



JUNE 7 - JUNE 10, 2018

Franklin Avenue & Calwagner Street (9700 Franklin Ave.)

DAILY CARNIVAL OPENS

June 7 & 8 • 5 PM
June 9 • Noon
June 10 • 2 PM

Family Fun Day

SATURDAY, JUNE 9

11AM – 3PM

Free pony rides, petting zoo, face painting, games and give-a-ways.

1985 Bears Super Bowl Champion Steve McMichael will sign free autographs from 11 AM - 1 PM.



- ★ BEER & WINE GARDEN - FOOD VENDORS
- ★ PICNIC AREA BRING YOUR BLANKETS OR LAWN CHAIRS

NO Bikes | NO Dogs | NO Skateboards
For more information, 847-671-4800 or www.vofp.com

FREE LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Thursday, June 7 - Jazz Night

6:30-8:15 PM - Brass Tracks Jazz Orchestra
If you love big band jazz, this is the orchestra for you!



9-10:30 PM - The Eric Hochberg Quartet with Dee Alexander
Voted "Best Jazz Vocalist" by Chicago Magazine and "Jazz Entertainer of the Year" at the Chicago Music Awards.

Friday, June 8

6:30-8 PM - Petty Kings
Saluting Tom Petty & The Heartbreakers

8:45-10:30 PM - Light Up
America's #1 Styx Tribute Band

Saturday, June 9

11 AM-12:30 PM - Sammy Tenuta
Singer, song writer performs originals and popular favorites

1:15-2:45 PM - Kevin Lee & The Kings
Chunky guitars, and memorable melodies

3:30-5 PM - Heart To Heart Breaker
Saluting the legendary women of rock

5:45-7:45 PM - One of The Boyzz
Formerly Dirty Dan's Cool Rockin' Daddies

8:30-10:30 PM - 7th Heaven
Chicago's #1 festival band!



THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK
Village News

May 2018

Mayor's Desk



Mayor Barrett F. Pedersen

Franklin Park Fest Provides Music and More

As summer approaches, we all look forward to spending time outdoors. Our annual Franklin Park Fest, which runs from June 7 - 10, will provide the perfect opportunity to enjoy the warmer weather.

As always, the Fest will feature a fantastic line-up of free live entertainment. Our Jazz Night, which has become a must attend event for jazz lovers around the region, will again open the Festival on Thursday, June 7 at 6:30 PM. It's a wonderful way to spend a summer evening.

We have great musical guests on Friday evening as well as all day and evening on Saturday performing popular music.

See the complete Festival schedule and musical line-up on page 4 of this newsletter.

Family Fun Day - June 9

We are calling Saturday during Franklin Park Fest "Family Fun Day" and it will be filled with games, musical entertainment, free pony rides, a petting zoo, face painting and give-a-ways. Our popular carnival will also be operating beginning at Noon and of course our great local food vendors will be there as well. Join us for Family Fun Day and the opportunity to spend Saturday in the park with friends and family.

Volunteers are needed on Saturday to help with Family Fun Day events. Join us and you will receive a free Franklin Park Fest t-shirt and a free meal on Saturday! Call us at 847-671-8236.

Talk To Me!

Our next Telephone Town Hall will be held on Tuesday, May 15 at 6:30 PM. We will be discussing the Village's progress to date

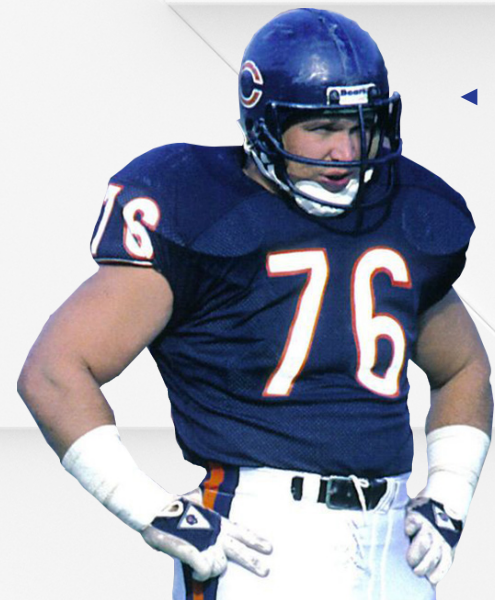
regarding obtaining a Quiet Zone designation as well as upcoming infrastructure projects. I look forward to speaking with all our residents and taking questions.

If you do not receive a call from the Village, please call 847-400-0841 to join the discussion. There is no charge to participate on the call. Make sure you can participate in all future Town Halls by adding your land-based phone number on your water bill. Also include your e-mail address so we can keep you informed with our E- News!

Eliminate Litter When Possible

Let's all pitch in and do our part to keep our community and our planet clean. If you see litter in the street or anywhere in our community, pick it up and toss it! I make it a goal to pick up two pieces of litter each day.

Mayor Barrett F. Pedersen



Barrett F. Pedersen
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◀ Special Family Fun Day Highlight - Steve "Mongo" McMichael, 1985 Bears Super Bowl Champion, will sign free autographs, from 11 AM until 1 PM on Saturday during Franklin Park Fest.

Village Hall will be closed Saturday, May 26 and Monday, May 28 in observance of Memorial Day



Mayor Barrett Pedersen, Trustees John Johnson and Karen Special and the Village's Director of Operations Lisa Anthony, welcomed Bob Schillerstrom, Chairman of the Illinois Tollway Board who was the keynote speaker at the annual Business Appreciation Luncheon. His presentation highlighted the Tollway's \$14 billion capital improvement program which will provide transportation improvements, drive economic growth and create jobs throughout the region.

Seminar on Reverse Mortgages - May 10

The Village will host a free seminar entitled, "Reverse Mortgages, What the TV Ads Don't Tell You" on Thursday, May 10 at 6:30 PM. This highly informative seminar will explain the advantages and disadvantages of reverse mortgages versus the other financial alternatives available.



The seminar will be held in the Community Room of the Police Station, located at 9451 West Belmont. Registration is not required. Refreshments will be served! For more information, call 847-671-8236.

Memorial Day – Remembering Those Lost in Battle

Memorial Day is the official kick-off to the summer season. While we look forward to fun outdoor activities, it is also important for Americans to take time to remember the sacrifices that bought us our freedoms.

Join the Village of Franklin Park and the American Legion Post 974 for our annual Memorial Day Observance on Monday, May 28 at 11 AM at the Village's Veteran's Monument. The event will pay tribute to our deceased Franklin Park veterans from all branches of service and will feature an honor guard a ceremonial presentation of the memorial wreath, and a 21 Gun Salute.

Everyone is welcome to attend. For information, contact the Mayor's Office at 847-671-8236.

Can't make the event? Here are some ideas on how to celebrate this important American holiday:

- Send a note of thanks to Veterans you know.
- Visit a local cemetery and place flags or flowers on the graves of fallen soldiers.
- Fly the American flag at half-staff until noon.
- Participate in the National Moment of Remembrance at 3 PM. Pause and think about the sacrifices made for our freedom.

Chamber Scholarship Winners Announced

The Chamber by O'Hare (Franklin Park / Schiller Park / River Grove) awarded three \$1,500 scholarships for the 2018-19 school year. All three recipients will graduate from East Leyden High School this spring. Uriel Martinez, a resident of Franklin Park, is planning to attend Yale University this fall majoring in Bioengineering. Jake Schwartz, a resident of River Grove, is undecided where he will be attending, but will be majoring in Biochemistry/Pre-Med. Adam Majka, also from River Grove, was awarded the Triton College technology scholarship and plans to major in automotive technology. Congratulations and we wish them great success in their academic pursuits!



Mayor Barrett Pedersen and Trustee Karen Special planted trees on Grand Avenue to celebrate Earth Day. If you would like to learn more about how to obtain a tree to be planted on the parkway in front of your home, please go to vofp.com or call Monica at 847-671-8217 to be placed on the list. Last year we planted 100 trees!

Fire Department Invites Community to "Push In" New Fire Truck



The Franklin Park Fire Department recently received their new fire truck, called a quint, which is a combination ladder and pump engine vehicle. This new truck will replace the department's ladder and reserve engine. To keep with tradition, the community is invited to a special event on Saturday, May 19 from 10 AM to 12 PM to welcome the new quint to Fire Station #2.

The tradition dates back to the 18th and 19th centuries when horses pulled the fire truck and the community was needed to push the truck back into the fire house.

The Village's new truck has a hundred foot ladder, holds 500 gallons of water and carries all medical equipment found in an ambulance. The new vehicle is expected to be in operation for at least 20 years and replaced two older trucks that were costing the Village a considerable amount of money to make frequent repairs.

Franklin Park Fire Chief Bill Brehm and other members of the Fire Department helped to design the new ladder and pump vehicle. The photo appeared in the Chicago Tribune / Franklin Park Herald-Journal.

The event will provide an opportunity for kids to experience the fire truck up close and to learn about how the equipment works. Refreshments will be served.

Police Department Raising Funds with Dunkin Donuts – May 18



You will be seeing members of the Franklin Park Police Department on the roof of our local Dunkin Donuts again this year. The annual Cop on a Rooftop event supports the Torch Run for Special Olympics Illinois and has raised more than \$3.9 million since to date.

This year's Cop on a Rooftop event will be held Friday, May 18, from 5 AM. to 12 Noon. Our police officers will be participating at the store located at 10130 Grand Avenue. Anyone making a donation to the Special Olympics that day will receive a coupon for a free donut. The department will also be selling t-shirts and coffee mugs to support the effort. Please come out and support us in raising money for the Special Olympics!

Please Maintain Your Lawns

Residents are encouraged to mow their lawn on a regular basis and eliminate weeds in alleys and areas behind homes. Grass and weeds cannot exceed six inches in height because mosquitoes and rodents can hide and breed there. The Village will start issuing tickets to homeowners if their grass is over six inches high.

If you are disabled or elderly and need assistance complying, please call us at 847-671-4800. Also, if you see properties that need to be maintained, please alert the Village. Thank you for your cooperation!



Need Help Applying for Government Programs?

Leyden Family Services is available to assist anyone who needs help applying for government assistance programs including, Medicare, Medicaid, SNAP, Medicare Savings Program and LIHEAP. Staff can also help you with understanding your medical bills, prescription assistance, getting license plate discounts and free train and bus passes.

Staff will be at Village Hall from 9:30 to 11:30 AM on Wednesday May 9 and 23. No appointment is necessary. Remember to bring your award letter from Social Security and paycheck stubs that show the amount of income you receive. Also, please check the Document Checklist BEFORE you visit at vofp.com.



Blood Drive
June 8 from 3 – 7:30 PM
at the Police Station.
Be a donor and save a life!