



AGENDA

RECREATION COMMISSION

Recreation Commission: May 22, 2025 at 5:30 PM

Village Hall, 740 Hillgrove Avenue, Western Springs, Illinois 60558

- A. Call to Order**
- B. Approval of Minutes**
- C. Public Comment**
- D. New Business**
 - 1. Independent Contractor Agreements Renewal
 - 2. Willowbrook Senior Services Access
- E. Other Business**
 - 1. Staff Report - Interim Director of Recreation
 - 2. Staff Report - Recreation Program Manager
 - 3. Staff Report - Athletics Supervisor
 - 4. Staff Report - Administrative Coordinator
- F. Adjournment**

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AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

RECREATION COMMISSION

Recreation Commission: May 22, 2025

AGENDA ITEM D.1.

To: Recreation Commission

From: Casey Biernacki, Deputy Village Manager

CC: Nancy Flores, Interim Director of Recreation, Ellen Baer, Village Manager

RE: Independent Contractor Agreements Renewal

Recommendation

None.

Summary

In 2020, the Village of Western Springs established independent contractor agreements listed below. These contractors provide essential, well-loved, services and programming to residents of Western Springs and neighboring communities.

- Kensington School
- Grand Avenue Preschool and Daycare (Premier IL)
- Jo's Footwork Studio
- Mattix Music Studio
- Montessori School of Western Springs
- The Western Springs Historical Society

The agreements outline economic and non-economic provisions for each contractor to utilize space in the Recreation Center and/or the Grand Avenue Community Center. All six (6) agreements expire on June 30, 2025 and staff recommends a one-year renewal with a the same 2% annual increase, which is consistent with annual increases over the last five years. Staff intends to use the next year to review the existing provisions of the agreements, the square footage utilized by each contractor, and legal language updates.

Financial Impact

None.

Recommended Motion

None.

Strategic Plan Alignment

Financial Sustainability

File Attachments

None



AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY RECREATION COMMISSION

Recreation Commission: May 22, 2025

AGENDA ITEM D.2.

To: Recreation Commission

From: Casey Biernacki, Deputy Village Manager

CC: Ellen Baer, Village Manager, Nancy Flores, Interim Director of Recreation, Ryan Harrison, Recreation Administrative Coordinator

RE: Willowbrook Senior Services Access

Recommendation

Staff is seeking feedback from the Recreation Commission on two options that would allow the Village of Western Springs to continue providing current Senior Center programs while also adding access to travel opportunities with the Village of Willowbrook.

Summary

Staff is exploring a potential partnership with the Village of Willowbrook for additional access to senior services for residents of the Village of Western Springs over the age of 50. The Village of Willowbrook redesigned their Active Adult Recreation Program in 2022, with a focus on local, national, and international travel, in addition to regular programming. Trips span from a visit to regional restaurants to nine (9) day getaways to the French Riviera. All registration and trip coordination is planned by the Village of Willowbrook. There are two available options for partnership at this time, with each allowing residents of Western Springs to register at the resident rate:

- **Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA)** - The Village of Western Springs and the Village of Willowbrook would enter into a traditional IGA, passed by both Village Boards. The IGA outlines that both Western Springs and Willowbrook would convene annually to ensure there is no competition in programming. Willowbrook currently has IGAs with the Village of Hinsdale and the Burr Ridge Park District, both of which have no senior programming/senior centers. The IGA also has provisions that require Hinsdale and Burr Ridge to distribute Willowbrook's "The Scoop" registration guide. All agencies are also allowed to advertise recreation programming in the other agency's registration guides.
- **Partnership** - The Village of Western Springs and the Village of Willowbrook would enter into a less formal partnership. The partnering agency would advertise "The Scoop" in their own guide book, at their front desk, and online, in exchange for residents of their community having access to the resident rate and registration dates for the Willowbrook programming. Willowbrook currently has a partnership with the Darien Park District, which continues to have a senior center with similar programming to the Village of Western Springs.

- **Long Distance Travel Only** - Similar arrangement to the Partnership option, with residents of Western Springs only having access to long-distance travel trips and overnight travel programs. Willowbrook currently has this arrangement with the Pleasantview Park District.

Financial Impact

None.

Recommended Motion

None.

Strategic Plan Alignment

- Financial Sustainability
 - Evaluate and Explore Opportunities for Shared Services

File Attachments

1. The Scoop - 2025 Summer Scoop Program Guide

THE SCOOP

2025 Summer

Resident Rates apply to residents of Willowbrook, Burr Ridge Park District, Hinsdale & Darien Park District
Pleasant Dale Park District residents get resident rate on Long Distance Travel.

**ALL PROGRAMS REQUIRE
PRE-REGISTRATION**
No walk-in registrations
will be accepted

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SPICE THINGS UP!!
The Scoop Group is the
perfect place to start!



**Long Distance
Travel Details**
Bus & Plane Travel!



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the loop on hot, new programs

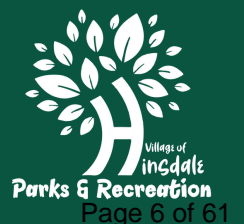


**The BRPD
Grapevine**
included in this issue

**MAILED & E-MAILED
SCOOPS ARE FREE TO RECEIVE!**
Call to get on the list



Registration begins
April 7th
www.willowbrookil.org
(630) 323-8215





Message from the Director

Here it is! The Summer Scoop edition! Teresa has been hard at work putting together an amazing program portfolio for all of you to enjoy. The Summer edition represents so much for all of us, sun, fun, and travel! One of the things that I admire most about Teresa is the unique details that she puts into each edition of The Scoop, you will not be disappointed in this one! There are a variety of tremendous One Day Trip opportunities, social and educational opportunities, along with our favorites like Bingo and Midday Matinee.

In the past few months, Teresa has been working to find new travel opportunities for you to explore as well. As I have mentioned in the past, we want to provide value and experiences for everyone to enjoy. These additional opportunities you will find attractive in the destinations and the prices. Being completely transparent, we have seen some significant increases in service fees and costs associated with our trips and events. I just want to reassure all of you that Teresa and I are doing our best to keep costs low so you can experience as many things as you desire. However, we do need some help from all of you as well. If you need to withdraw from a program, please let us know as soon as possible. This is critical to contractual agreements that the Village enters into to provide the activities and events. By your notification to us, then often times that will enable us to enroll someone off of the waitlist to replace you. Thus, assisting us to provide a refund. Our commitment to providing fun and affordable programming and activities will continue to be our foundational mission as we continue to navigate through a changing economic landscape.

The Summer of 2025 is shaping up to be a great one and I look forward to seeing all of you at our activities and events. Thank you for trusting us to be your source for fun and entertainment and enjoy the season!

 Dustin Kleefisch
Director of Parks & Recreation

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Scoop Release Dates

Summer Scoop	April
Fall Scoop	August
Winter/Spring Scoop	December

How to Register



IN-PERSON

Willowbrook Village Hall
835 Midway Drive
Willowbrook, IL 60527



BY PHONE

630-323-8215
Ask for Active
Adults Registration



ONLINE

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MAIL

Willowbrook Village Hall
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Registration begins April 7th. Be sure to register early!



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ACTIVE ADULT PROGRAM REGISTRATION INFORMATION



Refund Policy

A **\$3 refund fee** will automatically be applied to each program unless the program is canceled by the Village of Willowbrook. We make every attempt to be refund-friendly; however, no requested refunds are guaranteed. Prorated refunds will be issued only if our contract with the outside agency enables the Village of Willowbrook to recover the costs. Customers will be responsible for all fees already paid to outside agencies.

Resident Rates

Resident Rates will be applied to residents of the Village of Willowbrook, the Burr Ridge Park District, the Village of Hinsdale, and the Darien Park District. Pleasant Dale Park District will receive resident rates on Long Distance Extended Travel.

Scoop Participants

The programs in The Scoop are open to those 50 years of age and older from any community.

Registration Requirements

All programs (with or without a fee) **require pre-registration**. If there is a fee, payment will be required at the time of registration. **We cannot hold spots without payment.**

Registration Limits & Waitlists

All programs have registration limits. Placement on a waiting list is encouraged if a program is full. You will be contacted if a spot opens for you. Programs will be canceled if they do not meet the minimum enrollment. Be sure to register early.

Program Changes/Updates

All programs and their details are subject to change due to a wide variety of circumstances. We do our best to keep programs running as advertised; however, some things may be out of our control. If a change is required, any and all changes or updates will be relayed to all registered participants.

Allergies

Participants are fully responsible for alerting Village of Willowbrook staff to any serious allergies at the time of registration/during program.

Program Locations

Programs are held at various locations. Be sure to note the location of each activity.

Participant Communication

Our main form of communication will be **via email** unless no email is on file. Please pay close attention to your email for program updates and update the office of any changes.

Program Arrival Times

Arriving at least 15 minutes before your program is a must.



Bites Around the World will return in fall!

Returning
this
Fall

Classic Hollywood with Mae West

It's time to revisit **Classic Hollywood** with one of the highest paid actresses/producers of her time - **Mae West!** Dive headfirst into a time when she was talking over the scene. **Martina Mathisen as Mae West** is a historical portrayal of the one-of-a-kind actress, screenwriter and director like no other. Enjoy the delivery and a delicious lunch. Meet at the Club - transportation is not provided for this event.

Location: **Ruth Lake Country Club, 6200 S. Madison St. in Hinsdale



Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5609	W	5/21	12-2pm	\$47/\$49



A Magical Lunch Experience: Lite Bites & Enchanting Delights

Dr. Dave's interactive show will leave you **spellbound** as he blends wit, wonder, and mystery into every trick. It's the perfect way to enjoy good food amongst friends and experience a **touch of magic!** Guests will be served a **light lunch.**

Location: CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5832	Th	6/12	12-1:15pm	\$17/\$19



FROZEN SHOWDOWN

Join us for a fun and **interactive ice cream tasting** event where **YOU** are the **judge!** Sample a variety of delicious flavors, from classic favorites to creative combinations. After tasting, you'll have the opportunity to rate each one and help decide **which flavor reigns supreme.** It's a sweet experience you won't want to miss - come enjoy, taste, and cast your vote!

Location: CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook



Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5833	Th	7/17	12-1:30pm	\$15/\$17



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Village of Willowbrook & Burr Ridge Park District Active Adults

Global Guitar: A World Music Journey

Join us for **Global Guitar** featuring an electrifying performance blending the music of **Spain, Africa, Cuba,** and **Americana** with passionate **flamenco dance.** Two **virtuoso guitarists** bring these diverse cultures to life through dynamic duets and soulful solos. The **flamenco dancer** adds an exciting layer of energy, interpreting the music with dramatic footwork and movement. From fiery flamenco to soulful Cuban rhythms, this performance celebrates the power of **rhythm** and **melody.** Don't miss this unforgettable fusion of music and dance! **Delightful refreshments** will be served.

Location: CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5834	Tu	7/29	12-1:30pm	\$16/\$18

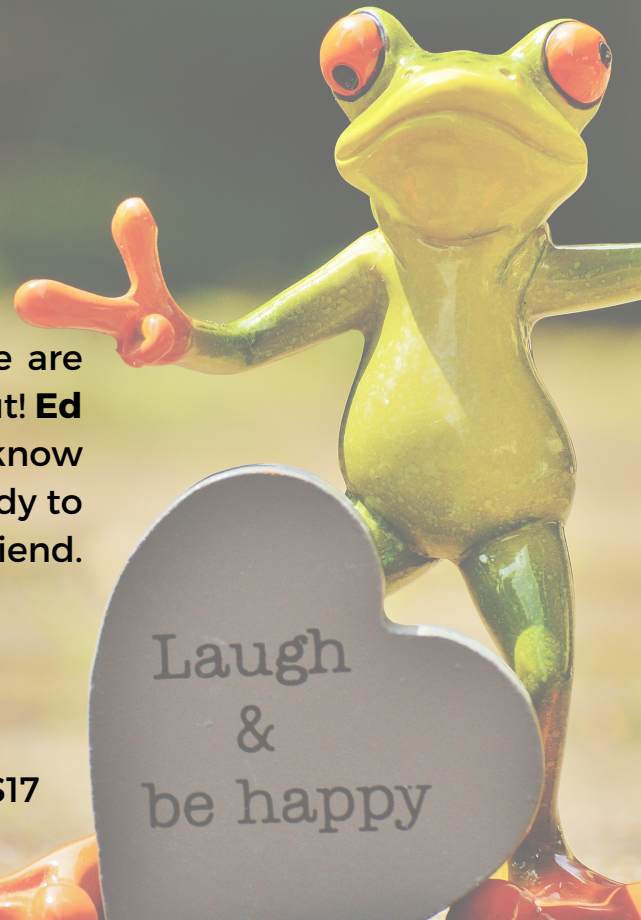




Comedy Hour with Radio Personality ED KERFIN

We are always ready to bring on **the giggles** - so we are bringing a **comedian** in-house to give us an ab workout! **Ed Kerfin** is a **local radio talent** and a **comedian**, so you know he has the gift of gab. He and his special guest are ready to knock your socks off. Bring a smile and a friend. **Refreshments** will be provided.

Location: CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook



Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5785	W	8/13	12-1:15pm	\$15/\$17

Summer Jam at Ruth Lake

We're not letting summer get away that easily! Join **THE JAMMERS** as we enjoy a delicious meal and grooving to the upbeat tunes of this talented band, playing a mix of **classic hits** and **summer jams**. It's the perfect way to groove, savor great food, and soak in the sunny vibes. The menu will be emailed to the group closer to the date. Don't miss this fun-filled afternoon of **rockin' music**, **great food**, and perfect **company**! No transportation provided.

Location: Meet at Ruth Lake Country Club, 6200 S. Madison St. in Hinsdale

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5835	W	9/17	12-1:30pm	\$62/\$65





BeWITCHing Brunch

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Behold an **enchancing brunch** only fit for the finest Brujas! We had such a blast last year, so let's get together again and have our minds blow by the **spellbinding magician** of the hour. This will happen only while partaking in a **rich brunch** complete with Assorted Fruit Juices, Miniature Muffins, Sliced Fresh Fruit, Danishes, Bagels, Eggs Benedict, French Toast, Chicken Balsamic, Carving Station with Roasted Sirloin, Hickory Bacon, and Herb Roasted Potatoes.

Witches attire is encouraged as the following **prizes will be awarded**: Glenda-the-Good-Witch-a-Like, Wickedest Witch, and the Scariest Witch. Should be a fabulous time with the ghouls! No transportation included.

Location: Meet at Ashton Place, 75th Street, Willowbrook***

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Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5853	W	10/22	11am-12:45pm	\$60



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Piece-ful Pursuit: The Puzzle Competition

Come compete for fun prizes at our first ever Puzzle Mania! These have been so popular all around the area, and now it's your time to shine, or simply just have a good time! Small teams will compete to complete our summer puzzle. You should register on your own but will be put into teams of 4. You can request your team at registration or you will be placed on one if you register individually, there's no time to be shy 😊. Winners will be 'crowned' at the end of the event. (500-piece puzzle competition)

Location: CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5796	W	6/18	1pm	\$10/\$13
5797	W	7/23	1pm	\$10/\$13
5798	W	8/27	1pm	\$10/\$13



iPhone S.O.S.

In this small group Q&A session, Teresa will guide you through navigating your iPhone functions, apps and more. If you have ran into a speedbump, want some shortcuts or are looking for some know-how, this program is for you.

Location: CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5830	Tu	7/8	11am	\$5



Android Phone Assist

In this small group Q&A session, Rachel will guide you through navigating your Android functions, apps and more. If you have ran into a speedbump, want some shortcuts or are looking for some know-how, this program is for you. Bring your charged phone.

Location: CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5831	M	7/14	11am	\$5



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BINGO

Let's munch on an array of goodies and play some Bingo. Registration includes snacks, drinks, and your initial card. Additional cards will be available for purchase. Ten games of fun will be played, so come out and compete for exciting prizes! **Register early as these fill up fast!**

Location: CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Fee: \$10 Advance Registration includes one card

Extra cards are \$4 cash per card at the door

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5622	F	5/16	1pm-2:30pm	\$10
5799	F	6/20	1pm-2:30pm	\$10
5800	F	7/18	1pm-2:30pm	\$10
5801	F	8/22	1pm-2:30pm	\$10

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Brain Boosting Historical Portrayal Series

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Location: CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Topic	Speaker	Fee
5613	M	4/7	1pm	Cleopatra	Martina Mathisen	\$10
5614	M	5/12	1pm	Eleanor Roosevelt	Leslie Goddard	\$10
5609	W	5/21	12pm	Mae West (special!)	Martina Mathisen	\$47/\$49
5786	M	6/9	1pm	Betty White	Michelle Gibbons	\$10
5787	M	7/7	1pm	Route 66**	Leslie Goddard	\$10
5788	M	8/4	1pm	Mozart's Women	Jenny Riddle	\$10
5789	Tu	9/16	1pm	Katharine Hepburn	Michelle Gibbons	\$10
5790	M	9/29	1pm	Pan Am Betty	Leslie Goddard	\$10
5791	M	10/13	1pm	Chicago's Most Haunted**	Michelle Gibbons	\$10



'Classic Hollywood with Mae West' will take place at Ruth Lake Country Club. See Special Events..

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Cup of Joes (Men-Only Coffee Meetup) 

Pay only once, come any time for a hot cup of coffee, perfect pastries, and quality conversation. Cancellations may happen. Your registration will get you on the contact list for updates.

Location: CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Time	Fee
5284	2nd & 4th Fridays	8:30-10am	\$10 one-time fee each Scoop



Strictly Self Defense I

Personal Safety Presentation - What's Your Plan?

Seminar Only

This program will educate attendees on the importance of having a personal safety plan. Doing so can reduce the fear and anxiety that some people deal with, by increasing awareness and planning for the what ifs. Fear and anxiety can be debilitating; awareness can be liberating. Topics will include discussion on situational awareness, maintaining control when feeling vulnerable, reaction vs. response when a threat is present, and the safety trap that we experience when we are in our comfort zones. This program is designed to include presentation, interactive discussions and time for Q&A.

Location: CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Instructor: Strictly Self-Defense

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5836	Tu	6/3	1-3pm	\$13/\$17



Strictly Self Defense II

Personal Safety and Self Defense Workshop

Seminar/Physical Instruction

You'll learn essential skills to stay safe and confident. This session covers three key areas: mindset, skill set, and planning. You'll explore basic personal safety strategies, debunk common myths, practice simple strikes, and learn effective escapes from grabs. Additionally, you'll understand the importance of planning for unwanted interactions and how to create a personal safety plan. No prior experience is necessary—just come ready to learn and gain practical, life-saving techniques.

Location: CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Instructor: Strictly Self-Defense

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5837	Tu	7/1	1-3pm	\$15/\$19





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Hillbilly Rummy is an easy variation of Rummy utilizing two decks of cards. The 2's are removed from the decks. Aces and whichever card named the Wild card at beginning of game are worth 100 points apiece. If you have played Rummy before...playing this is a breeze, and if you're new, we will teach you! One visit and you'll be hooked because it's simply so much fun! Feel free to bring a snack for yourself or to share.

Location: CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time
5684	Tu	5/6	10am-12pm
5792	Tu	6/3	10am-12pm
5793	Tu	7/1	10am-12pm
5794	Tu	8/5	10am-12pm
5795	Tu	9/2	10am-12pm

**Free but
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register**



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Monday Midday Matinee **FREE MOVIE & A MEAL!**

Time to take in the Movie of the Month featuring stories of all sorts! Grab friends and catch our feature flick! Each participant will receive hot dog meal and refreshments.

Call in early or register online to reserve your spot! Although unlikely, movies are subject to change depending on availability.

Location: CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Movie
5625	M	4/28	1pm start	<i>Judy</i>
5626	M	5/19	1pm start	<i>About My Father</i>
5802	M	6/23	1pm start	<i>Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle</i>
5803	M	7/21	1pm start	<i>What Women Want</i>
5804	M	8/25	1pm start	<i>Night at the Museum</i>

Judy – Legendary performer Judy Garland arrives in London in the winter of 1968 to perform a series of sold-out concerts. **PG-13 (2019)**

About My Father – When Sebastian tells his old-school Italian immigrant father Salvo that he is going to propose to his all-American girlfriend, Salvo insists on crashing a weekend with her parents. **PG-13 (2023)**

Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle – Four teenagers are sucked into a magical video game, and the only way they can escape is to work together to finish the game. **PG-13 (2017)**

What Women Want – A cocky, chauvinistic advertising executive magically acquires the ability to hear what women are thinking. **PG-13 (2000)**

Night at the Museum – A newly recruited night security guard at the Museum of Natural History discovers that an ancient curse causes the animals and exhibits on display to come to life and wreak havoc. **PG (2024)**





HELPFUL TRIP NOTES & TIPS!

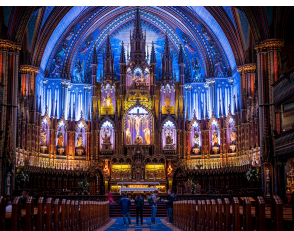
- Lunch details (if included) will be listed only if there is one single group menu with no additional options.
- If multiple options are offered, you will receive the details on the day of the trip.
- Trip reminders go out by email. If you do not have an email on file, feel free to call Teresa prior to the trip departure to get information.
- Arrive no later than 15 minutes prior to our departure time.
- Please note that return times are best estimates as traffic will determine actual return time.
- Refer to Page 4 of The Scoop for full Registration Information including refund details.



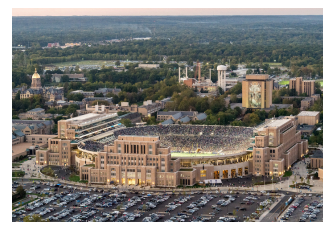
Notre Dame University Blue & Gold Experience

More than a school, **Notre Dame's** beautiful and scenic campus features not only its most recognized campus landmarks such as the **Golden Dome, Touchdown Jesus,** and the **Grotto.** It is also home to state-of-the-art facilities including libraries, athletic facilities, residential halls, laboratories, and more. Join us on **two guided tours:** the **Notre Dame Campus** and the **Stadium Tour.** And of course, a delicious lunch at **Legends of Notre Dame** just 100s of yards from the stadium. Trip includes tours (1.5 miles), lunch, transportation and gratuity.

Location: Meet at CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook



Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5656	Tu	4/22	8am-4pm	\$123/\$127

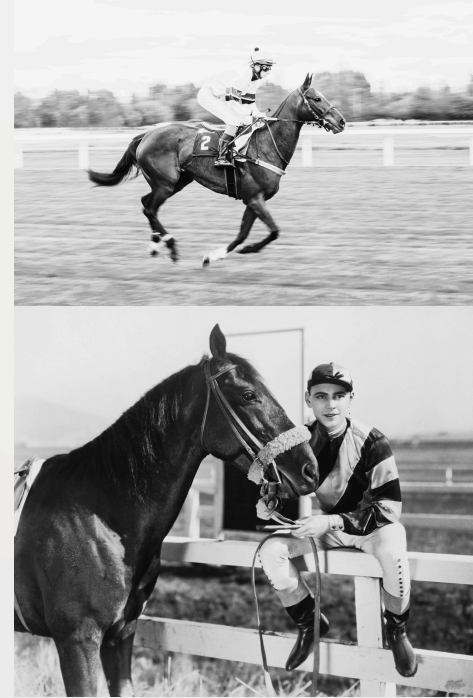




The History & Tradition of the Kentucky Derby

Beginning in 1875, the **Kentucky Derby** is the oldest continuously running sports event in the nation. Put on your fanciest hat and join us at the **Jacob Henry Mansion** as historian **Leslie Goddard** traces the history of the Kentucky Derby and the traditions that make it so beloved. **Lunch Entree:** Kentucky Derby's Famous Hot Brown - Hot open-faced turkey sandwich with bacon, tomato & a mornay sauce with a sprinkle of parmesan cheese, complimented by potato wedges. Trip includes lunch, transportation, and gratuity.

Location: Meet at CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook



Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5657	W	4/30	11am-3pm	\$85/\$89

WE WANT TALENT & MORE

- Club Moderators
- Those with Unique Talents
- Instructors
- & More

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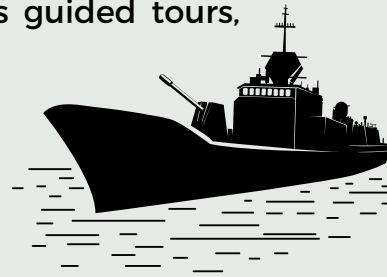
Great Lakes Naval Air Station

Serving as a heritage training process for Navy Recruits and connecting them to the Navy's long tradition of Honor, Courage, and Commitment, we will first visit the **Naval Museum of the American Soldier** for an in-depth guided walking tour. Next, we will tour the **Great Lakes Naval Air Station**. Not long after the Spanish-American war, in 1902, U.S. Navy leaders noticed a remarkable fact: Many of their **best Sailors came from the Midwest**. Why not train Sailors in the same part of the country? Under President Theodore Roosevelt, moving from conception to realization began for this **Naval Air Station** whose gates opened in 1911. Join us for the guided walking tour of this US Naval Base and learn more about its history and dutiful purpose. To wrap up the fantastic day, we will have lunch at the **fabulous Tropics Restaurant at Winthrop Harbor** and discuss the amazing facts we just learned. Trip includes guided tours, lunch, transportation, and gratuity.



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5658	Th	5/8	9am-4:30pm	\$95/\$99



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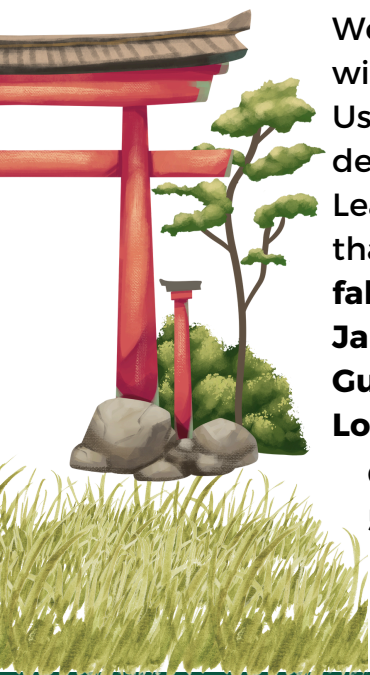
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Landscape] [Architecture

We are heading to Rockford to explore some **true gems** of the area. First, we will visit the **Kenneth and Phyllis Laurent House** - one of only 11 hemicycle Usonian in Wright's extensive portfolio of work. It is also the **only** home designed by famed-architect **Frank Lloyd Wright** to be wheelchair accessible. Learn the interesting history behind the design that's history is closer to home than you think! Afterwards, lunch will be served up garden-side at the **fabulous Fresco Restaurant**. Then on to explore the eye-pleasing **Anderson Japanese Gardens** as we tour the stunning grounds with our **knowledgeable Guide**. Next, Trip includes multiple tours, lunch, transportation and gratuity.

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Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5659	W	5/14	8:30am-4:30pm	\$110/\$115



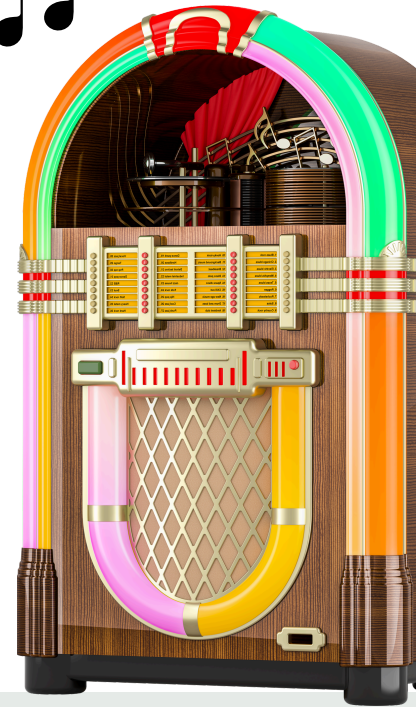


Rock 'n Roll Jukebox

Join **Sting Ray Anthony** with his unparalleled **Tribute to Ritchie Valens** and other **Rock 'n Rollers of the 50's**. His high-energy show takes 50's music to another level at the **Starved Rock State Park Lodge**. **Sting Ray** has delighted audiences, bringing them to their feet dancing and singing the greatest Oldies ever written as he **rocks the house**. A **delicious lunch** is included since you'll need to replenish those toe-tapping calories! Trip includes lunch, entertainment, transportation, and gratuity.

Location: Meet at CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5660	Tu	5/20	10am-4pm	\$99/\$105



The Adventures of Alice in Wonderland - Joffrey Ballet

"Plunge down the **rabbit hole** into the **fantastical world** of **Wonderland**...Things get curiously and curiously as **Alice** traverses a **mysterious realm** of instantly recognizable characters: the high-strung **Queen of Hearts**, the entrancing **Caterpillar**, and the tap-dancing **Mad Hatter** at his **bizarre tea party**. Lose your head in a seamless fusion of humor, eccentricity, and fantasy as **Alice's Adventures** in Wonderland takes you on a magical trip" with the Village of Willowbrook. Tickets are limited, so don't miss out. Trip include great seats, transportation and gratuity.

Location: Meet at CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5662	Sa	6/7	12:30pm-4:45pm	\$139/\$144



Four Winds at New Buffalo

Registration includes transportation, a **\$15 rewards play** & **\$10 food voucher**. **Must provide** your birthdate and player's card number (if applicable) at time of registration. **Bring photo ID day of!** Grab your lucky charm and let's go!

Location: Meet at CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5850	W	6/4	9am-5pm	\$38
5851	W	7/16	9am-5pm	\$38
5852	W	9/3	9am-5pm	\$38



Brunch, Bars, and Sweet Escapes

We're headed to **Kane County** to start our day off **exercising our right** to a **delicious brunch** at the famously cozy and welcoming **Colonial Café!** Afterwards, you're headed to **JAIL!** But don't worry, you're not in trouble (...yet). You're in for a tour of a working correctional facility in **Kane County**, where you'll get a firsthand look at life **inside a modern-day jail**. The guided tour offers an eye-opening perspective on rehabilitation, security measures, and the realities of incarceration. This tour will leave you with a deeper understanding of the system in action. When you're not touring, you will be making a **sweet escape**...but that's a **secret** we will save for later - you're sure to **love it!** Trip includes transportation, lunch and gratuity, tour and the special treat!

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5808	Th	6/5	9:30am-3pm	\$105/\$110



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Fresh Air Music & More

Concert at Grant Park: Rhapsody in Blue

We are off to enjoy the sounds of early summer with a **fabulous outdoor concert**. The Grant Park Music Series opens with George Gershwin's iconic **Rhapsody in Blue**, featuring renowned **conductor and pianist Andrew Litton** leading the amazing **Grant Park Orchestra** with emotional depth. This experience wouldn't be complete without a "Picnic Basket". Each participant will receive one to enjoy during the performance. This trip will require walking/navigating Grant Park as there is no direct drop-off access. Dress for the weather.

Location: Meet at CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5909	W	6/11	4:30pm-9:30pm	\$110/\$115



Wine, Finds & Drifting on the Pine

Round Barn Winery, Villwocks Farm Market & Drift on the Pine

We are making a quick escape from city living to a picturesque gem nestled in Michigan, offering views of lush vineyards framed by a stunning, vibrant red barn...you guessed it, **Round Barn Winery**. There we will delight in **plentiful small bites** for lunch to complement the perfect surroundings. Afterwards, we will visit the bountiful **Villwocks Farm Market** boasting beautiful **plants** and flower **baskets**, fresh **produce**, jarred **jams**, and **more**. For dessert, we will make our way to enjoy a delightful dessert set in the charming, rustic ambiance of **Drift on the Pine** before heading home. Wine and adult beverages will be on your own. Lunch and dessert included.

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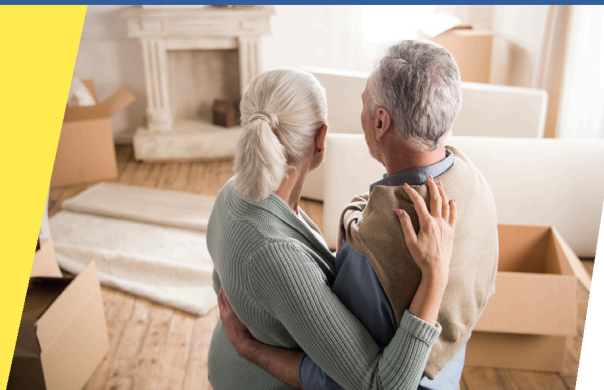
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5810	Tu	6/17	9:30am-4:30pm	\$135/\$140



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CLAPTONation at White Pines Theater

We are heading out to **White Pines Dinner Theater** where you'll feel as if you're part of the journey through **Eric Clapton's** iconic hits and unforgettable musical moments in this electrifying tribute. We can't dance and burn calories until our bellies are full. White Pines offers a **delightful buffet** complete with **delectable desserts**. Join us for a fun afternoon with friends and sense-thrilling fun!

Location: Meet at CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5811	Th	6/26	10:15am-4:15pm	\$110/\$115



STAYING AFLOAT & TRAVELING THE WORLD

St. Charles River Cruise & Little Traveler

An afternoon aboard the **St. Charles Paddleboat River Cruise** offers a peaceful and scenic journey along the **Fox River**, with breathtaking views of the surrounding landscapes and charming riverside homes. As the boat gently glides through the water, you can soak in the tranquil atmosphere while listening to the guided tour. After disembarking, a visit to **The Little Traveler** awaits, where the vibrant shop offers a unique collection of gifts, home décor, and accessories in a cozy, boutique setting. For lunch, we will indulge in an **elegant Afternoon Tea experience**, savoring delicate finger sandwiches, fresh scones, and a variety of aromatic teas. The afternoon is a perfect blend of relaxation, indulgence, and leisurely shopping, creating a memorable experience in St. Charles.

Location: Meet at CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5812	Th	7/10	11am-4:30pm	\$95/\$99



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Neighborhood Food & History Tour – Chicago & More

Sure, you've been told that when in Chicago you should eat deep dish pizza, a Chicago hot dog, and popcorn (the Illinois state snack), but Chicago is home to so much more! On this **culinary and historical neighborhood tour**, we'll eschew the typical food stops in town and **sample foods** from **Asia, Ukraine, and Italy**. As we meander through neighborhoods, you'll hear a historical view of these **eclectic communities**. Knowing our history helps us understand the present. Come hungry and leave satiated – especially as we take a detour on the way back home to the **McCook Bohemian Restaurant**. Let's travel the world in our own backyard!

Location: Meet at CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5813	Tu	7/15	9am-4pm	\$115/\$120



Woodstock Farmer's Market & Lunch

This is a market experience like no other! **The Woodstock Farmer's Market** is a vibrant gathering of local vendors offering fresh produce, handmade goods, artisanal products, and more in the **charming Town Square**. With its welcoming atmosphere, it's a perfect spot to enjoy the season's best offerings while supporting local farmers and artisans. After you find all your goodies, we will make our way to **Niko's Red Mill Tavern** for great food adding to a day of vibrant atmospheres and memorable fun amongst friends!

Location: Meet at CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5814	Sa	7/19	9am-2:30pm	\$85/\$90



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Route 66 Adventure

Start your day at the **Joliet Route 66 Museum**, where you can explore vintage memorabilia and classic cars that tell the story of the **iconic highway** we all know and love. Making our way down 'Route 66', we will stop at **Old Route 66 Family Restaurant** in Dwight which has a deep connection to the history of the legendary Route. Its décor reflects the spirit of the iconic highway as a beloved local landmark. Lastly, we will travel south to the **Pontiac Route 66 Museum** for more Route 66 memories by way of murals and fascinating exhibits. What a trip down memory lane!

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5815	Tu	7/22	10am-4:30pm	\$125/\$130

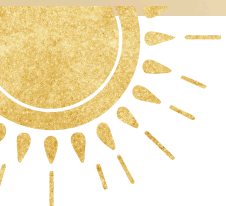
View pages 10 and 31 for opportunities to learn more before we go!

PIEROGI FEST!

Now's your time! We are heading to the **famous Pierogi Fest** in **Whiting, IN!** This **lively celebration** of **Polish culture** is centered around the beloved pierogi, a traditional dumpling filled with a variety of savory and sweet fillings. The festival features **delicious food, live music, colorful parades, and entertaining events** just for you. Everywhere you turn, there will be something to do, see or eat - sounds like a fabulous day! So join us!

Location: Meet at CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5838	Sa	7/26	10am-4pm	\$65/\$69



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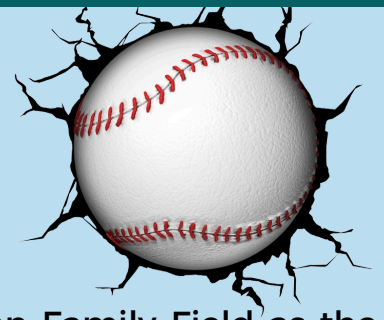


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Calling all Cubs fans! Join us for an exciting night at American Family Field as the Chicago Cubs take on the Milwaukee Brewers! This group trip promises a fun evening filled with great company, thrilling baseball, and the energy of Brewers Stadium. Show your Cubs pride, cheer on the team, and enjoy delicious ballpark snacks while making unforgettable memories with fellow fans and fast friends. Don't miss out on this action-packed night to support the Cubs on the road!

Location: Meet at CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5854	M	7/28	4-10:45pm**	\$120/\$130

**Estimated Return



A Classic Afternoon of Theater & Italian Flavors

Spend the afternoon indulging in a delicious lunch at the wonderful **Francesca's Tavola**, where you'll savor flavorful Italian cuisine, complete with the perfect dessert. Afterward, we will make our merry way over to the **Metropolis Theatre** to enjoy the production of **Dear Jack, Dear Louise** – an energetic, heartwarming comedy filled with nostalgic nods to the era's music, theater, and literature. This captivating play explores the complexities of relationships during World War II, leaving you deeply connected to the characters. A perfect blend of authentic Italian dining and engaging theater awaits you!

Location: Meet at CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5839	W	7/30	10:30am-4pm	\$120/\$125





Chinese Cultural/Culinary Tour & Dumplings

Experience the rich culture and flavors of Chicago’s Chinatown on this docent-guided tour led by a member of **The Chicago Chinese Cultural Institute**. Next, you’ll experience the culture hands-on with a **Dumpling Making Class** where you’ll learn the art of crafting these deliciously traditional treats. Afterward, enjoy a **light meal**—don’t be fooled, it’s more than enough to satisfy your appetite! Finally, embark on a **fascinating tour of Chinatown**, exploring its vibrant history, architecture, and cultural landmarks. This immersive experience is a perfect blend of **culinary exploration** and **cultural discovery!**



Location: Meet at CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5840	Tu	8/5	9:30am-2:30pm	\$110/\$115

Rollin’ on the River & Feasting at the Farm

Join us for an exciting trip to Ottawa, Illinois, featuring a scenic boat ride on the **Sainte Genevieve** and a delicious meal at **Hank’s Farm Restaurant!** Enjoy a relaxing cruise along the Illinois River aboard the historic paddlewheel boat, taking in beautiful views and learning about the area’s rich history. After our time on the water, we’ll head to Hank’s Farm, a charming and rustic restaurant set in a converted barn, where you’ll savor a **hearty, homemade meal** in a warm and welcoming atmosphere. Don’t miss this perfect combination of sightseeing, relaxation, and great food.

Location: Meet at CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5841	Th	8/7	10am-6pm	\$130/\$135



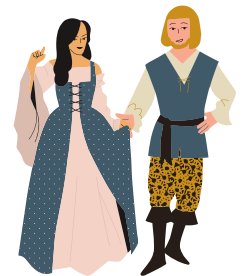


Renaissance Faire in Bristol, WI

Let the Renaissance Faire transport you to a **vibrant 16th-century English village**, full of lively **entertainment**, unique **crafts**, and delicious **food**. You'll enjoy thrilling jousts, live performances, and whimsical characters wandering the grounds, while exploring handmade goods from skilled artisans and eats and treats of all sorts. This fully immersive atmosphere helps you dive into **history**, **fantasy**, and **friendly adventures**. Hop on the bus and let's change centuries for a bit!

Location: Meet at CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5842	Su	8/24	10am-3pm	\$105/\$110



Apple Holler Harvest Adventure



Apple Picking is the perfect late summer activity! A trip to **Apple Holler Farm** offers the perfect blend of relaxed fun surrounded by lush orchards. Upon arrival at Apple Holler, you'll be greeted by a host who will guide you through a narrated, **tractor-drawn wagon ride**, taking you through the orchard and **Enchanted Forest**. You'll receive a 1/4 peck bag to pick fresh apples from the trees, and along the way you can taste the incredible flavors of the fruit. Learn about the farm's earth-friendly growing practices, as well as how they cultivate apples, pears, and peaches. The visit special offers at the Farm Store & Gift Shop. Cap off the experience with a **delicious homemade lunch featuring hot apple pie and ice cream**, creating memories you'll cherish forever. Embrace the beauty of nature and indulge in the simple pleasures of farm life.

Location: Meet at CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5843	Tu	8/26	9am-4:30pm	\$115/\$119





CONNECTING TO NATURE:

FARM-TO-TABLE OUTDOOR DINING EXPERIENCE

You see it in all the Home and Country magazines...and now it's your turn! Experience the charm of a **farm-to-table meal** at **Heritage Family Farm** in Elgin, IL. Enjoy fresh, **locally sourced ingredients** while learning about the **farm's history and future**. Savor seasonal dishes made with farm-grown produce, meats, and herbs in a cozy, rustic setting. But that's not all, we have hired **classical guitarist, Jim Perona**, to make the afternoon that much more special. He brings **joy and connection** with his **live music** that resonates with the hearts and memories of his listeners. Tune into nature with this **perfect day out!**

Location: Meet at CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5844	Th	8/28	10am-2:30pm	\$110/\$115



I SCREAM & ICE CREAM

Shake things up in a not-so-standard way and start your day at the **Medieval Torture Museum**, exploring eerie exhibits of medieval punishment and torture devices with life-size mannequins. This is **not for the faint of heart!** Next, let's lighten things up with a visit to the **Immersive Ice Cream Museum**, an interactive space where you can enjoy sweet treats and playful exhibits. After indulging in tons of fun and flavor, we are off to have a delicious lunch at one of Chicago's restaurants. This day trip combines **history, sweet indulgence, and great food** for an unforgettable experience.

Location: Meet at CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5845	Th	9/4	9am-3:30pm	\$155/\$159





Cedarburg Wine & Harvest Festival

The Cedarburg Wine & Harvest Festival celebrates the bounty of the fabulous fall season with a vibrant blend of **local wines, craft beers, and artisanal foods**. Set in Cedarburg's historic district, the festival features **live music, a lively arts and crafts market**, and fun activities for all ages. It's the perfect way to embrace the season and enjoy the best of Cedarburg, WI! Each participant will receive a **seasonal goodie-box** perfect to kick off fall!

Location: Meet at CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook



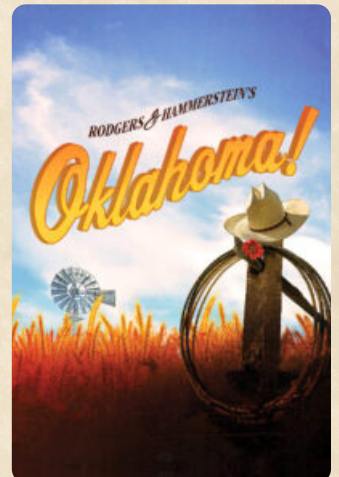
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5846	Su	9/21	9am-4:30pm	\$105/\$110

Oklahoma at the Fireside

We are heading north to enjoy a captivating performance of **Oklahoma!** at the **Fireside Theatre in Fort Atkinson, WI**, featuring elements of comedy, alongside romance and drama. Before the show, we will arrive early to explore the charming gift shops galore, filled with **unique treasures, baked goods and local crafts**. After shopping, we will indulge in a **delicious lunch** (with the perfect menu of your choosing) served in the Theatre's unique and elegant dining room, offering a variety of mouth-watering options to satisfy every palate. It's the perfect way to spend the day.

Location: Meet at CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5847	Th	9/25	9am-4:30pm	\$140/\$145





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Participants meet at the restaurant. **There will be no transportation provided.** Your meal selection and non-alcoholic beverage options are included.

Pappadeaux Seafood Kitchen

The Pappas family opened their first restaurant in 1967 so you will soon learn that the quality on your plate is only as good as the quality of the decades poured into the craft. Pappadeaux has something for everyone. Expand your palate or play it safe. The choice is yours! *No transportation included. Menu subject to change with notice depending on group size.*

Location: Meet at restaurant at 921 Pasquinelli Dr. in Westmont

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5631	Th	5/22	12-2pm	\$60/\$65



Mangia Mangia

At Mangia Mangia, they believe that good food brings people together. That's why they use only the freshest ingredients and traditional recipes passed down through generations. Whether you're in the mood for a classic pizza or a hearty pasta dish, they've got us covered. No transportation included. Menu subject to change with notice depending on group size.

Location: Meet at restaurant at 5555 S Brainard Ave Ste 400 in Countryside

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5805	W	6/25	12-2pm	\$50/\$55



Wildfire of Oak Brook

Welcome to a place where friends and family gather for good times and exceptional food. A place where dining out is something special. Welcome to Wildfire. No transportation included. Menu subject to change with notice depending on group size.

Location: Meet at restaurant at 232 Oakbrook Center, Oak Brook

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5806	Th	7/24	12-2pm	\$50/\$55





Chucks Southern Comforts Cafe

Treat yourself to some of the best eats in Chicago! If you haven't been to Chuck's Southern Comforts Cafe, you're missing out on one of Chicago's most inspired blend of Mexican, Cajun-Creole, good old southern cookin' and the BEST slow cooked smoked BBQ you've ever had! *No transportation included. Menu subject to change with notice depending on group size.*

Location: Meet at restaurant at 8025 S. Cass Ave. in Darien, IL

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5627	Th	8/21	12-2pm	\$50/\$55

Special Afternoon Delight: The Fogo de Chao Brazilian Steakhouse

The culinary team has continued the tradition of developing new menu creations rooted in the Brazilian tradition that push forward the Brazilian churrasco experience. You are sure to be thrilled with this all-you-can-eat upscale dining experience. No transportation included. Menu subject to change with notice depending on group size.

Location: Meet at restaurant at Commons, 1204 W 22nd St, Oak Brook, IL

Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5807	Th	9/18	12-2pm	\$68/\$72



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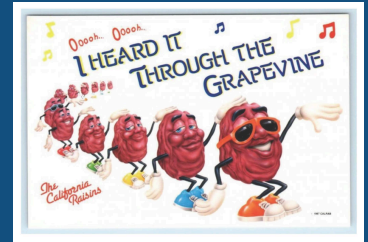
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The Grapevine

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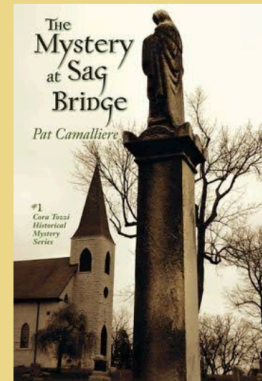
Date: Wed., March 26

Time: **3-4:30pm** * This is only Happy Together with different time

Code: 11876 Fee: \$15 For Program Only

Code: 11877 Fee: \$25 For Program and Signed Book*

*Books will be available at Park District to pick up ahead of time Local author Pat Camalliere will be discussing her book about a century old murder mystery....A dangerous ghost....An amateur historian... What binds them together? Sag Bridge is located in Lemont, IL. You do not need to read book to enjoy this presentation.



Cruisin' To The Music

Date: Wed., April 23, 2025

Code: 11875

Time: **2-3:30pm** Fee: \$15

Mike and Traci from The Good Clean Fun Band will take us on a cruise though some of your favorite Cruisin' music.

Rt. 66 The Mother Road

Date: Thursday, May 15, 2025 Code: 12202

Time: **2-3:30pm** Fee: \$15

This will be a fun programs all centered around Rt. 66. Enjoy the history of this historic route, along with the many wonderful songs and memories, about the story behind the "Mother Road"





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- Mahjong** Mondays , Learn to Play Mahjong, Time 10-12 Noon, Fee \$20
 Feb 10 - March 3 Code 11834
- Tuesdays, Mahjong Strategy, Time 10-12 Noon, Fee \$20
- Mahjong Open Play** Mondays, 12 Noon-3pm, Call for More Info re Levels, \$1 per week
- Pinochle** Tuesdays and Thursdays 12 Noon \$1 per Class charge
- Bridge** Thursdays 1pm \$1 per week charge

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Monday Yoga

- Code 11848 March 31 - May 5
- Code 11851 May 12 - June 23
- Code 11980 Sept 8 - Oct 13

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- Code 11850 Apr 3 - May 8
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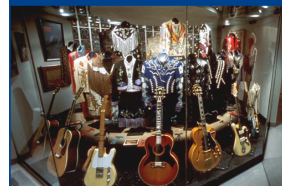
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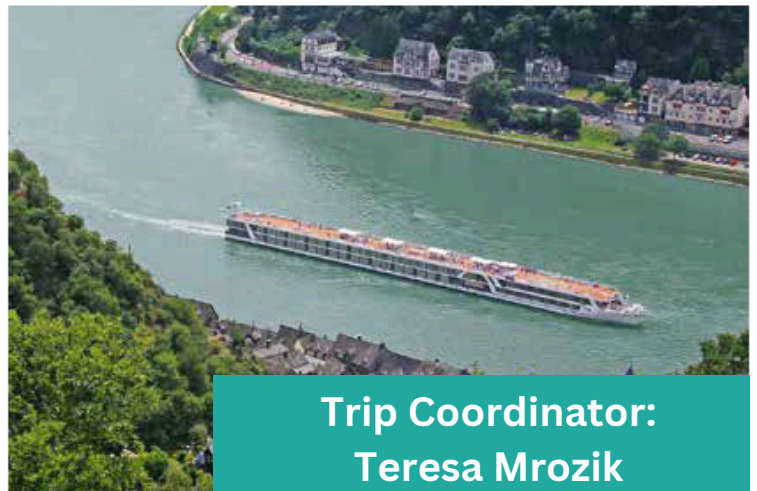


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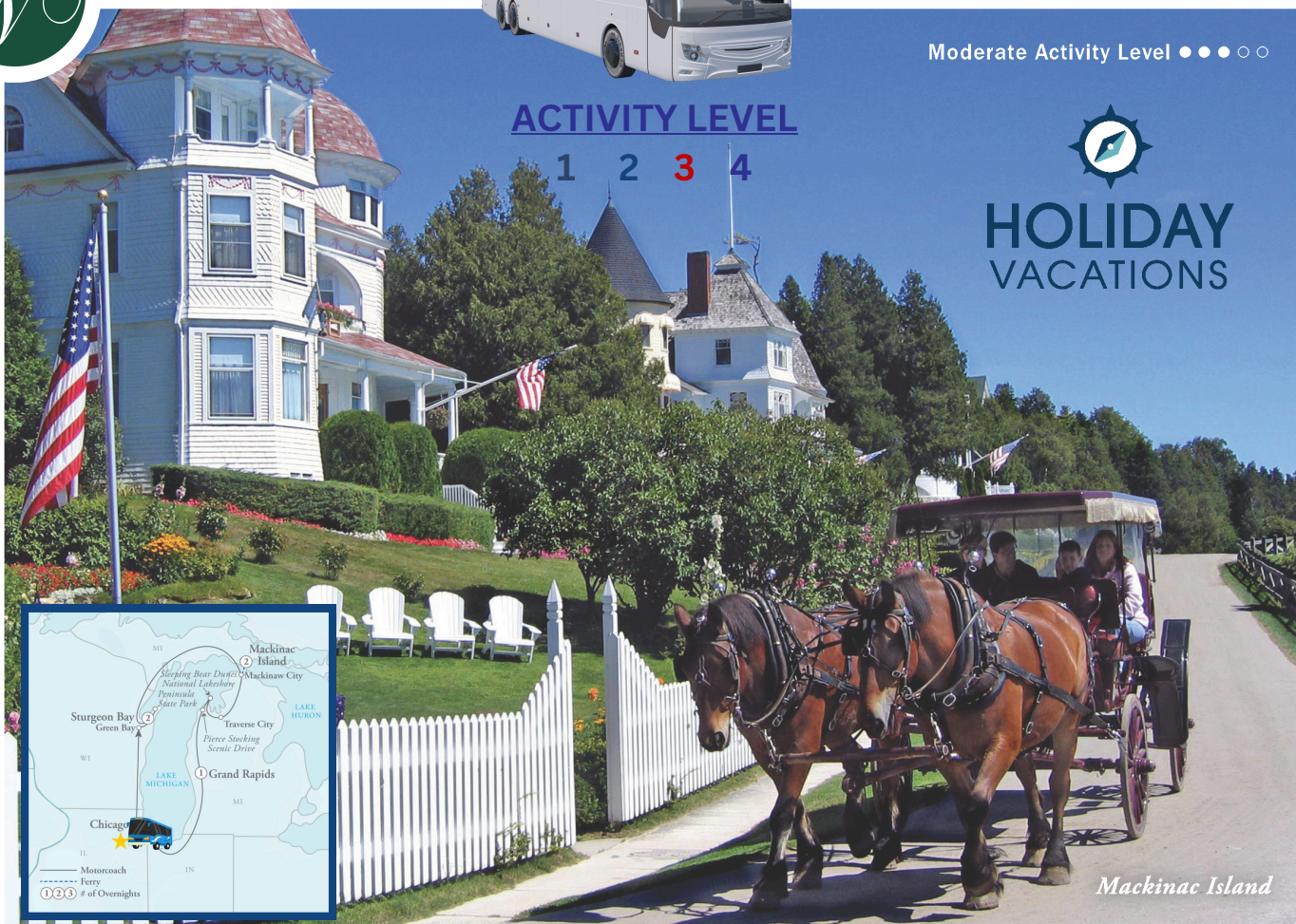
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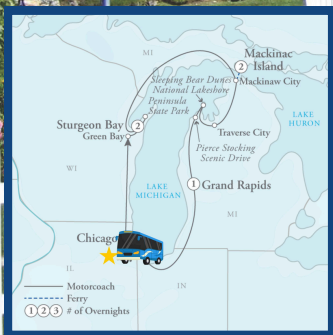
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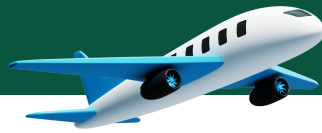
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Strength for Bones, Balance & the Brain

There is scientific evidence that shows the benefits of weight bearing exercise on bone density. We reach peak bone density in our twenties and begin to lose it in our thirties. This is especially true without proper exercise, diet and with a family history of osteoporosis. This class takes you through a wide variety of light weight bearing and resistance band exercises, balance work and brain fitness to help you stay strong, healthy and happy. Participants should bring a water bottle.

Location: CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Instructor: Hustle Fitness



Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5820	M	5/19-6/23 No class 5/26	10:45-11:30am	\$50/\$56
5821	M	6/30-7/28	10:45-11:30am	\$50/\$56
5822	M	8/4-9/8 No class 9/1	10:45-11:30am	\$50/\$56
5823	M	9/15-10/13	10:45-11:30am	\$50/\$56



Gentle Aerobics

Low-impact movements with rhythmic and repetitive movements that increase your heart rate, strengthen your body and it's gentle on the joints.

Location: CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

Instructor: Karen Pittro



Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Fee
5824	Th	6/5-6/26	11-11:50am	\$44/\$48
5825	Th	7/10-7/31	11-11:50am	\$44/\$48
5826	Th	8/7-8/28	11-11:50am	\$44/\$48
5827	Th	9/4-9/25	11-11:50am	\$44/\$48
5828	Th	10/2-10/23	11-11:50am	\$44/\$48



Senior Resources

for Willowbrook and local area seniors

If you are interested in more details, please contact agencies directly.

DuPage County Community Services - 630.407.6500

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Downers Grove Township Senior Services - 630.719.6670

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Community Assisted Ride Services(CARS) - 708.354.9328

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Presenter: Mike Monday, Edward Jones

Location: CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook



Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Free but please register
5646	Tu	4/15	12pm	

Normal Aging vs. Dementia

This program explores the differences in our brains, typical changes as we age, tips to keep your brain healthy, and steps to take should you need to get professional services involved.

Presenter: Mary Ferguson, The Birches

Location: CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook



Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Free but please register
5637	Tu	5/6	12pm	

Fraud Prevention

Introducing a course that will give you knowledge to help protect yourself from different frauds and scams that criminals can use to steal your finances. This course will help you identify, prevent, and what to do if you should fall victim to frauds and scams. Don't wait until it's too late. Be prepared and stay one step ahead of the fraudsters that are out there and protect your finances.

Presenter: John Bruner, Wintrust Community Bank

Location: CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook



Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Free but please register
5816	Tu	6/10	12pm	

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How To Keep Love Alive for Seniors, Their Caregivers, and Everybody Who's Ever Been in Love!

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Presenter: Kerry Quirin, Senior Living Experts

Location: CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

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5817	M	6/23	11:30am	

Disaster Preparedness

Disaster can strike at any time. Are you prepared? This course will discuss ways to help prepare financially for a disaster. We will cover documents that you may need, how to protect them, and discuss additional resources that are available to you. Be ready, Be prepared.

Presenter: John Bruner, Wintrust Community Bank

Location: CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook

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5818	M	7/21	11:30am	



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Long-term Care Insurance & VA Benefits

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Presenter: Jenny Novy, Amada Senior Care

Location: CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook



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5848	Tu	8/12	12pm	

Advanced Funeral Planning for Piece of Mind

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Presenter: Mark Zavignin, Conboy Westchester Funeral Home

Location: CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook



Code#	Day(s)	Date(s)	Time	Free but please register
5819	Tu	8/19	12pm	

Elder Financial Exploitation and Prevention

In this course, we will discuss different types of financial exploitation. Learn key point and some guidelines that will help you identify these types of financial exploitation. Understanding these tips will give you knowledge of how to protect yourself. Learn about resources that are available to you.

Presenter: John Bruner, Wintrust Community Bank

Location: CRC, 825 Midway Drive in Willowbrook



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5849	Tu	9/9	12pm	



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CALENDAR OF HIGHLIGHTED EVENTS



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- 7/19 - Woodstock Farmers Market (p. 21)
- 7/22 - Route 66 Adventure (p. 22)
- 7/26 - Pierogi Fest (p. 22)
- 7/28 - Cubs @ Brewers: I-94 Rivalry (p. 23)
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August

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- 8/7 - Rollin' on the River & Feasting on the Farm (p. 24)
- 8/13 - Comedy Hour with Ed Kerfin (p. 7)
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- 8/26 - Apple Holler Harvest Adventure (p. 25)
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September

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- 9/17 - Summer Jam at Ruth Lake (p. 7)
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- September 2025 - Mt. Rushmore, Badlands & Black Hills
- December 2025 - Nashville Show Trip
- April 2026 - Holland River Cruise
- June 2026 - Lake Michigan Circle Tour
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AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

RECREATION COMMISSION

Recreation Commission: May 22, 2025

AGENDA ITEM E.1.

To: Recreation Commission

From: Casey Biernacki, Deputy Village Manager, Nancy Flores, Interim Director of Recreation

CC: Ellen Baer, Village Manager

RE: Staff Report - Interim Director of Recreation

Recommendation

None.

Summary

Grand Avenue Community Center Preschool Floor

On February 24, the Village Board approved the awarding of the 2025 GACC Flooring Replacement contract to NPN Flooring Installation for a total not to exceed of \$50,000 (Resolution.25-2888).The project officially began on Saturday, March 29 and was completed in early May.

After the official awarding and prior to the commencement of the contract, NPN Flooring Installation made a recommendation to Village staff to upgrade the requested vinyl cover bases to rubber cover bases as the rubber cove bases are more durable, especially around children, and offer a longer useful life. As the project progressed, NPN Flooring Installation alerted staff to the discovery of additional layers of tile in some of the classrooms that required removal. Due to the timing of the project, staff advised the contractors to continue moving forward with the flooring replacement to have the project completed before the end of "spring break" when children would need to be back in the classrooms.

The removal of additional tile layers increased the scope and cost of work and a change order for \$45,000 was considered and approved by the Village Board on April 28, 2025.

Financial Impact

The financial impact is pending final cost of additional scope of work.

Account	6605210-60015
Fund	Recreation Fund
2025 Budget	\$ 45,000.00
Project Cost	Pending final cost

Recommended Motion

None.

Strategic Plan Alignment

None.

File Attachments

None



AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

RECREATION COMMISSION

Recreation Commission: May 22, 2025

AGENDA ITEM E.2.

To: Recreation Commission

From: Rita Ligeikis, Recreation Program Manager

CC: Casey Biernacki, Deputy Village Manager, Ellen Baer, Village Manager, Nancy Flores, Interim Director of Recreation

RE: Staff Report - Recreation Program Manager

Recommendation

None.

Summary

Winter/Spring Programs

The Winter/Spring had lots of exciting new programs offered. Our early childhood age group included new programs such as Big Machines and Coffee Break and Bake as well as the addition of an Imagination Station class on Monday afternoons. All of these classes were able to run with appropriate registration levels. Imagination Station and Coffee Break had 10 -12 each session and the Big Machines class had 7.

In the youth age level, the Babysitters Club class, based off the popular Babysitters Club Graphic novel series, was full with 9 registrations. There was also a Parents Afternoon Out series of 3 classes offered so parents can have some time on a Saturday afternoon to get tasks done while their child is having fun. Two out of the three classes ran, and one was canceled.

Adults also had a few new classes to choose from, such as Crystal Tree and Dreamcatcher, Make it and take it and Valentine's wreath. Only the Crystal Tree class ran due to lack of registration.

French Market

The French Market takes place on Wednesday at the Tower Green from 4-7 pm from May 7 – Sept 24th. I have been working on securing entertainment each week. All but one date is scheduled with complimentary entertainment. The Recreation Department will be on-site in May and several other dates during the season with murals for kids to color, program promotional flyers, fun giveaways and new activities.

Summer 2025 Programs

Summer sessions and programs start on June 9th. Safety Village Camp will run from 6/16-6/18 and also from 6/23-6/26. The 8:30 session has 66 enrolled and the 10:15 am session has 62

enrolled. This is the first year that the 10:15 am session was offered cooperatively with La Grange and La Grange Park.

Summer Camp staff have been interviewed and positions have been offered to successful candidates. Work permits will be sent out when requested and all required employee paperwork is being collected. Additional training and on-boarding will take place prior to the beginning of the camp.

Tower Camp Session 1 has 17 registrants at this time and it may be necessary to combine the two Just for Tots programs. As we have discussed previously, Camp numbers have been lower in recent years. Staff is working to make some changes to increase interest in the summer camps. Theme weeks and lesson plans have been completed, training dates have been scheduled, and interviews are complete. Supplies are being procured in the coming weeks.

Lastly, I completed a Youth Mental Health First Aid class on May 8th.

Financial Impact

None.

Recommended Motion

None.

Strategic Plan Alignment

None.

File Attachments

None



AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

RECREATION COMMISSION

Recreation Commission: May 22, 2025

AGENDA ITEM E.3.

To: Recreation Commission

From: Mike Kenny, Recreation Supervisor - Athletics

CC: Ellen Baer, Village Manager, Casey Biernacki, Deputy Village Manager, Nancy Flores, Interim Director of Recreation

RE: Staff Report - Athletics Supervisor

Recommendation

None.

Summary

Tower Trot Update

The 48th annual event takes place Saturday, May 24th.

Healing Hearts for Ashley is partnering with the Village in 2025 to provide the vital service from volunteers for the event. They have notified us that they will not partner with the Tower Trot after this year as they have decided to focus their efforts in other areas. Over the years, it's become more difficult to find sponsors and get volunteers for the event. The Recreation Department will be taking the lead to determine how volunteers and sponsors will support the event going forward.

New this year, the event will have a new partnership with the Amateur Radio Events (Ham Radio community). They will assist with the event by supplying volunteers and radio communications throughout the course. This group is also interested in participating with the event in future years.

Athletic Program Update

The Travel & Rec Basketball League season ended on March 8th. This season we had 23 total Travel Basketball (Blazers & Wildcats) teams and 223 participants, up from 189 participants last year. Rec Basketball had 41 teams and 412 total participants, up from 313 last year.

Mike, Rita & Ryan attended the Youth Mental Health First Aid Training on 5/8 from 9am-2pm at the Village of Indian Head Park.

The Grand Ave gym project final walk through took place on Friday, May 9th. The project consisted of a new hardwood gym floor (lined for basketball & 1 pickleball court), new paint, new padding around the entire gym, new lighting, new ceiling tiles, three (3) new glass

basketball hoops with electronic height adjusters, and an electric touch screen on the wall to operate the baskets. The contractor will be coming back later to add padding to the two (2) closet doors under the west basket in the gym.

Spring Tennis begins May 12th with a variety of classes including Future Champs, Jr Varsity, Junior Excellence, Super Future Champs and adult coed drills. Mike is working to get all the returning staff and new hires onboard and paperwork completed for the summer.

Adult Pickleball classes and open play indoor season were completed at the end of April. Outdoor classes started in May and will run throughout the spring/summer season.

Financial Impact

None.

Recommended Motion

None.

Strategic Plan Alignment

None.

File Attachments

None



AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

RECREATION COMMISSION

Recreation Commission: May 22, 2025

AGENDA ITEM E.4.

To: Recreation Commission

From: Ryan Harrison, Recreation Administrative Coordinator

CC: Casey Biernacki, Deputy Village Manager, Ellen Baer, Village Manager, Nancy Flores, Interim Director of Recreation

RE: Staff Report - Administrative Coordinator

Recommendation

None.

Summary

Over the course of the next few months, I will be working on a variety of projects to further improve the Recreation Department.

Examples of the priority projects include:

- Preparing marketing materials for advertising/promoting.
- Photographing the 2025 Tower Trot
- Updating the Village website (wsprings.com/recreation) to better represent the department.
- Updating rental information to better align with surrounding areas and our updates to the Grand Avenue Gym.
- Sending out more post-program evaluations, to better understand our consumers' thoughts and needs.
- Starting new Senior Center Programs that cater to our seniors' needs.
- Working with new potential collaborations to offer classes/programs for our seniors.
- White Crane Wellness Center.
- Working with the Village of Willowbrook on an agreement to have our seniors/active adults get resident rates on their Active Adult Trips.

Examples of work already completed include:

- Helped edit and publish our Summer 2025 brochure to all social outlets.
- Promoted the Tower Trot to all outlets.
- Created flyers and sent out e-blasts to our mail list for programs with low enrollment, boosting their numbers significantly.

- Created coloring banners for the Recreation table at the French Markets.
- Took on new responsibility for the Senior Center Coordinator position and actively started planning ideas for improvements.

Financial Impact

None.

Recommended Motion

None.

Strategic Plan Alignment

None.

File Attachments

None