



BRIDGEVIEWS

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Highlighting Community News and Events

August 2014



Mayor Landek, Village Board members and fire department personnel stand in front of the village's new fire engine.

Bridgeview purchases fire engine

Trustee Patt Higginson, who chairs the village's Fire Committee, recommended at the July village board meeting the purchase of a new fire engine. The new engine will definitely give Bridgeview a boost to fire emergency response capabilities.

Chief Butkus and his staff worked with surrounding communities to use their buying power for the joint purchase of several vehicles. This brought the cost of Bridgeview's new engine down to \$360,000, a substantial reduction from the regular price of \$435,000.

The fire engine being replaced is



28 years old. It was purchased in 1985, and after years of good care from fire department and public works personnel, the engine has finally reached the end of its useful life. It will be donated to a

needy rural department in Illinois.

The new fire engine is designed to withstand harsh winters with its stainless steel body. It has an extra-large water tank on board, which allows a quick application of water immediately after a truck arrives at a fire.

This new showpiece of the department is a welcome addition to a fire department that has demonstrated a history of excellence in fire and ambulance calls.

The new fire engine arrived at the end of July. It is expected to be in full service by mid-August, to serve those in need.

Back cover: Bridgeview Treasure Days will be here soon!

Water reading replacement program

In 2008, the Village of Bridgeview and Neptune Technology replaced the water meters of every house in Bridgeview with a new digital water meter to help the village record daily residential water usage accurately.

The new water meters have been a success, helping the village's Water Department identify irregular water use patterns that may be caused by a water leak at the property. Water department employees no longer have to enter residential properties to read the meter manually. Also, digital water meters have a life span of up to 15 years, based on battery life, whereas manually read water meters have a life span of 7 to 10 years.

A small number of meter



registers have encountered issues that have resulted in communication errors. The village and Neptune Technology have been working together to determinate a solution to those errors. Af-

ter testing the water readers being used now, both parties have agreed that the best solution is to replace current meter readers with upgraded meter readers to avoid any technical problems. This will help keep providing residents of Bridgeview with the best and most efficient equipment.

The replacement process is very simple and takes as little as 15 minutes per house. A representative of Neptune Technology Group's sub-contractor, Water Resources, will have to enter residents' homes to install the new register. For residents' convenience, the installments will be done by appointment.

Letters will soon be sent to all homeowners about how to schedule an appointment.



Free AARP driving courses for seniors

Trustee Norma Pinion announces that AARP Senior 55 Alive Driving Courses will be offered in Bridgeview on Oct. 7 and 8 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. If you are a Bridgeview senior, the cost will be covered for both days by the village. Non-residents can pay AARP at the class. The cost for an AARP member with membership card is \$15. Non-AARP members pay \$20.

Registration will begin on Sept. 1st at the Village Hall community service window. You must present your driver's license at the time of registration.

Upon completion of this course, AARP offers car insurance discounts. Refreshments and light snacks also will be provided.

If you have any questions, please call the Village of Bridgeview at (708) 594-2525.

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Chicago Fire soccer, concerts, special events

(708) 594-7200

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Availability, pricing

(708) 924-8290

Businesses invest in Bridgeview

Bridgeview is a great place to live, and it's a great place for businesses to call home! Here are just a few of the new additions and upgrades residents will be seeing soon:



The McDonald's restaurant at 77th and Harlem is undergoing renovations to its building.



Scheduled to open before Thanksgiving, Pete's Fresh Market, at 103rd and Harlem, brings another excellent food market to Bridgeview.



Wendy's at 79th and Harlem should be ready to offer its new look to customers beginning this fall. Wendy's decided 12 years ago that Bridgeview is a good place to do business, and is already making improvements to its location.

MENARDS®

A new Menards for Bridgeview is in the planning stages. Details, including artist's renderings, will be presented soon.

**Bridgeview:
A great place
to do business!**



After Treasure Days, here come ... FALL VILLAGE CLEAN-UP DAYS

For residents who have regular **Monday pickup**,
Clean-Up Days pickup will be **Saturday Sept. 27**

For residents who have regular **Tuesday pickup**,
Clean-Up Days pickup will be **Saturday, Oct. 4**

TOYOTA PARK SPOTLIGHT

1ST GAME BEGINS AT NOON
AUGUST 31TH 2014

HIGH SCHOOL
TOYOTA PARK
FOOTBALL
KICKOFF CLASSIC

MT CARMEL
ST IGNATIUS
ST RITA

VS

ST JOSEPHS (PHILADELPHIA)
WALTER PAYTON
SIMEON

"THE CHICAGO HIGH SCHOOL KICKOFF CLASSIC"
SUNDAY, AUGUST 31, 2014 - TICKETS @ *ticketmaster*

TOYOTA PARK
7000 S. Harlem Ave. | 708.594.7200 | www.ToyotaPark.com
Approximately 15 miles southwest of downtown Chicago in Bridgeview, IL



Are you ready for a Football Extravaganza?

A football extravaganza is coming to Toyota Park at the end of August, and it promises to be a can't-miss event for fans throughout the area.

"The Chicago High School Kickoff Classic" on Aug. 31 will feature three high school football games, showcasing teams rich in talent and tradition.

Kickoff begins at noon with perennial state powerhouse **Mount Carmel** playing **St. Joseph**, state champions from Philadelphia. The Mount Carmel Caravan, led by coaching legend Frank Lenti, has won 12 state football championships and has seen players such as Donovan McNabb and Simeon Rice go on to successful careers in the NFL.

In the second game, the **St. Ignatius** Wildcats, from the West Loop, will play the **Walter Payton Prep** Grizzlies, from Chicago's Near North Side.

Finally, the **St. Rita** Mustangs, winners of multiple state championships, will take on the **Simeon** Wolverines, from the Southwest Side of Chicago.

Tickets are available at Ticketmaster. General admission is \$10, while students pay \$6. Parking is \$10. Only one admission lets you watch all three games!

Enjoy the GOOD LIFE in Bridgeview!



Wide variety of 'Good Life' events are a hit with seniors

Several years ago, Mayor Landek introduced “Enjoy the Good Life in Bridgeview” events for residents 55 years and older, offering our older residents a way of staying active and healthy. These free events are held in Bridgeview for our retired and semi-retired adult residents to meet and mingle in a fun environment with food, music and raffles.

These events are not the typical senior citizens events you see in other communities. Bridgeview seniors are active adults and enjoy getting on the

dance floor, singing and playing games for prizes. Most events are held in the Stadium Club at Toyota Park.

This year, we began rocking to the oldies in February at the **Sweetheart Sock Hop**. In April, the Stadium Club was transformed into the “**Juice Joynt Speakeasy**,” where the guys and dolls were photographed in their costumes.

In June, we “**Rocked the Red**” in support of our Chicago Fire team! Aloha Luau is the themed event for August, with a real surprise for our

hoaloha (friends). Mai `ai (come and eat) with us, if you are of age.

Our annual **Senior Fair** is taking a Tricks and Treats approach this year in October. A Veterans’ Day Dance and Luncheon is planned for November. Watch your mailbox for upcoming “Enjoy the Good Life in Bridgeview” events. If you are 55 years or older and would like to be put on the mailing list, contact Pam at 708-594-1818.

Keep active, stay healthy and enjoy the good life in Bridgeview!

Bridgeview offers many other opportunities to enjoy a robust life in our community through the local social, health and informative programs and events at the Bridgeview Community Center and Bridgeview Park District.

- The Bridgeview Community Center is home for two senior clubs – **Bridgeview Golden Agers** and **Bridgeview Senior Citizens Club**. The Golden Agers meet on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at noon. The Bridgeview Senior Citizens Club meets on the first and third Thursdays of each month. Membership for both clubs is limited to Bridgeview residents 55 years and older.

- The third Wednesday of every month is **Movie Day** at the Bridgeview Community Center, presented by the Senior Citizen Commission. The movie and theme sets the background for an entertaining day, which includes a light lunch

and games of chance. On occasion guest speakers address topics of interest to the members. Membership is only \$1.50 for two years!

- Bridgeview Community Center also offers various health services through the **Aging Well** program for Bridgeview residents age 65 and older. A local podiatrist handles foot care with no out-of-pocket costs when using your Medicare and supplemental insurance. Cholesterol, diabetes and hearing tests are available through the Aging Well program, and the Bridgeview Fire Department provides free blood pressure screening. Free transportation to the Bridgeview Community Center

is available. Contact the Bridgeview Community Center at 708-458-4675 for more information or to schedule appointments.

- The Bridgeview Park District also participates in the **Aging Well** program, in addition to its own adult programs. **B.E.S.T. Walking Club** is free to join, but you must be a facility member or an Aging Well card holder. It’s a fun way to stay active. Aging Well card holders are also eligible for the Park District’s **Seniority Swim** during the summer. Contact the Bridgeview Park District at 708-594-1818 for information on the free **Senior Game Days**, the special programs and one-day trips for residents 55 and older.



Bridgeview Park District

TRIPS, PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Registration is necessary. Visit us at Bridgeview Park District - 8100 S. Beloit Register early: 708-594-1818
Enjoy the Ride on our bus and leave the driving to us. All trips leave from Bridgeview Park District.

Trips	Gymnastics Classes - 8 wks	Special Event																														
<p>LET'S DINE Labriola Baking Company - Oak Brook Thursday, August 28th 4:15 - 7:30 pm approx. return time Fee: \$8.00 for transportation. Ages: 21+</p>	<p><i>Must register by September 2nd</i> All classes start the week of Sept. 8th. There are 4 sessions - Sept. thru May. Mini Tykes Gymnastics for 2-3 yr olds Wednesdays from 6:30 - 7:00 pm. Provides a strong basis for all sports. This is a structured gymnastics class without parent participation. Coaches focus on basic gymnastic skills, individual movement exploration, and following directions. This class promotes social and physical development. Fee: \$30.00</p>	<p>COLOR DASH 5K - Bridgeview Park District Saturday, Oct. 4th The COLOR DASH is coming to Bridgeview with a hurricane of color that will even turn your tears of joy into a tie-dyed movement of bliss and renew your outlook on what fun and life is all about!</p>																														
<p>FALL FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS - Oakbrook Mall in OakBrook Sunday, Sept. 7th 10:00 am - 4:00 pm Ages: All - under 16 yrs. must be accompanied by a paid adult. Fee: \$8.00 per person</p>	<p>Tykes Gymnastics for 4-5 year olds Wednesdays from 6:30 - 7:30 pm OR Friday 4:00 - 5:00 pm. Focuses on beginning skills for preschool age children. This class introduces the 4 pieces of apparatus that are used in regular gymnastics. Fundamental skills, including forward rolls, jumping, swinging, balancing, is taught using various learning stations. Fee: \$50.00</p>	<p>After 5K of color whirlwinds, there will be too many laughs to count and so many memories. We promise that your day will shine. But most importantly, a bleak outlook will definitely turn into a flood of colors like a spring wildflower meadow. So let's get this party started and turn your life colorful in The Color Dash! This is one fun event you don't want to miss.</p>																														
<p>FOUR WINDS CASINO TRIP - New Buffalo, MI Monday, Sept. 15th 9:00 am - 3:30 pm Ages: 21 + Fee: \$32.00 Min/Max: 30/54</p>	<p>Beginner/Intermediate Girls Gymnastics for 6 - 13 year olds Mondays from 4:00 - 5:30 pm OR Friday 5:15 - 6:45 pm Beginner level gymnastics learn basic skills on vault, bars, beam and floor. Intermediates work on new skills through proper progression. Some skills include: limber skills, back-hip circles, jumps, scales on beam and proper vaulting approach. Fee: \$60.00</p>	<p>At the Color Dash, we know that running isn't everyone's cup of tea, but we encourage you to change it up. Rather than <i>running away</i> from something, try <i>dashing towards</i> something this year. Try Color Dashing just for FUN at Bridgeview Park District with your family and friends!</p>																														
<p>EXCURSIONS INTO THE UNKNOWN - Chicago Suburbs Friday, Sept. 19th 5:30 - 9:30 pm Ages: 13 yrs and older Fee: \$35.00 per person</p>	<p>PreTeam/Team Girls Gymnastics for 6 - 13 years olds Mondays from 5:45 - 8:15 pm AND Wednesdays 4:00 - 6:30 pm Students do NOT need to compete this year in order to be in this class. New skills are taught through proper progression to ensure a safe learning environment. This program meets twice a week in which the gymnasts work on skills and routines. This program is geared to get your gymnast ready for competition on all four events. Fee: \$80.00</p>	<p>Sign up here: http://www.thecolordash5k.com/ Join as an individual or a family.</p>																														
<p>B.E.S.T. Wii BOWLING FALL LEAGUES NOW FORMING <i>Back for another season of Bowling!</i> <i>Regular season is 8-weeks.</i> Each team consists of 4 players. Each team bowls 1 match per week. A match consists of 2 games. League play begins on Friday, Sept 19th at 10 am. Spectators are welcome! Award presentation on Friday, Nov. 14th. Team Meeting and FREE practice session on Friday, Sept. 12th at 10:00 am. Ages: 55+ Fee: \$12 per person/per season Time: 10:00 am Days: Fridays, Sept. 19th - Nov. 7th</p>	<p>Tumbling Only for 6 - 13 years olds Fridays from 7:00 - 8:15 pm Students work on the tumbling mats only in this class. they are taught new skills and drills to improve their tumbling. Skills include limber skills, round-offs, and the more advanced tumbler will work on skills such as flip-flops and back tucks. Fee: \$90.00</p>	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Registration Type</th> <th>Price</th> <th>Fee</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Individual</td> <td>\$40.00</td> <td>+ \$4.69</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Families of 3 - <i>Must be in Same Household.</i></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Price Per Person</td> <td>\$28.33</td> <td>+ \$4.05</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Families of 4 - <i>Must be in Same Household.</i></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Price Per Person</td> <td>\$25.00</td> <td>+ \$3.87</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Families of 5 - <i>Must be in Same Household.</i></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Price Per Person</td> <td>\$23.00</td> <td>+ \$3.76</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Families of 6 - <i>Must be in Same Household.</i></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Price Per Person</td> <td>\$21.66</td> <td>+ \$3.68</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Registration Type	Price	Fee	Individual	\$40.00	+ \$4.69	Families of 3 - <i>Must be in Same Household.</i>			Price Per Person	\$28.33	+ \$4.05	Families of 4 - <i>Must be in Same Household.</i>			Price Per Person	\$25.00	+ \$3.87	Families of 5 - <i>Must be in Same Household.</i>			Price Per Person	\$23.00	+ \$3.76	Families of 6 - <i>Must be in Same Household.</i>			Price Per Person	\$21.66	+ \$3.68
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Bridgeview Park District

KIDS ON THE RUN

Registration is necessary. Bridgeview Park District • 8100 S. Beloit • 708-594-1818

2-WEEK BASKETBALL CAMP

3rd - 8th Grade Co-Ed

Mondays • Tuesdays • Saturdays

6 classes! August 18th - August 30th

Our goal is to help children develop skills including: footwork, shooting mechanics, defensive stances, ball handling, court awareness and one-on-one techniques.

Fee: \$40.00

Mondays & Tuesdays :

3rd - 5th grade..... 6:00 - 7:00 pm
6th - 8th grade..... 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Saturdays:

3rd - 5th grade..... 10:00 - 11:00 am
6th - 8th grade..... 11:00 am - Noon

YOUTH GIRLS

BASKETBALL LEAGUE

4th, 5-6th, & 7-8th Grade Divisions

Join Bridgeview Park District School & Park 2014 Girls Basketball League. We provide the referees, online schedule, 10 games and a trophy for 1st & 2nd place and medals for the team members.

Games are on Saturdays from 9 am to 6 pm with possible Sunday morning games. Each team will have a max of 12 players per roster. Games begin late November and single elimination playoffs start in March. Season will range from 9-11 games depending on the amount of teams registered.

Cost per Team: \$500

Contact Bridgeview park District
8100 S. Beloit, Bridgeview, IL
Office: 708-594-1818

Email:

jborrowdale@bridgeviewparkdistrict.org



**Keep Your Eyes
WIDE OPEN
for Bridgeview's
HALLOWEEN TOWN**

EARLY CHILD DEVELOPMENT

Children enrolled must be completely toilet trained and must be ready to stay in a classroom without becoming disruptive. Registration is first come first serve. *Child's original registered birth certificate is required in all cases*



BUILDING BLOCKS for the 3 yr old

Begins 9/9/2014

Children must be 3 years of age by September 1, 2014 in order to participate in the 2014-2015 program, which runs from Sept. 2014 to May 2015.

Day/Dates: **Tuesdays & Thursdays** Time: 9:00 am – 11:00 am

Fee: \$450.00 per year or 3 payments of \$150.00 every 11 weeks (Nov. & Feb.)

STEPPING STONES for the 4 yr old

Begins 9/8/2014

Children must be 4 years of age by September 1, 2014. They must also be entering Kindergarten in the Fall of 2015 to participate in the May 2015 Graduation. Program runs from Sept. 2014 to May 2015.

Days: **Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays**

Time: 9:00 am – Noon

Fee: \$600.00 per year or 3 payments of \$200.00 every 11 weeks (Nov. & Feb.)

DANCE

- Fridays

HIP HOP:

Focuses on the latest dance steps incorporating rhythm with dancer's own personal style.

BALLET: This is the first step for the young dancer, incorporating ballet movements in a structured class.

Students will study basic coordination, gross motor skills, and dance class etiquette in a fun atmosphere.

• *White Ballet shoes are required for each Ballet class.*

Day: Fridays

Dates: Sept. 5th – Nov. 7th
(no class 9/19 & 10/31)

Ballet for 3 - 6 years old:

Time: 3:30 - 4:00 pm

Hip Hop for 4 - 7 years old:

Time: 4:00 - 4:30 pm

Hip Hop for 8 - 10 years old:

Time: 4:30 - 5:00 pm

Ballet for 7 - 10 years old:

Time: 5:00 - 5:30 pm

Fee: \$25.00 for 8 weeks of classes



KID FIT and CONDITIONING CLASS

- Thursdays

This class focuses on training our youth to get fit and incorporate fitness into their daily lives. It's a fact that physical activity empowers students to succeed in school and in life. In this program, students will perform different exercises to work on their flexibility, toning muscles, and conditioning their bodies to stay healthy and fit.

Days: Thursdays

Ages: 6 - 15 years

Time: 4:00 - 5:15 pm

Fee: \$ 60.00

Dates: Sept. 11th - Oct. 30th



GET KID FIT!



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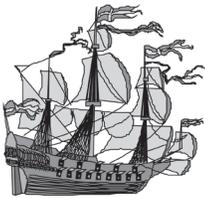
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Ahoy Maties!



Bridgeview Treasure Days are on the horizon!

Prepare yourself for the annual visit of Captain Pinion and Quarter Master Pticek aboard the Treasure Days ship! This year Treasure Days begins with the residents north of 79th St. on Saturday, Sept. 13th and Sunday, Sept. 14th. The pirate ship then heads south of 79th St on Saturday, Sept. 20th and Sunday, Sept. 21st.



All Treasure Days hours are from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

As past practice, the Village waives all permits and fees and provides the advertising.

To sell your treasures, you need to clip and fill out the registration form below and bring it to the Village Customer Service Office. After you register, you will be issued a special Treasure Days mailbox cover. Attach the bright pink cover to your mailbox on your designated Treasure Day weekend. This cover will flag down the treasure hunters and of course, our famous pirate ship.

The deadline for registration is Wednesday, Sept. 10th.



Treasure Days

Yes! I want to cash-in on Bridgeview Treasure Days!
 Please include me in the list of homes participating.

My Treasure Days are:

- Saturday & Sunday, September 13th & 14th** (North of 79th Street) **Saturday & Sunday, September 20th & 21st** (South of 79th Street)

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone: _____ - _____