



The Village of Franklin Park

RECYCLING GUIDE



THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK

Village News

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▲ Fire Chief Steve Iovinelli (bottom row, on right) is retiring after 35 years of service to Franklin Park.

Mayor's Desk

Thank You For Your Service Chief Iovinelli

The highest priority of government is to keep our citizens safe. To that end, it is our mandate that our families, our neighborhoods, our homes and our businesses are protected.

Steve Iovinelli has served with our Fire Department for 35 years and has been our Fire Chief for the last five years. Throughout his tenure, he has exemplified the highest principles of public service and demonstrated an enthusiastic commitment to safeguarding our community.

Chief Iovinelli is retiring this month. Chief Iovinelli worked hard to make sure our firefighters had the most cutting-edge equipment and the resources they needed to perform their jobs. During his tenure, he helped to accomplish this goal by securing almost \$1,000,000 in grant monies to update critical life-saving equipment.

While Fire Chief, the department added two new ambulances, three new cardiac monitors and two new fire engines, along with new air packs and power stretchers. Grant funding also allowed Chief Iovinelli to add three new firefighter / paramedics to our team.

The Chief was deeply committed to continuing professional education. He knew that in any emergency, our first responder must be highly trained and highly skilled in all life saving techniques. During his tenure, our Fire Department

personnel attended over 140 classes and added an additional 3000 hours in Fire and EMS training. As Chair of the Illinois Fire Service Association, Chief Iovinelli worked with the State Fire Marshall to develop training standards for new firefighters. He traveled to both Springfield and Washington, DC to inform our legislators about the changing and on-going needs of the emergency responders.

We wish Chief Iovinelli and his family well as they begin an exciting new chapter. I know this, he will continue to be an involved citizen and he will always be a resource for the Department and our Village. On behalf of the Village Board of Trustees and all the grateful citizens of Franklin Park, I extend our deepest gratitude and appreciation to Chief Steve Iovinelli.

Recycling Correctly Is Critical

When it comes to recycling in Franklin Park, there is good news and bad news.

The good news is that Franklin Park residents have wholeheartedly embraced the practice of recycling. According to our waste hauler Republic Services, the amount of recycling per household has increased from 8.2 to 10.9 pounds per week.

The bad news is that a significant portion of material that residents place in the recycling carts is not recyclable. In

ACCEPTED FOR RECYCLING



METAL MATERIALS

- Metal cans** - aluminum, tin or steel cans, rinsed clean of food or other products
- Aerosol cans** - must be empty
- Aluminum products** - clean aluminum foil, baking trays
- Paint cans** - without lids & scraped clean



PAPER MATERIALS

- Newspapers** - including inserts
- Mixed paper** - greeting cards, gift wrap, paper grocery bags, stationery, envelopes, post cards
- General office paper** - computer & copy paper, stationary, post-it notes
- Magazines, catalogs, phone books**
- Paperback books** - no hard covers
- Paperboard/chipboard** - flattened gift boxes, tissue boxes & food packaging without food residue
- Corrugated cardboard** - flattened shipping boxes, pizza box sections without food residue
- Wet strength carrier stock** - flattened carriers for beer & soda (with non-paper materials removed)
- Milk cartons & drink boxes** - gable top milk & juice cartons & boxes, rinsed clean & flattened



PLASTIC MATERIALS



- PET #1** - plastic bottles & containers including soda bottles, beverage containers, plates, flower pots
- HDPE #2** - plastic bottles & containers including laundry detergent containers, milk & water bottles, cups, margarine tubs, baby wipe containers, shampoo & personal care bottles
- PVC #3** - plastic bottles & containers including health & beauty-aid bottles
- LDPE #4** - plastic containers including ice cream tubs & miscellaneous dairy product containers
- PP #5** - bottles & containers including yogurt & other dairy product tubs, syrup bottles, condiment bottles
- OTHER #7** - plastic 6- & 12-pack rings



GLASS MATERIALS

- Glass containers** - glass bottles & jars (clear, brown, green) without caps or lids and rinsed clean

NOT ACCEPTED FOR RECYCLING

- Plastic paint cans & buckets
- Hazardous waste containers including containers for antifreeze, gas & motor oil
- Mirrors, window glass, Pyrex glass & dinnerware
- Cardboard & paper soiled with food residue
- Lumber, carpeting, pipe, roofing & siding materials
- Pots & pans
- Diapers
- Clothing, toys, electronics
- Lightbulbs & fixtures
- Plastic wrap



- PS #6** - foam materials including cups, plates, cartons, packing peanuts, packing blocks
- Plastic bags including grocery store bags, cereal bags



Recycling items may be placed in your blue recycling bin for weekly pick up. Place material that will not fit in your bin in a paper grocery bag and set it next to the recycling bin. Additional or replacement bins are available at the Village Hall at 9500 Belmont.

For additional information, call the Village of Franklin Park Department of Health and Human Resources at (847) 671-8240 or visit www.vofp.com.



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fact, by placing the wrong items in the recycling bin, otherwise acceptable recycling items become contaminated and must then be hauled away and deposited in a land fill.

Please remember that the following items should NOT be placed in the recycling carts:

- Plastic bags
- Plastic film including shrink wrap
- Non-food and non-beverage plastic packaging, such as hard casing for compact disks
- Plastic objects such as toys, plastic knives, forks, spoons and disposable plates
- Metal hard ware items and fixtures
- Paper and cardboard with food waste or liquids

Our goal is to help residents better understand what is and what is not recyclable. Toward that end, you will find a Guide to Recycling on page 4 of this newsletter to clarify these concerns. I encourage you cut it out and keep for reference.



I was privileged to participate in a cultural and industry exchange to Poland, sponsored by the Polish American Foundation. While it was an extremely busy working trip, I enjoyed learning more about the country and its customs. To learn more about the trip, email ekubkowski@vofp.com to receive our newsletter in Polish and go to our Village's Facebook Page in Polish at Village of Franklin Park w języku polskim.

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▲ Mayor Barrett Pedersen, Clerk Tommy Thomson, and Village Trustees James Caporusso, John Johnson and Karen Special attended a ribbon cutting to celebrate the new location for Dazz Boutique. The locally-owned women's clothing and accessory store is now at 3148 Calwagner Street.

Fire Department's Open House - October 10

Everyone is invited to the Franklin Park Fire Department's annual Open House on Saturday, October 10 from 11 AM to 2 PM at Fire Station #2 at 10001 Addison. Kids can see fire engines and ambulances up close, play games, meet firefighters and paramedics and get to use a fire hose. Free hot dogs, popcorn, donuts and other refreshments. Learn how to keep your family safe by utilizing smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. For more information, call 847.678.2400. Remember, working smoke alarms save lives -- test yours every month!



Village Hall will be Closed on Monday, October 12

Trick or Treat Hours are 3 to 7 PM on Halloween

LIHEAP applications will be processed at Village Hall every other Wednesday, beginning October 21, from 9:30 AM to 1 PM. Go to vofp.com for criteria and details.

Franklin Park Military Days - October 17 & 18

The Village of Franklin Park, Leyden Township, Veterans Park District and the Park District of Franklin Park invite everyone to attend Military Days to honor our troops and veterans. The event will be held at the Franklin Park Police Station field (southeast corner of Belmont and Edgington) from 9 AM to dusk on Saturday and 9 AM to 3 PM on Sunday. The two-day event includes battle re-enactments, character actors, demonstrations, vintage equipment displays and a performance by the United States Navy Ceremonial Band at 5 PM on Saturday. Veterans will have the chance to win a Bootlegger guitar signed by Mike Pinera of the Iron Butterfly. Chicago Fire star Jose Antonio Santiago, the cast of Verrater and Earl Hayes of Honor Veteran's Radio will also be present. For more information go to vofp.com.



Nominate A Local Veteran For The Memorial Monument

Submit the name of a Franklin Park veteran for our Monument, with a copy of their DD-214 to the Village Clerk, by October 15 to ensure it will be added before our Veteran's Day ceremony on November 11th. For more information, call (847) 671-8244.

Applications Available For Senior Snow Removal

Seniors are encouraged to apply now for the Village-subsidized Senior Snow Removal Program that allows participants to pay \$15 per service request. If you were previously enrolled in the program, you MUST enroll again before it fills up. Applications are available at Village Hall or by calling 847-671-8240



▲ Village Trustee Cheryl McLean and Andy Ybarra attended the Let's Move! Cities, Towns and Counties event in Washington recently. They also attended a special session at the White House with First Lady Michelle Obama who is championing the goal of solving the problem of childhood obesity within a generation.



Leaf Pick-up and Street Sweeping

Please put leaves in brown biodegradable bags only and place bags near garbage and recycling for pick-up. Bags can be purchased at local grocery and hardware stores. Leaves cannot be picked-up if they are placed in plastic bags or in the street. Pick-up continues until early December. In addition, yard waste bags will only be picked up through the first week of December as per Allied Waste. You can skip raking and mow over your leaves a few times and leave them on your lawn to add nutrients and provide protection from winter weather. Mulched leaf remnants can also be sprinkled over plants and shrubs to help retain water and protect them during winter months.

The Department of Public Works will sweep Village curbs through late November. Please check signs on your block for parking restrictions. Do NOT rake the leaves into the street for pick up. It clogs the Village street sweeper.