

# The City of Northlake Northlake News

June-July 2026

## City Desk

### Summer Fun Is Here!

By Mayor Jeffrey T. Sherwin

Summer is finally here and we are fortunate that there is a whole line up of summer fun just minutes away!

We start with Leyden Township's "Wild Wild Westdale" on June 12 at 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Westdale Park, 3045 N. Sandra which will feature a car show, hayride, games, face painting, food trucks, a petting zoo and more! Admission free.

On June 17, at 7:00 p.m. The City of Northlake will offer a free summer concert by Paulie and the Shakers, a fun, versatile cover band featuring pop, rock, country and dance hits. Bring your snacks and lawn chairs to the Grant Park Gazebo at Lavergne and Golfview.

Also, on July 8, Veterans Park District's Grant Park will have Movie in the Park, featuring "Harold and the Purple Crayon. The movie starts at sundown. There is free popcorn while supplies last. Bring your own chairs or blankets.

On July 10, from 5 to 10 p.m. and July 11 from noon to 10 p.m., Leyden Township has its American 250 Festival at Westdale Park featuring live music, food vendors and a kids zone.

Community Days by the City of Northlake, Leyden Township and the Veterans Park District runs July 24, 25 and 26 at Centerpoint Park and Grant Park. A carnival will run all three days, fireworks, food vendors and a DJ will be on Saturday, July 25, followed by a car show, Kiwanis pancake breakfast, bingo, touch a truck and inflate a fest on Sunday, July 26.

Then on August 14, from 6 to 9 p.m., Leyden Township is holding its "Party in the Park" at Westdale Park featuring face painters, bouncy houses, food trucks and a foam party.

On August 19, at 7 p.m., the City will hold another summer concert at the Grant Park Gazebo, featuring Yendez Cespedes Band with a diverse range of music from Mexico, Cuba, Spain, Puerto Rico, Brazil, Columbia and America, offering a unique and unforgettable musical experience.

Labor Day weekend, September 4 through 6, brings us the Taste of Melrose Park, held by the Village of Melrose Park, featuring entertainment and food vendors. Bring your appetite to this one. For a list of food vendors and entertainment visit [www.melrosepark.org](http://www.melrosepark.org).

To wrap up the season, we have the Garage Sale by Leyden Township on September 19 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Bradley A. Stephens Community Center, 2620 N. Mannheim, and the City wide garage sale in Northlake on September 18, 19 and 20. A list of participating homes will be available on the City's website, NorthlakeCity.com, and at City Hall, 55 E. North Avenue.

Please enjoy these great activities right in our neighborhood! Have a safe, healthy and happy summer.

Jeffrey T. Sherwin  
Mayor  
Nancy Pauletto  
City Clerk

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Penny Feldmann, 1<sup>st</sup> Ward  
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## Water Quality Report

The City of Northlake is posting the 2025 Water Quality Report on the website. It includes basic information regarding the source of your drinking water and the levels of any contaminants, compliance with water rules and educational material. To view our report, go to [www.northlakecity.com/2025CCR](http://www.northlakecity.com/2025CCR), or to obtain a copy, call 708-562-0940.

Concert in the Park  
 7:00 P.M.  
 Grant Park Gazebo  
 Lavergne & Golfview  
 Wednesday, June 17, 2026  
**Paulie & the Shakers**

Paulie & The Shakers is a fun, versatile, variety cover band - bringing the ultimate music experience with Pop, Rock, Country, & Dance Hits - Classics to Current!

Serving the Chicago metropolitan area, their performances are 100% live with no backing tracks or pre-recorded content. These dynamic and versatile performers have decades of experience providing professional entertainment throughout Chicagoland. Grab your lawn chairs and get ready to dance and have fun with a concert full of your favorite hits and good times!



# FREE MOVIES IN THE PARK

Relax under the stars and enjoy our **FREE MOVIES IN THE PARK.**

Please bring your own lawn chairs or blankets. You are also welcome to bring your own snacks. Remember, that alcohol and dogs are not allowed on park properties.

Movies start after sundown.

Call (708) 343-5270 or check the VPD Facebook page for rain out details.

**FREE FRESH POPCORN**  
 (while supplies last)



**Deep**  
 Gouin Park  
 June 10  
 PG 92 min



**Paw Patrol: The Mighty Movie**  
 Bulger Park  
 June 17  
 PG 92 min



**Harold & The Purple Crayon**  
 Grant Park  
 July 8  
 PG 92 min



**Gabby's Dollhouse**  
 Bataan Park  
 July 15  
 G 85 min



**Lion King**  
 Trumbull Park  
 August 5  
 PG 87 min





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## City Receives Award for Video

The City of Northlake received a “Best of Illinois History Award” for its six-part video, “A Journey Down Addison Creek” which was produced to commemorate the City’s 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2025.

Mayor Jeffrey Sherwin accepted the award at the Illinois State Historical Society’s awards luncheon held in Springfield on April 25.

The Video is available for reviewing on the City’s website [www.northlakecity.com](http://www.northlakecity.com), and a USB drive containing all six chapters can be purchased at City Hall for \$5.00

The video is a great glimpse of Northlake from its earliest days to the present.

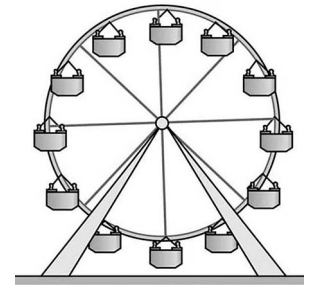


# Community Days July 24, 25 and 26, 2026



## North American Midwest Carnival

July 24, 25 and 26  
6:00 - 11:30 Friday  
3:00 to 11:30 Saturday  
3:00 - 10:30 Sunday



Point of Purchase (POP) Tickets: \$37

## Saturday, July 25, 2026

Fireworks

Approximately 9:30 p.m.

Rain date: July 26



Also: DJ and Food Vendors

## Sunday, July 26, 2026

Showcase Classic Car Show

9:00 to 3:30

Centerpoint Preserve

Grant Park

Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast - \$5.00

8 a.m to 12

Bingo 1:00 til prizes run out

Inflate- a - fest 11:00 - 2:00

Touch a Truck 10:00 - NOON



The City of Northlake in partnership with Leyden Township.  
Veterams Park District and Northlake Kiwanis



**Fun and Games!**  
Join us for fun outside  
Frisbee toss,  
games & pinatas  
**Sandy Vasquez Community Center**  
316 N. LaPorte

**Thursday, June 11, 2026**

**5 PM to 6:30 PM**

(Sponsored by the Northlake Youth Commission)



### Win a Kiwanis Griddle

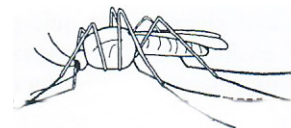
The Northlake Kiwanis Club is raffling a 36" outdoor gas griddle. The griddle would make a great addition to your backyard.

There will be 400 tickets sold at \$5.00 each. You can buy a ticket at City Hall. The winning ticket will be picked on Monday, August 17, at 7:00 p.m. You do not need to be present to win.

### Help Fight Mosquitoes

Over 40 different species of mosquitos exist in Illinois. They all need water in their early stages. Here's what we can do.

- Throw away all trash that can hold water.
- Clean rain gutters to prevent water from standing.
- Change water in bird baths at least once a week.
- Screen rain barrels with 16 mesh screen
- Stock ornamental ponds with goldfish.
- Stack pails, barrels, etc. upside down.



### Beware of Scams

The spring and summer months bring an increase in con artists who prey on seniors and uninformed citizens. They are actually professional scam artists and criminals. They knock on doors and identify themselves as contractors or City employees or tree trimmers.

Their goal is to steal money and other items from unsuspecting victims. They charge high rates and never finish the work or provide very low-quality products. Often they frighten the resident by suggesting the work is necessary to prevent injury or further damage. They trick the homeowner into leaving the house so they can show you the problem, while an accomplice enters the house and steals valuables and money.

Here are some tips to protect yourself and help the police catch these criminals:

1. Never open your door to a stranger or let a stranger into your home. Call 911 immediately if someone pushes their way in.
2. Never leave your home unlocked or go into the backyard with a stranger.
3. Never hide large sums of cash in your home. These criminals know how to find your best hiding places.
4. Never hire a stranger who appears at your door to do unsolicited work in or around your home. Reputable contractors do not sell their services door to door.
5. Ask for identification from anyone claiming to be a City employee or a contractor. If they refuse, call 911 immediately with a description of the person and their vehicle.
6. Call 911 right away if you observe suspicious activity or see a strange vehicle parked or cruising around in your neighborhood.
7. Since these criminals tend to victimize seniors, keep a protective eye out for your older neighbor.
8. Never give out personal information, either in person, on the computer or on the phone unless you solicited the business first.

## Ways to Conserve Water

1. Water your lawn and/or garden in the morning or evening when temperatures are cooler to minimize evaporation and lessen the amount of water needed.
2. Adjust sprinklers so only your lawn is watered and water is not wasted on your house, the sidewalks or the street.
3. Repair leaking faucets and toilets; this is the number one water waster in homes. Also, check outside for faucets, sprinklers and hose leaks.
4. Install a rain barrel to capture and re-use stormwater.
5. Spread a layer of organic mulch around plants to retain moisture and save water, time and money.
6. Check your shower to see if it fills a one-gallon bucket in less than 20 seconds. If so, replace the showerhead with a water-efficient model. If you shorten your shower by a minute or two, you will save up to 150 gallons per month.
7. Run your clothes washer and dishwasher only when they are full. You can save up to 1,000 gallons a month.
8. Use the garbage disposal sparingly. Compost vegetable food waste instead and save gallons every time.
9. When washing dishes by hand, don't let the water run while rinsing. Fill one side of the sink with wash water and the other side with rinse water.
10. Turn off your water while brushing your teeth and save 25 gallons per month.
11. When you give your pet fresh water, don't throw the old water down the drain. Use it to water your trees or shrubs.



### River Rocks Available

River rocks are now available to residents of Northlake. River rocks have numerous uses such as landscaping, pathways, edging, walkways, water features, drainage, mulch alternative for garden beds and even arts and crafts.

These rocks are approximately 1 to 1 ½" in diameter and are of a high quality clean gravel. It has a natural and multicolored appearance.

They are located at Public Works, 100 W. Palmer. You can pick them up any time between 7:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. They are free to Northlake residents only. Contact Public Works with any questions at 708-562-0940.

City Hall will be closed Friday,  
June 19, 2026 for Juneteenth  
And  
Friday, July 3, 2026 for Independence Day!

## Taekwondo Club Captured Titles

The Northlake Corona Taekwondo Club captured some of the Michigan State Championship titles in March, marking a milestone after months of training. The victory opens new opportunities for regional and national competitions.

Competitors of all ages and ranks gathered to test their abilities in sparring, forms and breaking events. Our eventual champions remained calm under pressure, relying on countless hours of training. Coaches praised the students not only for technical ability but also for sportsmanship and dedication. For more information call 630-430-3993, or go to [coronact7@gmail.com](mailto:coronact7@gmail.com).

“This moment represents years of hard work,” the athletes said.

Congratulations to our local athletes: Demi, Anthony, Oliver, Jayden and Alex.



### Join us at the American Legion Northlake

241 E. North Avenue, Northlake, IL

### For a Live Poker Event Benefitting

### The Knights of Columbus

Saturday, July 25, 2026

Doors open at 1:00 p.m.

Only 18+ to play, win real cash

1:00 PM / BIG DeepStack Hold'em \$200.00  
3:00 PM / DoorBuster Double Stack \$40.00  
4:00 PM / Cash Tables Open (1/2 \$50. Min / \$300. Max)  
6:00 PM / RoadRunner Omaha \$50.00  
8:00 PM / Two Bullets Hold'em \$80.00 (2nd Buy-in included)

Bring this ad for an extra 100 Bonus  
Tournament Chips and \$10.00 Cash Chips  
after you play one hour at the tables

For Additional Information Visit  
**[PlayPokerChicago.com](http://PlayPokerChicago.com)**



Live Poker

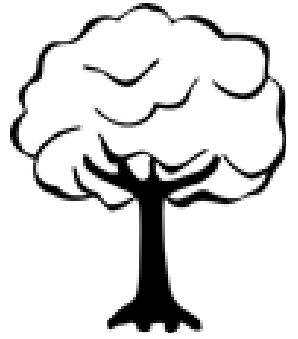
Tournaments & Cash Tables

## Trees Available for Fall 2026

Trees for the Fall, 2026 planting are available. 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 the spring planting.

Trees absorb storm water runoff, absorb various pollutants, produce oxygen and help reduce summer temperatures. Trees also improve property values as well, and studies have indicated that a block with mature trees also tends to slow down traffic. Trees also absorb and reduce urban noise – produced by airplanes, cars and other sources.

Remember – trees located on the parkway or in the City’s right of way cannot be cut or trimmed without the permission of 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.



## American Legion Post 888

241 East North Avenue  
Northlake IL 60164

Presents



## 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the United States of America

Join us on **June 14<sup>th</sup>** to celebrate

250 years of the United States of America

Doors Open 1:00 PM

Opening Ceremony starts at 1:30 PM

Kids Activities, Bouncy House,

Food, 50/50 Raffle and more

65” TV Raffle (tickets can be purchased prior to event)

(Winner need not be present to win the TV Raffle.)

Live Music

Opening performance

Jacob Garcia at 2:45 PM

(country setlist / classic rock acoustically)

Bonnie N the Boyz band from

4:00 PM til 7:00 PM

**Everyone Welcome**

for more information contact us at :

(708) 343-5545

Email: [post888news@gmail.com](mailto:post888news@gmail.com)

Facebook Page: American Legion Howard Rohde Post 888

## Calendar of Events – 2026

June	July
June 1 - Branch pick up begins	July 3 - City Hall Closed
June 2 - Community Events and Affairs Mtg. – 6:30	July 6 - Branch pick up begins
June 11 - Youth Commission Meeting – 4:30	July 9 - Youth Commission Meeting – 4:30
June 15 - Finance Meeting – 6:30 City Council Meeting – 7:00 p.m.	July 13 - Finance Meeting – 6:30 City Council Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
June 15 - Senior Citizen’s Commission Mtg. – 10:30 Vasquez Community Center	July 14 - Community Events and Affairs Mtg.- 6:30
June 16 - Court	July 20 - Senior Citizen’s Commission Mtg. – 10:30 Vasquez Community Center
June 17- Concert in the Park – 7:00	July 21 - Court
June 19 – City Hall Closed	July 24-26 – Community Days
June 23 - Police Commission Mtg. at P.D. – 6:00	July 28 - Police Commission Mtg. at P.D. – 6:00



## Northlake Citywide Garage Sale September 18, 19, 20, 2026

Join over 100 Northlake households having a garage sale

To have your sale included on the list, fill out the form below.  
and mail or bring to City Hall **before September 16th.**

A complete list of garage sales will be available at City Hall after noon on September 17th.  
Lists will also be available at [www.northlakecity.com](http://www.northlakecity.com)

### Citywide Garage Sale Registration Form

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

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (*City Hall use only*) \_\_\_\_\_