



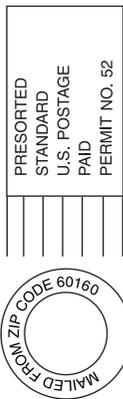
NORTHLAKE CITY NEWS

September 2012

IEPA Grant Plants Trees in Centerpoint Preserve



In May of 2012, 4 trees were planted along the east side of Addison Creek in Centerpoint Preserve. Two Skyline Honey Locust and two Greenspire Lindens were planted using a grant from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and administered by the West Central Municipal Conference. The trees will assist in preventing stream bank erosion. They also provide shade in the water which will encourage aquatic life. Trees also provide a habitat for migratory and native bird species and butterfly and insect populations which will supply food for the birds.



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**Citywide Garage Sale
September 21-23**



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New Comprehensive Plan Underway

The City of Northlake received a grant to develop a new comprehensive plan to update/replace the previous comprehensive plan which was done in 1994. Although many of the recommendations made in the 1994 Plan have been implemented, the passage of time mandates that we once again look to where we have been and where we are going. The grant opportunity to develop this new plan was very timely.

The new comprehensive plan will serve as a guide for decisions relating to community development issues affecting land use, transportation, infrastructure and capital improvements throughout our community.

The first part of the plan, an "Existing Conditions Report," is in draft form, almost ready for publication. This report is a listing of conditions, both positive and negative, which are existing in Northlake today. The comprehensive plan will draw upon this report.

Besides noting Northlake's excellent location for transportation, other items that were noted were:

- Industrial properties account for nearly half (48%) of all property value in the City of Northlake.
- Northlake has extraordinary low rates of vacancy in its commercial real estate profile, with industrial at .07 percent and retail at 1.2 percent and office space at .9% vacancy rates.
- Northlake generates substantially more revenue from retail sales on a per capita basis compared to the rest of Cook County and the region.

- Northlake contains nearly one-fifth of all industrial space within its near Northwest submarket.
- Northlake has less housing vacancy (6.8%), 93.2% occupied, than either the county or region.
- Northlake has significantly higher ownership rates than the county or region within 71.4% of units owner occupied compared to 58.2% for the county and 65.5% for the Chicago region.
- Northlake's housing stock is aging, with most homes built during the 1950's.
- Foreclosure rates are increasing in Northlake.
- Northlake has lost jobs, reflecting the regional and national trends, but still retains an above average number jobs when compared to the region with 1.7 private sector jobs per household in Northlake compared to just over one for both the county and region.
- Northlake's average household income is \$52,516 per year, slightly less than the average household in Cook County, \$53,942.
- More than 70% of Northlake's population is under age 50, with a median age of 36.

The existing conditions reported is a snapshot of where our community stands today. When completed, the comprehensive plan will help guide us to where we want to be tomorrow.

On another note, the cooler days of autumn are upon us. Let's get out there and enjoy them while we can.

NORTHLAKE'S COMMISSIONS

Youth Commission – Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.
Sheila Morgan, Chairman Phone (708) 531-0118
John Morgan, Katreina Voss, Sharon Budzon, Trish Patti

Police Pension Board – Meets quarterly (January, April, July, October)
Richard Haack, Lori Grundy, Ken Beres, William Kabler

Zoning Board of Appeals, Planning & Economic Development Commission
Meets upon the request of the City Council
Paul Feldmann, Chairman Phone (708) 343-8700
Susan M. Maher, Irene Rodriguez, Gabriel Saucedo, Sue Costantino, Ron Boscaccy

Senior Citizens Commission – Meets 3rd Wednesday of each month at 1:00 p.m.
Don Koca, Chairman; June Hunt, Virginia Chavez, Christine Maggio, Wally Tripp, Joseph LaPaglia, Diane Hanauer

Community Events & Affairs – Meetings held 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m.
Andrea Niemi, Chairman Phone: (708) 343-8700
Pat Pionto, Rocquel Rodriguez-Guerrero, Tim Rail, Angelo Cannataro, Dan Kay

Board of Police Commissioners – Meetings held 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m.
Roberta Larson, Chairman; William McAdow, Commissioner; Manuel Ferra, Commissioner

Solicitors Warning

The City of Northlake, the Northlake Police Department and the Northlake Fire Department are NOT asking for donations from residents of Northlake.

Before you donate, call City Hall to see if anyone who requests funds is registered with the Clerk's office.

Rebate Available for Pet Neutering

You don't need to miss an opportunity to help control the pet population in our area! The City of Northlake will give you \$20.00 for neutering your dog or cat at any time during the year. Just bring proof of the neutering from your vet into Northlake City Hall after your pet has been neutered and we'll send you a check for the \$20.00.

Pace Launches QR Code and Text Options for Real Time Information

Riders may have noticed something new in Pace bus shelters - Quick Response (QR) codes for real-time information. When scanned with a smart phone, these codes lead to a web page with the next real-time bus arrival and the scheduled times for two subsequent buses. The QR codes are only accessible to those with smart phones and only when scanned with an application (app) that can be downloaded, typically for free.



For riders without smart phones who want to receive the same information, text message automated responses will be available later this year. Riders will text a 5-digit code specific to their bus stop location and receive a response with the next real-time bus arrival and the scheduled times for two subsequent buses. Another way to receive texts about a specific route is to sign up for text alerts about service changes at PaceBus.com. While there is no charge to sign up for wireless updates, your wireless service provider may charge per message. Check with your provider for details on additional costs.

For more information about these new technology options, please contact Al Cacciottolo at 847-613-5878 or AL.Cacciottolo@Pacebus.com.

COMING TO Concord Place

Thursday, September 6th 11am-2pm



Get Your Picture Taken With A Pony



RSVP
708-562-9000
banderson@concordplace.com

YOUTH dances

Grant Park • 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.
\$3.00 Admission

Students must be picked up promptly;
no loitering
Appropriate attire and conduct
will be enforced
No "joking" - No fighting

September 7 • October 5 • November 2
December 7 • January 11 • February 1
March 1 • April 5 • May 3

Refreshments will be sold by Veterans Park
Sponsored by the Northlake Youth Commission

Veterans Park District

Special Events

Autumn Fest (All Ages) – The first 1,000 children will get to pick a pumpkin from the pumpkin patch and receive a gift bag! Tickets for food, rides and activities will be for sale on the day of the event! Bring non perishable food items to donate to local food shelters! Activities will include a trackless train, inflatables, pony rides and a petting zoo, face painting, games and crafts! This FREE event will be held on Saturday, October 13 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at Gouin Park in Franklin Park. For more information please call (708) 343-5270.

Fright Night (Grades K-6) – Come and join us for spooktacular night! Free haunted house, goody bags, crafts, games, hot dog, and much more! It will take place Friday October 26th from 5PM-7PM at Bulger Hall 1601 Hirsch St. Melrose Park. For additional questions please call 708-343-5270.

After School Care K-8 (full or afternoon kindergarten only) – The new school year is approaching quickly. Now is the time to register for Veterans Park District's After School Care Program. Your children will be bussed from their school to either Grant Park Recreation Center in Northlake, or Bulger Hall in Melrose Park. The children are given a snack upon arrival, followed by time for homework help, and opportunities to recreate both inside and out! Contact Veterans Park District (708-343-5270) for more information.

Preschool

Preschool (Ages 3-5) – We are excited to announce that we will be opening up a Northlake location for our Fall 2012 school year at Kahl Park! We currently have two preschools located in Melrose Park. Registration for our Fall 2012 school year begins in February 2012!

Our preschool program offers the ideal environment for you and your preschooler. Imagine your child being inspired daily by dedicated teachers, meeting new friends, singing, dancing, creating art, and much more!

We prepare our preschoolers academically, physically, and socially to begin their education journey successfully. Come and join the fun! Call Preschool Director, Marlin Sanchez, at 708-731-5290 or email at msanchez@veteransparkdistrict.org for further questions or to schedule a tour of one of our classrooms!

Preschool Multicultural Class (Ages 3-5) – Our multicultural class will consist of students who primarily speak a different language besides English at home. The teachers objective will consist of teaching the preschoolers basic English words including their shapes, numbers, ABC's, colors, months, and days of the week. The Multicultural Class will concentrate on teaching basic English words. The class will have the same experiences as the other classes and integrate the same Fun Shine Curriculum. Call Preschool Director, Marlin Sanchez, at 708-731-5290 for further questions or email at msanchez@veteransparkdistrict.org to schedule a tour of one of our classrooms!

Music Lessons

Veterans Park District offers group music lessons for Adults and children ages 4 years and up. Are you interested in band at school or you just want to learn to play. Ms. Cherrie can help you learn new skills or fine tune the ones you have. Contact 708-343-5270 for more information.

Early Childhood

Little Bear Big Bear (Ages 12-30 months with one Adult) – Toddlers and their parent/caregiver will enjoy playing together through finger plays, songs stories, and games. Classes will be held on Thursdays September 20th & 27th, October 4th& 11th, from 1-2 pm at Kahl Park, 255 Palmer in Northlake. The fee for this class is \$20 In District, \$25 Out of District. For more information please contact the Veterans Park District at (708) 343-5270.

Cooking Kids (Ages 5-8, this is a drop off class) – September is the perfect time to cook with apples. Be sure to inform your instructor if your child has any food allergies. Classes will be held on Wednesdays September 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th, from 4-5 pm at Kahl Park, 255 Palmer in Northlake. The fee for this class is \$25 In District, \$27 Out of District. For more information please contact the Veterans Park District at (708) 343-5270.

Music Munchkins (Ages 3-5, this is a drop off class) – Experience the joys of music in this basic class. Classes will be held on Tuesdays September 4th 11th, 18th & 25th, from 1:30pm-2:30pm at Grant Park Recreation Center, 44 W. Golfview drive in Northlake. The fee for this class is \$30. For more information please contact the Veterans Park District at (708) 343-5270.

Pee Wee Playtime (12 months – 5 years old with an adult) – Come and play on our soft play equipment. There will be balls, hoops, cones, an ABC floor puzzle and more to add to your play experience. This class will be held on Tuesdays starting September 4 (No program December 25 or January 1) and runs until May 7, 2013 from 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. or 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.at the Grant Recreation Center Gym. The fee for this program is a 10 play Punch Card for \$45.00 first child/ each additional child \$30.00 or as daily walk in fee \$5.00 First child each additional child \$3.00. For more information please call (708) 343-5270.

Applicious (Ages 3-5 drop -off class) – This class is all about apples. It will be a fun packed hour and a half of eating, baking, and learning about apples. We will be using apples, cinnamon, and peanuts during this class. This class will be held on Friday, September 21 from 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. at Grant Park Recreation Center. The fee for this class is \$5 In District, \$7 Out of District. For more information please call (708) 343-5270.

Dancing Scarecrows (Ages 3-5, drop-off class) this class will be taught in Polish Cool crisp weather, scarecrows, pumpkins, and apples are all memories of fall. Be sure your instructor knows if your child has any allergies. This class will be held on Thursdays, September 5, 13, 20, & 27, at Trumbull Park in River Grove from 1-2pm. The fee for this class is \$20 In District, \$24 Out of District. For more information please call (708) 343-5270

Silly Science (Ages 3–5, drop off class) – Each week your child will become a scientist as he/she experiments with a property of science. This class will be held on Wednesdays, September 5, 12, 19, & 26, from 10-11am at Trumbull Park in River Grove. The fee for this class is \$20 In District, \$24 Out of District. For more information please call (708) 343-5270

Youth

Karate Academy (Ages 6-13) – COME TRY A CLASS FOR FREE! Get your kid(s) involved in the best martial arts program in the area to learn self-defense, self-confidence and self-discipline. Uniforms are \$35. Ask us about our new Session dates by calling Veterans Park District at (708) 343-5270. New fees of \$55 per month. Register with the Karate Academy by coming in on Mondays or Thursdays from 5:15pm to 6pm.

Pee Wee Basketball (Ages 4-6)

Your child will learn the basics of dribbling, passing, shooting and defending. This is a non-competitive class with an emphasis on fun, learning and teamwork. Age appropriate hoops will be provided. Class meets on Tuesdays from September 4 – October 23 at 5:00-6:00pm. The fee for this class is \$40 In District, \$45 Out of District. Class location is Grant Park Recreation Center, 44 W. Golfview Drive, Northlake, IL 60164

Pee Wee Soccer (Ages 4-6)

Your child will learn the basics of dribbling, passing, shooting and defending. This is a non-competitive class with an emphasis on fun, learning and teamwork. Age appropriate goals will be provided. Class meets on Wednesdays from September 5 – October 24 at 6:00-7:00pm. The fee for this class is \$40 In District, \$45 Out of District. Class location is Grant Park Recreation Center, 44 W. Golfview Drive, Northlake, IL 60164

Pee Wee T-Ball (Ages 4-6) – Your child will learn the basics of throwing, catching, hitting, fielding, and running the bases. This is a non-competitive class with an emphasis on fun, learning and teamwork. You must provide your own glove. Class meets on Wednesdays from September 5 – October 24 at 5:00-6:00pm. The fee for this class is \$40 In District, \$45 Out of District. Class location is Grant Park Recreation Center, 44 W. Golfview Drive, Northlake, IL 60164

Bump, Set, Spike Volleyball! (Ages 7-14) – In this class, your child will learn the basic skills and knowledge of volleyball. Learn how to properly serve, bump, dig, pass, and spike your way to victory. Proper drills will be run for all the skills and games will be played to show off those skills. Class meets on Tuesdays from September 4 – October 23 at 5:00-6:00pm for Beginners and 6:00-7:00pm for Advanced players. The fee for this class is \$40 In District, \$45 Out of District. Class location is Grant Park Recreation Center, 44 W. Golfview Drive, Northlake, IL 60164

Family/Individual Archery Camp (Ages 7 – Adult) – If you want to have fun learning a new sport or simply want to improve your hand-eye coordination, this camp is guaranteed to be fun and challenging! Watch your accuracy improve each week, archery supplies will be provided for everyone. Register early, as this class fills up quickly! Class meets on Fridays from September 7 – October 26 at 5:00-6:30pm. The fee for this class is \$40 In District, \$45 Out of District. Class location is Grant Park Recreation Center, 44 W. Golfview Drive, Northlake, IL 60164

Teens

Midnight Hoops (Grades: 6-8) – Do you love to play basketball? Then come to midnight hoops! This class will be held on Friday September 21st from 9-11pm at Grant Park Recreation Center. The fee for this program is \$3. For more information please call (708) 343-5270

Xtreme Trampoline (11-15) – Xtreme Trampolines is large warehouse filled with commercial grade trampolines. This trip will take place on Friday, September 21st, from 6:30-9:30pm. Pre-registration is required and the deadline for registration is September 18th. Each participant must have a waiver completed and signed by parent/guardian. The fee for this trip is \$20 per person. For more information please call (708) 343-5270.

Teen Center

The Trumbull Teen Center is re-opening its' doors for the Fall 2012 school year and we are revamping our programming! The Teen Center will be hosting different activities every day we are open. Monday is Sports Day, Wednesday is Volunteer Club, & Friday is Gaming/Movie Day. The teen center will be open from 4-7pm and the Grand re-opening will be held on August 20th. For more information please call (708) 343-5270.

Adults

Dog Obedience Classes

Veterans Park District offers Dog Obedience classes throughout the year. New classes start on October 20th include American Kennel Club Canine Good Citizen, Puppy STAR, and Agility/Rally-O Intro. Classes are held on Saturday mornings/afternoons at Bulger Park. Please call 708-343-5270 for more information.

Fall Co-ed Volleyball League (Ages 18 and up) – At least 3 females must be on the floor at all times. Our regular season will be followed by a single elimination playoff tournament. Monetary awards will be awarded to 1st and 2nd place teams in both the regular season and playoffs. All league games will be played on Wednesday nights at the Grant Park Recreation Center. League will be utilizing in house rules. League packets can be downloaded from our athletic website at www.quickscores.com/vpd. The captains meeting will be held at 7pm on September 26th at The Grant Park Recreation Center. The fee per team is \$350and the registration deadline is September 29th. For more information, please contact Roy Rodriguez at (708) 343-5270.

Fitness

Grant Park Zumba (Ages 16 and up) – No dance experience is necessary and all fitness levels are welcome. Ditch the workout and join the ZUMBA party! Please bring your water bottle, sweat towel and exercise or Yoga (sticky) mat (if you have one) for the cool down portion of the class. This class will be held on Thursdays from September 13 – October 18 from 6-7pm at Grant Park Recreation Center, 44 W Golfview Dr., Northlake, \$45 In District, \$50 Out of District.

Pilates/Yoga Fusion (Ages 16 and up) – Pi-Yo provides a dynamic and refreshing blend of yoga poses with Pilates mat exercises, tightening our mid-section while increasing balance, flexibility and total body strength. Mats are provided or you may bring your own. This class will be held on Thursdays from September 13 – October 18 from 7:30-8:30pm at Kahl Park, 255 Palmer, Northlake, IL 60164. The fee for this class is \$45 In District, \$50 Out of District.

Aquatics

American Red Cross Learn to Swim Program (Ages 6 and older) – Six progressive levels help swimmers of varying ages and abilities develop their water safety, survival, and swim skills. This class will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays, September 4th to September 27th, from 6-7p.m. or 7-8pm. The class will be held at East Leyden High School 3400 Rose Street, Franklin Park and the fee is\$50 In District, \$55 Out of District. For more information please call (708) 343-5270.

Diaper Dippers (Ages 6 months to 3 yrs. old) – Parents and children learn together to increase children's comfort in the water. Build a foundation of basic aquatic and water safety skills such as feeling of security in the water, as well as aquatic adjustments and swimming readiness skills. This is NOT a swim lessons program. This class will be held on Mondays, September 10th, 17th, 24th, October 1st , from 7-8pm. This class will be held at East Leyden High School and the fee is \$40 per session. For more information please call (708) 343-5270.

Swimming Safety (Ages 3, 4, and 5) – Children participate without a parent in the water. One lifeguard will be responsible for one child. This class will be held on Wednesdays, September 10th, 17th, 24th, October 1st, from 7-8pm. This calls will be held at East Leyden High School and the fee is \$40 per session. A birth certificate is required at the

time of registration. Children must be at least 3 years of age by the start date of their session. For more information please call (708) 343-5270.

Aqua Zumba (Ages 16 and older) – Heat up the pool party! Jump into the Latin inspired, easy to follow, calorie burning dance fitness party that makes working out a splash. This class will be held on Wednesdays, September 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th, October 3rd, 10th, from 7-8pm at East Leyden High School. The fee for this class is \$50 In District, \$60 Out of District. For more information please call (708) 343-5270.

Adult Swimming Lessons (Ages 18 and older) – These classes are 45 minutes of lessons and 15 minutes of free swim, taught by American Red Cross certified water safety instructors. They will be held on Mondays, September 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th, October 3rd, 10th, from 7-8pm at East Leyden High School Pool. The fee for this class is \$40 per four-week session. For more information please call (708) 343-5270.

Family Swim – Fridays at East Leyden High School, Entrance #6, Adults \$4 • Children\$ 3. For more information please call (708) 343-5270.

Special Recreation

Veterans Park District, in cooperation with the village of River Grove, provides year-round recreation and leisure activities for individuals of all ages with special needs. Our goal is to provide opportunities for new experiences, socialization and quality programming. Youth and preschool programs are inclusion programs that are open to children with or without special needs. Teen and adult programs are set up to accommodate individuals with special needs.

NEW EARLY CHILDHOOD SPECIAL RECREATION PROGRAMS!!!!

Tiny Town (3-10) – Tired of being cooped up but don't want to play outside? Get ready to run, jump, laugh and play? Join the Veterans Park District for an open play time! All of the equipment will be set up and designed as a soft play area. This class will be held on Saturdays, September 15 & 29, for ages 3-6 class will run from 9:30-10:30am and for ages 7-10 class will be from 10:45-11:45am. This class will be held at Kahl Park in Northlake and the fee is \$4 for a single drop in or \$20 for 6 drop in classes. For more information please call (708) 343-5270

Art Class (8 & Up) – The Veterans Park District would like to welcome Art Therapist, Heather Donovan into our special recreation department! This class can be taken by beginners or experienced individuals. Heather will use her years of experience to individualize the class to everyone's needs! This class will be held on Saturdays, September 8, 22, October 6, & 20. For 8-12 year olds class will be from 10-11am, 13017 year olds class will be from 11am-12pm and for 17 & older class will be from 12-1pm. Classes will be held at Kahl Park in Northlake and the fee for this class is \$24 in district or \$26 Out of district. For more information please call (708) 343-5270.

Saturday Club (18& up) – Come join your friends for a wonderful social experience. We will be doing different activities, anything from cooking to watching movies and crafts too! This class will be held on September 8th & 22nd from 10am-2pm at Trumbull Park in River Grove. The fee for this program is \$28 in district or \$30 out of district. For more information please call (708) 343-5270.

Gym Rats (Ages 13 & Up) – Break a sweat at the Cimbalo Fitness Center every Monday night. This program promotes physical fitness and independence. This class will be held on Mondays, September 3 – October 29, from 6-7:15pm, Bus pick up (between 5-6pm) is available for in district residents for \$12. The fee for this program is \$32 in district \$40 out of district. For more information please call (708) 343-5270

Breakfast Club (18&Up) – We will be heading out to breakfast joints and sampling their array of breakfast goodies. Each participant will need to bring their own money for breakfast. Transportation is the only cost. This class will be held on Wednesdays, September 5th, October 3, November 7, & December 5. Bus pick up will be between 9am and 10am for in district residents only or participants can be dropped off at Grant Park Recreation Center in Northlake by 9am. The fee for this class is \$8, for more information please call (708) 343-5270.

Dinner and Movie (14-22) – Join your friends and the VPD staff for dinner and a movie. Each time we meet we will make dinner and watch a movie at Trumbull Park. We will transport from West Leyden High School. Pick up will be at Trumbull at 8pm. This class will be held on Wednesdays, September 26, October 24, & November 28, at 6pm. We will pick up participants from West Leyden High school and bus them to Trumbull Park in River Grove. The fee for this class is \$12 In district or \$15 out of district. For more information please call (708) 343-5270.

Especially for Seniors

Birthday Bingo (Adult/Senior ages 21-99) – This is a celebration of Birthdays because if it is your birthday this month this program is free. A breakfast buffet of favorite breakfast foods will be served at 10:00AM. After breakfast we play Bingo for prizes. Wednesday, September 19th at 10:00AM located at Grant Park, 44 W. Golfview Drive, Northlake. For more information please call (708) 343-5270. The fee is \$3.00 for pre registration walk in fee is \$3.50.

Blast from the Past (18-99) – Enjoy an afternoon of top-notch singer of the greatest music from the 1920'- 1960's. Menu includes; Lasagna, Chicken Fricassee, vegetables, tossed salad, rolls & butter, pineapple up-side down cake. Raffles and games and prizes will add to this fun event. Friday, August 24th located at Grant Park, 44 W. Golfview Drive, Northlake. Fee \$16

Bohemian Gypsy lunch Party (18-99) – We are celebrating with fun, free spirit and good Bohemian style food. You'll love Joe Pistorio entertainer/singer with his mellow smooth sounds and lively fun personality. The menu includes Gypsy chicken, Gypsy pot roast, bread dumplings, cabbage, mashed potatoes, and gravy, beets, bread and butter and a homemade Bohemian dessert. Coffee, tea and cold beverages will also be provided. Raffles prizes and games will add to this fun afternoon. Friday, September 28th located at Grant Park, 44 W. Golfview Drive, Northlake. Fee \$16

Trips

Chicago's Little Italy (18-99) – We will enjoy a driving tour through the Italian neighborhoods, a visit at Our Lady of Pompeii and DeMaggio Park. Lunch will be at Salatino's for a abundance of good Italian dishes. Wednesday, September 5th leaving from Grant Park, 44 W. Golfview Drive, Northlake at AM and returning about 3PM Fee \$55.

Four Winds Casino(Adults 21-99) – Join the fun at beautiful Four Winds Casino in New Buffalo, MI. The casino will give us \$25 in rebates, \$10 toward lunch of your choice and \$15 for slot play. Thursday, October 12th leaving from Grant Park at 9:15AM returning about 6PM. Fee is \$33

Northlake Police Provide Free Fingerprinting At Back To School Jamboree

Northlake Police Community Service Officers Alexis Ortiz and Robert Hernandez provided over 125 children and parents fingerprint ID cards at the Back to School Jamboree held at the Bethel Fellowship Church recently. The event was sponsored by the U-Turn Church.



News Release from Senator Don Harmon, President Pro Tempore, Illinois State Senate

New law protects families of children with autism

“No parent should ever have to choose between continuing a child’s medical treatment and paying the bills.”
—State Senator Don Harmon

Springfield, IL- Families of people diagnosed with autism are facing a potential crisis: the loss of insurance coverage. The American Psychiatric Association is considering changing the definition of autism spectrum disorder, and the new definition could potentially disqualify many Illinois families, forcing them to choose between giving up medically necessary treatments or spending thousands and thousands of dollars.

“No parent should ever have to choose between continuing a child’s medical treatment and paying the bills,” Harmon said. “Children who have always been considered ‘autistic’ and who are already receiving medical treatment shouldn’t lose their insurance because of a definition change.”

Harmon’s solution to the problem, Senate bill 679 is now state law. It becomes effective January 1, 2013.

“Under this plan, anyone who has been diagnosed with autism will be able to keep their coverage,” Harmon said. “If the diagnostic definition changes, then doctor will use the new definition to make new diagnoses.”

“Insurance coverage for a large percentage of children diagnosed with autism could be jeopardized if the proposed changes to the diagnostic criteria are implemented, which is causing many families a great deal of distress,” said Laura Cellini, a parent advocate who worked with Senator Harmon on the legislation. “Parents are very grateful for Senator Harmon’s efforts to ensure their children will not lose insurance coverage for the medically necessary treatments that are helping their children.”

Trees Available for 2012 Fall

Trees for the 2012 fall planting are now available. As a matter of fact, you can make a request for a tree to be planted during any time in the next 5 years. If you have room on your parkway to provide a home for a tree, call Public Works at 708-562-0940 to pick from the list of trees for planting.

Remember, trees located on the parkway or in the City’s right of way cannot be cut or trimmed without permission from the City. The right of way is generally the area 20 feet from the back of the curb. If in doubt, or if a tree in this area needs attention, call Public Works at 708-562-0940.

Vehicle Sticker Reminder

Owners of vehicles registered in Northlake are required to get a city sticker for the car. Northlake vehicle stickers have no expiration date, so it’s good as long as you own the car. There is no fee for the sticker, however, if you are cited for not having a sticker, there is a fine of \$50.00. Come to City Hall, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. or Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to noon to get a sticker for your vehicle(s).

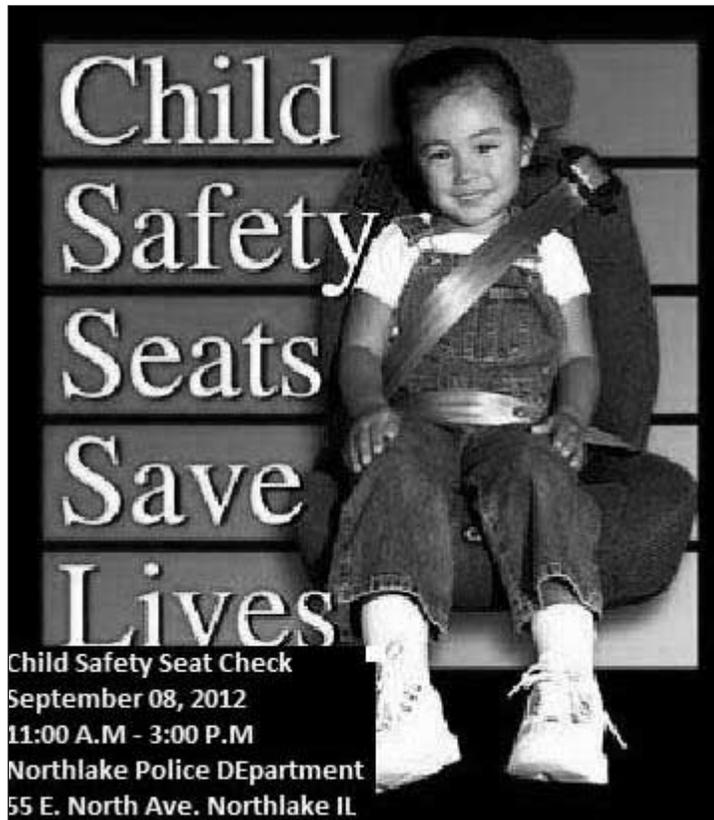
**CHILDREN ARE
BACK TO
SCHOOL...
PLEASE DRIVE
CAREFULLY**



**NO BINGO ON NOVEMBER 6, 2012
DUE TO ELECTIONS**

Child Safety Seat Check

On September 8, 2012, between the hours of 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., the Northlake Police Department will be hosting a Child Safety Seat Check/Install event. This safety check will take place at the Northlake Police Department, 55 E. North Avenue, Northlake. Child Safety Seat Technician Officer Alexis Ortiz will be inspecting and installing child safety seats.



Northlake Chamber Scholarship Program

The Northlake Chamber of Commerce and Industry held its scholarship dinner July 10th at Sorrentos Italian Village on Mannheim Road. The annual scholarships are awarded to high school seniors from Northlake who will be attending a 4 year college program in the fall.



This year's winner attending the dinner was Claire Rohde. President Kevin McConkey, from Champion Logistics, presented Claire with a plaque and \$500.00 check. Claire is attending DePaul University in Chicago and pursuing studies in psychology and social work.

NOTICE – New State Law Requires Electronics Recycling

Starting January 1, 2012, a new state law makes electronics recycling mandatory. The following items need to be recycled: TVs, monitors, printers, fax machines, scanners, computers, electronic keyboards and mice, video game consoles and video cassettes, digital converter boxes, cable and satellite receivers and records, portable digital music players, video disc records and players.

The City of Northlake offers a free electronic recycling service. You can drop these items off at the Public Works Department, 100 W. Palmer, Monday through Friday, from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.



Proviso Township Transportation Department

Complimentary Rides for Recreation and Shopping

We provide free rides to: Target, Wal-Mart, Beauty/Barber Shops, Senior Clubs, Post Office, Banks, Grocery Stores, North Riverside Mall, (Oakbrook and Yorktown Malls are on Mondays ONLY)

Ride reservations can be made for Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., (except holidays and when the Township offices are closed).

Due to traffic inconsistencies, clients are required to be ready 15-minutes prior to their scheduled pick-up time and to watch for the Township car. The driver will stop at the designated address and wait briefly (5-minutes), if there is no response, the driver will leave. Our drivers are not allowed to go inside a client's home.

Scheduling Procedures:

- Call (708/344-8801) for reservations. Multiple stops are not allowed.
- You must call by 12:00 noon, the previous day, to reserve your appointment.
- If you are going shopping, you are allowed no more than two (2) packages.
- The rider cannot reserve travel to one location and change it with the driver.
- Each rider can have one (1) round trip per day – two (2) times per week.
- Free car transportation is provided for Proviso Township residents who are:
 - 60 years of age and older
 - Mentally challenged, who can't operate a motorized vehicle

Due to Insurance Regulations:

- Individuals, who are not physically and/or mentally able to get from their house to the car and destination by themselves, will not be transported unless accompanied by another individual who can assist them.
- Smoking is prohibited in all Township cars.
- Passengers MUST wear **seatbelts, at all times**, in Township vehicles; **NO EXCEPTIONS**. Those who cannot will forfeit their free ride.



HOMELESSNESS
Prevention
Call Center
Suburban Cook County

Are you Homeless or at Imminent Risk of Becoming Homeless?

If you live in Suburban Cook County and this has occurred due to:

- Loss of Income
- Uninhabitable Living Conditions
- Lost Home Due to Foreclosure

HELP MAY BE AVAILABLE!

Contact:
Homelessness Prevention
Call Center of Suburban Cook County

877.426.6515

CONCORD PLACE HOSTS APPRECIATION DINNER FOR LOCAL FIREFIGHTERS

Northlake, Illinois – August, 14, 2012 – With threatening skies fast approaching, July 1, 2012 would prove to be a memorable day for residents of the Concord Place Retirement and Assisted Living community. Strong storms would knock out power to Chicagoland's most recognizable senior living community and as a result threaten the safety of all who lived inside.

An evacuation was quickly ordered by Executive Director Dave Pokorny which prompted response from thirty three area fire departments. The evacuation was then coordinated by Chief Robert Hjelmgren of the Northlake Fire Department as three hundred senior citizens were transported safely to four local hotels and Elmwood Nursing and Rehab for the evening.

Mr. Friedman, owner of Concord Place and F&F Realty was so grateful and impressed with the care and compassion the responders showed the residents of Concord Place that he wanted to show his appreciation. "I was so grateful for the responder's compassion and dignity they showed our residents."

On August 9, 2012 Mr. Friedman expressed his gratitude by hosting an appreciation dinner for all the firefighters who graciously assisted in the July 1st evacuation. Serenaded by a jazz quartet, 20 separate fire departments attended the dinner and reminisced about that early July evening in which not a single resident was sent to the hospital as a result of any injury. There were many good stories, many big laughs, and fantastic food as a great time was had by all who attended.

For those departments who were unable to attend, representatives of Concord Place personally delivered dinner on August 9th to thirteen local fire departments. The fire departments were very grateful for the acts of kindness and appreciation that Concord gave in return of each department's steadfast assistance. "No one has ever thanked us before!" expressed one fire fighter.

No fire department or firefighter was forgotten just as no resident was left behind.



Pace Offers Programs to Make Student Commuting More Affordable

With rising tuition, parking and fuel costs, it is more expensive than ever to attend high school and college. To help reduce the price of commuting to and from class, Pace is pleased to offer the Student Haul Pass for those in high school and the Campus Connection for college students.

For \$30 a month, the Student Haul Pass allows high school, junior high and grammar school students (ages 12-20) unlimited rides on Pace's fixed route and Call-n-Ride services (not valid on CTA or Metra) any time, including weekends and holidays, from September through May. Riders presenting this pass on premium routes must pay the cash difference between fares. Pace also offers the Student Summer Haul Pass, which is available for purchase for \$45 beginning in May and is valid for all of June, July and August.

For college students, the \$175 Campus Connection offers unlimited rides on Pace's fixed route and Call-n-Ride services (not valid on CTA or Metra), every day of the week, any time of the day, all semester long (mid-August through December or January through May). It can also be purchased at any point during the semester at a prorated price. Riders presenting this pass on premium routes must pay the cash difference between fares.

Pace's comprehensive system of bus routes, combined with the affordability of both programs, makes travel to and from school less expensive and more convenient for students. Please note that students may be asked to show a Student ID to bus operators.

Students in need of trip planning assistance can utilize the RTA Trip Planner by visiting goroo.com or calling (312) 836-7000. goroo.com is a powerful online mapping and trip planning tool that provides users with directions using a combination of bus or train routes, driving, biking, and walking directions. With the goroo.com trip planner, students can view travel itineraries, public transit schedules, maps, alternative routes, area attractions, and travel alerts. Additionally, goroo.com suggests ways to reduce the carbon footprint of a commute.

For more information on the Student Haul Pass or the Campus Connection, please visit pacebus.com or contact Al Cacciottolo at (847) 613-5878 or Al.Cacciottolo@pacebus.com.

Solicitors Warning

The City of Northlake, the Northlake Police Department and the Northlake Fire Department are **NOT** asking for donations from residents of Northlake.

Before you donate, call City Hall to see if anyone who requests funds is registered with the Clerk's office.

West Nile Virus Alert

The count of the West Nile carrying mosquito is very high. West Nile Virus (WNV) emerged in the United States in the New York metropolitan area in the fall of 1999. Since then, the virus, which can be transmitted to humans by the bite of an infected mosquito, has quickly spread across the country. Mild cases of West Nile infections may cause a slight fever or headache. More severe infections are marked by a rapid onset of a high fever with head and body aches, disorientation, tremors, convulsions and, in the most severe cases, paralysis or death. Usually symptoms occur from three to 14 days after the bite of an infected mosquito. Persons at the highest risk for serious illness are those 50 years of age or older. No specific treatment or vaccine for WNV exists. In severe cases, hospitalization may be necessary.

Leyden Township provides mosquito abatement for the entire township. The mosquito abatement program includes mapping of large standing water, larvicide treatment in catch basins and mapped standing water and adulticide spraying.

You can help! Don't allow mosquitoes to breed.

Please look around your property for standing water. Empty wading pools should be stored upside down; however, water can collect in the rims of wading pools. Clean gutters and keep grass and weed cut short, secure covers on boats. Eliminate tires, cans, buckets, bottles and anything else that can hold water. Water that is allowed to stagnate for three or four days becomes a breeding ground for mosquitoes. Remember, if it holds water, it breeds mosquitoes.

When outdoors between dusk and dawn, cover skin with lightly colored, loose fitting clothing and use mosquito repellent with DEET, picaridin or oil of lemon eucalyptus. Always follow the directions on the label.

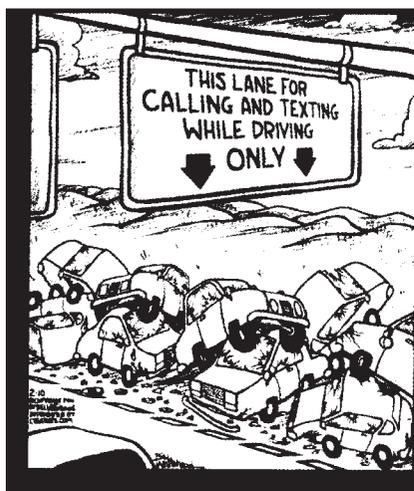
Mosquito pools in 48 communities that span all regions of suburban Cook County have tested positive for West Nile Virus. Residents are asked to call (708) 633-8025 to report a dead birds such as blue jay, crow or robin so it can be picked up and tested for WNV.

Most importantly, if you believe you may have been infected, call your doctor.

Below is comparative data through July 24* for years 2005 - 2012 as reported by the IDPH.

As of July 24 each year	Counties Positive	Birds Positive	Mosquitoes Positive	*Total Human Cases for season
2012	27	21	631	1 (thru July 24)
2011	7	3	49	34
2010	15	22	105	61
2009	13	4	66	5
2008	7	4	73	20
2007	5	0	183	101
2006	31	58	550	215
2005	21	44	376	252

*Human case data is for the entire year and not just thru July 24



**DRIVE NOW.
TEXT LATER.
YOU CAN'T DO BOTH.**

AUTOMATIC BILL PAYMENT SYSTEM

The City of Northlake has begun an Automatic Bill Payment System for your City Utility Bill where money can be directly deducted from your checking or savings account to pay the bill. If you are interested, you must come into City Hall to fill out the forms. Bring in a voided check or proof of a savings account in your name.

Recyclable Items

Below is the list of items that are acceptable for recycling:

Paper

Materials:

brown paper

bags,

corrugated

boxes, white and colored paper,

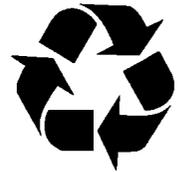
computer paper, direct mail and bills,

paper envelopes, magazines and

catalogs, mixed papers, newspaper

chipboard and paperboard, telephone

books, wet strength paper stock



Non-Paper Materials: aerosol cans -

empty, aluminum cans, aluminum foil

- clean, aseptic packaging (juice

boxes), gable top containers (milk

and juice cartons), glass bottles and

jars, PET #1 plastic containers, HDPE

#2 plastic containers, PVC #3 plastic

containers, LDPE #4 plastic

containers, polypropylene #5 plastic

containers, plastic six and twelve

pack rings, #7 plastic containers,

steel and tin cans and lids, paint cans

- empty.

How to prepare your recyclables

Cardboard must be flat with pieces no

larger than 2 feet by 2 feet. Please

rinse all bottles and cans and remove

lids. All items must be free of food

and beverage contamination. Please

do not recycle food contaminated

paper goods. You do not have to

separate paper materials from non-

paper materials. They can be mixed

in your recycling container.

No plastic bags, motor oil or pesticide

containers, Styrofoam containers,

peanut or blocks, shirt hangers,

window glass or light bulbs.

If you have any questions, please

contact Allied Waste at 708-345-7050.

Northlake Senior Citizen's Commission
Invites you to join them for a trip to:

Majestic Star Casino

Gary, Indiana

Thursday, September 27, 2012



Bus leaves Centerpoint at 8:00 a.m. **SHARP**
Leaves Majestic at 2:30 p.m. **SHARP**

Fee: \$25.00 per person includes:
Deluxe Motorcoach

Free Buffet
\$10.00 Instant Slot Play

For tickets, contact Don Koca at 708-562-7983

or

Christine Maggio 708-562-7473

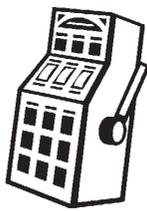
or

Come to Senior Bingo on any Tuesday at
Vasquez Community Center
316 N. LaPorte
from 12:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Money must be in by September 6, 2012 or sooner.

Please reserve a seat on the bus as soon as possible.
If you cancel, you will have to find someone to take your
place or forfeit your money.

Wheel chair residents must have caretaker.



Howard H. Rohde
American Legion Post 888

presents

TEXAS HOLD 'EM TOURNAMENT

to benefit the Community Chest

Saturday, September 29th

Howard H. Rohde American Legion
Post 888

241 E. North Avenue



Check in at 6 p.m.
Start time at 7 p.m.
\$50.00 Buy In
Cash Prizes
Full Cash Bar

For tickets, please contact the American Legion after 12
p.m. Saturday-Sunday
708-343-5545

North of North Avenue

Dial-A-Ride Program Serving Leyden Township

Bradley A. Stephens, Supervisor
2501 N. Mannheim Road
Franklin Park, IL 60131

Jeffrey T. Sherwin, Mayor
55 E. North Avenue
Northlake, IL 60164

Leyden Township Service Area:
Northlake (north of North Avenue)
Melrose park (north of North Avenue)
Franklin Park
Schiller park
River Grove
Rosemont
Elmwood Park

Eligibility

Service is available to the general public.

Service Area

Service is provided to any location in Leyden Township. Scheduled service is also provided to Gottlieb Memorial Hospital, Resurrection Medical Center and West Lake Community Hospital. You will be picked up at your door and receive service to shopping centers, your doctor's office or anywhere else you want to go in Leyden Township. If you need to travel outside the Township, you can transfer to a regular Pace or CTA bus.

Service Hours

Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Service is not provided on the following holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

Fares

	One Way
Adult	\$2.50
Pace Transfer	.30
Reduced*	1.25
Reduced Pace Transfer	.15

Children Under Age 6**

*Passengers eligible for reduced fares include children ages 7-11, senior citizens 65 or older with RTA Reduced Fare Permit, and persons with disabilities (or with RTA Special Users Card), and students (high school or younger with appropriate school identification going to or from school, during school hours only.)

**When accompanied by a fare-paying passenger with a maximum of two children for each fare-paying passenger.

How To Schedule A Ride

To schedule a ride, call 1-888-699-6999 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. one day before you need service. For medical appointments, you may call up to seven days in advance.

Reservations for Monday service will be accepted on the preceding Friday. Simply tell the dispatcher where you want to be picked up, where you need to go, and what time you need to be there. The dispatcher will tell you what time you will be picked up. In most cases, your return trip will be scheduled at the same time.

Shopping Trips to Jewel From Senior Buildings

Every Friday, Pace will be making trips to the Jewel store in Franklin Park from the Leyden Township Senior Buildings. Here are the pick-up and drop-off times from each location:

- From 9535 Franklin Avenue, the bus will arrive between 9:00 and 9:15 a.m. and will return at 11:30 a.m.
- From 7940 W. Grand Avenue, the bus will arrive between 9:45 and 10:00 a.m. and will return at 12:30 p.m.

For more information on the Dial-A-Ride Program serving Leyden Township, contact Pace's Customer Relations Office at (847) 364-PACE (7223).

LIVE IT UP CLUB

A Senior Club for
men and women
55 years of age and older

Meetings are held the 2nd and 4th
Tuesday of every month

Meetings start at 1:00 p.m.

Free pastries and coffee
Bingo following the meeting

Many trips and events are held
throughout the year

Boundaries for membership
eligibility are:

Within the City limits of
NORTHLAKE
and

The Unincorporated area of
LEYDEN TOWNSHIP

If you want to meet other seniors
and have fun, join us!

Membership is only \$5.00 per year

Our meetings are held at
Grant Park Recreation Center
44 W. Golfview
Northlake, IL

September Programs at the Leyden Township Community Center

Children's Programs

Cochiaro's Movie Night: First Friday of each month, 6:00-8:00 p.m., ages: 5-12, \$5 (\$7 O/D). Kids could enjoy a movie on a big screen projector, eat pizza & have a soft drink, while Mom & Dad can have 2 hours for themselves (Priceless!). It's a great way for the younger children to feel independent.

Zumbatomics (Zumba for kids): Mondays, August 6th thru October 1st, ages: 6-9 at 5:00-5:45 p.m. ages: 10-12 at 6:00-6:45 p.m., Toddlers ages: 3-5 (held at Westdale Park) at 12:00-12:45 p.m., \$40 (\$46 O/D).

Private Guitar Lessons: Starting May 2012, call for Appointments, 30 minute sessions (3 for \$54), (% for \$90), (10 for \$175).

Karate Mom C.A.R.E.S.: Saturday, September 8th, 1:00-3:00 p.m., ages: 6+, \$52 (\$54 O/D).

Tutoring : By Appointment, ages: 1st & 2nd Graders, 4-45 minute sessions \$100 (\$115 O/D), 3rd 4th & 5th Graders, 4-60 minute sessions \$120 (\$135 O/D).

Fantastic Freedom Fridays: Friday, September 28th, 5:00-8:30 p.m., ages: 6-12, \$15 (\$18 O/D).

Elementary / Cartoon Drawing: Fridays, September 21st thru October 19th, 5:15-6:15 p.m., ages: 6-12, \$47 (\$49 O/D).

Chocolate Covered Cherry Mice Treats: Monday, September 17th, 5:30-7:30 p.m., ages: 2-12, \$6 (\$7 O/D).

Pre Ballet: Saturdays, September 29th thru November 10th, 10:00-10:30 a.m., ages: 3-4, \$35 (\$40 O/D).

Intro To Ballet: Saturdays, September 29th thru November 10th, 10:30-11:15 a.m., ages: 5-6, \$35 (\$40 O/D).

Basic Ballet: Saturdays, September 29th thru November 10th, 11:15 a.m.-12:00 p.m., ages: 7-12, \$35 (\$40 O/D).

Adult & Child Programs

Scrapbooking: Thursday, September 20th, 5:30-7:30 p.m., ages; Adult +child 6 and up, \$8 (\$10 O/D).

Movie In The Park/Cruise Night Car Show: Friday, September 14th, all ages, 7:30-8:30, movie at Dusk! Free Admission.

Adult Programs

Knitting & Crochet Club: Every Tuesday & Fridays, 12:30-3:30 p.m., new members

welcome! Free.

Thursday Night Volleyball: Thursdays, June thru September, 6:30-8:30 p.m., ages: 18+, \$20 (\$25 O/D), registration is limited to the 1st 32-members.

Zumba: Tuesdays-September 11th thru October 6th, 6:15-7:15 p.m., or Saturdays, August 18th thru October 6th, 9:00-10:00 a.m., ages: 18+, \$40 (\$46 O/D) each session.

Zumba Toning: Thursdays, September 6th thru October 25th, 5:45-6:45 p.m., ages: 16+ (under 18 with a parent) \$48 (\$52 O/D).

Not too late to join currently running sessions, just pay the daily Rates!

Senior Programs

Senior Exercise: Every Tuesday & Thursday. 9:00-10:00 a.m., Free to Leyden Township residents.

Special Events

World Wide Day Of Play

Saturday, September 29, 2012 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. (Westdale Park) Free Admission!

Community Garage Sale & Craft Fair

Saturday, September 15, 2012 9:00Am-3:00 p.m. (Westdale Park)

\$10 (\$13 O/D) each space, \$5 table rentals

Health & Safety Education

CPR/AED Healthcare Professional Course,

Saturday, September 15th, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., \$65 (\$68 O/D).

Cyber Bullying Seminar, Saturday, August 4th, 1:00-2:00 p.m., Free Admission

Fitness Center

Six Month Passes \$45 (\$65 O/D), 1 Year Passes \$80 (\$120 O/D), Daily Passes \$5, Seniors \$5 Monthly (\$6 O/D), ages: You must be 18+ (14+ with a parent, who is also a member) during workout.

Walker, Toddler (under 6 w/ adult) & Open Gym Passes

Passes are good for one year from date of purchase \$15 (\$40 O/D), Daily \$5, age: 6+.

Boxing Facility Passes

Passes are good until December 30th, ages: 8+. Call for current prices.

Call for more information on any of the above programs 847.451.5144.

Water Conservation Tips

The hot weather is here again and the rainfall this year is below normal this summer. Conserving water is an effective way to stay green and save money. Listed below are 10 easy ways to save.

1. If you wash dishes by hand, turn off the water until you're ready to rinse the dishes.
 2. Use the clothes washer and dish washer only when they are full. You can save up to 1000 gallons per month.
 3. Check for outdoor leaks of faucets, sprinklers and hoses.
 4. Shorten your shower by a minute or two and you can save up to 150 gallons per month.
 5. Collect water in rain barrels to use to water your garden.
 6. Don't use running water to thaw food. Defrost food in the refrigerator for food safety.
 7. Turn of the water while you are brushing your teeth. You can save 25 gallons per month.
 8. Put water-saving aerators on your faucets.
 9. When you give your pet fresh water, use the old water to water plants.
- Don't let the water run while washing your hands.

Donate Your Items

After a garage sale, you may wonder what to do with all the remaining items. A donation to one of several charities is a good way to dispose of unwanted products. All you will need to do is contact the agency, put your items in boxes or big bags and they will come to your home to get the material. Below is a list of a few of the agencies who will be happy to accept unwanted goods.

Salvation Army	708-848-1181
Purple Heart	708-396-8995
AmVets	708-388-7800

Do you have a story of special interest?

Did you recently get engaged or celebrate an anniversary?

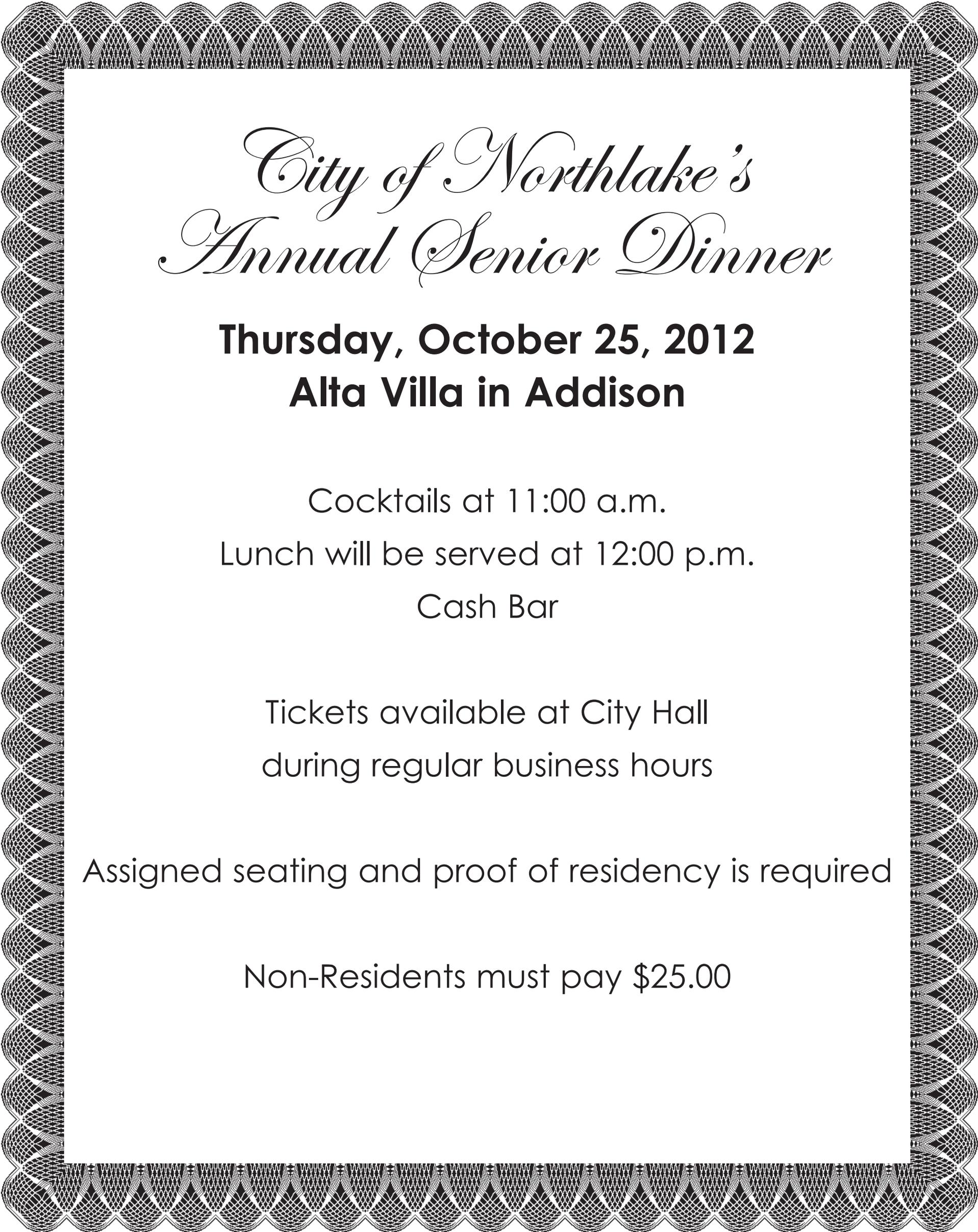
Is there a new baby in the house?

We'd love to hear from you!

e-mail us at:

northlakemayor@comcast.net

**or mail to: Northlake City News
55 E. North Avenue, Northlake, IL
60164**



*City of Northlake's
Annual Senior Dinner*

**Thursday, October 25, 2012
Alta Villa in Addison**

Cocktails at 11:00 a.m.

Lunch will be served at 12:00 p.m.

Cash Bar

Tickets available at City Hall
during regular business hours

Assigned seating and proof of residency is required

Non-Residents must pay \$25.00



Northlake Citywide Garage Sale

Join over 100 Northlake Households having a garage sale the weekend of

September 21, 22 & 23

A complete list of garage sales will be available at City Hall after noon on September 20.

Lists will also be available at various garage sale locations that weekend and on line at

www.northlakecity.com go to "Community Info"

To have your sale included on the list, fill out the form below and mail or bring to City Hall before September 19th!

Citywide Garage Sale Registration Form

We will hold our garage sale on (circle days) Fri. Sat. Sun.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number (*only for City Hall use in case we have questions:*) _____

Information can be e-mailed to: northlakemayor@comcast.net

From the Desk of the City Clerk...

For the first time in a presidential election, Illinois voters can vote by mail whenever they want with no excuse at all. It's easy. Voters can download a mail ballot application online, complete it, sign it and mail it.

The County will begin mailing ballots around September 27. Ballots should arrive a week or so after an application is mailed. Voting by mail is convenient and ensures that no last minute snafus interfere with voting. Registered voters should visit cookcountyclerk.com for applications and to track the status of their ballots.

The grace period granted to voters who missed the registration deadline, but who still wish to vote in the election, was extended this year to stretch all the way to the Saturday before Election Day. Voters who wish to register or update their registration during grace period, are required to vote at that time. This convenience will be offered downtown at 69 W. Washington Street and may be offered elsewhere in Cook County. Check the Cook County Clerks website for a final list of locations as we get closer to the elections.

Joanne Floistad, City Clerk

Uses for Mulch

There may be different types of mulch, but they all perform at least three basic functions: they reduce soil water losses, suppress weeds and protect against temperature extremes. In several studies, soil moisture percentages in areas that received mulch were twice as high, the temperatures of the soil were 8 to 13 degrees less and the amount of time required to remove weeds was reduced by two thirds.

It can be used as ground covering in a flower garden to prevent weeds. It protects the roots and bark of the trees when put around a tree base, and it can also be decorative, covering areas that may not grow anything because of shade.

Mulch is available at no charge through Public Works Department. You can call to request it be delivered to your home at 708-562-0940.

Old Flags

If you have an old flag that is beyond repair, you need to dispose of it properly. The best way is to deliver it to the American Legion at 241 E. North Avenue. There is a flag disposal box outside the hall. The American Legion will take care of disposing the flags in the proper manner.

Parking Across Sidewalks is Prohibited

The summer months always bring an increase in the number of people using City sidewalks, including walkers, joggers and parents pushing strollers or walking with small children. Residents are reminded that parking across neighborhood sidewalks is prohibited in the City of Northlake. Offenders may be ticketed and fined.

Watch out for Construction Scams

Severe storms recently left 7" of rain in Northlake in a 5 hour period. As a result many homeowners had extensive damage to their property. Scam artists are often quick to take advantage of people when a natural disaster happens. These "storm chaser" businesses may include roofers, contractors, landscapers, siding contractors, tree service companies, window contractors and even auto body repair companies.

If anyone comes to your door offering to begin work on damage, take their information and tell them that you will follow up if you are interested in using them for repairs. The Better Business Bureau advises consumers to use precaution in selecting contractors. They offer the following tips:

- When approached by a contractor, ask for proof of licensing and bonding.
- Try to get at least three quotes from contractors and insist payments be made to the company, not to any individual.
- Do not pay for the job in advance. Be wary of any contractors that demand full payment up front.
- Do not hire people who show up at your door

offering services.

- Resist high-pressure tactics such as the "good deal" you'll get only if you hire them on the spot.
- Check out the company, if you are unfamiliar with them, at www.bbb.org.
- Get a written contract that specifies the price and the work to be done and a time frame. State law requires a written contract with all costs enumerated for home repair or remodeling work over \$1,000.
- Buy only the services that are necessary to make your home safe and habitable. Prices are often high right after a storm. If you can wait awhile, do so. The prices will be lower.
- Pay with credit card, if possible. You may have additional protection if there's a problem. NEVER pay cash. And be sure to get a receipt.
- Check to see if the contractor's vehicle has signs or markings on it with the business name and phone number.
- Be sure that all promises made are put in writing.



Drive Carefully: Be Aware of Children and Activity

As the school year has already begun, parents, pedestrians and motorists need to be aware of children's activities. Children will be walking and biking along our city streets on their way to and from school. School buses will be picking up and dropping off children. Motorists are encouraged to

drive carefully and be alert to the presence of little ones crossing streets, waiting for school buses or riding bikes.

Parents are encouraged to be patient during the time frame surrounding the drop off and pick up procedures. Please obey "No parking" signs. They were put there for children's safety. Do not block cross walks, and pick up children in designated areas only.

When approaching a stopped school bus from any direction, motorists must come to a complete stop and remain stopped until the bus's stop arm has been withdrawn, the flashing red stoplights are turned off and the bus has moved on. Drivers on streets separated by a median are not required to stop for a school bus on the opposite side of the median. Motorists who violate this law are give tickets, which may result in a fine of \$150 and a 3-month suspension of your driver's license. A second violation may result in a \$500 fine and a 5-year suspension of your license. Also remember that the speed limit is 20 miles an hour Monday through Friday during school hours when children are present.

Parents are encouraged to supervise young children and to teach them to follow safety rules such as crossing only at crosswalks, obeying traffic signs and lights and following the instructions of crossing guards and safety patrol members. Children who ride bikes should always wear a helmet, ride in a straight line on the right side and stop at stop signs, stop lights and intersections.

Let's be careful out there and give our children every chance to have a safe and happy school year.

**City Hall will be closed September 1 - September 3
in observance of Labor Day**

BUSINESS GUIDE



24 Hour Emergency Road Service
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Murray, Beverly Anne, nee Wegmann, age 74, passed away Saturday, Aug. 18, 2012 at Edward Hospital in Naperville, late of Plainfield, formerly of Northlake, loving mother of Howard (Angela) Murray, James Murray, David (Kathleen) Murray, Rebecca (James Walton) Murray and Thomas (Donna McEldowney) Murray; cherished grandmother of Daniel, Kyle, Kayla, Samantha, Brenna, Matthew, Erin, Jack, Grace, Matthew, Christian and Amanda; aunt of numerous nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by her husband Howard Murray, parents Albert and Beulah Wegmann, brothers James and Anthony Wegmann and a sister Dolores Matheny. Visitation was held at Anderson Memorial Chapel, in Romeoville. Interment was at Queen of heaven Cemetery in Hillside.

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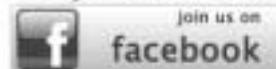
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