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Always remember

Please join us for a 9/11 Memorial Ceremony which will be held on Tuesday, September 11 at 8:00 a.m. in front of City Hall at the 9/11 Memorial site.



Memorial bricks for the 9/11 Memorial site are available for purchase. Simply complete an Order Form found on the City's website or at City Hall. Orders must be received by July 31 if you would like to have your commemorative brick engraved and installed at the 9/11 Memorial site prior to this year's service.

Please contact Senior Administrative Assistant Brigid Madden at 847/318-6721 or bmadden@parkridge.us with any questions.

Making Sense of water usage



Summer is here and it's time to provide the City with your water meter reading. The summer is the worst time to forget to turn in a meter reading. Remember, a current water bill reflects usage that occurred 2-4 months ago. You will not see the effects of your summer usage until the end of summer or early fall. If your account estimates, the delay will be even longer and can allow problems to go undetected. Here are a few tips to keep your water usage low this summer!

Watering grass/landscaping? An automated irrigation systems should be checked regularly to ensure that there are no leaks present. Check all sprinkler heads for damage. Look for water pooling in your yard and investigate any overly saturated areas. Many residents set their timers for hours when they are not awake; be sure to visually check your system while it is running. Check the timer settings, you may be watering too often and/or for too long. Always check your system settings after a power outage. Reduce your carbon footprint and save money by watering flowers with a watering can instead of the hose. You may also want to install a rain barrel.

Filling a pool? Record your water meter reading before and after you fill the pool. Do this any time you top off the pool. This will give you an idea of how much water your pool is using during the season and when to expect

Strolling, sipping and grilling



Remember how we all yearned for the hazy days of summer only a few weeks ago? Well, they have arrived with a wallop! Thanks to the residents, merchants, businesses, and City staff, we can again enjoy the Fine Arts Concerts in Hodge Park every Friday night and so much more.

The Fireworks at Maine East (July 3), the Taste of Park Ridge (July 12-14), National Night Out (August 7), and The Vine Street BBQ (August 18) along with the First Friday Car Shows, and the Saturday Farmers Market, so much is waiting for you and your family to explore.

Thanks to all our grill masters who add spice to our summer appetites. Our many choice restaurants and delightful patios are always a summer treat. The Bike Task Force has introduced so many changes, making our town more bike friendly and a new look for the Northwest Highway streetscape is already in progress for your future strolling pleasure. Invite your friends and enjoy the carefree life in our great city; Park Ridge has so much to offer. Keep in mind that shopping in town keeps your tax dollars in town. See you on next your summer stroll around town!

The **Community Health Commission** encourages residents' to take a brief survey to provide input on your thoughts related to Park Ridge community health. The link to the survey is www.surveymonkey.com/r/MMRKSQDQ.

Please take a few minutes to respond to this six question survey. Thank you for participating!



Red-Hot Summer Sidewalk Sales

Shop Park Ridge July 9-14



A message from Mayor Marty Maloney



The City is committed to providing excellence in City services in order to uphold a quality of life so our community remains a wonderful place to live and work.

It is an exciting time to be living, working, or staying in Park Ridge! It is also a great time to reflect back on some of the important milestones we have reached since our initial calling as Pennyville:

- ◆ 165 years has passed since the original quarry for making clay bricks was started by George Penny in 1853, when the name Pennyville was attached to the tiny village just starting out as people were leaving crowded Chicago.
- ◆ With the Industrial Revolution and the railroad stopping in town, small Pennyville became bustling Brickton in 1858.
- ◆ Agricultural roots evolved into a strong business and commercial center and in 1873 we became Park Ridge -- this year we celebrate 145 years with this name. In 1893 our volunteer fire department started and the first full-time police officer was hired in 1898, with the first telephone service helping to connect our citizens in 1902.
- ◆ Citizens wanting to replace dirt roads and plank sidewalks also wanted a formal government system so we were incorporated as the City of Park Ridge in 1910.

An old advertisement published 108 years ago proclaimed our City as “A Restoring Place of Health & Vigor, The Recreation Place of the Tired & Worn Out” and this same label could be attached today in 2018. Our summer concerts, ongoing festivals and thriving businesses are there for families, friends and visitors to enjoy. Our citizenry has always balanced hard work and the desire to better our City with fun and entertaining events all year long. It is with the efforts of those before us in addition to the ongoing efforts of our citizens that we continue to celebrate progress and success for Park Ridge.

Mark your calendars for the concert in Hodges Park on July 27. Volunteers from the community and members of City Council will come together to cook dinner for those attending. I am proud to continue a tradition started by the late Mayor Dave Schmidt and Alderman Dan Knight as a way to raise much needed funds for the Fine Arts Society. We will be cooking in our best Hawaiian shirts to support the concerts, and to honor two wonderful men we will never forget, Dave and Dan.

As I walk around town with my family, eating out at fun dining establishments, enjoying unique services offered by various business, and witnessing volunteer efforts from groups such as Lions, Kiwanis, Newcomers, and Park Ridge Community Women, I am so proud of what our City has become and the ways we will continue to thrive. I think that George Penny and our forefathers would be pleased with how we have grown and flourished.

We remain “A Wonderful Place” and it is exciting to think what the next 145 years will bring to Park Ridge.

I will see you around town.

Marty

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*City Council Meetings—1st and 3rd Monday of each month / Committee of the Whole Meetings—2nd and 4th Monday of each month
 The meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. and are held in the Council Chambers at City Hall. The public is welcome to attend.*

Each department contributes its own departmental information for the Spokesman.
 Questions? You may contact Deputy Clerk Peterson, editor, at 847/318-5464 or cpeterso@parkridge.us



Chicago O'Hare Departure Procedures

The Park Ridge O'Hare Airport Commission recently hosted a joint presentation from the Chicago Department of Aviation (CDA) and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) discussing how airplanes depart the airport. The meeting, held at City Hall, was a follow-up to a presentation that took place during the May 4, 2018 meeting of the O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission (ONCC). The following is part of the transcript of the May 4 presentation which was held as a panel discussion. Panel Members included **Bill Tracey**, the General Manager of Air Traffic Services for the Chicago area; **Captain Tim Raynor** has been with American Airlines for 20 years and is currently a 737 Captain; **Captain Bo Ellis** has been with United Airlines for 34 Years and is currently a 777 Captain; **Glenn Morse**, Director of Industry Affairs, Network Operations Control (NOC) for United Airlines; and **Aaron Frame**, Deputy Commissioner of Environment for the Chicago Department of Aviation. The panel was moderated by **ONCC Chair and Mount Prospect Mayor Arlene Juracek**. This is only part of the actual transcript published on the ONCC website. The full discussion can be found on the ONCC website, oharenoise.org.

Mayor Juracek asked the following questions and panelist responded accordingly:

Q. What are the daytime departure runways used in east and west flow?

A. Mr. Bill Tracey: 28R and 22L on West Flow try to balance demand in each departure hour.

Normally the north and the West would go to Runway 28R South and East would go to Runway 22L. On the O'Hare Three Departure Diagram, there star fixes and the exit points.

Q. You mentioned something about avoiding the inbound runway on East flow. Do you allow space in case the pilot needs to abort a landing? There is consideration for ground movement and arrivals as well?

A. Mr. Bill Tracey: Yes. We have to protect as we turn out. We have to protect for missed approaches. The aircraft cannot immediately turn with a hard turn off the ground. There could a conflict.

Q. Who is responsible for each aspect of a departure?

A. Mr. Aaron Frame: The city of Chicago as the owner and operator of the airport. Think of it as the City of Chicago is the landlord of the ground and the FAA is the landlord of the sky. The City of Chicago's goal is always to make all runways available so air traffic has as many options as possible. There are instances when a runway has to be closed such as regular runway safety inspections, FAA flight checks, snow removal during the winter, maintenance and construction.

Q. How are the runways assigned for departures?

A. Mr. Bill Tracey: As discussed depending on weather and winds. If there are restrictions, traffic will be slowed down.

Q. What is a departure procedure?

A. Captain Tim Raynor: We all work in conjunction together to get the aircraft out safely. Depending on the weight of the aircraft, weather conditions on the ground or the destination, a longer runway maybe needed for departures.

Captain Bo Ellis: The 3 departure requirement is important. There is a point that we are required to cross at 3,000 feet minimum (a graphic was showing all departure points for each runway was provided). There is a greater separation between departing aircraft. Departures at O'Hare have an aggressive climb probably one of the most aggressive than any other airport. The minimum turn alternate has double since 20 years ago. Turbo fan engines are quieter and efficient. 90 percent reduced thrust is much quieter.

Captain Tim Raynor: In addition to reduced thrust, design of the wings give more lift utilizing less thrust. 20 years ago, aircrafts were much louder. Technology will continue to evolve.

Mr. Glenn Morse: two engine aircrafts climb quickly. NextGen is unique with flight tracks becoming more concentrated.

Q. Who sets the altitude and the climb angle?

A. Mr. Bill Tracey: The arks for the O'Hare 5 – 8 mile crossing restrictions go all around O'Hare. This is to protect the surrounding airport operations at Midway, DuPage and Chicago Executive.

Captain Tim Raynor: Ultimately the pilot is responsible for the decent and climb. Advancements in technology has allow us to climb more safely, quieter and quickly because of types of engine and wings.

Captain Bo Ellis: The climb rate and take off speed of the aircraft is dependent primarily on performance. Performance is dependent of the weight of the aircraft, weather and runway conditions. Typically for the first 1,500 feet we are all climbing at the same rate. Once the aircraft is at 1,500 feet depending on performance of the aircraft, that's determines between 1,500 and 3 or 4 thousand feet. I used to operate 747 and they were very heavy going to for east countries, takes us a long time to climb because we were so heavy even though we had 4 engines. Now aircraft have thrust and climb quicker.

Q. Is noise taken into consideration when a departure procedure is being developed?

A. Mr. Aaron Frame: We've had voluntary nighttime noise abatement program for over 20 years at O'Hare. The Fly Quiet Program has departure headings which are simply instructions that are given to the pilots. The number of operations during the nighttime hours is significantly lower than daytime which don't necessitate using all the runways. Another reason to close a runway is for noise abatement. In conjunction with the fly quiet manual the FAA and the city have worked out heading and flight paths. O'Hare is one of the busiest airport in the world and don't have the flexibility to do more during the daytime.



Are your children home?

Just a friendly reminder to parents about the current regulations and ordinances for curfew in the Uptown area. Our officers along with the volunteer assistance of the Citizen Patrol have had an

increased presence in the Uptown area to encourage good behavior for large groups of teens gathering. We ask for the cooperation of parents to remind their kids to be mindful of patrons in the uptown area and refrain from loitering in large groups and inhibiting the normal flow of pedestrian traffic. Also, as a reminder, the use of bicycles, skateboards, rollerblades, etc. are prohibited on the sidewalks and areas of Uptown and the Pickwick Plaza. Please refer to Ordinance 14-12-1 which addresses the specifics and exceptions in regards to the citywide juvenile curfew.

It is also important to take the time to talk with and remind your children about safe and responsible use of social media, and dangers of sharing personal information or pictures on the Internet. Cyberbullying is a major concern nationwide for people of all ages, but youths can be especially vulnerable and damaged by this type of behavior. Park Ridge Police will investigate and take seriously any claims or threats of violence or other illegal acts. It is never acceptable for youths to post pictures or information suggesting illegal or threatening behavior on social media.

Citizens Police Academy

The Police Department is seeking interested applicants for its Citizen's Police Academy, tentatively to begin in late September. The Academy offers members of the community a unique opportunity to become familiar with the operations of the police department. During the 8-week course, citizens learn from police department personnel who are specially trained in the areas of patrol operations, traffic laws, criminal investigations, crime scene investigations, narcotics, range instruction and other related fields. Through education, the academy provides a bridge between the officer in the car and the citizens in the field and in the end, graduates are better equipped to assess safety issues and share with others their knowledge of law enforcement practices and policies.

The concept of the Citizen's Police Academy involves a partnership with the citizens of Park Ridge and the Park Ridge Police Department. The benefits of such a partnership can only help strengthen the entire community in terms of public safety and quality of life.

If you are 21 years of age or older and would like to be part of this great experience, please visit www.parkridgepolice.org under the Community Strategies section and download an application, or applications are also available at the police department desk. For additional information, contact Community Strategies Officer Ben Peterson 847-318-5233. Classes will be typically held on Wednesday or Thursday evenings throughout the 8-week course.

Memorial Dedication



If you are near the police station, please stop for a

moment and take a look at the new memorial display recognizing the work of police officers and the sacrifices of those who have died in the line of duty. Local Boy Scout Mariano Audino, a Maine South High School junior and member of Boy Scout Troop 76, developed the monument for his Eagle Scout project. The memorial display consists of a bronze plaque affixed to a large boulder. The plaque reads: "In recognition of the dedication to duty by the men and women of law enforcement protecting and serving their communities and commemorate those officers who have died in service." The memorial display sits near the driveway to the police station at 200 S. Vine Ave., and was dedicated during the Park Ridge Police Department's annual Service of Remembrance for fallen police officers on May 14.

National Night Out



For the fourteenth year in a row, the Park Ridge Police Department will be holding their annual "National Night Out" event against crime. NNO is a nationwide program held each year, for the past 35 years. This year's event will take place on Tuesday, August 7, 2018 in Hodges Park from 6:30 pm -9:00 pm. The popularity of this FREE family event is growing each year. Last year, approximately 600 residents attended. There will be a petting zoo, pony rides, bounce houses, obstacle course, and lots of valuable health and safety information from community sponsors.

The event is designed to:

- Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness
- Generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime programs
- Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and
- Send the message to criminals that the police and community are working together and are fighting back against crime

Contact Officer Ben Peterson at 847/ 318- 5233 or bpeterso@parkridgepolice.org for information.

Northwest Highway streetscape

The City began work on the Northwest Highway Streetscape in late May. The limits of the project are from Touhy to Washington, on both sides of the street. Most of the work will occur within the sidewalk area with improvements including new sidewalk, brick pavers, street and pedestrian lighting, benches, planters, trash receptacles, trees, landscaping, irrigation, curb and gutter, street resurfacing, and pavement marking.

The project will be constructed in phases, with the north side of the street being done first. The road should remain open during most construction activities, but there will be times when there may be one-way traffic or the road may be closed. On-street parking will be limited or restricted during most of the project. It is anticipated that the project will be completed in October.



Street resurfacing set to begin

The City's 2018 Street Resurfacing Program is scheduled to begin in July, with 5.3 miles of streets being resurfaced. Visit the City's website at www.parkridge.us for a complete list of streets to be resurfaced. Please contact the Public Works Engineering Division at 847/318-5228 with any questions.

The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) plans to resurface Devon (city limits to city limits) and Higgins (Cumberland west to city limits) this summer/fall.

Summer Watering Restrictions

Watering restrictions are in effect May 15 through September 15, every year. Residents may use water outdoors only on even or odd-numbered calendar days, corresponding with the last digit of their house number; zero is considered an even number. Outdoor water use includes use on lawns, gardens, trees, shrubs and for washing vehicles. A special permit for watering newly installed sod, valid for two weeks, may be obtained in the Public Works Department at City Hall. In addition to the above restrictions, as of May 15, 2016, lawn sprinkling cannot occur in the middle of the any day, from noon to 6 p.m., when evaporation is at its highest. New lawns (less than 3 months old) may be exempted from this provision. Call 847/318-5228 with any questions.



Holiday refuse collection

Just a friendly reminder that there will be no refuse, recycling or yard waste collection on July 4, due the holiday. Collections will be delayed by one day for the remainder of that week.

Refuse, recycling and yard waste collections will be delayed by one day the week of September 3, in observance of Labor Day.



Yard waste pickup reminder

Yard waste should be placed in large paper yard bags, not plastic bags, or in special yard waste carts for collection by Groot Industries. Landscape which is too bulky to be placed in a bag, such as branches or brush, must be securely tied, (with biodegradable twine) bundled not to exceed 4 feet in length and no larger than 2 feet in diameter per bundle.

Residents with larger branches or tree removals will need to contact a tree service company or landscaper for removal.



Forestry news

Check out the new links posted to the Forestry Division's section of the City's website at www.parkridge.us/public_works. You will find information about caring for your newly planted tree, the City's public tree inventory, benefits these trees provide, tree preservation and building plan requirements, assistance finding an arborist and forestry permit applications. Remember, if you would like to remove a tree on your property, all trees on private property that are over 10" in breast height diameter (BHD) measured 4.5' from the ground are protected trees, by City Ordinance, and will require a tree removal permit.

Quick tips: Newly planted trees require the equivalent of 1" rainfall each week during the growing season. If the soil feels dry a few inches deep, the tree needs to be watered. You can use a slow trickle hose or an irrigation bag to thoroughly soak the soil. A layer of mulch, no more than 2"-4", should be spread around the dripline and kept a few inches off of the trunk. Do not "volcano" mulch at the base of your tree.



Preparing for summer storms

With the arrival of warmer weather, it is important to make sure you have an assembled emergency disaster supply kit in your home. Severe storms or tornadoes, can strike at any time and you may temporarily be without city services and utilities.

What can you do to help? A disaster supply kit is simply a collection of basic items your household may need in the event of an emergency. Take time to assemble your kit well in advance of an emergency. You may only be given a moments notice with the need to evacuate taking only the essentials along with you. You will not have ample time to search for the supplies you need or shop for them.

You also may need to survive on your own after a widespread emergency when local and state officials are overwhelmed. This means having your own food, water, medication and other supplies in sufficient quantity to last for at least 72 hours. Local officials and relief workers will be on the scene after a disaster, but they cannot reach everyone immediately. You could get help in hours— or it might take days, depending on the severity of the emergency and the condition of the City's infrastructure. Some basic services such as electricity, gas, water, sewage treatment and telephones may be cut off for days, a week or longer. Your supplies kit should contain items to help you manage during these outages. Obtain you supply list today in the lobby at City Hall or online at www.ready.gov/build-a-kit.

Lock it... or lose it

It's always good practice to lock your vehicle when exiting. It's an especially good practice to make sure your vehicle is locked overnight.

Although Park Ridge is a very safe community, we routinely receive reports from residents where their unlocked vehicles have been entered into unlawfully and items have been removed. If you must keep money, valuables, or small electronic devices in your car, move them out of plain view and lock your vehicle to prevent these unwanted entries.



Did you know?

The City of Park Ridge has many additional resources to provide residents with information. We strive to release timely information of news releases, department announcements and developing emergencies through our various social media outlets. We currently utilize: Twitter; Facebook; Nextdoor.com; YouTube; and NIXLE. NIXLE keeps you up-to-date with relevant information from your local public safety departments, it is free and simple to use. Text your zip code to 888777 to opt in, or visit www.nixle.com to register. To register online for City notifications, click the "Stay Connected" tab on the home page of our website at www.parkridge.us.



Caught doing good

We are on the lookout for members of our community who are engaged in promoting healthy living. Our goal is to educate and encourage Park Ridge residents to take action to live healthy lives and promote

environmental health and sustainability. Photographs of people or groups caught doing good that are consistent with any of our six focus areas: Outreach to Special Populations, Substance Abuse and Mental Health, Disease Education & Prevention, Environmental Health & Sustainability, Emergency Preparedness & Resiliency and Wellness & Safety will be taken and posted on the City of Park Ridge website and local community oriented social media sites.

Here's an example: The Spencer Family has been Caught Doing Good by raising awareness of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, one of the nation's largest non-profits dedicated to saving lives and bringing hope to those affected by suicide. Will you be caught next?

Mental Health awareness

Everyone can relate to mental health concerns. It is something that we all may experience, either on a personal level or through family or friends. The Park Ridge Mental Health Resource Guide has recently been updated for 2018, and is an excellent tool to provide you or a loved one information about local services. In Park Ridge, approximately 3,800 households experience anxiety, depression or other mental health concerns. The main reason residents do not seek counseling is because they do not know where to go. In Park Ridge, approximately 3,200 households feel that caring for an isolated neighbor is a top concern. About 1,200 households have difficulty finding support services for older adults and seniors. The free Resource Guide is available at the Park Ridge Police Department or available in digital form at www.parkridgepolice.org



Asthma, allergies, health concerns?



The local air quality index(AQI) is now available on the **Community Health Commission's webpage**. Air Quality data and weather related data are provided courtesy of the Environmental Protection Agency. Select **Community Information** on the City's website at www.parkridge.us for more information.

PR Lions Club**Thursday's @ Harp & Fiddle; noon****Center of Concern****Every Monday; by appt.**

Employment Counseling

Every Wednesday, by appt.

Grief & Loss Counseling

Seniors & Caregiving Counseling

Medicare Counseling

Legal Counseling

847/823-0453

Yoga at St. Luke's Church

Tuesdays; 7:00 - 8:15pm

Thursday; 9:30 - 10:45am

Chair Yoga - Thursday; 11:00am - noon

\$5 / class donation appreciated

JULY**3 Tuesday****Fireworks; 6:30pm**

PR Park District @ Maine East HS

4 Wednesday**Kiwanis Kiddie Day Parade; 9:15 am**

Hodges Park

4th of July Party; 1:00pm

PR Park District @ Hinkley Pool

6 Friday**Cruisin' Park Ridge; 6:00pm**

PR Chamber of Commerce @ Library Parking Lot

7 Saturday**Iannelli Exhibit; 10:00am**

Kalo Foundation @ Iannelli Studio

(also 7/14, 21& 28)

Winter in July; 1:00pm

PR Park District @ Centennial Aquatic Center

11 Wednesday**Monthly Luncheon; 11:30am**

PR Chamber of Commerce @ Outback Steakhouse

12 Thursday**Capture the Flag; 6:00pm**

PR Park District @ Wildwood Nature Center

Taste of Park Ridge (through Saturday 7/14) Uptown Park Ridge**13 Friday****D64 Summer Session 2 ends****Book Sale; 9am - 2pm**

Friends of the Library @ PR Library

14 Saturday**Body Pump 106 Launch Party; 9:15am**

PR Park District @ Centennial Fitness Center

Jersey Day Open Skate; 1:00pm

PR Park District @ Oakton Ice Arena

15 Sunday**Sundae Funday; noon**

PR Park District @ Prospect Park Splash Pad

16 Monday**Body Attack 101 Launch Party; 7:05pm**

PR Park District @ Centennial Fitness Center

19 Thursday**Movie in the Park - Coco; 7:00pm**

PR Park District @ Prospect Park

20 Friday**Family Campfire; 7:00pm**

PR Park District @ Wildwood Nature Center

21 Saturday**"Broadway Now" Concert; 7:00pm**

PR Chorale @ St Luke's Lutheran Church

22 Sunday**Summer Workout in the Park - Yoga; 10:00am**

PR Park District @ Wildwood Nature Center

Family Concert - Jigglejam Band; 2:30pm

PR Park District @ Prospect Park

23 Monday**Golf & Tennis Classic; Noon**

Avenues to Independence @ PR Country Club

25 Wednesday**Capture the Flag; 6:00pm**

PR Park District @ Wildwood Nature Center

27 Friday**Elected Official's Grilling for the Arts Fundraiser**

Front of City Hall before the Concert

28 Saturday**County Farm Fair; 12:00pm**

PR Park District @ Wildwood Nature Center

Sand Volleyball Tournament; 5:00pm

PR Park District @ Hinkley Park

30 Monday**Hymn Festival; 7:00pm**

St. Luke's Lutheran Church

AUGUST**3 Friday****Cruisin' Park Ridge; 6:00pm**

PR Chamber of Commerce @ Library Parking Lot

Tino & the Latin Swing Factor Concert; 8:00pm

PR Park District @ Hodges Park

4 Saturday**Kite Fest; 10:00am**

PR Park District @ Hinkley Park

Clara Wells 150th Birthday Celebration; 11:30am

Kalo Foundation @ Prospect Park

5 Sunday**Summer Luau; 1:00pm**

PR Park District @ Hinkley Pool

7 Tuesday**Summer Workout in the Park - Aqua Fit; 5:30pm**

PR Park District @ Hinkley Pool

National Night Out; 6:30 - 9:00pm

City of Park Ridge @ Hodges Park

Maine Township @ Dee Park

10 Friday**Family Campfire; 7:00pm**

PR Park District @ Wildwood Nature Center

12 Sunday**Pirate Day; 1:00pm**

PR Park District @ Centennial Aquatic Center

18 Saturday**Vine Street BBQ Competition; 6 am**

Hodges Park

20 Monday**D64 School Opens 2018 -2019****24 Friday****Friday Night Live Club; 7:00pm**

PR Park District @ Maine Park

SEPTEMBER**7 Friday****Alumnae Luncheon; Noon**

PR Panhellenic @ PR Country Club

Cruisin' Park Ridge; 6:00pm

PR Chamber of Commerce @ Library Parking Lot

8 Saturday**Community Wide Garage Sale; 8am - 4pm**www.parkridgecommunitywidegaragesale.com**9 Sunday****Exhibit Opening & Gala Reception; 11am - 4pm**

PR Art League @ Iannelli Studio

13 Thursday**Club Meeting; 7:00pm**

PR Garden Club @ Centennial Activity Center

16 Sunday**Beyond the Runway Tea & Fashion Show; 2:00pm**

Ave to Independence @ Allgowers Northbrook

22 Saturday**Spirit of Old Park Ridge Cemetery Walk; 10:00am**

PR Historical Society @ Town of Maine Cemetery

27 Thursday**Kiwanis Club of PR Peanut Days**

(also 9/28 & 9/29)

Fall Play; 7:30pm

Maine East Auditorium

(9/28 @ 7:30pm, 9/29 @ 2:00pm)

29 Saturday**Community Garage Sale; 9am - 3pm**

Maine Township Town Hall

**Friday, July 6 - Spanish Soundscape**Enjoy a "virtual visit" to sunny Spain through the music of Bizet, Massenet, Fauré, and Rimsky-Korsakov, with his colorful *Capriccio Espagnol*.**Friday, July 13 - Taste of Tchaikovsky**

Selections from Tchaikovsky's exquisite ballet scores, plus his masterful Symphony No. 5 in E minor.

Friday, July 20 - Broadway's BestFamiliar medleys from classic Broadway shows, plus highlights from *Hamilton*, *Chicago*, and other recent Broadway hits.**Friday, July 27 - Grilling for the Arts Fundraiser AND Bonus Concert by the Brian Patti Big Band - A Tribute to Benny Goodman, the King of Swing**

Legendary jazz clarinetist and band leader Benny Goodman had an indelible impact on music history, ushering in the swing era of the 1930's with an array of memorable tunes. Also this evening, the Elected Official of Park Ridge will be hosting its annual "Grilling for the Arts". Wear your favorite Hawaiian shirt to honor the late Mayor Dave Schmidt and Alderman Daniel Knight.

Taste of Park Ridge

Get ready for great family fun, food, and entertainment. The

Taste of Park Ridge is sure to provide a wide array of delicious delights to its patrons, in addition to offering class-acts on the entertainment stage and fun for the entire family.

Setup for this event begins at midnight on Wednesday, July 11. Summit Avenue will be closed Wednesday until early Sunday morning. Courtland between Butler and Prospect will be closed all day Friday and Saturday. Festivities begin on Thursday, July 12 and will continue through Saturday, July 14. Hours are 11 a.m. until 10:30 p.m. Thursday, and until 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Visit www.tasteofparkridge.com for complete details about this great event.

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Ride on!

Funding was approved in the City's budget to expand bike infrastructure as recommended by the 2018 draft Bicycle Plan. Key projects include City-wide directional signs to help cyclists identify bike routes and destinations; a dedicated bike lane; combined bike/parking lanes; and, bike racks in key destinations such as Uptown and South Park.



The Bike Task Force, a City appointed volunteer group, meets on the first Wednesday of every month at City Hall. The group has worked tirelessly over the last few months determining the locations of signage and pursuing other implementation actions. Residents will begin to notice the new bike improvements over the course of the coming year. The Task Force and City staff are committed to diligent and careful work that considers data and responds to public feedback.

Enhancing mobility options for residents is a goal that resulted from the City's 2016 Strategic Plan process. Questions about ongoing bike implementation can be directed to Task Force Chairman Jim O'Donnell via the staff liaison, John Carlisle, AICP, at jcarlisle@parkridge.us.

In the meantime, interested residents can become involved with Bike & Walk Park Ridge (facebook.com/groups/439159322957414) and the "Kidical Mass" organized family bike rides (facebook.com/ChicagoFamilyBiking). The following rides have been scheduled and we hope you can join in. Enjoy the ride!



Sunday, June 24, 2 p.m.; Scouts Ride; departs the Park Ridge Presbyterian Church, 1300 W. Crescent Ave.

Saturday, July 21, 2 p.m.; Ice Cream Ride; departs from Franklin Elementary at Northwest Park, 1200 N. Dee Road

Saturday, August 25, 9 a.m.; Back to School Ride; departs from Southwest Park, 1600 S. Lincoln Avenue

Saturday, September 29, 2 p.m.; Superhero Ride; departs from Park Ridge Presbyterian Church at 1300 W. Crescent Ave.

Saturday, October 27, 9 a.m.; Halloween Costume Ride; departs from Franklin Elementary at Northwest Park, 1200 N. Dee Road

For more info, visit www.rideillinois.org/news and click on the article about Park Ridge.



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July 5, August 2, September 6

8 am—11 am in the lobby at City Hall

Please note that this program is for residents living in SWANCC member communities only. Be prepared to show your I.D. when dropping off your items.

A drop box is also located inside the lobby of the Police Department at 200 Vine for the disposal of solid forms of prescription medications 24/7. PLEASE, do not place liquid meds or any sharps in this box.

Need a ride?

Since 1971, FISH of Park Ridge (Friends Indeed Serve and Help) has provided FREE door to door medical



appointment transportation for Park Ridge residents. FISH now serves both Park Ridge and Maine Township residents. To schedule a ride, simply contact FISH ride coordinator Austin at 847/297-2510 x 283 at Maine Township Hall.

Last year, FISH volunteers provided over 1200 rides for older adults, dialysis patients and others in Park Ridge and Maine Township who needed to get to medical appointments. Volunteers also contributed over 2500 hours of service, all on a modest budget.

For additional information, kindly contact Ed Oken, FISH President at 847/696-0761.