

The Peace Pipe

A Quarterly Newsletter Published By
THE VILLAGE OF CALUMET PARK For the Residents of Calumet Park

FROM THE DESK OF **Mayor Denson**



Ronald Denson Mayor, Calumet Park

Coming Soon - New Construction

We are pleased to announce that Mack Industries, a well-known developer and builder of new construction in the south suburban area is investing in our community!

Their private investment of \$12 million dollars will build quality mixed-use residential and commercial properties located at the corners of Ashland and 124th Streets, (next to the Metra Train Station). This six acre site is currently vacant land and was formerly used for mobile home rentals. Most residents living in the area have seen the property become obsolescence and falling below minimum housing code standards (pictured at the right is the former mobile home court).

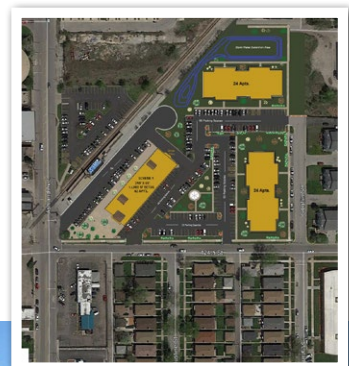
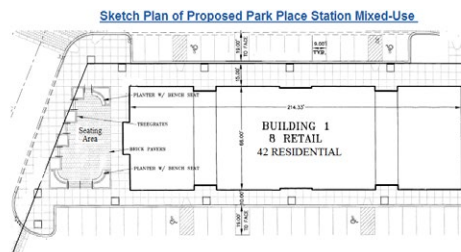
The Developer's plan is to bring sustainable and affordable apartment units with multi-retail use. Future plans are to convert these units to owner-occupied condominiums. The combination of location, features and amenities will also provide convenience to schools, recreation, shopping, and easy access that is within walking distance to the Metra Train Station.

We look forward to this private investment in our community that will enhance housing needs even more!

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and staff, have a wonderful fall season.

Best regards,

Mayor Ronald Denson



Park Place Station
A Development by Mack Industries

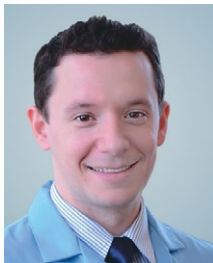
Representative Example

Convenient!

7 area locations. 11 trusted providers.

With seven locations and same-day appointments often available, you won't face a long wait for care. We're here to help patients of all ages stay healthy, with services ranging from preventive care to the treatment of everyday illnesses and chronic conditions.

Call today and ask about same-day appointments. Saturday and extended hours are often available.



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Need a specialist? Call our doctor referral line at 708-489-7925.

A Message from **Calumet Park Fire Department**

Department enhancements and awareness keeps you safe

We are happy to announce that the Fire Department will take delivery of a new 2016 fully equipped ambulance. The new unit will replace our 2003 Ford F350. We expect our new ambulance will be placed in service by October, 2016.

October 10-14 is Fire Prevention Week. Smoke alarms save lives! Smoke alarms that are properly installed and maintained play a vital role in reducing fire deaths and injuries. If there is a fire in your home, smoke spreads fast and you need smoke alarms to give you time to get out.

Here's what you need to know!

- A closed door may slow the spread of smoke, heat and fire. Install smoke alarms in every sleeping room and outside each separate sleeping area. Install alarms on every level of the home

- Smoke alarms should be interconnected. When one sounds, they all sound.
- Large homes may need extra smoke alarms
- Test your smoke alarms at least once a month. Press the test button to be sure the alarm is working and if not, replace batteries
- There are two kinds of alarms. Ionization smoke alarms are quicker to warn about flaming fires. Photoelectric alarms are quicker to warn about smoldering fires. It is best to use both types of alarms in the home.
- When a smoke alarm sounds, get outside and stay outside.
- Replace smoke alarms in your home every 10 years.

Howard Fisher,
Fire Chief

A Message from **Calumet Park Police Department**

Critical advice that will ensure your safety

Tips for pedestrians or bike riders

- Never walk alone--always travel with a buddy.
- Pay attention to all traffic signals and crossing guards along the way.
- Never cross the street against a stop light.
- Always wear a helmet when riding a bicycle.
- Avoid ill-fitting clothing that could get caught in spokes or pedals or restrict movement, and wear reflective colors and material to be more visible to street traffic.
- Walk your bicycle across all intersections.

Make sure babies and young children are in safety seats at all times, and that safety seats have been properly installed. Read your car's manual for safety precautions especially related to the car and its air bags.

Remind teenagers to take extra precautions if they are driving to school or riding with another teenage driver.

Tips for car drivers & Passengers

Everyone in the car should wear a seatbelt, as they lower the risk of injury in the event of a crash by 45 percent.

Kenneth Mann,
Chief of Police



A Message from the **Community Relations Commission (CRC)**

Well Maintained Home Winners

The Mayor and the Community Relations Commission would like to salute the winners of the "Well Maintained Home" contest held at the Community Festival on August 13.

The top winners were Leon Carter, Willie Quilleh, James Scott, Wayne and Eve Bramlette and Robert Talaski.

Each of the winners received a plaque with their name and a yard sign identifying them as a beautification award winner.

Thank you for all of your work in keeping our community beautiful!

Daniel White, Trustee
CRC Chairman



FALL FORWARD



Calumet Park
Parks + Recreation Department



Summer Reflections

This was a jam-packed Summer for CPPRD, full with an award-winning CoverGirls Dance Team, a powerhouse High School AAU Jaguar Team, a record breaking Summer Day Camp, a competitive Little League, and programs galore. We thank the residents and participants for making this past Summer (say it ain't so!) Now we prepare for Fall and all its great activities!



Be Active @ The Rita Jackson Memorial Fitness Center

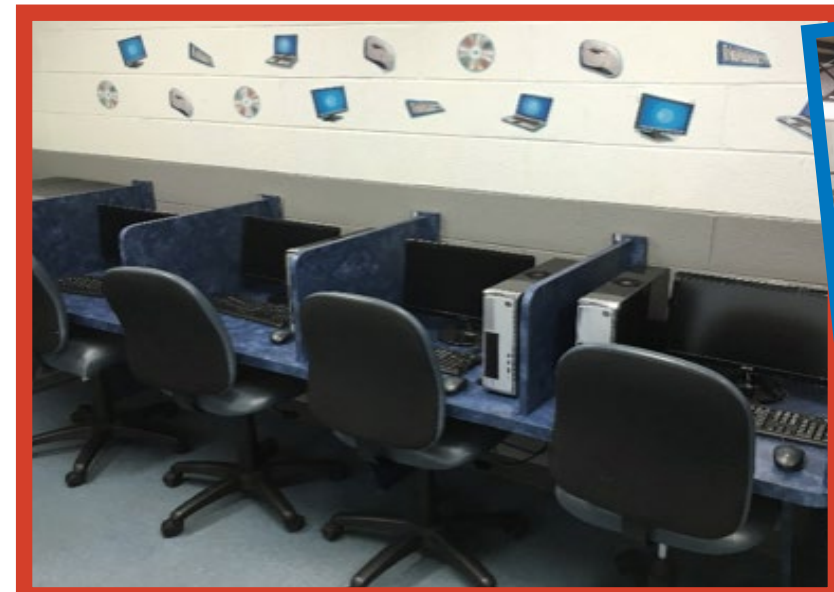
Why spend upwards of \$35/month use \$10 of? Right here in Calumet that compliments your cardio and us for registration information.

Cost: \$5/month (residents) - \$7/
\$50 for Residents (A two-month discount)



New Computer Lab + Floor Finish

CPPRD sends a heartfelt thank you to Mayor Denson and Trustee Hampton, for approving both an updated Computer Lab. We continue to serve the community in both technology and physical recreation, let the fall begin!



In partnership with USA Basketball, the organization which forms the international/Olympic teams of the very best American athletes, its Youth Development division has agreed to sponsor our Grammar – High School Open Gym program! From Sep 18th to Dec 4th, every Sunday, the organization will reward participants for coming to open gym as it currently is, in an effort to encourage youth to get out and play. At the end, those with the most attendance will receive awesome Nike and USA Basketball products. What's there to lose?

Ages:
6-9 (Sunday from 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.)
10-12 (Sunday from 3 p.m. – 5 p.m.)
13-17 (Sunday from 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.)



Rental + Event Opportunities

Do you see this picture? Do you see the vendors, the customers, the space and cleanliness of the facility? Why rent anywhere else? Call CPPRD to book your event here and you won't find anyone in this area who can beat our prices! Event photo courtesy of Ms. Brandi Woods. Thank you Ms. Woods for hosting your event here.



2016 COMMUNITY FESTIVAL





A Message from **CALCOMM911**

September 15, 2016 will mark the first year anniversary of the Calumet Park CALCOMM 9-1-1 Center. This date reflects one year of continuous communication services to the Village of Calumet Park and the Village of Sauk Village. As of August 28, 2016, 108,862 calls were received and 34,253 Computer Aided Dispatch calls for police and fire. We are more than satisfied and thankful to our partners, Kurtz Ambulance and Chicago Communications who have provided us with their uppermost professional and technological communication services.

Presently, the Village successfully recruited the Village of Midlothian and they will join CALCOMM in the next few months.

The Village of Calumet Park takes great pride in its accomplishment and looks forward to adding additional south suburban municipalities to join our public safety dispatch community.

Mark Davis

Executive Director,
CALCOMM



A Message from **Chamber of Commerce**

This year eleven students from Calumet Public School District #132 received cash scholarships from the “Denise Watson Scholarship Fund”. We hope this will help them purchase some items they will need to move on in their journey of life.

The “Books to Baseball Program” sponsored in conjunction with the Village and School District was our best year ever! Children participation was up from last year and many more parents volunteered their time to make this program successful. We wish to thank those parents for giving us a helping hand this season.

Our Annual Fundraiser was held in conjunction with the Community Festival on August 13. Among the top prizes were a 55” HDTV, 14” Dell Laptop, \$200 Ultra Food Gift Card, multiple cash prizes, and other numerous prizes. The fundraiser was a huge success as we sold-out of raffle tickets! We wish to thank the entire community and businesses for their support at this event.

Economic growth continues to expand due to the efforts of Mayor Denson and his staff. The Chamber is working closely with them to promote and bring new businesses and employment opportunities to the community.

Again, we wish to thank everyone for their support of the Chamber’s Annual Fundraiser and we appreciate the community’s continued patronage of its local businesses.

Michael A. Valente, Sr.

President,
CPCC

Tips for Responsible Disposal and Recycling

What does the beginning of the new school year have in common with Football (NFL), Hockey (NHL) and the World Series (MLB)? They are all indications that fall is here! With fall comes cooler temperatures, beautiful colors on the trees...and leaves on the ground. Village ordinance prohibits placing leaves and other yard waste by curbs and in the streets. This includes blowing (including using a lawnmower with no collection bag), raking, and sweeping them into the streets.

Please place yard waste in approved disposable bags by garbage containers for proper pick up. Don't place leaves and other yard waste in the streets or by curbs as this will block the sewers which could potentially increase the chance of flooding of the streets. Be on the look out for posted "no parking signs" as the street sweeper will be out sweeping the streets and trying to remove the fallen leaves starting in October.

For items that cannot be picked up during normal rounds by the garbage company such as couches, mattresses, T.V's and other large items, please call Republic Services (formerly known as Groen) at (708) 385-8252, and request a special pick up to avoid fines from the Village.

RECYCLING CONTAINERS

Don't forget to recycle! The following materials are acceptable items you can dispose in your designated blue containers:

Acceptable Recycling Items:

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| Magazines | Cardboard |
| Office Paper | LDPE Plastics |
| Aluminum & Tin | PET Plastics |
| Newspaper | Chipboard |
| Telephone Books | Glass |
| Bi-metal materials | HDPE Plastics |

WINTER TIPS FOR UNOCCUPIED HOMES

Winterize any unheated and unoccupied properties. This can be done by making an appointment with the Water Department to have your water turned off from the outside. Residents can also turn off water inside the home by closing the valve. The valve is located next to the water meter. Once the water is off, turn on your water faucets and drain the water from all water lines.

STREET SIGNS

Phase I of the street sign replacement project is nearly completed. Residents on the west end of the Village (Paulina to Winchester) may notice that the new street signs are mounted higher in the air to eliminate vandalism. These signs have a new reflective material, lettering and numbers. We will continue to work on this signage program this year as long as weather permits.



YOUR COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Please mark these important dates on your calendar

OCTOBER 31

HALLOWEEN PARTY
RECREATION CENTER – 4:00 P.M.

NOVEMBER 24-25

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY
VILLAGE OFFICES CLOSED

NOVEMBER 24

VILLAGE BOARD & CITIZENS MEETINGS
CANCELLED

DECEMBER 10

SENIOR CITIZENS LUNCHEON
10:00 A.M. – NOON
RECREATION CENTER

DECEMBER 22

VILLAGE BOARD & CITIZENS MEETINGS
CANCELLED

DECEMBER 25-26

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
VILLAGE OFFICES CLOSED

VILLAGE OFFICES ARE OPEN ON

COLUMBUS DAY AND VETERANS DAY



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Important Numbers

Police and Fire.....9-1-1
 Fire Non-Emergency.....385-0550
 Police Non-Emergency.....385-6862
 Community Relations Commission,
 Parking Administrator and
 Clerk's Office.....389-0850
(Se Habla Español)
 Library.....385-5768
 Public Works.....389-3895
 Recreation Center.....597-3535
 Water Department.....388-1415
 Building Department.....389-0850 Ext#127
 School Board Dist #132.....388-8920
 Senior Citizens' Center.....388-6606

We are Happy to Serve You!

CITIZENS CONCERNS MEETINGS held in Village Hall at 7:00 p.m.,
 every fourth Thursday each month

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETINGS held in Village Hall at 8:00 p.m.,
 every second and fourth Thursdays each month

CAPS MEETING every fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.,
 Recreation Center – 12426 S. Loomis Street



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 public hearings, the fire department, the police department,
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