

A Message from the Mayor

Summer officially begins on June 20th but in Libertyville the kickoff to summer is the annual Libertyville Days festival and parade from June 13th through June 16th. This year's theme, Going for the Gold in 2024 is sure to be an event you will not want to miss. I am looking forward to seeing all of you there as well as at all our other events this summer and fall. Make sure to visit the Festivals of Libertyville webpage to mark your calendars for Dog Days of Summer, Festival of the Arts and Oktoberfest www.festivalsoflibertyville.com.

Please also remember to purchase your annual vehicle sticker, as they were required to be displayed by May 1. Stickers may be purchased online or at the Village Hall.

The Village recently held our annual Memorial Day Ceremony. Thank you to all who attended and showed your support to all our Veterans. We are proud to live in a community where we celebrate and honor the men and women of our military who made the ultimate sacrifice. In the spring edition of the Village Views, it was reported that the local VFW post is responsible for the flag display in Cook Park during the ceremony. I want to correct this and thank the American Legion as they are the group who made the display possible.

During the summer months we often experience locally heavy rainfall events. The Village has been working over the years to address stormwater issues within the community by constructing flood reduction projects. In 2019, the Village adopted a Master Stormwater Plan which identified these needs. The Village asks that you also assist with reducing flooding by clearing your storm drains in front of your property when rainfall is expected and after rain events occur. We also encourage you to ensure your landscapers do not blow debris into the street and block the curb drain. By keeping the curb drains free of debris this helps the Village's stormwater system to work efficiently. To learn more about the stormwater master plan visit www.libertyville.com/stormwaterplan as well as current construction within the Village visit www.libertyville.com/construction.



Libertyville Days: Going for the Gold in 2024

*This year's Libertyville Days Festival
is June 13-16, 2024.*

The festivities include Lake County's largest and most spectacular parade, featuring community floats, marching bands, horses, and more, which will be on **Saturday, June 15th. The parade steps off at 10:00 a.m. from the Metra train station and travels south on Milwaukee Avenue to Rockland Road.** This year's parade grand marshal is retired Fire Chief Rich Carani.

The Libertyville Days Festival is organized by the Libertyville Civic Center Foundation, with assistance from the Junior Woman's Club, and Knights of Columbus, who donate hundreds of volunteer hours each year in support of the Libertyville Civic Center Foundation. The Festival also includes children's activities, a variety of food vendors, and a main stage with musical entertainment throughout the weekend. Additional attractions include the Miss Libertyville Pageant, Fireman's Rib Cook-Off, Baggo Tournament, and more. The entire schedule of events is available at LibertyvilleDays.org.



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I recently had the chance to attend and throw out the first pitch at the Libertyville Girls Softball Association's opening day. I was so proud of our young women and their abilities on the field. I also enjoyed getting to meet their families and interacting with the community as they experienced the recently reconstructed softball fields at Nicholas-Dowden Park south. We also took the opportunity during opening day to recognize the significant stormwater improvements that were part of the project, which provides detention and flood relief to the nearby neighborhoods. That project was awarded the American Public Works Association Chicago Metro Chapter award for "Project of the Year" in the category of "Environment \$5-\$25 million". Thank you to our Engineering and Public Works staff for all your hard work to bring this project to fruition.

The Village continues to recognize all our businesses and encourages each of you to shop local when possible. In November of 2023, the Village recognized eight businesses as part of our new Business Excellence Recognition program. Nominations for 2024 opened June 1st. Last year's recipients, in the following categories included:

Community Impact

Improv Playhouse & Our House of Hope

Economic Impact

Reclaimed Artisans

Development Excellence

HG Studios & LaVilla Lofts

Notable New Business

The Mixto Cuisine

Advancement:

How Impressive & Murphy's Health Foods and Juice Bar

The Village is fortunate to have so many amazing businesses and restaurants. I am happy to recognize The Mixto Cuisine as our Notable New Business. They serve lunch and have excellent dinner items and they are open on Mondays. You can find them on south Milwaukee Avenue. Please consider nominating a business. Applications can be found at www.libertyville.com/businessrecognition. Winners will be formally recognized at an event in the fall.

Please note that the Village has a Foundation that you can use for future donations. You can restrict and specify the use of your donation. Visit the Libertyville Foundation website at www.libertyville.com/foundation to learn more.

In closing, I hope to see you all at our annual fireworks on Independence Day. It is always an excellent display and an opportunity to see neighbors, friends, and their furry friends. Don't forget to come early to hear the Village Band which kicks off the festivities with patriotic music at Butler Lake at 7:30 p.m. The fireworks show will start around 9:30 pm. It is a wonderful way to honor and celebrate our Country's Independence. Stay connected with us by continuing to monitor the Village's website and social media for up-to-date information. Take time with family and enjoy the summer!

Mayor Donna Johnson



Libertyville Days

Carnival Times

– **Thursday, June 13**

5:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

– **Friday, June 14**

12:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

– **Saturday, June 15**

12:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

– **Sunday, June 16**

12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.



Happy Birthday America

Celebrate our country's birth with your friends and neighbors on the 4th of July.

The fun begins with a concert of patriotic music performed by the Village Band at 7:30 p.m. at the Butler Lake Band Shell. A Spectacular fireworks display will begin at approximately 9:30 p.m. For safety reasons, Lake Street will close to pedestrians and vehicle traffic at 9:00 p.m. before the show. Parking will be available at Butler Lake Park (residents only), the main commuter lot, both parking garages, and Butterfield School.

Annual Water Quality Report

To view the Annual Water Quality Report for calendar year 2023, please go to www.libertyville.com/2023C-CR. This report contains important information about the source and quality of our drinking water. If you would like a paper copy mailed to your home, please call the Public Works Department at **847-362-3434**.



Business Grant Applications Open

Applications are currently being accepted for two local business grant programs aimed at strengthening the business community. The Village initiated both the Business Resiliency and Façade & Property Enhancement grant programs last year and has already approved several projects for funding. Businesses have requested funds for new website development, to add kitchen equipment for expanded menu offerings, to build new product displays, and to add new activity areas. These and other enhancements may be considered for funding to help businesses expand and improve their customer offerings.

Interested businesses should refer to the grant information page at www.Libertyville.com/BusinessGrants (or follow the QR code) to download the program application booklet. Approved projects will receive reimbursement upon completion. As projects are intended to be business enhancements which facilitate growth, please understand that maintenance, replacement, operational, and previously completed project costs cannot be considered. The application deadline is ongoing subject to funding availability. The two grant programs available, include:

Business Resiliency Grant: Designed to encourage existing business growth, expansion and sustainability through matching grants of up to \$5000, and is limited to customer facing, sales tax producing entities. Potential uses include, but are not limited to, online sales platform development, marketing program development, equipment acquisition, new signage, green/sustainable enhancements, etc.

Façade & Property Enhancement Grant:

Provides funding towards improvements to dated or deteriorated existing facades or site conditions on commercial buildings in certain commercially zoned districts outside the downtown (includes C-2 & C-3), and will include matching grants up to \$25,000. Projects approved for funding will have 12 months for completion.

Nominate a Business for Recognition

Following a successful inaugural year, the Village will once again present the Business Excellence Recognition program, offering an opportunity to recognize a businesses for their local contributions to the community and economy. The nomination period will be open from June 1 until July 31, 2024 and can be completed from the link found at www.libertyville.com/business-recognition (or follow the QR code). Businesses may be nominated in one or more of the noted categories. Selected businesses will be highlighted through Village communications and honored at the Business Excellence Breakfast held in the Fall.

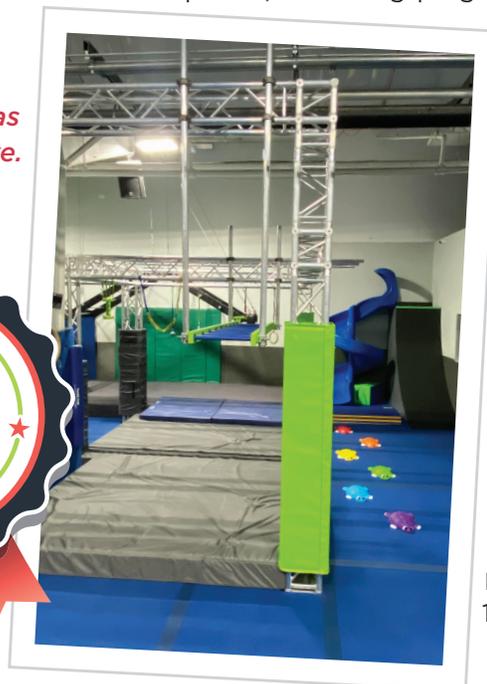


Nominate a Business



Business Grant Applications

The new Lil' Ninjas area at Ultimate Ninjas 732 E Park Ave. Libertyville.





Third Annual National Night Out

The Police Department will be hosting their annual National Night Out ("NNO") event on Tuesday, August 6th from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in Adler Park.

NNO is an annual community-building campaign that promotes strong police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live and work.

Come meet Elwood, the comfort K-9, explore the Touch a Truck event, enjoy a climbing wall, games, water balloon toss with Police Officers and so much more!

Planning Your Safety Escape Plan

Escape planning is a good practice to prepare and organize your family during emergency situations in the home.

Safety escape plans may be used in a variety of situations, including CO2 detector activations and house fires. An escape plan should include reviewing a diagram of where the home's doors, exits, and escape routes are located. Identifying two ways out of each room, including windows and doors, is ideal. Windows and doors should always be clear of any obstacles to guarantee easy exiting. All smoke alarms should be marked as well. An external meeting location, such as a light post or street sign, that is a safe distance from the house should be identified and communicated to all family members.

When practicing your escape plan, remind family members that should a fire occur, moving through the home low to the ground, under the smoke is best. Always choose the escape route that is safest, which is often the one with the least amount of smoke and heat. To learn more about safety escape planning visit the National Fire Protection Association's website at [nfpa.org](https://www.nfpa.org).

RECREATION INSIGHTS SUMMER 2024



Splash Bash
SAT, JUNE 8, ADLER POOL

Tasty Thursdays
JUNE 27, JULY 18, AUGUST 22
CRAWFORD HOUSE

National Night Out
AUGUST 6, ADLER PARK

- NEW!**
- Babysitting Class
 - Creatures Around Crawford
 - Drawing
 - EVP Volleyball (Grass & Sand)
 - Hot Shot Sports
 - Introduction to Disc Golf
 - Junior Responders Camp
 - Messy Science
 - Piloxing in the Park
 - Teen Medical School
 - Wilderness Medicine

HAPPY camper

- Adler Day Camp
- Camp Adventure
- EVP Volleyball Camp
- Fishing Camp
- Hot Shots Sports Camp
- Junior Sail
- Teen Travelers
- Tennis Camp
- Safety Town
- STEM Robotics Camp
- Sunshine Kidz

**COOK PARK 7:30 PM
VILLAGE BAND CONCERTS**



JUNE
20, 27

JULY
4*, 11, 18, 25

*HELD AT BUTLER LAKE

DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

POOL SEASON PASSES

INCLUDES ADLER AND RIVERSIDE POOL

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ADLER POOL

500 North Milwaukee Ave

RIVERSIDE POOL

870 Country Club Drive

Adler Pool can host group outings and birthday parties.

POOL PASSES ON SALE NOW!

www.libertyvillerecreation.com



Festivals OF LIBERTYVILLE

LIBERTYVILLE DAYS JUNE 13 - 16

DOG DAYS OF SUMMER JULY 5 - 7

FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS AUGUST 3 - 4

OKTOBERFEST SEPTEMBER 20 - 21

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Mosquito Control

As the weather gets warmer, inevitably, mosquitoes join us for summer fun. To help combat these pesky bugs, the Village contracts with Clarke Environmental, Inc. for mosquito control.

Much of the control activity is focused on "pre-hatch" treatment, killing the mosquito larvae before they hatch. These activities include treating breeding areas, using catch basin applications, and monitoring of mosquito levels from light traps.

The Village utilizes the Earth Right program provided by Clarke Environmental. The Earth Right program is intended to provide an option for communities to align public health mosquito control with public preference for more environmentally-friendly control products and application materials.

In spite of the efforts to reduce mosquito larvae, when conditions are right, mosquitoes may reach a nuisance level. When this occurs, the Village may schedule a community-wide spray to control the adult mosquito population. The decision to spray is based on a number of factors including light trap levels, nuisance complaints, and weather conditions.

Spraying is done for the entire community. They are not able to spray single neighborhoods. Due to changing weather conditions, it is difficult to provide advance notice of spraying. However, depending on the amount of advance notice, we will use the Village website, Facebook page, or the Friday e-newsletter to notify the community.

Residents who would like to be notified in advance of a scheduled treatment are asked to call the Clarke Mosquito Hotline at **1-800-942-2555** or by visiting clarke-portal.com/hotline. If you think you may have a mosquito breeding area on your property or would like to report a mosquito nuisance please contact the hotline.



Mosquito Control Tips

- Use insect surface sprays both inside and outside the house to kill mosquitoes.
- Use an effective mosquito repellent on exposed skin.
- Remove stagnant water around the house so mosquitoes cannot breed.
- Change the water in pet drinking bowls, bird baths and vases at least once a week.
- Check and maintain rainwater tanks and water storage vessels to ensure screens are intact and limit mosquito entry.

Community Bike Ride

Join us for some fun and fresh air at the family-friendly 8th Annual Community Bike Ride on September 8, 2024, at Adler Park from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

The event includes a 2.5-mile bike ride, a 5-mile bike ride, and a first-time rider course. Each ride is guided by members of the Libertyville Bicycle Advisory Commission and Libertyville Police Department bike unit. There will be local vendors in attendance, Fire, Police & Public Works vehicles, giveaways, Smart Cycling skills training for kids, and more! Details on the event can be found at www.bikelibertyville.com.

2024 Road Rehabilitation Program

The Village recently awarded its annual road rehabilitation contract to Peter Baker & Son. As in previous years, the Village partnered with the Villages of Mundelein and Vernon Hills for a joint project to secure favorable construction pricing. This year's program will be completed this summer and includes resurfacing of the following streets:

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| East Maple Avenue | Wilshire Drive & Court |
| Broadway | Paradise Lane |
| Finstad Drive | Thomas Court |
| Avalon Lane | Willow Avenue |
| Hyatt Drive | Parliament Court |
| Jeremy Lane | |

For updates on this program and all other Village infrastructure projects, please visit www.libertyville.com/construction.



The 15th annual event will continue thanks to the cooperation of the Knights of Columbus. Libertyville is the site for the "Dock Dogs Regional Finals". You can watch as **100 nationally ranked jumping dogs run down a 40 foot dock and jump into a 27,000 gallon pool of water for longest distance in the middle of Church Street.** In addition to the three-day non-stop dog jumping competition, doggie-oriented events and 30+ vendors will be in Cook Park throughout the weekend.

So head to **Cook Park in Downtown Libertyville July 5-7th**. Dog Days of Summer is presented by The Village of Libertyville, and hosted by our local Knights of Columbus who will use any monies after expenses to donate to local organizations that help those in need.



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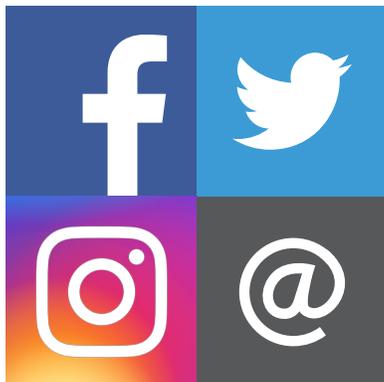
Register Now

The Spring-Summer registration brochure for the Recreation Department is available online at www.libertyvillerecreation.com

Residents can register now for hundreds of fun programs, events and other activities. Don't wait. Sign up for swimming pool season passes, swimming lessons, summer day camp, golf lessons, pre-school programs, sports camps and much more.



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