settle down, I just want to take the time to acknowledge your kindness.

On Friday the 30th of August 2019, on the day of my mom's funeral, you provided a police escort from the funeral parlor all the way to the cemetery. The way you honored my mother and my family is beyond words. Thanks to you, the whole procession was "Presidential" and I cannot express my gratitude enough. Your gestures of kindness and rise above the call to duty is beyond measure. It is refreshing to know that in these changing times there are still people out there that can be a light to help others through the darkness and your team has showed us just that.

I want to say a special thank you to Auxiliary Supervisor Lou Fatta, our funeral escorts – Officer Joe Cappello, Lt. Mark Reiger, and everyone else who helped make this happen. You have clearly defined yourselves as a department that truly serves their community,

• Sincerely,

Scott Colella and Family

#### Dear Director of Police Sam Pitassi...

Words cannot express our gratitude for your assistance at the funeral of George Randazzo.

He touched many lives and through your help his celebration of life was truly special.

Your support at this difficult time is much appreciated.

• Thank you,

The National Italian American Sports Hall of Fame and the Randazzo Family

#### Dear Director of Police Sam Pitassi and Members of the Melrose Park Police Department...

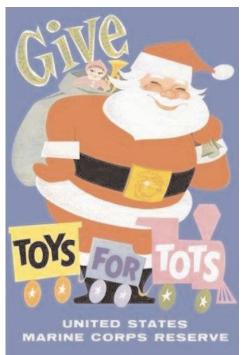
You most likely don't know us or the people you serve and protect on a daily basis. For that, we wanted to send out a simple heartfelt thank you.

Thank you for putting on that uniform every day, thank you for risking your lives to ensure security and thank you for doing all of this even when others are ungrateful.

• Thank you,

The Team at Hard Head Veterans

## Mayor Serpico's Annual Toys for Tots Drive Begins Nov. 12



Mayor Ron Serpico's Annual Toys for Tots Drive for underprivileged children will be held at the Melrose Park Civic Center, Nov. 12 through Dec. 12, 2019.

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

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

For more information, please contact Village Clerk Mary Ann Paolantonio at (708) 343-4000, Ext. 4420.

## We're MP Proud! Since 1997, \$1,952,005.25 has been donated to the Melrose Park Sports and Family Benefit Fund.

Contributions to the fund are used for donations to local civic groups, charities, schools and youth organizations. Thank you Melrose Park for supporting this worthy cause!



# Melrose Park Fire DepartmentNEWS



Rick Beltrame Director of Fire Department

# A Message from Director of Fire Dept. Rick Beltrame



## Melrose Park Fire Department Takes Third Place in Annual Schaumburg Softball Tournament

The men of the Melrose Park Fire Department took third place in the Schaumburg Firefighters' Association's 26th Annual Charity Softball Tournament. The event was held on Saturday, Sept. 14.

Congratulations to the Melrose Park Fire Department team!

## **Fall Safety Tips**

Fall is a wonderful time of year with trees showing off their best colors while Halloween parties and harvest festivals add an air of celebration to the season. However, safety always is a concern.

Following these tips will help make the season a safe and enjoyable one.

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

## A Message from Director of Police Sam C. Pitassi



Sam C. Pitassi **Director of Police** 



Visit the **Melrose Park Police Department** Website at www.meiroseparkpd.com

> For Melrose Park **Police Department General Information**

To Pay Tickets

• To Obtain Police Reports

The website can be translated to Spanish and Polish.

## **Melrose Park Police Department Joins Neighbors**

## Your Ring Neighborhood Just Got a Whole Lot Stronger

We're excited to announce that the Melrose Park Police Department (MPPD) has joined Neighbors! While the Neighbors app is not monitored by law enforcement 24/7, MPPD can now view, post and respond to crime- and safety-related information posted on the Neighbors app. MPPD can also submit video requests to help with investigations in your area. By working together, we can all make Melrose Park a safer community.



Please remember - for emergency situations always call 911.

## **Frick or Treat Hours are 3-7 p.m.**

## lease Note These Halloween Safety Tips

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

#### Walk Safely

- Cross the street at corners, using traffic signals and crosswalks.
- Look left, right and left again when crossing and keep looking as you cross.
- Put electronic devices down and keep heads up and walk, don't run across the street.
- Teach children to make eye contact with drivers before crossing in front of them.
- Always walk on sidewalks or paths. If there are no sidewalks, walk facing traffic as far to the left as possible.

Children should walk on direct routes with the fewest street crossings.

Watch for cars that are turning or backing up.

Teach children to never dart out into the street or cross between parked cars.

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

#### Trick or Treat with an Adult

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

#### **Keep Costumes Both Creative and Safe**

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

#### **Drive Extra Safely on Halloween**

• Slow down and be especially alert in residential neighborhoods.

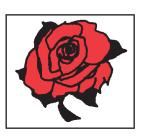
- Children are excited on Halloween and may move in unpredictable ways.
- Take extra time to look for kids at intersections, on medians and on curbs.
  - Enter and exit driveways and alleys slowly and carefully.
- Eliminate any distractions inside your car so you can concentrate on the road and your surroundings.

• Drive slowly, anticipate heavy pedestrian traffic and turn your headlights on earlier in the day to spot children from greater distances.

• Popular trick-or-treating hours are 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. so be especially alert for kids during those hours.

## **Parking Regulations Will Change Effective Dec. 1**

Beginning Sunday, Dec. 1, 2019, parking will no longer be permitted on both sides of the street on weekends. Overnight parking restrictions remain the same in the West Melrose and Winston Park areas. Parking is only allowed on designated sides of the street depending on the day of the week as indicated on notice signs posted throughout the community. Parking laws will be strictly enforced. Violators will be ticketed.





TV Pickup

Please call and make arrangements for pickup with the Public Works Street Department at (708) 343-5128 before putting your TV out.

## **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.

## Attention Residents Along Silver Creek Embankment

Please refrain from throwing grass clippings and any other yard waste into the creek.

## 50/50 Sidewalk Program is Now Closed

The 2019 50/50 Sidewalk Program is now closed.

If you would like to participate in the 2020 50/50 Sidewalk Project to request replacement of sidewalk squares, please call the Public Works Department at (708) 343-5128 for more information.

## **2020 Tree Planting for Parkways**

If you are interested in a tree for the parkway (one tree per household), we are compiling a list for 2020 Fall Tree Planting. To request a tree, please call the Public Works Department at (708) 343-5128.

## 2041 N. 18th Ave. Parking Lot

The Village of Melrose Park Public Works Department employees demolished the blighted building at 2041 N. 18th Ave. This property has been developed into a much needed parking lot for area residents. A parking permit is required and applications are available at the Melrose Park Village Hall. Parking permits are issued quarterly and the fee is \$100 a quarter.

## **MP Dog Park**

The village of Melrose Park Dog Park hours are 8 a.m.-8 p.m., seven days a week throughout the summer and fall. The fenced-in Dog Park

is located at 13th and Main Street. Dog Park licenses are available at the Village Hall.



## **15th Avenue and Lemoyne**

The Village of Melrose Park Public Works' employees demolished the blighted building at 15th and Lemoyne. This property has been developed into much needed parking spaces on 15th Avenue for area residents.

## **25th Avenue Municipal Lot**

Under Mayor Serpico's direction, the lot on 25th Avenue and Augusta has been paved and open for free parking to residents. The lot on the northeast corner of 25th and Augusta has been paved for additional free parking for residents.

The Civic Center's east and west lots have been repaved.

## **Fall Leaves Pickup**

Village of Melrose Park Village Ordinance 864.010-864.040 states: Leaves must be raked and placed in a 30-gallon container. Other landscaping, garden waste or additional leaves must be placed in a container or biodegradable bags. Leaves are not to be dumped or raked on the street or alley. Pickup for landscaping waste will be on the second pickup of the week.

## Silver Creek Restoration Project Phase Four

Phase Four of the Silver Creek Restoration Project (area between Fifth Avenue and First Avenue) is underway. This restoration project restores the natural balance of the creek by restoring the embankment and bringing back native landscape and shrubbery along with aquatic habitat. This is an invaluable stream system that provides storm water runoff, flood management and many other benefits for the residents of Melrose Park.

## **The Eagle has Landed!**



Melrose Park has a new visitor. Many residents have spotted an eagle near the Silver Creek Restoration Project's newly dug out boat launch and pond site.

The large bird has nested in the area and has been sighted in the early morning and early evening hours searching for aquatic prey in the water.



Stop by to try and catch an up-close and fascinating glimpse of Melrose Park's newest friend. The best location for viewing is just north of Chicago Avenue and west of First Avenue adjacent to the restoration project.

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.

## **Melrose Park Alley Project**

The 2019 Alley Project is underway. Alleys are now being replaced with concrete. This project is to be completed by mid-fall.



## 2019 Senior Painting Program is Now Closed. Apply Now for 2020!

Applications are now being accepted for Mayor Serpico's 2020 Senior Painting Program. The mayor's free Senior Painting Program is for individuals 65 years of age and older who reside and own a single family home in Melrose Park. Those who qualify and need light paint work around their homes – fences, garage doors, railings, etc., (no interior painting or no interior or exterior carpentry) – are encouraged to complete the MP Painting Program Request Form (right) and mail it to:

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

2020 Senior Painting Program list will be closed July 31, 2020. Only one item will be painted per year. Get your request in early as the list fills fast.

Mayor Serpico's MP Painting Program Request Form Please print clearly.
Name
Address
Phone
Age Birthdate
One item to be painted (please circle one only):
Fence Garage Door Railings
Other

## Village of Melrose Park Residental Garbage Pickup Information

## **Republic Services Garbage Schedule for Residential Bi-Weekly Pickup**

24th Avenue to 11th Avenue – Tuesday and Friday Winston Park Area – Tuesday and Friday West Melrose – Tuesday and Friday North of North Avenue – Tuesday and Friday Republic Services is contracted to pick up your regular, everyday garbage and household items, such as couches, tables, mattresses, box springs, desks and chairs, etc.

Yard waste is collected on Friday from April through November and must be placed in a 33 gallon refuse can or biodegradable paper bags. Plastic bags will not be accepted.

All items are to be put out the night before or morning of scheduled garbage pickup.

Winston Park Area and West Melrose – Once garbage has been picked up, garbage container is to be removed from curb line and placed back on resident's property.

## The Village of Melrose Park Public Works Department Garbage Pickup Schedule

24th Avenue to 10th Avenue – North Side from Cortez to North Avenue – Monday 24th Avenue to 10th Avenue – South Side from Cortez to Main Street – Tuesday Winston Park Area – Wednesday West Melrose – Thursday North of North Avenue – Thursday

The village of Melrose Park Public Works Department pickup items includes all household remodeling items (homeowner/self – not contractor) such as kitchen and bathroom cabinets, drywall and cement.

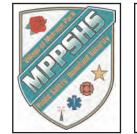
First truck load (one) pickup free – after first truckload a fee will be charged or removed by the homeowner.

All items are to be put out the night before or before 7 a.m. the morning of scheduled garbage pickup. Once village trucks have passed and picked up items, the trucks will not pass again. Any other garbage items are not be left out and are to be put out for the next scheduled pickup.

This service is for Melrose Park residents in single and two-flat buildings only. Commercial and apartment buildings must use a private scavenger company.

Village of Melrose Park Public Works summer hours are 7 a.m.-3 p.m. This information is also available at www.melrosepark.org.

## Melrose Park Public Safety News







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

## Are You Prepared for Winter Weather?

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

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

The National Weather Service uses specific winter weather terms to ensure that people know what to expect in the coming days and hours. A Winter Storm Watch means that severe winter conditions, such as heavy snow and/or ice, may affect your area, but its occurrence, location and timing are still uncertain. A Winter Storm Watch is issued to provide 12 to 36 hours notice of the possibility of severe winter weather. A Winter Storm Watch is intended

to provide enough lead time so those who need to set plans in motion can do so. A watch is upgraded to a Winter Storm Warning when 4 or more inches of snow or sleet is expected in the next 12 hours, or 6 or more inches in 24 hours, or 1/4 inch or more of ice accretion is expected. Winter weather advisories inform you that winter weather conditions are expected to cause significant inconveniences that may be hazardous. If caution is exercised, advisory situations should not become life-threatening. A Blizzard Warning means that snow and strong winds will combine to produce a blinding snow (near zero visibility), deep drifts and life-threatening windchill. Be sure to listen carefully to the radio, television and NOAA Weather Radio for the latest winter storm watches, warnings and advisories.

## Why is Predicting the Exact Amount of Snowfall So Challenging?

Snow forecasts continue to improve, but they remain a challenging task for meteorologists. Heavy snow often falls in small bands that are hard to discern on larger resolution computer models. In addition, extremely small temperature differences define the boundary line between rain and snow.

## What is Wind Chill?

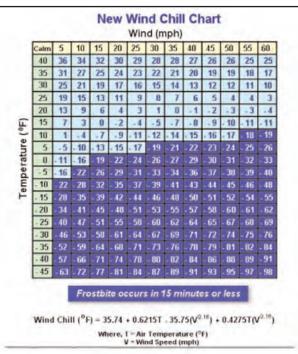
One of the gravest dangers of winter weather is windchill. The windchill is based on the rate of heat loss from exposed skin by combined effects of wind and cold. As the wind increases, heat is carried away from the body at an accelerated rate, driving down the body temperature. Animals are also effected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

## **About Winter Storms ...**

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

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

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



### **Know the Difference**

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

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

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

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

## How to Prepare for a Winter Storm

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

## Put Together a Supply Kit

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

## **Protect Your Pets During Snowstorms**

## Make Sure Your Pets are Prepared for Winter Weather

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

## **Pet Safety in the Winter**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



## **Do You Have a Disaster Supplies Kit?**

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

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

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

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

## **Basic Disaster Supplies Kit**

	Recommended Items to Include in a Basic Emergency Supply Kit	Additional Items to Consider Adding to an Emergency Supply Kit	
	and the second	Prescription medications and glasses	
	ne gallon of water per person per day for at least three days,	Infant formula and diapers	
for drink	cing and sanitation	Pet food and extra water for your pet	
Food, at	least a three-day supply of non-perishable food	Important family documents such as copies of insurance policies, Identification and bank account records in a waterproof, portable contained	
	Battery-powered or hand crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with	Cash or traveler's checks and change	
	rt and extra batteries for both	Emergency reference material such as a first aid book or information from www.ready.gov	
First aid		Sleeping bag or warm blanket for each person. Consider additional beddin if you live in a cold-weather climate.	
Whistle	to signal for help	Complete change of clothing including a long sleeved shirt, long pants and sturdy shoes. Consider additional clothing if you live in a cold-weather climate.	
	sk, to help filter contaminated air and plastic and duct tape to shelter-in-place	Household chlorine bleach and medicine dropper – When diluted nine parts wate to one part bleach, bleach can be used as a disinfectant. Or in an emergency, you can use it i treat water by using 16 drops of regular household liquid bleach per gallon of water. Do not	
Moist to	welettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation	use scented, color safe or bleaches with added cleaners.	
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Wrench	or pliers to turn off utilities	Matches in a waterproof container	
Can ope	ner for food (if kit contains canned food)	Feminine supplies and personal hygiene items	
Local m	0.64	Mess kits, paper cups, plates and plastic utensils, paper towels	
Local III	ab.a	Paper and pencil	
		Books, games, puzzies or other activities for children	

## **Maintaining Your Kit**

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

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

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



# Melrose Park Public Library



the Google Play Store.



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 unless otherwise noted. MPPL card holders have first priority. To register, or with any further questions, please call 708.649.7400

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## www.MPPLibrary.org

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#### Library Hours

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 8:00am-5:00pm Tuesday and Thursday, 11:00am-7:00pm Saturday, 10:00am - 2:00pm Closed last Saturday of the month Memorial Day-Labor Day closed every Saturday Sunday, Closed



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#### **ABC** Adventures

Join our interactive playtime for fun with stories, music, puzzles and toys. Ages 1-5. Wednesday Mornings 10-11 a.m.





#### **Tinker Tuesdays**

Drop into the library for all kinds of fun activities and crafts. Play with our tech toys, LEGOS, colored pencils for drawing, or even help with our community service project. If you have special group projects for school, this is the day to meet and complete your plans! Ages 6 -14.

Tuesday Afternoons 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Challenge Yourself Come and join the crazy fun! We will do something different each month. It could be anything! Ages 7-12. Thursday, Nov. 21 4-5 p.m.



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## Mayor Serpico's Snow Removal Program for Senior and Special Needs Residents



RESIDENTS MUST PRE-REGISTER EVERY SEASON.

## This service is offered to seniors (65 and older), disabled with special needs and those who have no family or neighbors to help.

AT 6 INCHES OR MORE OF PREDICTED FALLING SNOW, YOUR NAME WILL BE ADDED TO THE SNOW REMOVAL LIST.

WE WILL DO A PATH FROM YOUR FRONT DOOR TO THE STREET AND A SWIPE OF YOUR DRIVEWAY.

<u>SINGLE FAMILY HOMES ONLY – NO ALLEYS</u> – NO ALLEY SKIRTS TO GARAGE – NO BACKYARDS. For more information, please call (708) 649-4450.

TO RESERVE SERVICES FROM THE VILLAGE OF MELROSE PARK SNOW REMOVAL PROGRAM FOR THE FULL WINTER SEASON, YOU MUST COMPLETE AND MAIL THE MAYOR SERPICO AND THE VILLAGE OF MELROSE PARK SNOW REMOVAL RESERVATION FORM TO: Village of Melrose Park, Snow Removal • 1000 N. 25th Ave., Melrose Park, IL 60160

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

TO RESERVE SERVICES, YOU MUST COMPLETE AND MAIL THIS FORM. PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone\_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_

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

# Free Exercise for Melrose Park Seniors









# Come Join in the Fun with Instructor Barb Rubright of Rube's Garage! Monday-Friday • 9:15-10:15 a.m.

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

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



# Village of Melrose Park Senior News

From the Desks of Peggy DiFazio, Director of Senior Services, Special Events and Taste of Melrose Park, and Lorena Anguiano, Bi-Lingual Services

# Registration for 2020 Senior Social Club

## We're looking for members to join our Social Club. You must be 55 years or older and a Melrose Park resident.

To register, please complete the Melrose Park Senior Social Club Registration Form and mail it to: Village of Melrose Park • Attn.: Senior Social Club • 1000 N. 25th Ave. • Melrose Park, IL 60160

Melrose Park Senior Social Club Registration Form Please print clearly.		
Name	Birthdate	
Address	Melrose Park, IL 60160 Phone	

## **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 Center 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.

For more information, please call (708) 343-4000, Ext. 4448 or Ext. 4452.

# **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.

# Village of Melrose Park TAEKWONDO PROGRAM Register Now!



## Village of Melrose Park Taekwondo Program Registration Form

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

Name		Age (
Address		
City	State	_ Zip
Phone	_ Email	

The Village of Melrose Park Martial Arts School is offering martial arts classes at the Melrose Park Civic

Center, located at 1000 N. 25th Ave.. Melrose Park).

All classes are led by a team of instructors and assistants dedicated to teaching the best in form, sparring and discipline.

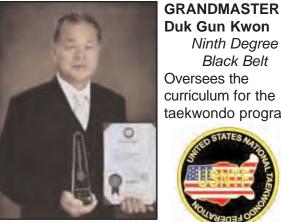


Classes run five days a week with students ranging in age from 4 and up.

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

## WHAT IS TAEKWONDO?

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



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



Se Habla Español.

## MEMBERSHIP PRICING

Residents: \$50 per month. Nonresidents: \$60 per month. One week free trial. Classes are held Monday-Friday, 6-8 p.m.

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.

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## **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



## National Italian American Sports Hall of Fame Annual Induction & Awards Gala – Nov. 9 Ralph "Babe" Serpico – Class of 2019 Honoree

ANNUAL INDUCTION & AWARDS GALA Saturday, November 9th Westin O'Hare	<image/> <section-header></section-header>
Sportsman of the Year	
Dominic Stramaglia Class of 2019 Glenn Carano   Alexis DeJoria   Ralph "Babe" Serpico Lifetime Achievement Award Mario Andretti For more information on tickets or ads contact Shannon@niashf.org or call 312.226.5566	The National Italian American Sports Hall of Fame is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization founded on the values of Family, Friends, Faith and Community.

# Taste of Melrose Park Celebrates 38th Anniversary



Mayor

Ronald M. Serpico







## Celebrate the Taste of Melrose Park 2020!

Labor Day Weekend • Friday-Sunday, Sept. 4-6, 2020

Sponsorship and information booth reservations are now being accepted. For more information, please email Peggy DiFazio at taste@melrosepark.org.



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

Mayor Ronald M. Serpico

Taste of Melrose Park

rating Our 38th

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

With Sincere Gratitude, and Appreciation,

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

**Thank You** 

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## Melrose Park Chamber of Commerce and Community Development Organization Update Special Discount for Disposal/Recycling Service Fees

Flood Brothers Disposal/Recycling Services is offering MPCCCD members who are new customers to Flood Brothers a 10 percent reduction on their current disposal/recycling service fees. In addition to the cost savings to our local businesses, Flood Brothers will also be donating the fees for the first month of services collected from businesses signing up to this program to the Mount Carmel Parish Food Pantry. For further details, contact Michael J. Flood at (630) 261-0400.

## **Branding and Website Strategies Seminar**

Local business and organization leaders attended the MPCCCD's Lunch & Learn business seminar regarding small business branding and website positioning. Local experts Jef Anderson and Andy Madden from Yearbook Studios facilitated the training and discussed the benefits of creating and maintaining a strong brand presence through logo development, branded print materials and a distinctive website. Further technology training for cyber security, social media and the use of web analytics will be offered through the MPCCCD in the coming months.



## **Shop Local for the Holidays!**

The MPCCCD encourages Melrose Parkers to shop local this holiday season. Why is it important to shop local? Shopping local helps build a stronger economy in our local community and supports the businesses in the area. Shopping local helps to create jobs for our residents and brings the community closer together. Shopping local allows area businesses to contribute more to charities that serve Melrose Park. Shopping local makes our community unique and helps foster a great place to live.



## **Access to Capital Seminar**

Representatives from three financial institutions, First Midwest Bank, International Bank, and Pan American Bank, were on hand at the MPCCCD's Access to Capital business breakfast to provide local industry, businesses and community organization leaders insights into accessing funding. Attendees at the chamber's event participated in presentations and discussions focusing on business growth opportunities.

## **Melrose Park Approved as an Enterprise Zone**

The MPCCCD is pleased to announce that the West Region Enterprise Zone (WREZ) application was approved by the Illinois Enterprise Zone Board in August and will take effect Jan. 1, 2020. The WREZ Application was done in partnership with the villages of Melrose Park, Bellwood, Broadview and Maywood as well as parcels in Unincorporated Cook County in the area.

Companies within the Enterprise Zone (or agree to move into the zone) may qualify for tax incentives that include sales tax exemptions on building materials, an investment tax credit and in some cases exemption from utility taxes.

The MPCCCD will be holding an informational meeting in November to help business owners, developers, etc., understand the full benefits of capital investments in their business and adding jobs within the WREZ.

Please join us for an information session on Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2019, 8:30 a.m., at the Melrose Park Civic Center. Watch for details on this meeting on the MPCCCD Website or Facebook page. Invitations will also be sent via email.

## **Chamber Membership, Join Today!**

The Melrose Park Chamber of Commerce works with and supports businesses and local organizations to support the development of our community. Businesses and community organizations are encouraged to join the chamber and become part of vibrant economic and business development opportunities. Visit www.mpcccd.org and check out the benefits section offering several levels of memberships. Register online to become a member and take advantage of the opportunities offered through membership. The chamber offices are located at 1708 Main Street, in Melrose Park. You can reach the chamber team by calling (708) 371-3700 or email at info@mpcccd.org.

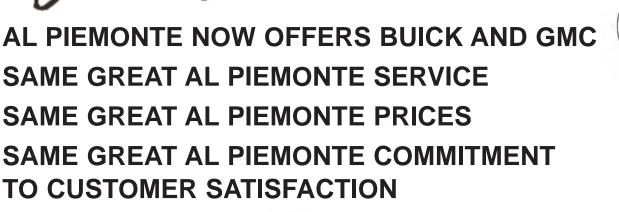
## The MPCCCD Welcomes Our Newest Members...

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

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



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.

## Melrose Park is Looking for Residents Currently Serving in the Military



### **Attention Residents**

The village of Melrose Park would like to know of any residents who are currently serving in the military. If you have a family member or know of a resident who is, please contact Patti Dindia via email – pd@melrosepark.org or phone – (708) 343-4000, Ext. 4410.











# Veterans Park District Programs & Hoppenings

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# **VETERANS DAY \* OBSERVANCE \***

Friday, November 8 • Bulger Park, Melrose Park Ceremony starts at 10 AM

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



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**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. Pricing varies based on type of vehicle.

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

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# Veterans Park District Programs & Hoppenings

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#### Active Adults Friendsgiving Luncheon

Show your gratitude and invite your friends to our annual Thanksgiving lunch. All the holiday fixins will be provided by Cuomo Catering. Entertainment will be provided by Simply Kathleen.

• Friday, Nov. 22; Noon-2 p.m.; \$17 per person; Bulger Hall, 1601 Hirsch Street, Melrose Park.

## Day Trip to Walnut Room & Christmas Lights Tour

After enjoying lunch at the historic Walnut Room in Macy's on Chicago's lively State Street, you will view dazzling window displays, then board the bus to travel through downtown Chicago, seeing beautiful Christmas light displays and North Michigan Avenue. You will stop at Millennium Park to view the city Christmas tree, skating rink and "the bean." Then on to the Germans Christkindlmarket at Daley Plaza.

• Tuesday, Dec. 17\* (\*Note: New Date!); Depart 1:45 p.m., Cimbalo Fitness Center, 1203 N. 24th Ave., Melrose Park, or 2 p.m., Grant Park, 44 W. Golfview Dr., Northlake; Return 9 p.m.; \$80 per person.

#### Day Trip to Jubilee at White Fence Farm in Romeoville

Join this jolly jubilee featuring your favorite seasonal songs and singers in a festive holiday setting! All meals feature White Fence Farm's famous fourpiece fried chicken meal.

Thursday, Dec. 5; Depart 10:30 a.m., Cimbalo Fitness Center, 1203 N. 24th Ave., Melrose Park, or 10:45 a.m., Grant Park, 44 W. Golfview Dr., Northlake; Return 4 p.m.; \$75 per person. Advanced registration required – call (708) 343-5270/(708) 716-4822, or visit www.vpdpark.org.

#### Youth Basketball League Registration

Co-ed teams practice once or twice a week depending on grade level and gym space. The season begins the end of January with Saturday games. All children have equal playing time. Grades 1-2: Teams practice once during the week with games on Saturday mornings. At this level, coaches stress the importance of teamwork and fun. Grades 3-4, 5-6 and 7-8: Teams practice one to two times during the week with games on Saturday afternoons or evenings, or on Sundays.

Evaluation of skills days: Saturday, Nov. 16, or Saturday, Dec. 14, (parents, please save the dates). Evaluations are mandatory and very important for balanced teams. Season: Jan. 18-March 14, 2019.

 Registration deadline Dec. 14; Grant Park Recreation Center, 44 W. Golfview Dr., Northlake; Resident \$70/Nonresident \$80 (early bird fees before Nov. 12 – \$65 resident/\$75 nonresident); VPD is in need of volunteer coaches! Please contact Nico Urbinati at (708) 716-4822; Advanced registration required – call (708) 343-5270/(708) 716-4822 or visit www.vpdpark.org.

#### Special Recreation Saturday Escape: A Christmas Carol

Participants will enjoy a presentation of *A Christmas Carol* at the Drury Lane Theatre. Prior to the play, a delicious breakfast buffet is planned with a special visit from Santa.

• Saturday, Dec. 7; Residents \$45/Nonresidents \$50; Advanced registration required. Call (708) 343-5270/(708) 716-4822 or visit www.vpdpark.org.

#### **Fitness Classes**

Youth Fit, Ages 6-12

Kids have fun while learning basic exercise techniques. Obstacle courses and other activities create a healthy, competitive atmosphere to keep them engaged.

Thursdays; 5:15-6:15 p.m.; Nov. 7-Dec. 26 (No class Nov. 28); Resident \$35/Nonresident \$50; Cimbalo Fitness Center, 1203 N. 24th Ave., Melrose Park.

H.I.I.T. – High Intensity Interval Training, Age 16+ This intense cardiovascular workout is taught by a certified personal trainer.

 Fridays; 7:30-8:30 a.m.; Nov. 1-Dec. 13; Resident \$35/Nonresident \$50; Cimbalo Fitness Center, 1203 N. 24th Ave., Melrose Park.

#### Zumba®, Age 16+

A dance-inspired total body workout, combining all elements of fitness – cardio, muscle conditioning, balance and flexibility. Latin music and easy to follow moves provide a fun, energetic class.

 Class offered in three locations; Resident \$35/Nonresident \$50; Cimbalo Fitness Center: Mondays; 9:15-10:15 a.m.; Oct. 28-Dec. 9; George A. Leoni Complex: Thursdays; 9:15-10:15 a.m.; Nov. 7-Dec. 19; Grant Park Recreation Center: Fridays; 6-7 p.m.; Nov. 1-Dec. 13.

#### STRONG by Zumba®, Age 16+

This class packs a high-intensity, full-body, challenging workout and a cardio class into two 30-minute segments, providing aerobic moves along with a total body workout.

• Fridays; 5-6 p.m.; Nov. 1-Dec. 13; Resident \$35/Nonresident \$50; Cimbalo Fitness Center, 1203 N. 24th Ave., Melrose Park.

#### POUND, Age 16+

This 45-minute workout is a hybrid of cardio, strength and Pilates-inspired moves. Pound refers to the drum technique, using ripstix (lightweight drumsticks) for constant movement.

 Tuesdays; 8-8:45 p.m.; Nov. 5-Dec. 17; Resident \$35/Nonresident \$50; Cimbalo Fitness Center, 1203 N. 24th Ave., Melrose Park; Advanced registration required – call (708) 343-5270/(708) 716-4822 or visit www.vpdpark.org.

#### Early Childhood Sun, Stars & Moon, Ages 3-5

Twinkle twinkle little star. Let's learn about the things that come from afar! Children will explore constellations, learn about the sun and create magical stars.

 Tuesdays; 4:30-5:30 p.m.; Dec. 3-17; Resident \$29/Nonresident \$44; Grant Park Recreation Center, 44 W. Golfview Dr., Northlake; Advanced registration required – call (708) 343-5270/(708) 716-4822 or visit www.vpdpark.org.

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





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Annual Holiday

Food & Toy Drive

Holiday Food Drive November 1– December 13

Help provide food for the hungry. We are looking for individuals and/or corporations to help aid us in our mission to fight hunger in our surrounding communities during the holiday season. Please bring nutritious, non-perishable canned or packaged foods (no glass please) to any of the locations listed below.

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

#### Holiday Toy Drive November 1– December 13

A special thank you to all the families that dropped off toys for last year's drive. Please make the holidays happier and help preserve the spirit of giving. Drop off a NEW toy or game at any of the locations listed below and make a difference in someone's life this holiday season.

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



# Veterans Park District Programs & Hoppenings

BREAKFAST, WITH SANTA

### Saturday, December 14 | 10 AM- 12 PM | Bulger Park, Melrose Park

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

#### **Includes:**

- Visit with Santa
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- Gingerbread House (one per family)
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Triton College

## Come One, Come All: Upcoming Events at Triton College this Semester

## Art Exhibit: Confessions of an X-Zonian

#### Now through Nov. 22, 2019

Artifacts and artworks from Mark Nelson's private collection, beginning from his early years in the Panama Canal Zone to his exploration of media and social justice in the city of Chicago. This collection includes published drawings, community theatre design, studio painting and selected iconic artwork punctuating directions explored.

"Art is like science, free to explore but eventually driven to prove, resolve or transcend a visual form." – Mark Nelson.

#### **Opening Doors: An Evening of Musical Theatre**

Nov. 8-10 and Nov. 15-17, 2019

Fridays and Saturdays, 7:30 p.m. • Sundays, 2 p.m.

Cox Auditorium, Fine Arts Building, Room J-108

\$10 General Admission • \$5 Students, Faculty/Staff and Seniors

Join us for an intimate evening of musical theatre and performance. Songs from today's and yesterday's most exciting musical theatre composers will sparkle and shine in renditions by the Triton community.

#### **Triton College Choir**

Wednesday, Dec. 4, 2019, 7:30 p.m.

#### **Triton College Performing Arts Center**

The Triton Choir will present their annual Christmas Concert which will include sacred works and beloved holiday tunes under the direction of Nathalie Colas.

#### **Triton Jazz Ensemble Concert**

#### Thursday, Dec. 5, 2019, 7:30 p.m. Triton College Performing Arts Center

Jazz is fun to hear and this group is great. Come on out for an evening of inspired improvisation based on jazz classics and new material.

#### **Triton Community Band Holiday Concert**

Monday, Dec. 9, 2019, 7:30 p.m.

#### **Triton College Performing Arts Center**

We'll all have cold fingers and toes from running around doing holiday preparations. Take a little time off from the hubbub and join us for an evening of holiday songs and joyous music guaranteed to keep you warm.

## Triton College Now Accepting Nominations for the 2020 Alumni Wall of Fame

Nomination Applications Due Nov. 1 to be Considered for the Next Inductee Class

Triton College alumni and community members are invited to nominate distinguished Triton alumni for the college's annual Alumni Wall of Fame induction and ceremony. The Wall of Fame, prominently displayed on the first floor of the Triton College Student Center (B Building), recognizes notable people who have attended Triton. Inductees demonstrate both academic and career success, hold leadership roles in their chosen fields and have had a positive impact on their communities.

Past Wall of Fame inductees have included former and current elected officials, community servants, educators, business leaders and others who have made profound impacts on their communities. The inductees have used the foundation of their Triton College education to carry out the institution's mission of valuing the individual, educating and serving the community.

Nominations for the 2020 Wall of Fame inductee class are currently being accepted. To complete a nomination form and get more information about the nomination process and criteria, please visit

www.triton.edu/alumni and click on "Alumni Wall of Fame." Nominations must be submitted by Friday, Nov. 1, to be considered. The selected honorees will be inducted during a ceremony in early 2020.

For more information, please contact Alumni Relations at (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3205, or email alumni@triton.edu.

## Calling All Volunteers: Seniors Training Academy Recruits (STARS) Program, Nov. 15 and Nov. 21

The Cook County Sheriff's Police Training Academy and Triton College's Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) are looking for older adults who want to volunteer for a new instructional program that helps police recruits refine their interviewing and report writing skills.

Training for new volunteers for the Seniors Training Academy Recruits (STARS) Program is Friday, Nov. 15, 10 a.m., in Room R-221, located in the Robert M. Collins Center (R Building) on Triton's east campus, 2000 Fifth Ave., River Grove. The Senior Recruit Interview Day will take place on Thursday, Nov. 21, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., in Room R-221.

Refreshments will be served on Thursday, Nov. 21, the day of the actual interviewing. Each participant will receive a certificate of appreciation upon completion of the Senior Recruit Interview Day.

For more information or to volunteer, call Triton's RSVP Office at (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3603 or 3835, or email kayfrey@triton.edu.

### Triton's RSVP Seeks Volunteers to Offer Free Tax Help

Tax time is almost right around the corner, and the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) of West Suburban Cook and Southern DuPage Counties located at Triton College will once again provide free tax assistance to individuals 60 years of age and older.

To make the program a success and provide service to those in need, RSVP is looking for individuals interested in volunteering to participate in this free Internal Revenue Service's (IRS) Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) Program.

TCE is a community-based partnership managed by the IRS that provides free tax return preparation assistance to low- to moderate-income taxpayers who are 60 and older, with disabilities and non-English speakers. If individuals are looking for a way to help in the community then consider becoming a volunteer with the TCE program.

Here are five things the IRS wants individuals to know about becoming a TCE volunteer:

- 1. No previous experience is required. Volunteers receive specialized training from certified TCE volunteers and can serve as greeters, reviewers or tax preparers.
- 2. IRS provides free tax law training, e-file training and all the materials needed to prepare basic individual income tax returns.
- 3. The hours are flexible. Volunteers are asked to serve an average of three to four hours per week from February through April 14, 2020.
- 4. Volunteer sites are generally located at community and neighborhood centers, libraries, schools and other convenient locations. Tax returns are done by appointment only and 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., during the week, and 8:30-11:30 a.m., on Saturdays.
- 5. RSVP's TCE sites also offer free electronic filing of federal and state tax returns.

Anyone interested in volunteering to provide this service can attend a New Volunteer Orientation on Saturday, Dec. 14, 8:30 a.m., and the free training sessions, which will be held 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturdays, Jan. 4, 11, 18 and 25, 2020, in Room R-221 of Triton's Robert M. Collins Center.

Volunteers will be taught how to assist adults in completing the 1040 federal and state tax forms. Materials are provided free of charge. The tax counseling service is sponsored annually by RSVP.

For more information or to register for the training session, call (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3835 or 3603.

### You're Invited ... Please Join Us!

### 27th Annual Triton College Foundation President's Reception Set for Nov. 6 Yarbrough, Guerin Named as Honorees



#### KAREN A. YARBROUGH CLERK OF COOK COUNTY

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The Triton College Foundation Board of Directors recently announced its 27th Annual Foundation President's Reception will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 6, 6-9 p.m., in the Triton College Student Center (B Building).

This year the Foundation will be honoring Clerk of Cook County Karen A. Yarbrough and Mayor of River Grove David B. Guerin for the generous support they have provided to Triton College and the Triton Foundation.

The event will feature the culinary talents of Triton's Hospitality students and local restaurants as well as musical entertainment, a silent auction and commemorative program book.

Tickets for the reception are \$75 per person and a table of eight is \$500 with sponsorship options ranging from \$1000 to \$10,000.

Proceeds from the event benefit Triton College Foundation scholarships. Donations of silent auction items – gift baskets, collectibles, sports memorabilia, a work of art, tickets to a special event, etc., are greatly appreciated.

The Triton College Foundation is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization. To reserve tickets, tables, sponsorships or for more information, please call the Triton College Foundation at (708) 456-0300, Ext. 3758, or send an email to tcfoundation@triton.edu.

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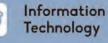
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### ArtRoomat Jane Addams

D89 has expanded the Fine Arts programming with the addition of full-time certified art teachers. All elementary school buildings have a dedicated space for learning about art with beautiful new student furniture. Pictured are students in the Jane Addams Art Room.

### StevensonMiddleSchoolTeacher Honoredas'SymetraHerointheClassroom'

On Sept. 3, 2019, Symetra, Gallagher Benefit Services and the Chicago Bears honored SMS teacher Ashley Davila as a 'Symetra Hero in the Classroom.'

"Ashley Davila is a hardworking, dedicated teacher who is always researching new methods to help her students improve. Creative with her lesson plans, she brings real-life scenarios into her classroom for her students to experience," said Tracy Fuentes, a teaching colleague.

"Not only does Ashley help her students improve inside the classroom, she is also an example to our young Latina students," added Fuentes. "Ashley was in charge of representing Stevenson by recruiting Latina girls and their mothers to attend a conference specifically aimed at promoting educational and higher-leveled opportunities available to all Latina girls. Presented in English and Spanish, over 600 girls and their mothers attended. Ashley is an inspiration to all of us here at Stevenson!" Fuentes nominated Davila for the Symetra Heroes in the Classroom® Award.

Davila is one of 16 K-12 teachers in the Chicago area honored for educational excellence through the Symetra Heroes in the Classroom® Program during the 2019 NFL season. Davlia received a \$2,000 donation from Symetra for classroom books and supplies. In addition, she was recognized at the Sept. 5 Bears home game.



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### **D89Partners** with Dominican University

In partnership with Dominican University, D89 is hosting 11 clinical placements for student registered nurses (RNs). The partnership allows D89 to continue to support and expand on community connections and build future supports. The partnership and placements span eight weeks. This is a wonderful opportunity for these students to get hands-on experience under the supervision of D89 RNs while they are developing their skills and knowledge on how to support children in a school setting.

# **CommunityEligibility ProvisionNotification**

District 89 applied and has qualified to continue participating in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast programs called the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) for the 2019-2023 school years.

What does this mean for children attending School in District 89?

All enrolled students of Maywood-Melrose Park-Broadview School District 89 are eligible to receive a healthy breakfast and lunch at school at no charge each day of the school year.

The children will be able to participate in these meal programs for the next four school years without having to pay.



D89FamilyNight On Thursday, Sept. 26, 2019, Washington Dual Language

Academy (WDLA) hosted District 89's Family Night: Hispanic Heritage Celebration. The celebration included representatives from each school in the district who prepared lovely exhibits featuring different Latin-American countries. Each display included information, artifacts and traditional foods. In addition to the delicious snacks being served, guests enjoyed a special performance by WDLA's Folkloric Dancers.

A special thank you to District 89 and WDLA's PTO for supporting this special event as well as our community partners for sharing your information with our families.

Save the Dates! Future D89 Family Nights Oct. 24 - Literacy Night hosted by Garfield School Jan. 30 – CLR/SEL hosted by Roosevelt School Feb. 27 - Black History Night hosted by Irving Middle School March 26 - Math Night hosted by Lincoln School April 30 – STEAM! Hosted by Emerson School

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# **NEUSSOSchool District89BRIEFS**



### JAWalk-A-Thon

On Friday, Sept. 27, 2019, Jane Addams students, staff and parent volunteers participated in their annual Walk-A-Thon. All proceeds from this event helped to fund PBIS activities, assemblies, field day and field trip bus money for all grades.



### LearningWithoutTears

District 89 Preschool teachers and staff participated in Learning Without Tears workshop on Sept. 25, 2019. They learned more on how to plan instruction based on developmental stages for writing readiness and foster important social-emotional skills using hands-on and multisensory activities.

D89 educators practiced building habits for letter and number formation, and how to bring language to life for children by exploring syllables and letters.

Learning Without Tears uses lively music and playful activities to help young children build a solid foundation for school success and to teach children number concepts, geometry, sequencing, phonological awareness, vocabulary and concepts about print.





### NewTeacherNetwork Center for Teaching for Biliteracy

D89 hosted the Teaching for Biliteracy Summer Institute on Aug. 6, 7 and 8, 2019. This was a three-day intensive workshop focused on teaching for biliteracy in Spanish and English. Fifteen of D89's teachers attended the training and learned about best practices for teaching Spanish and English literacy, strategies that support making cross-linguistic connections and the Bridge between languages as well as instructional practices specific to teaching reading and writing in each language.

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### 8thAnnual Mexican Independence Day Celebration

On Monday, Sept. 16, 2019, Melrose Park Mustangs, along with the Lincoln Lions, celebrated cultural diversity by participating in the 8th Annual Mexican Independence Day Celebration. Students and families enjoyed performances by Baile Folklorico (folkloric dancers) and a traditional Mariachi band.

Thanks to the sponsorship and support of Federacion Jalisciense del Medio Oeste de Ios Estados Unidos, Necahual Foundation, and North American Institute for Mexican Advancement (NAIMA).



### **SIOPTraining forTeachers**

On Thursday, Sept. 26, 2019, D89 hosted a training for teachers on Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol (SIOP) Model presented by Pam Groschke, educational specialist. SIOP is a research-based and validated instructional model that has proven effective in addressing the academic needs of English learners.



### D89StaffAttendWIDAWorkshop

Members of the D89 community, which included third grade teachers, bilingual instructional coach and district administrators attended a two-day bilingual workshop on Sept. 5 and 6, 2019. This workshop used an interactive and hands-on approach to connect the theoretical and pedagogical foundations of the WIDA (World-class Instructional Design and Assessment) language development standards for Spanish and English to instruction and assessment in the bilingual classroom. Participants reflected on current practice to determine ways to leverage the WIDA standards and related tools, such as Los descriptores Podemos and Can-Do Descriptors, to inform curriculum design, instruction and assessment. The workshop also engaged participants in discussions about unique language practices of multilinguals, such as translanguaging and ways educators can align Spanish and English instruction across their program.

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### Willis-Backed Legislation Bans Smoking in Cars When Children are Present

A new law supported by state Rep. Kathleen Willis, D-Northlake, bans smoking in cars when children are present.

"The health and well-being of children should not be subject to the dangers of secondhand smoke while they are present in a vehicle," Willis said. "A child cannot easily remove themselves from that type of situation, and this new law will protect children from secondhand smoke exposure."



Willis supported House Bill 2276, which pro-

hibits anyone from smoking in a vehicle, moving or not, while there is a minor under the age of 17 in the vehicle. The legislation passed both chambers with broad bipartisan support earlier this session and was recently signed into law by Gov. J.B. Pritzker. According to the American Nonsmokers' Rights Foundation, even smoke in vehicles with rolled down windows can pose a significant secondhand risk to children and other passengers. The American Lung Association notes that secondhand smoke has caused more than 150,000 lower respiratory tract infections among infants as old as 18 months each year.

Willis also supported Illinois' Tobacco 21 law that raised the minimum smoking age to 21 in order to protect minors.

"Laws like these are no-brainers, and Illinois should take more steps to protect young children from smoking and secondhand smoke," Willis said. "I will always fight to ensure that our children's wellness comes first." You're Invited! Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Fifth Annual Holiday Bazaar



#### Sunday, Nov. 10 • 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. OLMC Gym • 22nd and Cortez • Melrose Park

Join us before or after mass for a treat in the Bazaar Cafe, shop for religious items, purchase a homemade Bake Sale item, visit our Crafters and Vendors

#### Admission is Free

There will be a raffle drawing at 3:00pm. Winner need not be present.

If you are interested in being a vendor the fee is \$25 and applications are available at the Rectory.

Registration to be a vendor is due by Friday, 10/25/2019 for planning purposes,

### The Missionary Sisters of St. Charles Borromeo Provincial Guild 2019 Annual Dinner-Dance SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16



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For tickets and more information, contact Gina Serpico, (708) 514-3018, or Mary Ann Paolantonio, (708) 473-8541.

# This Year ... BLUE MAN GROUP!





The Halloween costume fun returns this year for 10-year-old Anthony Alfano and his parents, Deanna and Tony.

To celebrate this amusing and frightful time of the year, Anthony will appear in costume as a member of the noisy, playfully entertaining Blue Man Group – colorful PVC instruments, toilet paper fan, marshmallow canon and all! Another prize-winner!

Anthony has become a big hit online and has already appeared in

a special news clip on ABC 7 Chicago with more broadcast appearances planned.

In honor of Anthony's 10th birthday, his mom Deanna authored a creative picture book titled *Watch My Chair Disappear* that chronicles Deanna and Tony, and their adorable son's homemade Halloween costumes year

after year, making Anthony's favorite holiday incredibly fascinating. The book gives every parent the tools to teach their children about always being kind to those who may not be like them. *Watch My Chair Disappear* is available for purchase by

visiting www.amazon.com and searching for *"Watch My Chair Disappear"* with proceeds being used for equipment needed in the future.

This year, to showcase Anthony's Halloween attire from past years, the family has set up a special costume graveyard on their home's front lawn (pictured at left).

Happy Halloween from the Alfanos!













### Please Join Us Board of Review Property Tax Appeals Workshop



Learn to appeal your property tax assessment with the Proviso Township Assessor. If you are interested in filing an appeal, please bring your latest tax bill to the workshop.

#### Thursday, Nov. 7 • 6 p.m. Meirose Park Village Hall 1000 N. 25th Ave. • Meirose Park, IL 60160

For more information, please call the Proviso Township Office at (708) 449-4304.

### Dynamic Powertrain Reman Hosts Job Fair – Oct. 23.

Dynamic Powertrain Reman (located at 3003 W. Hirsch Street, Melrose Park) specializes in the remanufacture of all make and model torque converters for all vehicle and industrial applications.

We are currently hiring and would like to invite you to attend our First Annual Job Fair on Wednesday, Oct. 23, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., at our Melrose Park facility.

We are looking for general laborers and manual lathe operators to work our first and second shift positions. Interested candidates should attend. Full benefits pack-

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### Free Candy and Games at Free Methodist Church on Halloween!

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for free family fun at their Annual Halloween Festival!

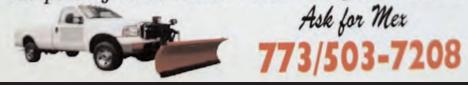
Melrose Park Free Methodist will be offering free candy and free games on Halloween (Thursday, Oct. 31) for children between the ages of 2-12, from 5-7 p.m., at Melrose Park Free Methodist Church, located at 841 Elsie, Melrose Park (corner of Ninth Avenue and Elsie Drive).

We are bilingual and all are welcome! For more information,



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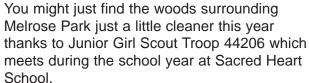
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### Girl Scouts Earn Bronze Award







Six of the girls in the troop completed almost 20 hours of service picking up litter along the trails. They began in Thatcher Woods just south of Chicago Avenue and con-

tinued north to North Avenue. They extended their service to some side streets of Melrose Park. The girls braved the wet woods and rainy weather of May and June to complete their service project.

Congratulations to Trinity Oceguera, Carla Cortez, Jade Ruiz-Diaz, Emily Gonzalez, Julia Renteria and Laila Henry upon earning their Bronze Award – the highest award a Junior Girl Scout can achieve.

For more information about the troop, contact Leader Donna Barnish at

don.barnish@yahoo.com.

### Mayor of Guadalajara Makes Stop in MP



Mayor Ismael Del Toro Castro of Guadalajara, Mexico, was in the United States recently and took time to travel to Melrose Park for a brief visit with Mayor Serpico.

The two mayors enjoyed the time they spent together exchanging conversation about current events, the communities they serve and their vision for the future.

### Mayor Serpico Visits Rhodes School, Makes Special Addition to Courtyard



In late August, Mayor Serpico made a stop at Rhodes School to speak with a group of third graders about his responsibilities of being the mayor of Melrose Park.

While there, the mayor took some time to sign a one-of-a-kind rock recognizing the village of Melrose Park and the mayor's visit. The rock was later added to the Rhodes School Courtyard.

The students enjoyed their day and learning so much more about the community.









### **Events Throughout the Fall**

#### **Carol Foster Art Exhibit**

Enjoy the nature artwork of oil painter Carol Foster, on display in Trailside's classroom from now through November.

#### **Nature Story Times**

Thursdays, Nov. 7 and 21 • 10:30 a.m. Enjoy nature-inspired stories followed by a craft and snack. Children ages 3-6 w/adult.

#### "Bone" Appetit

#### Saturdays, Nov. 16 and 30 • 11 a.m.

Join us during feeding time to learn about Trailside's outdoor resident animals.

#### Nature Tots\*

Wednesdays, Oct. 23 and Nov. 13 • 10 a.m. Explore nature and nature play with your tot. Ages 2-5 w/adult.

#### **Autumn Nature Walks**

Saturdays, Oct. 26 and Nov. 9 • 1 p.m. Join us for a guided walk along our trails as summer turns to fall and autumn color intensifies.

### **Check Out these Upcoming Trailside Museum Events!**

#### October Events Fall Photo Workshop\*

Sunday, Oct. 20 • 9 a.m.-Noon

Learn to capture the beauty of fall's colors with Chicago Botanic Garden photography instructor Jack Carlson. Ages 18 and up. Register and pay fee at chicagobotanic.org/education or call (847) 835-8261.

### **November Events**

#### **Nature Book Club**

#### Thursday, Nov. 7 • 7 p.m.

Join us for a lively discussion of the book *Animal Investigators: How the World's First Wildlife Forensics Lab is Solving Crimes and Saving Endangered Species* by Laurel Abrams.

#### **Feed the Birds**

Saturday, Nov. 23 • 1 p.m. Learn about the best bird foods, feeders and landscape elements to benefit resident winter birds. You'll even make a simple bird feeder to take home!

#### **Chicagoland Fossils**

Sunday, Nov. 24 • 1 p.m.

Join paleontologist Daniel Troiani of Triton College for an engaging presentation and hands-on look at fossils of our area. Ages 10 and up.

#### The Trailside Museum of Natural History is located at 738 Thatcher Ave., River Forest. \*Registration required for events with an asterisk.

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

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### Brookfield Zoo's "Boo! at the Zoo" Features Sweet Treats and Halloween Fun for the Entire Family

During weekends this October, little ghosts and goblins of all ages can have a howling good time at Brookfield Zoo's annual Boo! at the Zoo, a familyfriendly Halloween event presented by Ferrara. On Saturdays and Sundays, now-Oct. 27, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., guests can enjoy pumpkin carving demonstrations, animal Zoo Chats, and more hair-raisingly fun activities.

Starting at 10 a.m., trick-or-treaters can bring their own bags to five different candy stations throughout the zoo, stocked with Ferrara classics like SweeTARTS, Lemonheads, Black Forest Gummy Bears, Trolli Sour Brite Crawlers and more. (Treats are provided while supplies last!) While making their way to all the candy stations, zoogoers can also take a spin on the Creepy Carousel, go on a haunted hayride or find their way through the "Crazed Maize" Corn Maze.

Pumpkin-themed activities take place for guests and animals alike. Every hour on the hour from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., zoogoers can watch and cheer on the Pumpkin Smasher as he pulverizes and smashes pumpkins on the zoo's West Mall. Over the weekends, several of the animals will be treated to pumpkins as part of the zoo's enrichment program. And, those looking to brush up on their pumpkin carving skills can watch a professional pumpkin carver work his magic on 1,000-pound pumpkins each weekend.

Youngsters can bring their trick-or-treat bags to Brookfield Zoo's Boo! at the Zoo Halloween celebration. The event, presented by Ferrara, features five different candy stations stocked with classics like SweeTARTS, Lemonheads, Black Forest Gummy Bears and more.

Throughout the celebration, animal care staff will share fun facts about the zoo's creepiest critters. Spiders, bats, snakes and other creatures that go bump in the night take center stage during special Zoo Chats scheduled throughout the day. The informal talks provide an opportunity for guests to learn about the animals' habitats, diets and conservation messages.

Guests of all ages are invited to show off their best Halloween attire in the Costume Parade, which kicks off at 1 p.m. in front of Discovery Center. A DJ will entertain youngsters throughout the day on the West Mall with music, games, contests and a 1:30 p.m. Costume Dance Party, where zoogoers can show off their ghoulish moves.

General zoo admission is \$21.95 for adults, and \$15.95 for children 3-11 and seniors 65 and over. Children 2 and under are free. Parking is \$14. (Additional fees apply to some Boo! at the Zoo activities.) For further information, visit CZS.org/Boo or call (708) 688-8000.

### **Orphaned California Sea Lions Find Home at Brookfield Zoo**

Two approximately 2-year-old female California sea lions now have a new home at Brookfield Zoo. They were both found stranded and unable to care for themselves after being weaned from their mothers. The juvenile sea lions arrived at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport on the evening of Sept. 18 thanks to the generosity of FedEx. Zoo staff named one of the sea lions Carolyn, after the FedEx agent who assisted in making the travel arrangements. FedEx staff named the second female Sabiena (pronounced Sa-bean-ah), in honor of a Chicago team member who is also the company's No. 1 volunteer in the community.

"We are thrilled to be able to safely deliver Carolyn and Sabiena to their new home, and we are so proud the rescued animals are named after two of our outstanding team members," said Jenny Robertson, vice president, Corporate Communications, FedEx. "This special shipment is part of our FedEx Cares "Delivering for Good" initiative where we use our global network to deliver precious cargo where it's needed most."

Sabiena was found in May 2018 at Westward Beach in Malibu, Calif., and rescued by staff from Marine Mammal Care Center (MMCC) in San Pedro. She had multiple puncture wounds and fishhooks in her body and one of her eyes, which led to a ruptured cornea. Sabiena was also extremely malnourished weighing just 31 pounds – an animal her age should weigh about 100 pounds. Due to the limited vision in her remaining eye, National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) deemed Sabiena un-releasable.

Six months later and about 90 miles farther down the Pacific coast, Carolyn was found dehydrated, malnourished (weighing just 46 pounds) and appeared to not be able to fend for herself. Stranded on the beach near Dana Point Harbor in November 2018, Carolyn was rescued by staff from Pacific Marine Mammal Center (PMMC) in Laguna Beach. At that time, the 1-year-old yearling had lacerations on one of her flippers and chest from a possible boat propeller or a bite from a shark or an adult sea lion. In addition, X-rays revealed that Carolyn had 30 to 40 stones in her stomach, which is presumed to be why she was not eating. Once the stones passed, she started eating again and was released back to the wild in January 2019. However, just a month later she was found again at the harbor looking emaciated. Back at PMMC she started eating again from staff. Another exam revealed she had cataract in her right eye. At that time, NMFS officials determined she would not be able to survive on her own, and she too, needed a forever home.

"It is unfortunate that Carolyn and Sabiena had such a rough start in life, which is why we are honored to be able to assist National Marine Fisheries Service in providing a good home for both of them," said Rita Stacey, marine mammal curator for CZS. "We are extremely grateful to FedEx for providing the transportation of the sea lions to Chicago. This minimized the travel time, which greatly benefits the animals' transition to their new home."

Before making their journey to Brookfield Zoo, Carolyn and Sabiena were introduced to each other at PMCC. In addition, Chicago Zoological Society animal care specialists flew out to California to meet both sea lions and get familiar with each of their different personalities as well as accompanied the animals back to Illinois aboard the FedEx cargo plane.

Following a complete physical examination at the zoo's Animal Hospital and getting acclimated to their behind-the-scenes quarters as well as the marine mammal animal care team, Carolyn and Sabiena are expected to make their debut to zoo guests in October. Eventually, they may be introduced to Brookfield Zoo's other pinnipeds that included four male California sea lions, ranging from 2 months to 18 years old; four female California sea lions ranging in age from 2 to 29 years old; a male gray seal; and two female gray seals.

The marine mammal staff at Brookfield Zoo has the expertise in caring for pinnipeds with similar backgrounds, including Josie, who was abandoned on her birthday by her mother. She has since given birth to two pups, Lucy and Charger, who was just born in June 2019.

Because Carolyn and Sabiena were born in the wild, they are extremely valuable genetically to the North American zoo population. California sea lions are managed by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums' Population Management Plan (PMP), a program that ensures the sustainability of a healthy, genetically diverse, and demographically varied population for the long-term survival of the zoo population. The Sea Lion PMP is managed by Mairim Martinez, senior animal care specialist for CZS. In this role, Martinez is responsible for the California Sea Lion Studbook, a record of the species' pedigree and the demographic history of each individual in the accredited North American zoo population.

### **Brookfield Zoo's New Hamill Family Nature Plaza Provides a** Green Space to Relax, Learn, Explore and Have Fun

More than 85 percent of Americans live in an urbanized area, many without easy access to green spaces and exploring the outdoors. The Chicago Zoological Society, which is committed to providing nature-related and animal experiences in a welcoming environment, announced Sept. 20, a new learning, fun, and exploration space at Brookfield Zoo. Located at the south end of the park, the Hamill Family Nature Plaza sits on the site of the former Baboon Island. Additionally, the restaurant previously known as Scoops has been renovated and reopened as Peacock Café and Grill.

The east side of Hamill Family Nature Plaza is all about relaxation. Guests are greeted by a serene natural environment with undulating winding pathways that

feature opportunities for nature play. Oversized chimes and flower-shaped percussion instruments allow zoogoers to use their imagination and create beautiful sounds individually or as a family. A fabricated nest is nearby where youngsters can climb in and pretend to be a bird.

During the summer season, guests will definitely notice the presence of dragonflies and pollinators such as butterflies as they flutter, fly and buzz among the more than 10,000 perennial plants and 8,200 square feet of perennial seeds used to cover the landscape. Additionally, nearly 670 deciduous, evergreen, and flowering trees and shrubs were planted throughout the 1.5-acre space.

A variety of seating, including metal-framed benches, is situated along the winding pathways allowing zoogoers places to rest and enjoy the scenery. The benches are fabricated of an eco-friendly polypropylene plastic made from 90 percent recycled materials and are themselves 100 percent recyclable.

The council ring also provides an area for guests to socialize and relax or it can be a space used for structured educational offerings, such as Zoo Camp. It is dedicated to Danish-American landscape architect Jens Jensen, who played a prominent role in the creation of the prairie-style architecture found in many gardens and urban landscapes, and who also played a role in the foundation of the Forest Preserves of Cook County.

The west side of Hamill Family Nature Plaza is all about discovery. A science exploration garden with bench

seating provides an area for structured zoo education programming. A water interpretation garden features wetland-type plantings, and educates guests about water issues and the importance of having green space for responsible drainage. And, a sensory garden, located along the main promenade, features an accessible space with raised beds, wide walkways and planting spaces that can accommodate guests of all abilities. There, guests can learn about summer flowers and vegetables that they can plant at home, along with the importance of pollinators. During the summer months, guests may encounter the zoo's adult and teen volunteers, who will be able to provide additional information about nature-related and green-themed topics.

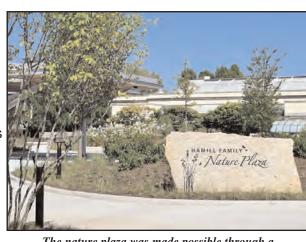
Located in the middle of the plaza is a large, open-sided, three-season pavilion that is the perfect setting during the warmer seasons for an informal chat with the animal care staff and the zoo's animal ambassadors. The space may also be used for education programs such as Family Fun Saturdays and teachers' courses. After hours, the area provides a wonderful venue to rent for private functions such as weddings, receptions and corporate events.

A day filled with learning and exploration can lead to an appetite, and the Peacock Café and Grill features a menu themed around sustainable dining. Options include locally grown produce, ice cream made with sustainably sourced palm oil, grass-fed beef burgers, antibiotic-free chicken and sustainably harvested Antarctic salmon. There is also the Impossible<sup>™</sup> burger for those who prefer a plant-based option. Ice cream favorites include sundaes, shakes, malts and floats. A variety of flavors and toppings are available. Guests can also try a freshly made funnel cake sprinkled with powdered sugar or topped with ice cream. Guests 21 years or older can guench their thirst with Brookfield Zoo's branded beer - Hair of the Frog - that is served on tap. Outdoor seating provides views of Hamill Family Nature Plaza. An updated interior seating area is also an option.

#### About the Chicago Zoological Society

The mission of the Chicago Zoological Society is to inspire conservation leadership by engaging people and communities with wildlife and nature. The Chicago Zoological Society is a private nonprofit organization that operates Brookfield Zoo on land owned by the Forest Preserves of Cook County. The Society is known throughout the world for its international role in animal population management and wildlife conservation. Its Center for the Science of Animal Care and Welfare is at the forefront of animal care that strives to discover and implement innovative approaches to zoo animal management. Brookfield Zoo is the first zoo in the world to be awarded the Humane Certified<sup>™</sup> certification mark for the care and welfare of its animals, meeting American Humane Association's rigorous certification standards. Open every day of the year, the zoo is located at 8400 31st Street in Brookfield, Illinois, between the Stevenson (I-55) and Eisenhower (I-290) expressways and also is accessible via the Tri-State Tollway (I-294), Metra commuter line, CTA and PACE bus service. For further information, visit CZS.org.

#### The nature plaza was made possible through a generous donation from the Hamill Family Foundation.



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# Complimentary 2019 Holiday Greeting Ads

Dear community member,

This year *The Rose* (the official newsletter of the village of Melrose Park) is offering an opportunity to reserve a special complimentary greeting ad in the Holiday 2019 issue.

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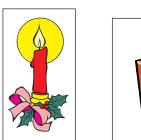
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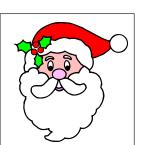




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# **Proviso Township Handyman Program**

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The Proviso Township Handyman Program serves homeowners over the age of 60 and disabled homeowners who are residents of Proviso Township.

Call us at (708) 547-4001 to register or make an appointment for our Proviso Handyman Program.

# Please call us if you have any questions and to schedule your appointment at (708) 547-4001.





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Glass – No repairs of broken glass	Storm Doors – Minor Repairs Only
Gutter Cleaning Hauling	Toilet Repairs – Removing Tank or Bowl i.e. Wax Ring or Flush Valve



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# Obituaries

#### Ayala

Lucinda Ayala. Dearly beloved wife of Humberto Martinez; loving mother of Karina Ayala, Edgar Martinez and Alejandro Martinez; beloved daughter of Pascual and Maria De La Cruz Ayala; dear sister of Samuel, Jose Guadelupe and Victor Ayala; loving aunt, cousin and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery.

#### Boulahanis

Sylvia Boulahanis, nee Manos, age 87. Beloved wife of the late Harry; loving mother of Annie (Lenny) Jaglarski, Darlene (Tommy) O'Donnell, Harriett (Dave) Leo, Doris (John) Sykes; devoted daughter of Tom and Stella Manos; cherished grandmother of Briana, Randy, Niko, Tabitha and Chaz; proud sister, sister-in-law and friend of many; fond aunt of many nieces and nephews. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Elmwood Park Cemetery.

#### Casas

Eusebia Casas, nee Gomez. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment All Saints Cemetery.

#### Castellan

Anna M. Castellan lost her battle to Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma on Sept.19, 2019. She was born in Chicago, on May 9, 1930. Anna and her husband Edward retired and moved to Henderson, Nev., in 1990. She was preceded in death by her husband of 57 years, Edward E. Castellan Sr. (2011). Anna was a loving mother and is survived by her sons, Albert, Edward II (Iolanda), Michael (Andrea), David (Cecelia) and her daughter Julie Salerno (Chuck). Anna was blessed with seven grandchildren, Giovanni (Michelle), Edward III, Arianna, Vincent, Charles, Samantha and Megan; and three great-grandchildren, Giovanni, Giuliana and Giada. Arrangements by Palm Mortuary, Las Vegas, Nev.

#### Catalanotto

Rosa Catalanotto. Dearly beloved wife of John; loving mother of Michael and Anna; fond nonna of Gianluca; dear sister of Nicola, Giuseppe, Michele, Grazziella, Caterina and Nina; loving aunt, cousin and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment private.

#### Eleuteri

Julie Eleuteri. Beloved wife of Gino; loving father of Peter (Susan), Nancy Franciose (Joe D'Agostino), Patricia (Joe) Donofrio, Michael (Susan) and the late Jean Eleuteri; cherished grandmother of Justin, Toni, Tricia, Gino, Julie, Taylor, Darrin, Theresa and Gianna; cherished great-grandmother of Santino, Gianna, PJ, Riccio and Olivia; dear sister of the late Marie Quattrochi, Francis Brodbeck and Al Pallotta; fond aunt and friend to many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment private.

#### Flores

Josefina Popoca Flores. Dearly beloved mother of Roque (Susanne) Jimenez, Yahaira Jimenez, Pierre (Cecilia Landa) Jimenez and the late Benjamin Jimenez; cherished grandmother of Juan Luis and Pedro Rodriquez, Roque Luis Jimenez, Ashley Elizabeth Jimenez and Jesus Rodriquez; dear sister of Cleotilde Popoca, Julia Popoca and the late Concepsion Popoca; fond aunt and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment private.

#### Grayer

Kenneth Grayer. Dearly beloved father of Kenneth Jr.(Pam) and Celissa (David) Pompey; beloved son of the late Walter Sr. and Zaddie; cherished grandfather of Jaida and Kailee; loving brother of Jackie Grayer, Michael Grayer, Pamela Grayer-Boyd and the late Walter Grayer, and Harold Grayer Sr.; dear uncle and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home.

#### Harber

Kristine Harber. Devoted daughter of Norene and the late Lester Harber; dear sister of Brad and Larry (Margo) Harber; cherished aunt of Tim (Katie), Jared, Blake, Corey (Lauren) and Sean (Erin); cherished cousin and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment private.

#### Jacobson

Theodore O. Jacobson, retired employee of Union Pacific for over 30 years. Dearly beloved husband of Blanca (nee Cabral); loving father of Christopher and Stefanie Jacobson; beloved son of Louise Jacobson and the late Louie Jacobson; cherished grandfather of Jacob, Brandon, Denise and Angel; dear brother of Larry Jacobson, Judy Jackson and Roxanne Vicari; fond uncle and friend of many. Member of the NRA. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home.

#### Landerghini

Armand A. Landerghini of Park Ridge. Dearly beloved husband of Catherine (nee Benak); loving father of Catherine Ann Thompson, Armand (Clara), Mark (Gary Petersen) and Elizabeth (Randy) Frink; cherished grandfather of Andrew, Elizabeth, Emma Jane, Samuel, Olivia, Colin, Mary and Isabella; great-grandfather of Sofia, Julianna and Samantha; beloved son of Armand Landerghini and Ida Coda Landerghini; dear brother-in-law, uncle and friend of many. Proud member of the North Suburban Carvers Association and the U.S. Naval Reserve. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home.

#### Lencioni

Ronald E. Lencioni, age 72, passed away after a courageous battle with cancer. Proudly born and raised in Chicago, he was in the first graduating class of Holy Cross High School and graduated from DePaul University where he was president of his National Italian Fraternity, Alpha Phi Delta and met the love of his life. He began his career in food sales with Oscar Mayer and went on to open his own food brokerage company, which he later merged with FMS of IL. He will be forever loved and missed by his wife, Carlotta (nee Boulahanis); children, Andrea (Tom) Garcia, Marc (Franci) and Alyssa; and grandsons, Joseph and Nico. He leaves behind his mother, Mary; brothers, Richard and Jeff; sister-in-law, Christine; and countless friends, golf and fishing buddies, and a city full of "food people." Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Entombment at St. Michael the Archangel Cemetery.

#### Moroni

Deno Moroni, age 94, of Oak Brook, Ill., passed away on Sept. 7, 2019. He was born on April 15, 1925, in Lucca, Italy, to Guilio and Sofia Moroni. Loving husband of 46 years to Erana; beloved father of Dean (Victoria) Moroni, John (Margie) Moroni, Gina (Jack) Giannini and Mark (Jaimii) Moroni; cherished grandfather of Nicholas (Liz), Michele, Michael, Jonathon, Stefanie, Sofia, Tommy, Mario (Jaclyn) and Frank (Antonietta). Deno was the former owner of West Gate Lincoln-Mercury. Arrangements by Chapel Hill Garden West Funeral Home. Entombment Queen of Heaven Cemetery.

#### Nitti

Viola A. Nitti, nee Portenkirchner. Dearly beloved wife of the late Joseph; loving daughter of the late Anton and Johanna Portenkirchner; dear sister of the late Maria Magda Gerace and the late Hans Portenkirchner; fond aunt and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery.

#### Pape

Mary Ann Pape, nee Fundarek, age 82, passed away Saturday, Oct. 5, 2019. Beloved wife of the late William; loving mother of Andrea (Michael) Castellan, the late William and Anthony (Leslie); cherished grandmother of Nicholas, Eric, Gabriella and Arianna; fond sister of Antoinette Fabbri, Beatrice Campagna and the late Theresa Stanik and Betty Jane; dear aunt to many nieces and nephews. Arrangements by Original Rago Brothers Funeral Homes – Norridge Chapels. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery.

#### Ponzio

Gradelle Ponzio, nee Lara. Former wife of the late John; loving mother of Barbara (Jack) Jasinski, Bonnie (Bud) Joerger and Taryn; cherished grandmother of Steve, Nicholas, Teresa, Traceey and John; cherished greatgrandmother of Natalie, Nicole, Nicholas, Carly, Olivia and Delani; dear sister of Priscilla and Zoe; fond aunt and friend of many. Arrangements by Carbonara Funeral Home. Interment Concordia Cemetery.

### Public Notice Regarding Scheduled Board Meetings

Take notice that the village of Melrose Park, Cook County, III., 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 2019 is: Oct. 28; Tuesday, Nov. 12 and 25; and Dec. 9 and 23.

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

### Village Hall Announces Holiday Closings

The Melrose Park Village Hall will be closed for the following holidays: Veterans Day – Monday, Nov. 11, 2019; Thanksgiving Day – Thursday, Nov. 28, 2019; Day After Thanksgiving – Friday, Nov. 29, 2019; Christmas Eve (1/2 Day) – Tuesday, Dec. 24, 2019; Christmas Day – Wednesday, Dec. 25, 2019; and New Year's Eve (1/2 Day) – Tuesday, Dec. 31, 2019.

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

### Franciscan Resource Center Offers Local Assistance

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

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

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

### **Centro De Recursos Franciscanos, NFP**

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

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