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BRIDGEVIEWS

Highlighting Community News and Events

October 2014

CHICAGO FIRE  SOCCER CLUB

VILLAGE OF BRIDGEVIEW APPRECIATION NIGHT



**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24TH
7:00 PM
TOYOTA PARK**

The Chicago Fire Soccer Club, Major League Soccer & the Village of Bridgeview have teamed up to provide an exclusive offer for Village of Bridgeview residents!

Village of Bridgeview residents can receive up to 4 complimentary tickets per household on Friday, October 24th at 7:00 p.m. when the Chicago Fire faces the Houston Dynamo, presented by UI Health Systems!

Tickets must be obtained at the Toyota Park box office. Box office hours are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Proof of Bridgeview residency must be provided when picking up tickets.

AN EXCLUSIVE OFFER FOR BRIDGEVIEW RESIDENTS!

Please note that tickets are limited. Tickets are available on a first-come, first-serve basis and, due to high demand, we encourage you to pick up your tickets as soon as possible. Parking cost is \$15.



Trustees Norma Pinion and Michael Pticek are joined on the Treasure Days float by Veronica Carben and her father, Auxiliary Police Officer Randy Carben.

Trustees Pinion and Pticek go treasure hunting on new float

Bridgeview Trustees Norma Pinion and Michael Pticek participated in one of the most popular events of the fall, *Treasure Days*, looking stylish on a newly remodeled float.

The float was painted and updated to fit the theme of the annual village-wide garage sale. Dressed as pirates, Trustees Pinion and Pticek complemented the appearance of the float.

They were accompanied by Auxiliary Police Officer Randy Carben and his daughter Veronica Carben, who also were dressed as pirates.

“Residents love this event,” said Trustee Pinion, who gave away golden chocolate coins to attendees. “It is always a pleasure to come out to thank the lovely people who participate in *Treasure Days*.”

Treasure Days was a huge success. Over 824 Bridgeview homes participated in the event.

Bridgeview welcomes new police officers

Village officials and the Bridgeview Police Department welcomed two new staff members to the police department on Sept. 3 with a swearing-in ceremony at Village Hall.

Mayor Steven Landek administered the Oath of Office to the new police officers, as the officers’ family members and friends looked on. Village trustees were present to witness the ceremony and to personally congratulate and welcome Officer Joshua Brander and Officer Christopher Pell, who now will be serving village residents.

“In order to make the Village of Bridgeview all it can be, it starts with public safety,” Mayor Landek said af-



Officers Joshua Brander and Christopher Pell are joined by (front row) Trustees Higginson, Struzik, Pinion and Pticek, and by (back row) Trustees Cecott and Sutton and Clerk Alter.

ter informing the new police officers about their new responsibilities as members of the police department.

The new officers, who will undergo several months of training, are a welcome addition to the Bridgeview Police Department.



Argo coach gives instructions to varsity and junior varsity swimmers during a practice session at the Bridgeview Park District pool.

Argo swimmers make splash in Bridgeview Park District pool

Your park district recently extended a helping hand to Argo Community High School when the swim team came up dry at the high school pool.

Argo High School swimming pool repairs, which were delayed because of the late arrival of pump parts, forced the girls swim team to look for a temporary home. The Bridgeview Park District came to the rescue, allowing the high school swim team to use the pool as its practice space for the beginning of the season.

The swim team was able to prepare for the upcoming schedule and enjoyed the nice summer weather.

Coach Laura Martensen was very thankful that the Bridgeview Park

District allowed the varsity and junior varsity girls to start the swimming season on time. Diving coach Doug Mu also was pleased to have a diving board available at the pool for the girls to enhance their skills before their first competition.

“Working together to help each other is the very nature of Bridgeview,” Bridgeview Park District President Al Kruse said. “Argo High School, Oak Lawn High School, and Richards High School all serve the residents of our community. When we can provide some type of assistance, we reach out our hand.”

The Argo High School swim team expects a great year of competition. We wish them all the best of luck!

Foam Glow 5K brings 30,000 to Toyota Park

An estimated 30,000 people came to Toyota Park on Aug. 15 and 16 to participate in the Blacklight Run, and another 30,000 participated in the Foam Glow 5K on Sept. 26 and 27 at Toyota Park.

The same company that put together the exciting Blacklight Run brought us the Foam Glow 5K, which was a very successful event.

Whether it's to donate money to great causes or just to experience a fun 5K, people seem to enjoy participating in these family events. Registration for the Sept. 27 event was sold out by mid-August.



The Foam Glow 5K entertained participants of all ages and ability, with blacklights adding to the fun while they walked or ran through glowing foam zones to the finish line. Just like in the Blacklight Run, a party awaited the foam runners near the finish line to make the fun event even better. Participants danced in the middle of glowing foam

clouds like there was no tomorrow.

The Foam Glow event brought fundraising to local communities, gathered together families and friends, and promoted health through a fun event. The Village of Bridgeview is pleased to know that healthy events such as the Blacklight Run and the Foam Glow 5K are such a great success.

Fall Clean-Up Days are a huge success

The village's Fall Clean-Up Days were a great success. Residents of Bridgeview took advantage of the services provided by the village during the village-wide cleanup weekend to dispose of miscellaneous items that were taking up space in their homes.

Even after the Spring Clean-Up Days, which took place near the end of June, residents still had plenty of items to dispose of before winter arrives. Some 63 tons of trash were collected during the Spring Clean-Up Days, and Fall Clean-Up Days made a similar impact.



A Public Works crew prepares to haul away discarded items from a Bridgeview home.

FREE SENIOR FAIR

Wednesday, October 29th
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Bridgeview Community Center
79th & Oketo Ave.

Over 40 vendors composing of local businesses, organizations and government agencies will provide **FREE SERVICES, INFORMATION AND/OR PRODUCTS.**

Free vendor services include: flu shots, blood pressure tests, chair massages, manicures, health, safety and social information.

Illinois Secretary of State will offer DMV services — photo IDs, purchase of license plate stickers, etc. WalMart, Walgreen's, local health providers and banks are always the first to reserve their spaces for our Free Senior Fair.

VETERANS DAY DANCE AND LUNCHEON

Wednesday, November 12th
11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Stadium Club Toyota Park

FREE SOCIAL EVENT FOR BRIDGEVIEW RESIDENTS 55 AND OLDER REMEMBERING OUR VETERANS WHO PROTECTED OUR LAND AND LOVED ONES FROM TYRANNY

"All gave some and some gave all."

There will be dancing, dining and socializing.

We encourage our seniors to "get in the spirit" of our theme events.

Attendees **MUST** pre-register. We offer rides to and from the event with notice at time of registration.

Call Pam at the Park District, (708) 594-1818 to sign up

The Village of Bridgeview would like to give **Special thanks to Marquette Bank, Bridgeview Bank Group, Walmart and Bridgeview Park District** for sponsoring our "Enjoying the Good Life" senior events raffles



2014 CONCACAF WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

QUALIFIERS FOR FIFA WOMEN'S WORLD CUP CANADA 2015

Seat Location	Oct. 17 th	Oct. 18 th
FIELD SIDE	\$145	\$95
FRONT ROW	\$125	\$75
CLUB SEATS	\$90	\$60
MIDFIELD	\$65	\$45
SIDELINE	\$48	\$32
CORNER	\$38	\$24
ENDLINE	\$32	\$18

Tickets available at Box Office or Ticketmaster.com

DOUBLEHEADER EVENT SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, OCT. 17th

HAITI VS. TRINIDAD & TOBAGO 5:30PM
 USA VS. GUATEMALA 8:00PM

SATURDAY, OCT. 18th

MARTINIQUE VS. MEXICO 3:00PM
 COSTA RICA VS. JAMAICA 5:30PM

Eight different teams, including the top-ranked U.S. Women's National Team, will take the field over the two days of competition.

See the finest in world soccer and cheer on the USA!!!

VILLAGE OF BRIDGEVIEW

MAYOR

Steven M. Landek

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Norma Pinion
James Cecott
Patricia Higginson
Mary Sutton
Michael Pticek
Claudette Struzik

VILLAGE CLERK

John Altar

VILLAGE CUSTOMER SERVICE HOURS

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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One convenient number for:

PUBLIC WORKS
BUILDING DEPT.
COMMUNITY SERVICES
(708) 594-2525

FIRE and POLICE

Emergencies only: 911
Fire non-emergency
(708) 924-8250
Police non-emergency
(708) 458-2131

TOYOTA PARK

Chicago Fire soccer,
concerts, special events
(708) 594-7200

SPORTS DOME

Availability, pricing
(708) 924-8290



Fall into Reading!

BRIDGEVIEW PUBLIC LIBRARY

Upcoming Events

Polish Heritage Celebration: Thursday, Oct. 16, 6:30 p.m.

Learn more about Poland and its rich culture and traditions.

Halloween Craft Night

Tuesday, Oct. 21, 6:30 p.m.
Stop in and create a Boo-tiful crafts. Registration required.

Kids Halloween Bingo

Tuesday, Oct. 28, 6:30 p.m.
Registration required.

Halloween Family Movie Night

Thursday, Oct. 23, 6:30 p.m.
Halloweentown II (PG)



Pre-K Halloween Party

Wednesday, Oct. 29, 1 p.m.
Enjoy games, snacks and a Halloween parade around the library in your Halloween costume. Registration required.



Bridgeview Park District

TRIPS, EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

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

LET'S DINE

Jimmy's Island Grille and Crab House - Westmont
Thursday, Oct. 30th

We are heading over to Jimmy's Island Grille & Crab House for a taste of warm weather. They specialize in jet fresh seafood, a large selection of crab and prime steaks! They also offer chicken, chops, and an array of desserts! Try one of their signature dishes! Enjoy one of their Original "World Famous Mai Tai's" in a souvenir cup. *Mahalo!*

Time: 5:30 pm

Fee: \$8.00 for transportation.

Ages: 21+

A CHRISTMAS MEMORY

- Theater at the Center, Munster, IN

Thursday, Nov. 20th REGISTER EARLY!

11:00 am - 5:00 pm

Ages: 16 +

Fee: \$60.00, includes lunch, play and transportation.

Wii Bowling - Ages 55+

CROSS HARLEM CLASSIC - FUN TOURNAMENT!

Bridgeview Park District is teaming up with the Viverito Senior Center of Burbank to invite all seniors age 55+ to the **2nd annual CROSS HARLEM CLASSIC** at the Bridgeview Park District Sports Complex, 8100 S. Beloit. **Pre-registration is required.** Players bowl a minimum of one game, pending registration. A break for a light lunch, then back to finish bowling to see what treats are in store. Everyone will have a "spooktacular" time!

Check in starts at 9:30am. Tournament begins at 10am.

Walk-ins accommodated only if rosters show an opening.

Date: **Thursday, October 30th**

Fee: **FREE** Ages: 55+

Register with Pam at 708-924-8272

B.E.S.T. Wii BOWLING

Fun Friday Winter Leagues Now Forming

Chase your winter blues away, join our Wii Bowling League!

Season is 8-weeks on Fridays. Each team consists of 4 players and bowls 1 match per week. A match consists of 2 games. League play begins on Friday, Nov. 21st at 10 a.m.

No league play on Nov. 28th and Dec. 26th.

Spectators welcome. Award presentation on Jan. 30, 2015.

Ages: 55+

Fee: \$12 per person/per season

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Days: **Fridays**, Nov. 21, 2014 - Jan. 23, 2015

Programs

HORNETS RECREATIONAL CHEER TEAM ...

is a non-competitive team that focuses on the fundamentals and basics of cheerleading. The team cheers for our boys basketball team at the Bedford Park District. The girls learn side line cheers, stunts, and half-time routines to perform during the games. There will be separate fees for briefs, socks, shoes, and a bow. Classes on **Tuesdays**, begin October 7, 2014 and end in January.

Grades: K - 2nd6:00 - 7:30 pm..... Fee: \$75.00

Grades: 3rd - 5th6:00 - 8:00 pm..... Fee: \$95.00

Grades: 6th - 8th6:00 - 8:00 pm..... Fee: \$95.00

HORNETS RECREATIONAL POM PON TEAM ...

is a non-competitive team that focuses on the fundamentals and basics of poms. The team performs for our boys basketball team at the Bedford Park District. The girls learn half-time routines to perform during the games. There will be separate fees for briefs, socks, shoes, and a bow. Classes on **Thursdays**, begin October 9, 2014 and end in January.

Grades: K - 2nd4:30 - 6:00 pm..... Fee: \$75.00

Grades: 3rd - 5th6:15 - 8:15 pm..... Fee: \$95.00

Grades: 6th - 8th6:15 - 8:15 pm..... Fee: \$95.00

BOYS AND GIRLS HORNETS BASKETBALL TEAM ...

is a great opportunity for youngsters to learn and play the sport of basketball. We practice at Bridgeview Park District and play games on Saturdays with possible Sunday games. Boy's teams practice at Bridgeview Park District, but their games are held at the Bedford Park District. Players will be contacted by coaches regarding practices as soon as teams are formed and coaches are selected. Practice starts in October.

Ages: 4th Grade - 8th Grade

Fee: \$105.00 includes use of uniform, league fees and team party at the end of the season.

Have a girls team, you want to join our league???

Sign up today, games begin in December!

\$500.00 per team

Games will be on Saturdays and possibly Sundays

GYMNASTICS

The second session of gymnastics classes begin the week of Nov. 3rd, 2014 - Jan. 2nd, 2015.

Wednesday classes will have makeup dates for Dec. 24th and 26th. Stop in for more information!

Bridgeview Park District



Saturday, October 11th

12 Noon - 3:00 pm

BRIDGEVIEW PARK DISTRICT

8100 S. Beloit • Bridgeview, IL 60455

708-594-1818

Join us at Bridgeview Park District for a “SPOOKTACULAR” event on Saturday, October 11th! Your child will learn Trick or Treating safety and how to handle various scenarios in our Kids Safe City. Afterwards, join us for ghost catching, ghost stories, crafts, games and more!

This is a family event!

Be sure to bring your carved pumpkin for the Pumpkin Contest.
Dress in costume and you may win the Costume Contest.

Catch us,
if you can!

Event cost: Before October 6th \$5.00 per person *Reserve Today & Save!*

After October 6th..... \$8.00 per person

Children 2 yrs. old and under are Free



Make your reservations today for this Spooktacular event at Bridgeview Park District, 8100 S. Beloit, Bridgeview.



VILLAGE OF BRIDGEVIEW
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Oketo Avenue undergoing major facelift

Trustee Jim Cecott reports that nearly two miles of Bridgeview streets are undergoing a major facelift.

Oketo Avenue, from 71st Street to 87th Street, is undergoing the most extensive rebuilding since the streets were first constructed in 1975.

Curb renewal, sewer repairs, and resurfacing of the entire two-mile stretch highlight the \$1 million project that will improve the look and functionality of the village. Construction started the last week of September, and the work is scheduled to be completed before the snow starts flying.

Keeping our village infrastructure strong is an important element in keeping property values high.

