



BRIDGEVIEWS

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Highlighting Community News and Events

August 2015

Toyota Park shines the spotlight on women's sports



Aug. 15: Legends Football League

The Chicago Bliss Stars will play the Atlanta Steam for the Eastern Division Championship at Toyota Park at 5 p.m. on Aug. 15. On the same day at Toyota Park, the Seattle Mist and Los Angeles Temptation will play for the Western Division Championship. Both games will be broadcast on FUSE TV several weeks later.



Sept. 4: Northwestern University Women's Soccer

Northwestern University selected Toyota Park, the home of Midwest soccer, to play the 2015 season here in Bridgeview. The first game features a match against St. Louis at 7 p.m.



Sept. 6: Women's Professional Soccer

The Chicago Red Stars, who previously played at Toyota Park, will take on the Houston Dash (featuring U.S. Women's National Team star Carli Lloyd), in a 4 p.m. game. The Red Stars are composed of several players returning from playing on the U.S. Women's National Team, which captured the Women's World Cup championship. This date features a doubleheader, as the Northwestern women's team will play after completion of the Red Stars game.

EVENT
JUST
ADDED!



August 24th-25th-Carson & Barnes Circus World's Biggest Big-Top Show!

Purchase tickets Monday through Friday at the Toyota Park box office. Prices start at \$6.00 each. Visit www.bigtopshow.com for more information.

Bridgeview Treasure Days are on the horizon!



Ahoy Maties! Bridgeview Treasure Days will be here before you know it, so mark your calendars! Here are the participation dates you need to know:

South of 79th Street:
Sept. 12 & 13

North of 79th Street:
Sept. 19 & 20



Clean-Up Days are a village tradition in Bridgeview!

Every year in June, Bridgeview conducts a village-wide clean-up before the summer heat settles in.

Residents get ready for summer cookouts and gatherings by taking advantage of the yearly June clean-up days to dispose of unwanted items that have been taking up space in their yards, basements and garages.

As usual, this year's Clean-Up Days had a great turnout. On the west side of Bridgeview, 34.98 tons of trash were collected, and on the east side 49.86 tons were collected, for a total of 186,912 pounds or 84.96 tons for the entire village.

Another set of village-wide Clean-Up Days will be arranged during fall, after Treasure Days. Please take advantage of this service to ensure that Bridgeview keeps looking great!

Eagle Scout paints Community Center gymnasium as his Eagle Project

Eagle Scout Bryan Bachleda chose to paint the Community Center gym as his Eagle Project. With the help of parents, scout leaders and a group of volunteers, Bryan was able to complete his Eagle Project on time and without difficulties.

Bryan met with his team on Friday, May 22 to clean the gymnasium walls and set up all the supplies needed for the painting process. They started painting the following day and were able to have the gymnasium ready by Monday, May 25.

Bryan Bachleda is the second Eagle Scout who worked to renovate the Community Center as his Eagle Project this year. The first to do it was Andrew Zwaijack, who restored the art room back in March.

Director of Community Center Jim Nagel is always happy to assist Eagle Scouts on their projects in the Community Center. It is a great way to engage teens with the community.



Above: Bryan Bachleda (left) and his mom, Judy Bachleda, talk with Director of Community Center Jim Nagel.

TOYOTA PARK
UPCOMING EVENTS



CHICAGO FIRE vs. COLORADO RAPIDS
August 22nd

Bridgeview is an official sponsor of the Rubber Ducky Derby



Village of Bridgeview elected officials gather during the Rubber Ducky Derby kick-off event, which took place this summer. The Rubber Ducky Derby raises funds for Special Olympics Illinois.

Bridgeview and its elected officials are proud to be an official sponsor of the Rubber Ducky Derby held each year on the Chicago River to raise funds for Special Olympics Illinois.

The village shows its support for such a great cause by providing the truck that carries about 60,000 rubber ducks, which are adopted each year for the race on the Chicago River. This year the event began at 10 a.m. in downtown Chicago with entertainment for the entire family and appearances by several sports mascots.

All proceeds collected benefit the nearly 22,000 Special Olympics athletes throughout Illinois.

Participants who adopted a duck have a chance to win a prize if their duck was among the first to arrive at the finish line. Prizes include a 2015 Chevy Trax, an all-inclusive vacation, tickets to the 2015 NASCAR Camping World Truck Series Race, and a Rosemont Package, among others.

Winners of the race will be announced soon. To find out if your duck was one of the lucky winners, or if you would like to get more information about how to support Special Olympics Illinois, visit www.duckrace.com/chicago.

AT&T opens new location in Bridgeview

The AT&T branch opened a new location in Bridgeview at the beginning of June. A ribbon-cutting ceremony at the store on June 19 marked the official opening of the new location.

Village trustees had the honor of attending the ceremony and meeting the new AT&T store's staff. "It's important to interact with the businesses in Bridgeview," said Trustee Patt Higginson.

The new AT&T location, located at 8731 South Harlem Ave., is planning to assist clients with the best customer support for a very long time. Bridgeview is always looking forward to welcoming new businesses to the community.

Good luck to the new AT&T location!



Village of Bridgeview Trustees Patt Higginson, Norma Pinion, Mary Sutton and James Cecott and staff members joined AT&T personnel the day of the AT&T store's ribbon-cutting ceremony.

 TOYOTA PARK UPCOMING EVENTS		MEGA FLEA MARKET Every Sunday
		NORTHWESTERN MEN'S SOCCER September 11
		BLACK LIGHT SLIDE 5K September 12

VILLAGE OF BRIDGEVIEW

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Claudette Struzik

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John Altar

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Mon, Tues., Thurs., Fri.:
8 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Wed.: 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.
Sat.: 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

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BRIDGEVIEW PUBLIC LIBRARY



Meet the LCC Comfort Dogs!

It's August, and we're going to the dogs!
Join us on Saturday, Aug. 22 at 2 p.m. to meet the Lutheran Church Charities Comfort Dogs. These beautiful golden retrievers travel the country giving comfort and affection to those impacted by tragic events. Please register for this event by calling (708) 458-2880, ext. 105.

NEW CRAFT CLASS!

Beginning Thursday, Aug. 20 at 6:30 p.m. we will have our very first of many classes learning the newest modern arts and crafts. These projects are not only one of a kind, they can be completed in one night, ready to take home!

The scene: A big pot of coffee, a night out, friends chatting, a down-to-earth and enjoyable instructor, and a monthly art or craft project you will take pride in creating! Sounds like fun, doesn't it?

Everyone is welcome (must be 12 years and older) so make sure you sign up for this unique and exclusive class as soon as possible.

Our first class: "Bling Upcycled Versatile Tall Glass Holders." These tall glass holders can accommodate a candle for a luminous effect on a mantel or table, they can hold flowers (fresh or artificial), switched out for holiday decorating, and more. Next time you are in the library, stop by and see the sample, it's simply exquisite!

COLORFUL CONVERSATIONS

Stop in Tuesday evenings at 6:30 for drop-in coloring. We provide the markers, crayons, colored pencils, and beautifully detailed coloring pages.



You bring your stress, problems, and anxiety and leave them behind

WE HAVE BLU-RAYS!

We have Blu-Ray Discs! So far we have about 20 titles, but the collection is growing. To see what titles we have, take a look at our website: www.bridgeviewlibrary.org under the "books, etc." tab.

It's just \$1 to borrow a disc, and you may keep them for 7 days. Look for the blue DVD cases.

BOOK CLUB BVS

The Book Club meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. The book we are reading this month is *One Plus One* by Jojo Moyes.

This is a very funny and touching novel. If you can't come to the meeting, please try to read it on our own. We have it available in regular print, large print, and audio.

Our discussion will take place on Tuesday, Aug. 18.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Coming in September:
Sept. 10: "Oh, My Aching Back!" presented by Christ Hospital
Sept. 24: "Shaking the Family Tree" genealogy class presented by Ray Johnson

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Show your true colors!

Create a masterpiece at our Paint Night



Join us on Wednesday, Sept. 9 as we paint up a storm! Gather a group of friends and bring some snacks for this month's Paint Night. This event is held in a private facility so you have the entire space to spread out and create your masterpiece! You will take home a 16 x 20 gallery wrapped canvas. Your fee includes easels, brushes, paints, aprons, and the artist instructing you. This class will sell out quick so make sure to register soon! The September painting is called *Dandelion Circus* and is pictured at left.

Ages: 18 and over

Date: Wednesday, Sept. 9

Time: 6:30-9:30 p.m

Fee: \$40 if registered by Sept. 1st; \$45 if registered after Sept. 1

Registration is taken at the Bridgeview Park District Sports Complex. Paint Night will be held at our Muehe Center, 7151 W. Hartford, in Bridgeview. Please arrive 15 minutes prior to the start of class.

Registration is now OPEN for our Pebbles, Building Blocks and Stepping Stones programs!

• PEBBLES

The Pebbles program is designed for child and parent, grandparent or other significant adult to spend quality time together in a group atmosphere. Through stories, songs, simple crafts and gym activities, your child's motor and socialization skills will be stressed. All supplies and a light snack are included in the fee.

Ages: 18 months - 3 years

Session 1: Sept. 14 - Nov. 2

Time: 11 a.m. to Noon

Day: Mondays

Fee: \$50

• BUILDING BLOCKS

Children enrolled in Building Blocks must be completely toilet trained and must be ready to stay in a classroom without becoming disruptive. Registration is taken on a first-come/first-served basis. Child's original registered birth certificate is required.

Children must be 3 years of age by Sept. 1, 2015 in order to participate in the 2014-2015 program, which runs from Sept. 2015 to May 2016. We will need a birth certificate in order to register the child in this class.

Age: 3 years old

Time: 9 a.m.-11 a.m.

Days: Tuesdays & Thursdays

Fee: \$450 per year or 3 payments of \$150 every 11 weeks

• STEPPING STONES

Children enrolled in Stepping Stones must be completely toilet trained and must be ready to stay in a classroom without becoming disruptive. Registration is taken on a first-come/first-served basis. Child's original registered birth certificate is required.

Children must be 4 years old by Sept. 1, 2015. They also must be entering kindergarten in the Fall of 2016 in order to participate in the May 2016 graduation. Program runs from Sept. 2015 to May 2016.

Age: 4 years old

Time: 9 a.m. to Noon

Days: Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays

Fee: \$600 per year or 3 payments of \$200 every 11 weeks

Bridgeview Park District presents ...

MONTHLY PROGRAMS OF INTEREST

• Senior Game Day

1st Monday of each month

12:30-2:30 p.m. Age: 55+

FREE

• Pinochle Club

2nd & 3rd Mondays of each month

12:30-2:30 p.m. Ages: All

FREE

• Aging Well Walking

Walking Track - Tuesdays & Thursdays

10 a.m.-noon Ages: 55+

FREE

• Canasta Club ****NEW****

Now you can play the game of Canasta the fourth Monday of each month. This game is played by millions, and now you can play too! Not a player or not sure if you know the rules? Stop in and we will teach you! It's fun for everyone!

Fourth Monday of each month

12:30-2:30 p.m. Ages: 55+

FREE

HOME ALONE

Home Alone is a class designed to teach your child to act responsibly when home alone. Children will learn the important phone numbers, what to do in case of an emergency, how to answer the phone and door, and other home alone situations. Basic first aid also will be taught. There will be time for questions and answers. Parents are welcome to stay for the class.

Ages: 8-14 years old

Day/Date: Monday, Sept. 14

Time: 6 p.m.-8 p.m.

Locations Roberts Park Fire Station,
8611 S. Roberts Road, Justice

Fee: \$16

Registration is taken at the Bridgeview Park District



FALL SOCCER LEAGUE

It's time for another season of soccer! Bridgeview Park District is part of the South Suburban Soccer Association. We compete against other park districts in the area (Oak Lawn, Hickory Hills, Worth Summit, Alsip and Burbank). We play some home games and some away games at those park districts. Standings will be kept for the junior and senior levels, with playoffs at the end of the season. Included in your fee is a uniform, trophy and a party at the end of the season. Practices are on Mondays and Wednesdays starting August 17. The season will go through October. Shin guards and rubber cleats must be provided by parents. Games will be on Saturdays and we may have one weeknight game.

***** Volunteer coaches are needed for all levels. If you are interested in coaching your child's team, please contact us at 708-594-1818! *****

Pee Wee: 6-7 year-olds (Your child must be 6 by Sept. 1)

Midgets: 8-9 year-olds (Your child must be 8 by Sept. 1)

Juniors: 10-11 year-olds (Your child must be 10 by Sept. 1)

Seniors: 12-13 year-olds (Your child must be 12 by Sept. 1)

Fee: \$100

• Pee Wees, Midgets, and Juniors will play at Commissioners Park. Seniors play at Wierzba Park.

BABYSITTING WORKSHOP

Learn all the fundamentals you need to know to be a competent and efficient babysitter. This workshop is instructed by the Roberts Park Fire Protection District. Topics in this one-day seminar include safety tips, care for infants and toddlers, basic first aid and how to change a diaper. Each participant will receive a certificate upon completion of the class.

Ages: 11-15 years old

Day/Date: Saturday Sept. 5

Time: 9 a.m.-Noon

Location: Roberts Park Fire Station, 8611 S. Roberts Road, Justice,

Fee: \$16

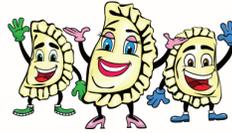
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Taste of
PIEROGI



August 13-16th, 2015

Thur & Fri: 4 pm-11 pm
Sat: 1 pm-11 pm | Sun: 12 pm-11 pm

Lots of Pierogi | Live Music
Pierogi Eating Contest
Huge Carnivale | Petting Zoo

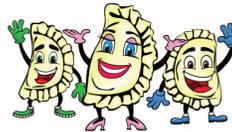

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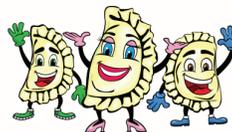

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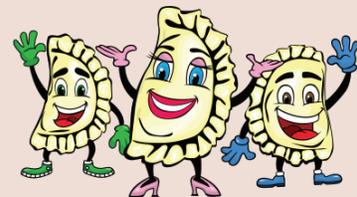
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Come join us for a weekend of food, music and fun as we celebrate Polish heritage!

The first annual all-age family 2015 "Taste of Pierogi" is coming to Toyota Park in Bridgeview, IL. This year it will be taking place from Thursday, August 13th through Sunday, August 16th.

The four-day event will feature live music, traditional Polish dancers, carnival rides for all ages, Polish beer and other beverages, and of course, besides a vast selection of other tasty specials, the star of our event - PIEROGI!

Four tickets to the event can be found on page 7 of this issue of Bridgeviews. You can use and re-use your ticket to enter the fest any day you'd like or on all four days!

Extra tickets are available at Toyota Park and Bridgeview Village Hall.

For more information about Taste of Pierogi visit www.tasteofpierogi.com