

City Desk by Jeffrey T. Sherwin The Bridges of Madison Creek

Some of you may remember the romantic movie with Clint Eastwood and Meryl Streep. I'm no Clint Eastwood, and Meryl Streep does not figure in this, but I think our story is much better.

The City of Northlake will be replacing 3 bridges over Addison Creek this year — Hirsch, Palmer and Parkview. The best part of that narrative is that Northlake has secured a grant from the State of Illinois in the amount of \$1,299,257 which will cover 80% of the cost of the Palmer and Parkview bridges, and has also secured a grant in the amount of \$460,000 from Cook County which will cover half of the cost of the Hirsch Street Bridge. The work will start on all of these bridges by the end of July or early August and should be wrapped up by the beginning of November.

While there may be temporary inconveniences due to the bridge closures (especially the Palmer Bridge by Public Works) the end result will be well worth it -3 new safe and reliable bridges which will serve our community well into the rest of this century.

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The Roy, Prater and King Arthur Bridges were replaced a few years ago under similar State and County programs. While romantic movies are fine, I prefer action movies. Securing funding and replacing 6 bridges is plenty of action for me. Thank you to our supporting cast in this story – Cook County Commissioner Frank Aguilar, Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle, State Senator Don Harmon and State Representative Norma Hernandez.

Please enjoy the rest of your summer. We will start working on a block buster sequel to this story.

Trees Available for Fall 2023

Trees for the Fall, 2023 planting are available. If you have room on your parkway to provide a home for a tree, call Public Works at 708-562-0940 to pick from the list of trees for the spring planting.

Trees absorb storm water runoff, absorb various pollutants, produce oxygen and help reduce summer temperatures. Trees also improve property values as well, and studies have indicated that a block with mature trees also tends to slow down traffic. Trees also absorb and reduce urban noise – produced by airplanes, cars and other sources.

Remember – trees located on the parkway or in the City's right of way cannot be cut or trimmed without the permission of the City. The right of way is generally the area 20 feet from the back of the curb. If in doubt, or if a tree in this area needs attention, call Public Works at 708-562-0940.

City Hall will be closed Monday, September 4, 2023, for the Labor Day Holiday.

Creek Bank Stabilization

Addison Creek is one of the most over engineered, modified and abused urban waterways in the Chicago metropolitan area. For years, most communities have viewed the creek a nuisance, little more than an open storm sewer which caused area wide flooding.

Starting in the late 1990's, the City of Northlake started to take a different view of the creek, looking to restore its natural functions as well as improving storm water management. The first phase was at the south end of town where the City, with a grant from the State, purchased 10 flood prone homes, removed them and expanded the wetlands along the creek, naturalized the creekbank, restoring the ecosystem, while providing more areas for the storm water management.

The biggest change to the creek took place a few years ago when the City partnered with the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District and the Addison Creek River Conservancy District to remove 2 low flow dams, restore the natural flow of the creek and create several acres of wetland from Palmer Avenue to Wolf Road, again while providing additional capacity for storm water management.

In a separate project, the MWRD restored wetlands, and stabilized and naturalized the creek banks in the area of the creek north of Fullerton, in front of the King Arthur residential complex.

The latest project undertaken by the City was this year's streambank stabilization project at Creekside Park and Apartments where over 500 feet of creek bank was stabilized, which improved water quality by reducing erosion which caused silt to flow into the creek. The City was fortunate to obtain a State grant for this project as well.

Later this year and into next year, the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District will begin to construct additional wetlands and naturalization of the stream banks at the southern most portion of the creek in Northlake. The City, using funding from the MWRD, has purchased and removed several flood prone homes in this area which will be converted into wetlands which will improve water quality, provide a natural habitat and also provide additional areas for storm water management.

As you can see, the City has taken its stewardship of the Northlake portion of Addison Creek seriously, no longer looking at the creek as a nuisance, but as a natural asset which can benefit the community in our efforts to manage storm water more effectively.

I encourage downstream communities, as well as communities throughout the region, to take another look at their creeks and streams to figure out how to turn them from stormwater conveyances to naturalized assets, to better manage stormwater.



Northlake Senior Citizen's Commission Invites you to join them for a trip to:

Four Winds New Buffalo

Thursday, August 24, 2023 Bus leaves Grant Park at 8:00 a.m. SHARP Leaves Four Winds at 3:30 p.m. SHARP

Fee: \$28.00 per person includes:

Deluxe Motorcoach Round Trip Transportation
4 Hours of Gaming Action
\$10.00 food credit
\$15.00 Instant slot play

Make check payable to the City of Northlake

For tickets, contact Kay Koca at 708-562-7983 or Christine Maggio at 708-562-7473 or Come to Senior Bingo on any Monday at Vasquez Community Center 316 N. LaPorte from 11:00 - 2:30 p.m.

Please reserve a seat on the bus as soon as possible. If you cancel, your money will not be refunded. You will have to find someone to take your place or lose your money. The bus will only hold 54 people, so don't wait too long. Please use your player Card Number when you sign up.

Everyone must have a current state issued picture ID.

Wheel chair residents must have caretaker.

Please use your players card when you gamble.

When parking at Grant Park Recreation Center, park close to the street.

The Northlake Youth Commission Seeks ghouls, phantoms, ghosts, & other spiritual beings

To join us in putting on our

HALLOWEEN HAUNTED TRAIL

You will need to be:

- ➤ At least 16 years of age
- ➤ Able to attend the youth commission meeting on 10/25 (6:30pm City Hall: 55 North Ave. next to Burger King)
- Open to wearing a costume & make-up or mask
- Ready to perform no matter what kind of weather
- Available from at least 2:00pm (or right after school; whichever is earlier) until about 8:30pm on Thursday, 10/31/23

Please contact: Sheila Morgan 708-334-0315



The Annual Senior Citizen Dinner Thursday, October 26, 2023

Monty's 703 S. York Road Bensenville



Cocktails begin at 11 a.m. Dinner – 11:30

Cash Bar

Assigned Seating Tickets available at Northlake City Hall during regular office hours until October 13th.

Proof of residency required for free tickets.



Summer Concert Series

August 16 and September 13, 2023 at Grant Park Gazebo on Wolf and Country Club.

August 16: 3 Day Rain Band Country Rock



September 13: Rolling Roses Band A tribute band to legendary Mexican bands



No dogs allowed.

New Dental Facility Opens

Olive Family Dental is delighted to announce the grand opening of our state-of-the-art dental practice in Northlake. We are dedicated to providing exceptional dental care in a warm and welcoming environment. Our comprehensive range of services includes routine check-ups, cleanings, cosmetic dentistry, and restorative procedures. We prioritize convenience and offer flexible appointment timings to accommodate busy schedules. Our office hours are Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, with Saturday appointments available from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM. We accept various insurance plans including Medicaid plans to make quality dental care accessible to all. Experience our commitment to excellent oral health care by visiting us at 120 W North Ave, Service Rd, Northlake - IL 60164. For more information or to schedule an appointment, please visit our website at (www.olivefamilydental.com) or call @ 708 498 0050.



Pictured left to right: 3rd Ward Alderman Norm Johnson, Mayor Jeffrey T. Sherwin, Dr. Samra, Mirza Baig, Police Chief Ken Beres

KIDS' BACK TO SCHOOL CRAFTS

Wednesday, August 9, 2023
5 PM to 6:30 PM
(or until the prizes run out)
Sandy VaSquez Community Center
316 La Porte
(between La Porte & Wolf Roads)

*FREE*FREE*FREE*FREE* (Sponsored by the Northlake Youth Commission)

KIDS'BINGO

Wednesday, September 13
5 PM to 6:30 PM
(or until the prizes run out)
Sandy VaSquez Community Center
316 La Porte
(between La Porte & Wolf Roads)

*FREE*FREE*FREE*FREE*
(Sponsored by the Northlake
Youth Commission)



Grill Raffle

This year's winner of the Blackstone Grill was Andrea Chavez Sosa. Andrea is a 9 year resident of Northlake. This was her 3rd attempt to win a grill. Andrea says she loves to cook and is very excited to use it.

New Noise Ordinance

Per Noise Ordinance number O-11-2023, Live bands and amplified music needs to be turned down so as not to disturb neighbors. Friday and Saturday, the music needs to reduced by 10:00 p.m. On Sunday through Thursday, the music needs to be reduced by 9:00 p.m.

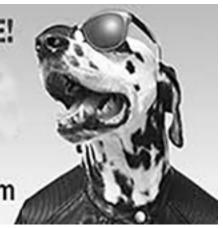
Have a safe and happy Labor Day Holiday!



IMPROV COMEDY IN NORTHLAKE!

August 18 and September 29 8:00 to 10:00 \$15.00/per person

LIVE! at NORTHLAKE CITY HALL www.incognitomodeimprov.com



Leyden Community Food Pantry 501 (c)(3)

REGISTRATION

First time clients are required to fill out a participation form and provide proof of Leyden Township residency before their first visit.

HOURS OF OPERATION

We operate Monday - Friday, by appointment only. Call Michele or Lisa to schedule a date and time.

Michele: (847) 451-5117 Lisa: (847) 451-5112

LOCATION

Our food pantry is located at: **Leyden Township Town Hall** 2501 N. Mannheim Road Franklin Park, IL 60131

MOST WANTED ITEMS

- CEREAL
- LAUNDRY DETERGENT
- CHILES
- MASHED POTATOES
- COFFEE
- PASTA SAUCE
- CONDIMENTS
 PEANUT BUTTER
- COOKING OIL
 PUDDING
- CRACKERS
- RICE
- JELL-O
- PERSONAL CARE ITEMS
- JUICES
- (Deodorant, Shampoo, Feminine products)

For the safety of our clients, we cannot accept expired food.

The 411 on Recycling

What Can Be Recycled

- Newspaper
- Mixed Paper: advertisements, direct mail, office paper, stationery, envelopes, paper bags, gift wrap
- Magazines, catalogs and telephone books
- Cardboard and boxboard
- Soda and beer carrying cases
- Glass bottles and jars
- Aluminum cans and foil
- Tin and steel cans, including empty aerosol cans
- Plastic bottles and containers coded #1-#7 (except #6)
- Six or twelve pack rings
- Milk and juice cartons (Plastic bottles not cartons)

What Cannot be Recycled

- Soiled items such as pizza boxes, napkins, tissues
- Plastic take out containers, cups, plates, utensils
- Plastic bags and film
- Styrofoam or packing peanuts
- Disposable diapers or rags
- Needles or syringes
- Mirror and window glass, compact fluorescent and other light bulbs
- Electronic items
- Printer or toner cartridges
- Toys and ceramics
- Motor oil, insecticide and hazardous chemical containers

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Obituaries

Piovano, Joseph, 73 of Northlake, passed away May 12th, 2023 at Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge. A 37 year resident of Northlake. Served in the navy on the USS America during Viet Nam. A 50 year member of the American Legon. Joe leaves his wife, Carol, of almost 44 years, sons Scott (Heidi Snow), Adam (Theresa), and grandchildren: Lucas, Isabell and Mia. Retired employee of Benjamore Paint Co.

Free Mulch

If you are in need of mulch, Public Works is providing it free of charge. For more information, call Public Works at 708-562-0940.

Keeping Cool

Many cities across the United States have had prolonged heat indexes over 100 degrees this summer. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention advises the public to drink more water than usual, and not to wait until thirsty during times of extreme heat. Other tips include wearing light-weight, light-colored, and loose-fitting clothes.

Make sure the blinds are down and the curtains closed in your home. Also, try not to run the dishwasher or laundry machines until after dark.

Your pets also need protection from the hot weather.

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FOR RESIDENTS SOUTH OF NORTH AVE.

Handyman Program

For Proviso Township
The Handyman Program, a part of Senior
Services in Proviso Township, is available
to homeowners over age 60 residing in
the township. For a \$5.00 fuel fee, the
handyman will visit your home and make
small repairs, charging only for the cost
of any needed parts. The handymen,
are available by appointment. Call
708-547-4001.



FOR RESIDENTS NORTH OF NORTH AVE. Leyden Handyman Program



For Senior Citizens And the disabled From changing a light bulb

From changing a light bulb to replacing cabinet hinges, no job is too small. The service is free, however, reimbursement for parts is required.

Call for more information:

Calendar of Events – 2023

August	September	
Aug 7 – Branch pick up begins	Sept 4 - City Hall Closed	
Aug 8 - Community Events and Affairs Mtg. – 6:30	Sept 5 - Branch pick up begins	
Aug 9 - Youth Commission Meeting – 4:30	Sept 11 - Finance Meeting – 6:30	
Aug 14 - Finance Meeting – 6:30	City Council Meeting – 7:00 p.m.	
City Council Meeting – 7:00 p.m.	Sept 12 - Community Events and Affairs Mtg6:30	
Aug 15 - Court	Sept 13 - Youth Commission Meeting – 6:30	
Aug 21 - Senior Citizen's Commission Mtg. – 10:00 at	Sept 18 - Senior Citizen's Commission Mtg. – 10:00 at	
Vasquez Community Center	Vasquez Community Center	
Aug 22 - Police Commission Mtg. at P.D. – 6:00	Sept 19 - Court	
	Sept 26 - Police Commission Mtg. at P.D. – 6:00	

Classified Ads

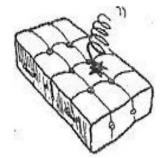
Electrical work: No job to small. Reasonable prices. Licensed and bonded in Northlake. Call Adam at 708-228-7114.

Electronic Recycling

All electronic items must be disposed of at Public Works, 100 W. Palmer. Do not leave them out for garbage collection. They will not be picked up. For old style tube televisions and computer monitors, you must purchase a sticker from City Hall. The cost is \$5.00. The sticker must be affixed to these items. There is no charge for any other item. Public Works is open 7:30 to 3:00 Monday through Friday.

Wrapping Mattresses

Please wrap all mattresses in plastic when putting them out with your trash. Make sure they are completely covered. This is done for the health and safety of the refuse collectors.





Northlake Citywide Garage Sale September 22, 23 and 24, 2023

Join over 100 Northlake households having a garage sale.

A complete list of garage sales will be available at City Hall after noon on September 21th. List will also be available on line at: Northlakecity.com

To have your name included on the list, fill out the form below and mail or bring to City Hall, 55 E. North Avenue, by September 20th, at 12:00 p.m.

City Hail, 33 E. Noit	in Avenue, by Sep	nember 20°, at 12.00 p.	.111.		
Citywide Garage Sale Registration Form (Please print.)					
We will hold our garage sale on (circle days):	Friday	Saturday	Sunday		
Name					
Address					
Phone Number (only for City Hall)					