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

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Let's Keep Working Together

The

by Mayor Ronald Denson

First of all, I want to thank our residents for electing me as your Mayor this past April. Secondly, I am proud to say that we have a great community and I wish to assure the citizens of Calumet Park that my focus will remain enthusiastic, sincere and dedicated to this community's future.

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As citizens, I can only ask for your interest, involvement and concern for our community. That being said, 2017 kicked-off the start of our Town Hall Meeting on April 8 th at the Recreation Center.



future to keep our residents informed and in touch with their Village government.

Sadly, it was announced that our Ultra Food Store is closing on June 17. Ultra has been operating in the Village for over 15 years. I have reached out to

> Ultra's owners to learn of their future plans. I am hopeful that the store may be reopened under different management but it is still uncertain how long it will remain closed. In closing, the Village has offered to work with Ultra within its

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In an effort to reach out to our citizens, your elected officials and department heads and staff participated in the meeting answering residents' questions that pertain to Village operations, governance, economic development public safety and other initiatives planned for 2017. The event was well attended and dialogue meaningful for all. The Village will continue more Town Hall Meetings in the near capabilities to re-open and continue serving our community.

To all the residents and their families, please have a happy and healthy spring season this year.

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Mayor Ronald Denson

LOCATIONS. 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.



MetroSouth Health Center at Alsip

12246 S. Pulaski Rd. 708-385-5601 Ankita Dalal, M.D. Humaira Khan, M.D.

MetroSouth Health Center at Blue Island

MetroSouth Doctors Pavilion 2310 York St., Suite 5A 708-489-7800 David Beckmann, M.D. Zahrain St. Jean, M.D. Ann Scoigletti, FNP

MetroSouth Health Center at Calumet Township 12549 S. Ashland Ave. 708-489-5662 Matthew Griffin, M.D. Vanessa Howard, FNP

MetroSouth Health Center at Morgan Park

1701 W. Monterey Ave., Chicago 773-298-9800 Kimberly Townsend-Scott, M.D. Vanessa Howard, FNP

MetroSouth Health Center at Palos Heights

13305 S. Ridgeland Ave. 708-389-9226 David Beckmann, M.D. Ann Scoigletti, FNP

at South Holland 401 E. 162nd St. 708-210-2001 Kara Davis, M.D.

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at West Beverly 11250 S. Western Ave., Chicago 773-779-7500 Kevin Dolehide, D.O. Matthew Griffin, M.D. Amy Knight, PA Mary Maroney, NP

A MESSAGE FROM



State approves **Emergency 9-1-1 Consolidation Plan**



On Monday, April 17, 2017 Mayor Ronald Denson sent a contingent of CALCOMM representatives to Springfield, Illinois to present the Village of Calumet Park's Consolidation Plan to the Statewide 9-1-1 Advisory Board for approval. The State of Illinois enacted SB 96 into law as P.A. 99-0006 which in a nut shell required all emergency 9-1-1 systems in the State serving a population of less than 25,000 to consolidate. In addition, a plan for consolidation must be submitted and approved by the state by July 17, 2017. The Village Attorney, Ms. Claudia Castro made the presentation, presented our plan to the advisory members. She was accompanied by Executive Director Mark Davis, Police Chief Kenneth Mann, Fire Chief Howard Fisher, Assistant Chief Gerard Corrigan, Administrative Supervisor, Susan Stacey and Police Chief Robert Kowalski from Sauk Village. We are pleased to report that our consolidation plan consisting of Village of Sauk Village, Calumet Park, Posen and Midlothian received unanimous vote to proceed.

Mayor Denson and his staff worked vigorously to set this plan in motion and all members of the CALCOMM community are to be congratulated for their efforts in assuring that our plan was approved.



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Townsend-Scott, M.D.

Board-Certified in Family Medicine

Family Medicine



Zahrain St. Jean, M.D. Board-Certified in Family Medicine



Kara Davis, M.D. Board-Certified in Internal Medicine



Kevin Dolehide, D.O. Board-Certified in Gastroenterology



Vanessa Howard, FNP Amy Knight, PA



Mary Maroney, NP



Humaira Khan, M.D. Board-Certified in Family Medicine



Ann Scoigletti, FNP



TREE TRIMMING **SCHEDULED IN YOUR AREA**

IMPORTANT



Arborists performing vegetation management for ComEd will be working in your neighborhood within the next 3 months.

> This is a courtesy notification. No response is necessary.



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Flood Aid Begins June 1st

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In an effort to assist residents with water related problems affecting their homes due to flooding, the Village of Calumet Park has initiated an Overhead Sewer Program beginning June 1, 2017. The program will offer financial assistance to residents for the costs of installing overhead sewers. Overhead sewers are a gravity flow system that connects into the Village sewer system and primarily used as a flood control system.

Overhead sewers are installed by licensed and professional plumbers.

For more details, please request a copy of the instructions and an application after June 1, 2017 or stop by the Village Clerk's Office to obtain further information.

Calumet Park Fire Department

Kid's Fire Academy **Enrollment Begins**



in June

The Calumet Park Fire Department is accepting enrollments to its Kid's Fire Academy I for ages 5-8 year olds beginning on June 19 through June 23 at the Fire Station.

Kid's Fire Academy II for ages 9-12 year olds begins June 26 through June 30 at the Fire Station.

Both Kid's Fire Academy I & II will teach life-safety fundamentals and help

children and their families make positive choices about their personal safety and well-being. Sign-up today at the Fire Station for a fun and enjoyable way to learn life-saving experiences!

A smoke alarm is the most important safety feature of your home. Properly installed, working smoke alarms provide the early warning you need to safely escape from a fire. That being said, fire department personnel will be visiting homeowners in July to offer advice on how to choose both a smoke and CO2 alarms and where to install them in your home, including maintenance tips.



This is the season for outdoor grilling and everyone is interested in having a safe and enjoyable time. The Department would like to share some information on open flame cooking devices:

- Grills must be used outdoors.
- Position the grill 15 feet away from siding, deck railings, other combustibles, and out from under eaves or overhanging vegetation.
- Place the grill a safe distance from lawn games, play areas and foot traffic.
- Keep children and pets away from the grill area-declare a 3-foot "safe zone" around the grill.
- Put out several long-handled grilling tools to give the Chef plenty of clearance from heat and flames.
- Periodically remove grease or fat buildup in trays below grill so it cannot be ignited by heat.

Howard Fisher Fire Chief



RESOURCE BOOTHS







presents...

FOOD • **GAMES**

Village of Calumet Park

Calumet Park Recreation Center 12426 S. Loomis

For more information, please contact Assistant Chief K Curtis or Sgt J Shefcik

MEET YOUR EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAMS





CALUMET PARK **AUGUST 5, 2017**

The Village of Calumet Park, along with the Calumet Park Chamber of Commerce and School District 132, will be hosting the

5th Annual Village of Calumet Park **Community Fest and Parade**

The Fest will be held at the Parks & Recreation Center at 12426 Loomis starting at 11:00am

If you would like to participate in the parade or be a vendor for the event please contact the Village Hall Monday through Friday 9 am to 5 pm. 708-926-7405 Parade at 10:00am Fest beginning at 11:00am

> **Games for the** Kids!!

Local Food Vendors

Student Talent Show

Jazz in the Park

Arts and Crafts

Show

VILLAGE OF **CALUMET PARK PARKS & RECREATION** CENTER

12426 S. Loomis **Calumet Park, IL** 60827

Visit us at:



Get Ready for Summer Activities!

SUMMER DAY CAMP From: June 12th – August 11th

Register now and your kids will no doubt enjoy the South Suburb's #1 summer day camp! From



swimming, field trips, health and nutrition, cultural lessons, virtually free lunch and a fun-filled slate of indoor and outdoor recreation activities, you can't let your kid(s) miss out, sign them up at the Recreation Center and keep 'em active!

CALUMET PARK LITTLE LEAGUE

We at CPPRD in partnership with SD132 are launching CPLL in April, kicking off at the school

district is the Books to Baseball component, were the little sluggers learn valuable skills, then Draft Day at the Recreation Center on April 29th,



complete with a full season until July and a host of trips in between. For more information, lease call the Recreation Center.

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT From: June 5th – August

We are now accepting applications at CPPRD! Many careers and next step employment opportunities started here at CPPRD for so many in Calumet Park and we want to continue that tradition for the



next generation of employees. At the direction of the Honorable, Mayor Denson, we are able to hire those who want to apply for office work, summer day camp counselors, baseball coaches, outdoor maintenance, and interior management of the Recreation Center. Regardless of the division, you will gain valuable skills, develop quality characteristics, and become a leader in your community.

PRINCESS + TEA

Until now, we were in need of an etiquette program for our young ladies and now, under the direction of Ms. Echols and her team, it has come to fruition. In our inaugural program, they have covered lessons of open communication, conflict resolution, hygiene,



and much more. We have provided care packages, journals, t-shirts, and school supplies to our pioneering ladies, they are our future. The program concludes with a Formal Tea and Closing Ceremony on May 6th. Ms. E is assisted by Ms. Sims, Ms. Linda Sims, and our very own, Ms. Zhane Houston

Jonathan Shaw, Director Parks & Recreation

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Congratulation



Chef TURON CUMMINGS

At the March 9th Board of Trustees meeting, Mayor Denson honored Calumet Park native Chef Turon Cummings with a Proclamation for his outstanding culinary achievements (pictured with Mayor Denson and his family). Besides running a restaurant business, he participates in several youth mentoring initiatives in the culinary world.



Congratulations, Damari Reed! Damari is a 7th Grader at Calumet Park Middle School

On March 11, 2017, Damari competed in the Illinois Kids Wrestling Federation and came in 1st Place in his weight class. Pictured above are Mayor Ronald Denson, Damari Reed and Roderick Reed.

We are pleased to announce that the LED street light less than 45 pounds. We recommend that all residents, especially new residents ask for a copy to upgrade program has been completed almost a month ahead of the projected completion date. The Village read all of the Village ordinances related to home/ received funding for this project through a grant property maintenance for owners and renters. from the Department of Economic & Opportunities Commission (DCEO). These new lights are brighter Street sweeping has started and continues through and more energy efficient while providing added October depending on the weather. safety, beauty and costs effectiveness.

Phase 2 of the street sign replacement program is about to begin. At our current pace we should have the entire Village completed before the 2018 state mandated deadline.

As the weather becomes warmer and yard waste season approaches please remember that it is against Village ordinances to blow, rake or sweep yard waste/clippings onto Village streets. You



are required to use bio-degradable paper bags

that can easily be purchased We are pleased to announce that the Village of Calumet Park was recognized by the Illinois at any hardware or home Section of American Water Works Association improvement stores. 100 Year Club Award Winner in 2017. Pictured If you are unable to containerize your yard waste such above is Water Foreman Shon Bailey accepting as branches and bushes, you can bundle the branches that award on behalf of the Village. together so that the Republic Waste Company can pick them up. You can also call Republic Waste at (708) 385-8252 for special pick up needs. The branches must be cut to a length that is less than Marci Smith, Director 48"long, and the bundles must be tied and weighing Public Works

Public Works Department

Public Works Updates: Your Village WORKS for You!





CRC ANNUAL CONTEST • CRC ANNUAL CONTEST • CRC ANNUAL CONTEST



(Community Relations Commission)

The CRC will be holding its annual contest to award the best-well maintained homes in Calumet Park. The Contest begins June 16 through August 8 th. Residents who wish to register for the contest may pick up their application from the Clerk's Office in Village Hall located at 12409 S. Throop.

Winners will be announced at the Community Festival on August 5 th located at the Recreation Center, 12426 S. Loomis.

Daniel O. White, Chairman CRC



May 19, 2017 Cop On A Roof - 5:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. **Benefits Special Olympics** Dunkin Donuts @ 127th Street

May 29, 2017 Memorial Day Holiday – Village Offices Closed

June 1, 2017 Vehicle Stickers Go On Sale at Village Hall

> June 2, 2017 Public Safety Awareness Day Village Hall –11:00 A.M.

> June 28, 2017 Community Unity Day Recreation Center – 4:00 P.M.

July 4, 2017 Independence Day Holiday - Village Offices Closed

August 5, 2017 5th Annual Community Parade & Festival Parade Starts @ 10:A.M. – 124th & Loomis Streets Festival Starts @11:00 A.M. – Recreation Center



April 27, 2017 Community Hall Meeting 6:00pm Village Board Meeting 7:00pm

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Important Numbers

Police and Fire9-1-1	
Fire Non-Emergency 385-0550	
Police Non-Emergency	
Community Relations Commission 389-0850	
Traffic Compliance Administrator	
Clerk's Office	
(Se Habla Español)	
Library	
Public Works	
Recreation Center	
Water Department	
Building Department	
School Board Dist #132	
Senior Citizens' Center	
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We are Happy to Serve You!

CITIZENS CONCERNS MEETINGS held in Village Hall at 6:00 p.m., every fourth Thursday each month

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETINGS held in Village Hall at 7:00 p.m., every second and fourth Thursdays each month

CAPS MEETING every fourth Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m., Recreation Center – 12426 S. Loomis Street

CALUMET PARK

12409 SOUTH THROOP STREET CALUMET PARK, IL 60827



For more frequent news and information about board meetings, public hearings, the fire department, the police department, public works, the chamber of commerce and the building department, consult the website at www.calumetparkvillage.org Presort Standard U.S. POSTAGE **PAID** PERMIT #328 Blue Island, Illinois

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