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VILLAGE VOICE

Your Franklin Park Newsletter



Water Meter Upgrade Could Save You Money

It's free, it's quick, it's easy and it could save you money!

The Village's Water Department is asking residents and businesses who have not had their water meter upgraded in the last year, to schedule an appointment to upgrade their old meters now. Without the new Hexagram System Meter, you could be over paying because the old meters rely on an estimated reading. The new meter reading system reads and reports actual readings and will eliminate potential over billing.

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VILLAGE HALL HOURS

Mon. Tues. Thurs. Fri.
8-4:30 pm
Wed. 8 - 6 pm
Sat. 9-12 pm

Village Garage Sale
July 16-18
Car Show & Street Dance
July 23
Food Drive
July 24



Food Drive Helps Local Families in Need

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

Volunteers will be stationed outside the Franklin Park Jewel Osco, located at 10203 W. Grand Ave. on Saturday July 24 from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Their goal is to restock the Leyden Food Pantry. They will gladly accept non-perishable food items. Please consider purchasing a few extra items the next time you shop and help fight hunger in our community.

If you would like to volunteer, please call 847-671-8236.



Relay For Life will be holding it's annual event at East Leyden High School located at 3400 Rose St. where teams of 12-15 people from Franklin Park, Schiller Park, Northlake communities, and families take turn in the relay.

The event begins on Friday, July 30th at 3:00 pm with the set up and fun filled activities. Registration begins from 5:30 pm - 6:00 pm. The American Cancer Society Relay For Life begins at 6:00 pm with the Opening Ceremony and the Cancer Survivor's Victory Lap. At dusk, a candlelight Luminaria Ceremony is held to honor cancer survivors and to remember those who lost the battle against cancer. For more information please contact Kitty Greenwood at 847-913-2864.

Village-Wide Garage Sale Register By July 14

It's time to register for Franklin Park's Village wide garage sale to be held on Friday, July 16, Saturday, July 17 and Sunday, July 18. Hours are 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM.



To register with the Clerk's Office, and have your address included on the sale list, you can call 847-671-8242.

Mayor's Desk Introducing the *Franklin Park Partnership*



Dear Neighbor,

Our Railroad Daze festival was a great success and I want to thank all our sponsors who were our partners in this endeavor. Partnerships with our elected officials helped make the Resurfacing Program possible, thanks to the support of State Senator Don Harmon and State Representative Skip Saviano. Partnerships with our Park District, School Districts and Library, with our churches and community groups, help us develop programs that will enhance the quality of life for Franklin Park residents.

I hope to be able to announce more partnerships that will keep our Village a great place to live, to work, to play and to invest.

Branch Pick-up Service Will Continue Weekly

The recent storms have caused damage to many trees throughout the Village. Our Streets Division has been working to get debris and branches off of our streets and sidewalks.

The Village's Streets Division will continue to pick-up branches through November but there are limits to what is accepted.

Please place all reasonably-sized branches, excluding those caused by the storm damage, in a neat stack, with the

cut-ends facing in the same direction. Place them in the same location as your regular garbage pick-up by Monday morning. Branches will be collected by the end of the day Friday.

In some instances due to weather or storm damage, they will not get picked-up until the following week.

All tree service companies hired by a resident to trim or remove a tree, must remove all branches and logs. The Street Division will only assist a firm if the Village hired the tree service to trim or remove Village-owned trees.

The Street Division will also restore dirt and grass seed to any parkways where a tree was removed. Small piles of twigs and yard waste should be placed in yard waste bags with the regular garbage pick-up. Also, be sure to move any branches and other debris out of the way of the street sweepers.

For more information on branch removal, please call 847-671-8252

Enjoy these lazy days of summer. Check our website for more information on summer fun including July 15 Movies in the Park, the Classic Car Show and Street Dance on July 24, the Park District's Summer Concert Series, July 1, 8 and 29th.

Barrett Pedersen

A Special Thank You to Our Railroad Daze Partners

This year's Railroad Daze was a great success, and would not have been possible without the generous contributions of sponsors. Thanks to all. Let's keep working together to make Franklin Park better than ever.

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