



MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERVISOR



Paul O'Grady Orland Township Supervisor

Dear Orland Township Resident,

Orland Township is always looking for new ways to reach more people and making sure we do as much as possible to improve the quality of life in our community. That's why we are excited to announce two new offerings: the Supervisor's Supper Club and the Senior/Disabled Support Grant.

Supervisor's Supper Club

At the Supervisor's Supper Club, I look forward to hosting a group of seniors at a different local restaurant each quarter for food, beverages and fun. Through the Township's many existing services and events, I've had the privilege to meet and learn from so many local seniors who have a lifetime of experiences to share. I'm delighted to have this new chance to get to know them better, share updates on Township initiatives, answer questions and listen to their suggestions for how we can make our community an even better place to live.

Our first dinner was in late June at the fantastic sip. Wine Bar and we're now planning the next gettogether. Space is limited and registration is required. Call Orland Township at (708) 403-4222 or send an email to pogsupperclub@gmail.com if you would like to attend or learn more.

The Supervisor's Supper Club is funded through private donations. There is no cost to participate, but a non-perishable food donation from each dinner guest for the Orland Township Food Pantry is highly encouraged and greatly appreciated.

Support for Seniors and Individuals Living with a Disability

Orland Township has long worked to guide residents in need toward financial assistance and resources that they might not have known about. As part of our new Senior/Disabled Support Grant, we invite older adults and individuals living with a disability to contact our General Assistance office to schedule a meeting to determine their eligibility for services, grants, tax breaks and other helpful programs. Those who qualify based on income will receive \$50 gift cards for gas and groceries to help them meet higher transportation and food costs.

Income guidelines apply. To determine if you are eligible or for more information, please contact Alexis in the General Assistance office at (708) 403-4222. Also see page 2 of this *Focus* for additional details.

Shred-a-Thon on Saturday, July 16

I look forward to hosting a free shred-a-thon on Saturday, July 16 from 8 a.m. to noon at the north parking lot of the 80th Avenue Train Station (18001 S. 80th Ave., Tinley Park). Shredders will be on site to provide fast and secure document destruction. I hope you will join Tinley Park Mayor Michael Glotz and me to help prevent identity theft while disposing of unwanted personal documents. This event is limited to residents and is not intended for businesses. Each vehicle will be limited to five bankers boxes of documents to shred; items should be placed in the trunk or cargo area.

Back-to-School Health Fair

If you have children, help get them ready for fall classes by attending Orland Township's Back to School Health Fair on Saturday, Aug. 20 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at our office and community center, located at 14807 S. Ravinia Ave. Required immunizations, physicals, dental screenings, eye exams, and haircuts are among the services that will be available. Event admission is free. Please see page 6 of this *Focus* for additional details.

Pet-Palooza

We will again host the popular Pet-Palooza festival for Township residents and their four-legged friends. The 10th Pet-Palooza will be from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24 on the Township grounds and will feature pet contests, dozens of pet-friendly businesses, pet adoptions, food booths featuring local restaurants, games and prizes for kids, and so much more.

Always at Your Service

We look forward to continuing through our programs, services and events — such as our successful recent job fair — to make Orland Township an even better place to live, work and play. If you need assistance or have questions, please call us at (708) 403-4222.

We're your Township, and we're working for you.

Sincerely, Paul O'Grady



Aug. 20: Back-To-School Health Fair Sept. 24: July — Sept. **2022**

SUMMER NEWSLETTER



Elected Officials Paul O'Grady -Supervisor-

> Cindy M. Murray -Clerk-

Patrick Feldner

Maria Sanfilippo

John Lynch

Michael Maratea -Trustees-

-Assessor-

Antonio Rubino -Highway Commissioner-

Office Locations

Main Office 14807 S. Ravinia Avenue Orland Park, IL 60462

Phone: (708) 403-4222 Fax: (708) 403-4260

•Administrative Office• •Assessor's Office• (708) 403-4712 •Youth & Family Counseling Services•

> •Highway Department• 16125 S. Wolf Road Orland Park, IL 60467

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Pet-Palooza

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Phone: (708) 403-5148 Fax: (708) 403-5165

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TOWNSHIP GOVERNMENT WORKING FOR YOU

Board Meetings

Orland Township board meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the third Monday of the month in the Orland Township Boardroom, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave.

Board meetings are open to the public and meeting agendas and minutes may be found on the Orland Township website, orlandtownship.org

THE ORLAND TOWNSHIP

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In honor of Volunteer Appreciation Day, Orland Township hosted a "Berry Sweet" volunteer appreciation dinner in April at RoccoVino's in Orland Park to celebrate the contributions of the many volunteers that dedicate their time and service to the Township.

Volunteers are vital to the successful operations Orland Township. More than 70 individuals annually devote their free time to assisting in several different departments. Whether they choose to help in the Township's Food Pantry, or as a member of Health or Senior Services, all volunteers contribute to the enrichment of our community and help make Orland Township a better place to live.

Supervisor Paul O'Grady thanked the volunteers for their many contributions advancing the mission of Orland Township over the past year. "Volunteers are the heart and soul of the Township," Supervisor O'Grady said. "If it wasn't for all of you, we would never be able to accomplish everything we do at the Township. On behalf of a grateful community, thank you."



Income Guidelines

Household Size	Maximum Monthly Income
1	\$0—\$2,683
2	\$0—\$3,629
3	\$0-\$4,575
4	\$0-\$5,521
5	\$0-\$6.467

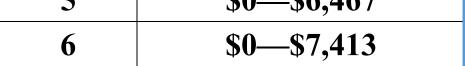


Orland Township is offering this Senior/Disabled Support Grant to assist its residents. This onetime grant will not be considered as an application/ occurrence towards your family's lifetime allotment of Emergency Assistance Program.

Residents who are 55 and older, or disabled residents, are encouraged to contact our General Assistance Department for a "Supplemental Grant" meeting to determine what other services, grants, or programs may be available to help give a helping hand. Income guidelines do apply.

Eligible residents will be issued a \$50 Gas Gift Card and a \$50 Grocery Gift Card.

If interested, please reach out to Alexis in the General Assistance Office by calling (708) 403-4222. You will need to provide:







- Identification (with proof of residency)
 - Must be 55 and older; or proof of disability (SSI or SSDI)
- Proof of monthly household income



The mission of the Township Assessor is to provide information and services that are accessible, prompt and accurate. This is possible, in part, because township government is so close and responsive to the local property owner.

Assessor's Office Phone Number: (708) 403-4712



NEWS FROM THE ASSESSOR RICH E. KELLY

NEWS FROM THE ASSESSOR **RICH E. KELLY**

year, however, the property tax bills will be late. This Second Installment bill reflects this particular application were required to complete and return it with proper the assessed value, state equalization factor, exemption(s), local tax rate, and total documentation attached by May 25, 2022. payment due. This bill also shows a Taxing District Breakdown indicating the amount being paid to each taxing district within that particular suburban municipality.

exemption(s) to which one may be entitled. Depending upon each taxpayer's proper documentation attached by June 8, 2022. particular circumstances, these exemptions may include:

- Homeowner's Exemption
- Senior Citizen Exemption (born in 1956 or prior year)
- Senior Assessment Freeze Exemption (senior citizen residing in home as of Jan. 1, 2020 and Jan. 1, 2021, with a total gross household income, including gross Orland Township's 2021 appeal filing dates through the Cook County Assessor's Office social security for income tax year 2020, of no more than \$65,000)
- **Disabled Person's Exemption**
- **Disabled Veteran's Exemption**
- Returning Veteran's Exemption

This year the Cook County Assessor's Office produced a new 5-in-1 Exemption Form, in which the Homeowner Exemption, Senior Exemption, Senior Freeze Exemption, Persons With Disabilities Exemption, and Veterans With Disabilities Exemption can be applied for on one simple two-page form. An Occupancy Affidavit and additional documentation including a current driver's license or state ID must be included with the application. We have been scanning and emailing each application and documentation directly downtown to the Cook County Assessor's Office for processing.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, a significant change to the tax code pertaining to property tax years 2020 and 2021 (calendar years 2021 and 2022) allows for the automatic renewal of exemptions which are not ordinarily automatic, namely the Senior Freeze, Persons With Disabilities, and Veterans With Disabilities Exemptions. Last year the automatic renewal eliminated the necessity of completing a renewal exemption form, which was welcome relief to numerous taxpayers.

This automatic renewal is occurring again this year. Taxpayers would have received a postcard or letter from the Cook County Assessor's Office advising them that their exemptions will roll over automatically again this year. These exemptions will appear on the 2021 Second Installment Property Tax Bill.

The 2021 Second Installment Property Tax Bill will be forthcoming, although as of the Gold exemption application forms had been mailed from the Cook County Assessor's writing of this Focus article, we have not been given a specific mailing date. Office and received by some taxpayers on April 28. These particular properties had been Generally, Second Installment bills are mailed July 1, with an Aug. 1 due date. This flagged as ineligible for automatic exemption renewal. Those taxpayers who had received

Purple forms were also recently mailed from the Cook County Assessor's Office and received by some taxpayers on May 7. The Cook County records indicate that these Upon receipt of the Second Installment bill, all taxpayers in Orland Township should particular taxpayers had recently purchased their homes, or that they may be eligible for carefully review this property tax bill to make sure that it reflects the property tax unclaimed exemptions. These purple applications were to be completed and returned with

> Our office will be happy to assist you with filing Certificate of Error Application(s) for missing exemptions for the current 2021 property tax year, as well as for three prior years, if applicable, in order to receive refunds. However, we recommend calling our office first so that proper documentation is gathered and brought in to us.

> were 7-2-21 to 8-3-21. The 2021 Board of Review appeal dates for our Township were 2-14-22 to 3-15-22. Orland Township taxpayers who had filed 2021 appeals through the Cook County Board of Review received their result letters on 6-8-22. Any assessed valuation reductions through the Cook County Assessor's Office and/or Cook County Board of Review will be reflected on the 2021 Second Installment Property Tax Bill.

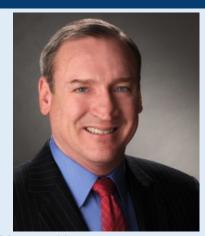
> The Cook County Assessor's Office will post in its office and will publish on its website the 2022 opening and closing dates for filing appeals on properties in each of the 38 townships in Cook County, as required by law. This information will be published on its website (cookcountyassessor.com) as it becomes available.

> Orland Township taxpayers will also be given a second opportunity to file 2022 appeals through the Cook County Board of Review. This information will be published online at cookcountyboardofreview.com and cookcountyassessor.com when exact details regarding this particular appeal filing period become available.

> If you have any questions, you may contact me or one of my staff, Mary Ellen Colletti or Lea Sullivan, at (708) 403-4712. We will be happy to assist you. Please stay well and safe, and enjoy your summer!



Assistance Programs Help Residents Experiencing Financial Hardship



Managed by Supervisor Paul O'Grady

Orland Township strives to support residents in as many ways as possible by providing valuable services and programs, ranging from our Food Pantry and Pet Pantry to seminars health and senior transportation.

aid, is obtained. The Township aims to help residents experiencing economic difficulty get back on their feet as quickly as possible so that a temporary setback does not become a more detrimental and permanent challenge.

"There are people in our community who are struggling financially," said Supervisor Paul O'Grady, who manages the program. "It's important they know we are here to help."

The Township also offers the Emergency Assistance program, which grants financial aid to qualified individuals and families on a shortterm basis to alleviate life-threatening circumstances or to assist residents in returning to self-sufficiency. The Emergency Assistance program offers many relief options, including but not limited to rent/mortgage assistance and energy/utility bill assistance.

In addition to ongoing assistance, the Township offers annual support options such as the Holiday Program intended to help families struggling financially during the holiday season. Through the Holiday Program, Orland Township each year helps hundreds of families put food on their tables and share gifts with their loved ones.

To apply for any of these programs, residents must complete an application and provide verification of household size and proof of residency and income. Applications may be obtained at the Orland Township office, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave.

For more information on Orland



Orland Hills Residents May Qualify for **Financial Assistance with Water Bills**

Illinois American Water, which serves Orland Hills residents, provides qualifying customers with financial assistance through the H2O Help to Others Program to help them manage water bills. This customer assistance program, created by Illinois American Water and Illinois Salvation Army agencies, helps provide supplemental funding to residents who would otherwise have trouble paying their bills.

H2O Help to Others is supported by contributions

As part of our commitment to the local community, the Township offers a year-round General Assistance program that helps residents meet basic needs until employment or another source of income, such as Social Security, disability or public

"When one of us falls behind, we all fall behind," O'Grady said. "Orland Township wants to help those in need get back on their feet so our community can remain strong."

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from Illinois American Water and voluntary contributions from customers. Any residential customer with a delinquent account and demonstrated financial need due to an emergency state (not chronic or intentional delinguency) may be eligible to apply.

Individuals applying for assistance must be Illinois American Water residential customers and may apply for assistance one time per calendar year. For more information on this and other assistance programs available to area residents, please contact Alexis at (708) 403-4222.

SHIP Counselors Kathy Branigan
and Janet Kohler will see senior
clients on THURSDAYS from 9 a.m.
to 1 p.m. at Orland Township!

Orland Township's FREE Senior Health Insurance Program (SHIP) aids seniors in need of help with Medicare claims and statements, as well as help with Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Coverage. Counselors are trained and certified with the Illinois Department of Insurance. This service, offered statewide, is available to people of all ages with Medicare.

SHIP counselors can answer questions about:

Medicare

- Medicare Advantage Plans (HMO, PPO, PFFS)
- · Prescription Drug Coverage through Medicare and other sources
- Long-term Care Insurance
- Medicare Claims and Appeals
- Medicare Beneficiary Rights and Guarantees

*SHIP is not affiliated with any insurance company and SHIP counselors do not sell or solicit any type of insurance.

Appointments can be scheduled by phone: (708) 403-4222



NEWS FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK **CINDY M. MURRAY**

Orland Township Remains Among Suburban Cook **County's Most Popular Early Voting Sites**

Next Election is Tuesday, Nov. 8

Orland Township Clerk's Office Cindy M. Murray, Clerk

County. In the weeks prior to the June 28 primary election, local citizens again turned needs to be a photo ID, but one must include your current address. Acceptable forms of out in large numbers and took advantage of the opportunity to vote early at Orland ID include: Township.

We're proud to see so many area residents taking seriously their right to help determine the results of races in this election cycle. Early voting turnout figures will appear in the next edition of Focus.

The general election is Tuesday, Nov. 8 and, in advance of that election, Orland Township will again offer early voting. Statewide offices, including United States senator, governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, secretary of state, treasurer and comptroller are up for election this year, as are all Illinois General Assembly and U.S. House seats.

If you're eligible to vote and not already registered, we encourage you to do so soon. Regardless of one's candidate preferences, everyone should agree that exercising our right to vote is critical. Call Orland Township at (708) 403-4222 or the Cook County clerk's office at (312) 603-0906 for more information.

Cindy M. Murray Orland Township Clerk

Voter Registration Options

Registering to vote in Orland Township is easy and convenient. If you're eligible to vote but not already registered, please do so at your earliest opportunity. You may register online, by mail, or in person. You must:

- 1. Be a U.S. citizen.
- 2. Be at least 18 years old on or before the Tuesday, Nov. 8 general election.
- 3. Be a resident of your precinct at least 30 days prior to Election Day.
- 4. Not be serving a sentence of confinement in any penal institution as a result of a conviction.
- 5. Not claim the right to vote anywhere else.

Ways to Register

If vou have an Illinois driver's license or state ID, online registration is available via the State Board of Elections website (ova.elections.il.gov).

To register by mail, you may download an application from the State Board of Elections website, complete it, and then return it.

You also may register in person at any of the Cook County clerk's locations, including those in Bridgeview, at 10220 S. 76th Ave., or in Markham, at 16501 S. Kedzie Ave. Or register with a deputy registrar or at a village, city or township clerk's office, an Illinois Secretary of State's driver's license facility, or certain other state government offices.

Orland Township continues to be among the most popular early voting sites in Cook If registering to vote in person, you must display two pieces of identification. Neither

- Illinois driver's license
- Illinois state ID
- Employee or student ID
- Credit card
- Social Security card
- Birth certificate
- Utility bill
- Postmarked mail •
- U.S. passport
- Public aid ID card
- Lease or rental contract

Grace Period Registration & Voting

The standard voter registration period closes 28 days prior to Election Day, but grace period registration and voting continues the registration period by allowing voters to register and vote up to, and even on, Election Day.

Guidelines limit when and where grace period registrants can vote. During the 27-day grace period preceding Election Day, those who wish to register and vote in person may do so at one of the Cook County clerk's designated grace period locations. Orland Township, as an early voting site, also conducts grace period registration during periods of early voting.

Individuals wishing to vote during this period must bring two pieces of identification to register. Grace period registrants immediately cast their ballot after registering to vote.

Election Day Registration at Your Polling Place

To register to vote or to update your voter information on Election Day, visit your home precinct and display two forms of ID. Neither needs to be a photo ID, but one must include your current address. To find the address of the polling place for your precinct, visit the Cook County Clerk's website, cookcountyclerk.com, click the "Elections" link, choose "Your Voter Information" and then "Where Is My Polling Place."

Automatic Voter Registration

Eligible adults in Illinois also may have their voter registration information updated automatically when they interact with the Illinois Secretary of State. If visiting an office of the Secretary of State to obtain or update a driver's license or state ID, individuals are encouraged to inquire as to whether they may be eligible for automatic voter registration.

Sources: Cook County Clerk; State Board of Elections

Orland Township Congratulates Mary Hastings on Retirement

Mary Hastings, following 24 years in service of Orland Township and our residents, retired in April as the Township's executive administrator.

Orland Township Supervisor Paul O'Grady, the Board of Trustees, and Township staff and volunteers warmly congratulate Mary on her retirement. The Township, absent Mary's enormous contributions, would not have achieved the scale of success, through the growth and development of our programs, events and services, that occurred during her tenure. For more than two decades, she was a fixture, and often the face, of Township public service. She warmly greeted seniors for bingo and health care appointments, as well as other residents visiting the Township office and community center to take advantage of our programs, events, and services.

She served as a mentor and role model for Township staff and many others. Thanks to her leadership and commitment, programs, events and services flourished. She consistently demonstrated concern for individual staff members, ensuring they received the direction and support necessary to fulfill their responsibilities to the best of their abilities. In addition to her incredible competence and skill, she has been a friend to all with her thoughtfulness, care and strong compassion.





Among her long list of accomplishments, Mary supervised a major expansion of the Food Pantry to better support local families, ensured that Township services continued uninterrupted amid the addition of the Illinois Secretary of State's express driver's facility within the Township's office complex, and remained resolute in her commitment to serving the residents of Orland Township.

During the pandemic, she shepherded Township departments through a transformation necessary to protect the health of residents, staff and volunteers. She ensured staff and volunteers could reach and engage isolated seniors and other members of our community to facilitate vaccinations, provide transportation for medical appointments, and offer crucial support necessary for their safety, health and quality of life during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mary began work with Orland Township as a general assistance advisor, where she worked closely with many residents requiring Township services to help improve their health and quality of life. Her competence, understanding and skill elevated her through the ranks of Township operations to the position of assistant administrator and ultimately, executive administrator.

> All of us at Orland Township convey our heartfelt gratitude for her lasting commitment to public service, wish her much happiness in her retirement, and do terribly miss her optimistic, can-do presence at the Township offices.

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DROP-OFF

MON - FRI:

7AM - 4:30PM

16125 S. WOLF ROAD ORLAND PARK, IL

- Power Supplies

- Satellite Receivers

- Speakers (No Wood)

- Vacuums (No Cloth)

- SCRAP METAL

- Small Servers

- Power Tools

- Printers

- Projectors

- Scanners

- Stereos

- Tablets

- TV'S

- VCRs

- Toasters

The Highway Department maintains the residential streets and public right of way in unincorporated Orland Township. This includes repair and construction of streets, storm sewers, sidewalks, curbs and street signs.



REPORT FROM HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER

ANTONIO RUBINO

GRANT UPDATE

In the 2023 fiscal year budget, the Highway Department is slated to receive \$350,000 in new infrastructure and capital improvements and \$100,000 in reappropriations for a total of \$450.000.

I would also like to take a moment to recognize the State of Illinois, Local Leaders and Cook County for working with my office on innovative ideas for improving Orland Township. That is truly what working for you means!





Our recycling program has brought in many gently used TV's that are suitable for our senior community. If you or a family member are in need of a TV, please contact my office.

708.403.5148



Digital Survey Vehicles will be operating throughout the unincorporated areas collecting data points and assessment information for roadway conditions. This is part of an ongoing effort to improve roadways using the Chicago Metropolitan Assessment Agency for Planning Grant my office received.



If you are planning to do any warm weather projects near the parkway (area between the sidewalk and curb) such as driveway repair/replacement or landscaping that requires digging you will need to obtain a permit. Please call our office at 708-403-5148 or email highway@orlandtownship.org.



The Highway Department in conjunction with the State of Illinois will be providing a free Household Waste Recycling Event. Residents will be able to drop off items that are otherwise deemed hazardous to regular waste and recycling such as Paints, Pesticides, Cleaning Products, Gasoline, Medicine, Paint Thinners and more.

This event will be held at Victor J. Andrew High School on Saturday, August 20th from 8AM to 3PM. REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. The registration link will be forthcoming. If you need additional information or have any questions, please contact my office at (708) 403-5148.

POTHOLES & PATCHING

Winter months and snow plowing can cause potholes within the roadways. If you see a pothole which we did not fill, or have any road-related concerns, please call the Highway Department at 708-403-5148 and provide us with the location.

KNOW WHAT'S BELOW CALL BEFORE

ELECTRONIC ITEMS ACCEPTED

- Docking Stations

Adapters - APPLIANCES

see the new items we accept.

- Ballasts
- Blenders
- Cable Receivers
- Cameras
- Car Batteries
- CD Players
- Cell Phones
- Christmas Lights
- Coffee Makers
- Computers
- Computer Drives
- Cords/Cables/Wires
- Digital Converters
- DVD Players/Recorders
- Dish Washers
- Hard Drives - Hot Water Heaters - Keyboards

- Fax Machines

- Laptops
- Mainframes

- Dryers

The Highway Department is now accepting small

appliances for recycling. Please read the list below to

- Metal Fans
- Mice

- Microwaves

- Modems
- MONITORS
- - PDA Organizers
- Phones
- Ovens/Stoves
- Video Game Consoles
- Portable Music Players - Washing Machines

APPLIANCES - Household and Stainless Steel appliances only, like washers, dryers, toasters, blenders, vacuums. We do not take freon-containing devices.

SCRAP METAL - Anything made of metal, like lawn furniture, BBQs, fire pits, pots and pans, hot water tanks, hardware, metal fencing, bed frames

TVs/MONITORS - All types (flat screen or glass tube) do have a cost to recycle. A coupon must be pre-purchased at (recycle.eworksesi.org) or at the gate upon arrival (CREDIT CARD ONLY). Please bring a copy of the coupon with you.

A recycling fee will apply to all Monitors and TV's ITEMS NOT SCREEN MEASURED DIAGONALLY - Cassettes/DVDs/CDs



- Household Batteries - Light Bulbs - Fluorescent Lights - Household Cleaners
 - Plastic Bags/Containers - Smoke Detectors - Toner Cartridges

Donate clothing, shoes, bedding

RX TAKE-BACK

Turn in your unused or expired

n-breakable household goods

ALL ITEMS SHOULD BE DELIVERED UNBOXED AND FREE OF EXCESS PACKAGING MATERIALS

- Hazardous Waste



- M BOXES/BINS CANNOT BE LEFT BEHIND AT EVENT.
- **RESIDENTIAL SHREDDING ONLY. NO COMMERCIAL.** ភ្ន
 - SHREDDING ACCEPTED UNTIL CAPACITY IS REACHED











ORLAND TOWNSHIP AND TINLEY PARK RESIDENTS ONLY. ALL CDC GUIDELINES WILL BE FOLLOWED.

SUMP PUMP DISCHARGE

It is unlawful to discharge any sump pumps onto Township sidewalks and roads. The standing water exacerbates pavement deterioration and creates an ice hazard in winter months. Drain hoses should be directed to the natural ditch between homes so that water will follow grade.

PAVEMENT ASSESSMEN

My office was awarded the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to perform a flood assessment of the Deluga Woods subdivision. Stormwater runoff and flood water have repeatedly impacted homes and flooded roads throughout the area. Preliminary issues identified include undersized culverts along the drainage way and lack of overland drainage outlets.

PROJECT OUTLINE **OPUBLIC OUTREACH △** FIELD EVALUATION AND SURVEY **O HYDROLOGIC AND HYDRAULIC MODELING O PROPOSED ALTERNATIVE DEVELOPMENT AND EVALUATION O** ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS AND PERMITTING **G** FINAL REPORT **STAKEHOLDER COORDINATION AND FUNDING ALTERNATIVES**



ORLAND TOWNSHIP HEALTH SERVICES



Silver Cross Medical Group

Dr. Omar Akhtar

Dr. Tiffany Groen

1890 Silver Cross Blvd.

Pavilion D, Suite 120 New Lenox, IL 60451

Back-to-School Health Fair

Orland Township's Back-to-School Health Fair is quickly approaching! Supervisor Paul O'Grady and the Board of Trustees are excited to help local families prepare to send their children back to school. The fair, which will take place Saturday, Aug. 20 between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m., will be held at Orland Township, located at 14807 S. Ravinia Ave.

The Back-to-School Health Fair will have plenty of free services, giveaways and fun activities. School physicals (sports and health) will be available for \$35 for Township residents (\$45 for non-residents) and proof of residency is required. Admission is FREE.

Dental screenings, eye exams, and haircuts are among other services provided.



Senior Health Fair A Success

Orland Township welcomed more than 300 guests to our Senior Health Fair on May 25.

Several local organizations were on site with giveaways, raffle prizes and senior-related information. Free health services were also available, including basic cholesterol testing, total lipid profile testing, blood pressure screenings, and hearing screenings! Thanks to our wonderful vendors and sponsors for joining us.

America's Best Contacts & Eyeglasses, Bankers Life, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois, Clean Eatz, Cook County Sheriff's Office, Edward Jones, Jonna Phelps Consulting, Jewel-Osco, Orland Hearing Aid Center, Orland Fire Protection District, Orland Park Health & Fitness Center, Orland Park Public Library, Orland Park Nutrition, Orland Park Police Department, Salon Evangelos, Great American Bagel, Chick-fil-A, Pop's Italian Beef & Sausage, Silver Lake Country Club, Red Lobster, Windy City ThunderBolts, and Orland Park Midas.



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Wellness Program

Orland Township's Wellness Program continues to provide quality services to our residents at the lowest cost. Our medical services are discounted as much as, if not more than, 50% per medical service. Please visit the Orland Township office located at 14807 S. Ravinia Ave. to purchase a voucher for services. Proof of residency is required at the time of voucher purchase. Residents must schedule appointments with the healthcare provider directly.

MEDICAL Physical Exam - \$75

<u>Silver Cross Medical Group</u> Dr. Farooq Hussain Dr. Reshma Relwani

1890 Silver Cross Blvd. Pavilion A, Suite 265 New Lenox, IL 60451 (815) 727-4292

(815) 727-4292 (815) 462-3259 Please note: physical examination vouchers may <u>not</u> be used in the case of illness.

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DENTAL Dental Screening, Cleaning and Full Set of X-Rays-\$100 Routine Dental Exam & Cleaning - \$50 Dental Screening Only - \$15 (*does not include cleaning or x-rays*)

Dr. Stephen Heaney 64 Orland Square Dr. Orland Park, IL 60462 (708) 403-3393 (pediatric dentist)

<u>Dr. David Rocco</u> 14265 S. Wolf Rd. Orland Park, IL 60462 (708) 403-5055 *(no x-rays)*

Dr. Dimitri Tsoukalas

14624 John Humphrey Dr., Orland Park, IL 60462 (708) 349-6606 (*no new patients*)

Dr. Richard Holba 15300 West Ave. Orland Park, IL 60462 (708) 349-3637

Silver Lake Family Dental Dr. John Canning Dr. Joseph Gradowski 9611 W. 165th St., Suite 14 Orland Park, IL 60467 (708) 403-0071 (new patients must purchase x-rays)

VISION Pediatric/Adult Ophthalmology Exam - \$45 <u>OR</u> **\$55

**<u>Insight Family Vision Care, Inc.</u> Dr. Mark A. Alles Dr. Margaret Cullen-Regan

9501 W. 171st St., Suite Č Tinley Park, IL 60487 (708) 403-8300

Davis Eye Care

Dr. James Sanderson 600 Ravinia Place Orland Park, IL 60462 (708) 349-7571

Eye Was Framed Eye Care

Dr. Dawn Tuminello 11319 W. 143rd St. Orland Park, IL 60467 (708) 460-2020

Orland Eye

Dr. Gloria Docherty 15410 S. Harlem Ave.

The Eye Specialists**InsightDr. Benjamin TichoDr. MarkDr. Birva ShahDr. MargDr. Cassie Koutnik9501 W.Dr. Megan AllenTinley Pa

Dr. Yi Pang, O.D. 18210 S. LaGrange Rd., Suite 210 Tinley Park, IL 60487 (708) 873-0088

10436 Southwest Hwy. Chicago Ridge, IL 60415 (708) 423-4070

Kirschner Vision Group Dr. Ken Kirschner Dr. Paul Kirschner Dr. Genine Graff Dr. Lisa Wilson 7026 W. 159th St. Orland Park, IL 60462 (708) 687-0600

PREVENTION

Falls are the leading cause of fatal and non-fatal injuries among older adults.

Learn how to protect yourself and your loved ones with guest speaker and fall prevention expert Gina Szwed-Cullen.

> Additional resources to help you stay healthy, happy, and active will be available. Breakfast snack will be provided.

AND TOW Orland Park, IL. 60462 (708) 633-0011 PODIATRY Routine Podiatry Screening - \$30 Senior Podiatry Screening - \$25 Dr. Mark Gagnon Dr. Wayne Tillman 8600 W. 159th St. #5 13011 S.104th Ave., Ste.201 Orland Park, IL 60462 Palos Park, IL 60464 (708) 403-7250 (708) 923-0400 WITH SPEAKER (makes house calls) GINA SZWED-CULLEN (voucher not applicable) Dr. Cynthia Sink **MONDAY, JULY 18, 2022** 10760 West 143rd St. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM Orland Park. IL 60467 (708) 301-5600 **Orland Township** HEARING CHIROPRACTIC 14807 S. Ravinia Ave. Orland Park, IL Audiological Evaluation - Free Exam - \$45 **RSVP & Questions:** So. Suburban Chiropractic Center Diane @ (708) 403-4222 Orland Hearing Aid Center Kristen Connors, Dr. Mark Grennell, D.C. Licensed Audiologist 14277 S. Wolf Road 12910 S. LaGrange Road Orland Park, IL 60467 Palos Park, IL 60464 (708) 403-3252 (708) 448-1234 (exam only)

The Orland Township Health Services department provides quality health services that meet the needs of our residents, focusing on wellness, prevention, education and safety.

For more information about all our services, please call (708) 403-4222.

Immunization Clinics

Health Services administers vaccines provided through the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program to Orland Township residents, age 18 and under, who are uninsured, underinsured (vaccines not covered under current medical plan), insured by Medicaid Title XIX (19), or are Native American (American Indian/Alaskan Native).

Township children meeting the above requirements are charged a \$10 administration fee per shot. Children residing outside the Township, but who are otherwise eligible, are charged a \$20 administration fee, per shot, that is applied at the time of service. Cash or charge only are accepted.

PLEASE NOTE: Orland Township's Health Services department can no longer accept Medicaid Title XXI (21).

You can visit cdc.gov for information about the VFC program and guidelines for eligibility.

Upcoming Clinic Dates	Times
Tuesday, July 12, 2022	5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 20, 2022	5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Immunization clinics are held at the Orland Township office, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave. Please note that clinics are by appointment only. Call (708) 403-4222 to schedule an appointment.

Vaccinations will be administered ONLY to those children who bring an up-to-date U.S. immunization record and a Medicaid Title XIX (19) card (if applicable).

Wellness Wednesdays -

Orland Township's registered nurse is available the second and fourth Wednesday of each month from 8:30 to 11 a.m., by appointment, to provide the following services:

- Free blood pressure screenings
- Total lipid profile cholesterol test* without glucose (\$40 for residents, \$50 for non-residents)
- Total lipid profile cholesterol test* with glucose (\$50 for residents, \$60 for non-residents)
- Glucose screenings for diabetes prevention (\$5 for residents, \$10 for non-residents)
- Adult vaccinations

In coming months, the nurse will be available the following Wednesdays:

July	13	&	27
Aug.	10	&	24
Sept.	14	&	27

*Note on Total Lipid Profile Testing

This simple, 5-minute, finger stick test is a complete cholesterol analysis that measures total cholesterol, triglycerides, LDL (bad cholesterol) and HDL (good cholesterol) levels, and an overall ratio. A 9 to 12-hour fast is required and patients should drink water during their fasting period for optimum results.

Adult Immunizations

Vaccines and TB tests for adults are available at Orland Township, by appointment, on Wellness Wednesdays.

To schedule an appointment please call the Township at (708) 403-4222, or visit

Nurses' Closet

Residents needing medical equipment such as wheelchairs, crutches, walkers, shower chairs, and canes can utilize the Nurses' Closet and borrow items at no cost for a 60-day period. The Nurses' Closet also provides disposable pads and adult incontinence products to residents in need.

To donate or borrow medical equipment or supplies, please call (708) 403-4222.

Medication Drop Box

Do you have old, expired or unwanted medications in your home and do not know how to dispose of them? Bring them to Orland Township and place them in a secure drop box for proper disposal by the Cook County Sheriff's Office.

There is no fee to use the drop box but some restrictions do apply. Medications can be placed in the drop box, in or out of their original containers, but can only be in

pill or dry form. <u>Liquids and syringes will not be accepted</u>. Please use Orland Township sharps containers to dispose of used syringes.

Please visit the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's website, fda.gov, for information on proper disposal of liquid medications.

Homebound residents can call the Cook County Sheriff's Office at 1-84-GOT USD RX (1-844-688-7379) to request a free, pre-paid, pre-labeled envelope to mail their unwanted pill and dry medications directly to the Sheriff's Office for disposal.

Sharps Containers

Five-quart sharps containers are available at Orland Township for \$15 each (the price includes disposal fee). In order to use Orland Township's sharps disposal service, you may purchase a container from the Township and return it when full for proper disposal. For a \$10 fee, the Township will dispose of a sharps container purchased elsewhere.

For more information, please visit orlandtownship.org

Access to Care

FILLING THE GAP FOR THE UNINSURED

Access to Care is a non-profit primary healthcare program for low-income, uninsured and underinsured individuals living in suburban Cook County and northwest Chicago (north of North Avenue and west of Pulaski Road). The Access to Care program is administered by the Suburban Primary Health Care Council.

Access to Care serves those individuals who are not eligible for public health programs (i.e., CountyCare, All Kids, FamilyCare, Medicaid and Medicare). This includes individuals who do not meet the immigration status requirement of being a legal resident for five years or more. It serves individuals with family incomes under 300% of the federal poverty guidelines. It may be used as a supplement to high-deductible insurance plans.

Access to Care contracts with local providers throughout Cook County and pays them a discounted rate to provide services. Participating physicians choose the number of patients they will add to their

ORLAND TOWNSHIP HEALTH SERVICES

Health Services Chair Patrick Feldner

Coast2Coast Rx Card

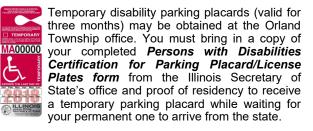
The Coast2Coast Rx Card is a free discount prescription card provided to residents of Orland Township. The program includes U.S. pharmacies and provides annual overall savings of up to 55%. Savings on a single prescription can range from 1% up to 95% off the retail price of the drug.

The card is FREE to use and can be used immediately by any family member. There is no age, income or other exclusion, and there are no forms to fill out. Cardholders save on both brand name and generic drugs – and may save as much as 60% on their dental needs, an average of 10% to 50% on their vision needs, and 35% on their hearing needs, diabetes supplies and lab and imaging tests.

Simply take the card to one of the 59,000-plus participating pharmacies, including Walgreens, CVS, Costco, Sam's Club, and Target, and the savings start immediately.

Visit coast2coastrx.com to print your card.

State of Illinois Temporary Disability Parking Placard



Those needing a temporary parking placard (valid for up to six months) for a temporary disability **must** obtain those placards from the Secretary of State's office.

For more information on disability parking placards, visit cyberdriveillinois.com.

To be eligible for Access to Care, you must:

- Live in suburban Cook County or northwest
 Chicago (north of North Ave. and west of Pulaski Rd.).
- Have family income of less than 300% of the federal poverty guidelines (\$79,500 for a family of four).
- Have no health insurance (or a deductible of \$500 or more per person) and be ineligible for Medicare, Medicaid, All Kids or FamilyCare.
- Not be enrolled in CountyCare.

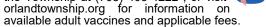
Access to Care provides enrollees with:

- Visits to your assigned Access to Care doctor for \$5.
- Basic lab and X-ray services for \$5 per draw or procedure.
- Prescription medication for \$15 (generic), \$30 (preferred brand) and \$40 (non-preferred brand). Brand name medications are available only at Walgreens.

Those who meet the eligibility requirements and wish to enroll should call the Orland Township office at (708) 403-4222 to schedule an appointment with the Health Services Coordinator.







Hearing Screenings

Free hearing screenings (air and bone conduction testing) by South Suburban Hearing Health Center are available **at the Orland Township office** on the first Wednesday of every month from 1 to 3 p.m.

In the coming months, South Suburban Hearing will have appointments available on the following Wednesdays:

July 6 Aug. 3 Sept. 7

Separately, Orland Hearing Aid Center provides free screenings **at the Orland Township office** on the third Tuesday of every month from 9 to 11 a.m. In the coming months, Orland Hearing Aid Center will have appointments available on the following Tuesdays:

Aug. 16 Sept. 20

To schedule an appointment, please call (708) 403-4222. Hearing screenings are open to non-residents for a \$10 fee. practice. They are nominally compensated.

For more information on Access to Care visit accesstocare.org or call (708) 531-0680.



The Orland Township Senior Services department produces supportive services and programs to help the seniors of our community remain active and healthy, improve their overall health and well-being and stay independent.

SENIOR PROGRAMS

Senior Program Registration Information

Senior residents are encouraged to register with Orland Township to receive a permanent identification number. Identification numbers are used to purchase event tickets, utilize senior transportation services and keep updated emergency contact information on file with the Township. There is no cost to register. Proof of residency is required.

HOME REPAIR PROGRAM

Are you unsure of how to find someone to hire to handle your minor home improvement project or repair? Orland Township has compiled a list of local, professional handymen and their specialties to aid in your search. The individuals and companies on the Home Repair program are not affiliated with or endorsed by Orland Township, but they are all licensed, bonded and insured. To view the list, go to the Township's website, orlandtownship.org/senior-programs.



SENIOR PHONE PROGRAMS

Free Amplified Phone Program

The Illinois Telecommunications Access Corporation (ITAC), as part of a mandated program, provides free amplified telephones to

those who qualify. To be eligible, you must be a resident of Illinois, have active phone service (home, cellular, pre-paid) and have a physician certification stating you are unable to use standard phone services. There are no age or income requirements.

Cell Phones for Seniors Program

Orland Township, in partnership with Cook County Sheriff Tom Dart's office, sponsors the Cell Phones for Seniors program. This program provides seniors with free cell phones that are programmed for emergency use only. There is no service plan with the phones; they can only be used to dial 911

Applications for both phone programs are available at the Township office.



"Rules of the Road"

This is a review test for seniors required to take the written or driving test to renew their driver's licenses. This FREE class is offered five times a year.

Upcoming Sessions

Monday, Aug. 22 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 28 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Registration is required; call Orland Township at 708) 403-4222 for additional information.

SENIOR ACTIVITIES

Please note: Orland Township services will continue to



Curb-to-Curb Senior Transportation

Orland Township provides curb-to-curb transportation service for Township seniors, 55 and older. Rides to shopping areas, senior centers, restaurants, nursing homes, libraries and service providers, or for home-tohome visits, are available within Orland Township boundaries. Transportation to doctor appointments may extend beyond Township boundaries.

Rides are available from 8:15 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. A one-way ride within the Township is \$3 and a one-way ride outside of the Township is \$5. Due to current economic conditions, Orland Township is able to make special financial accommodations for seniors in need.



To schedule a ride, please call (708) 403-4222 between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

SENIOR LUNCHEONS & DINNER DANCES

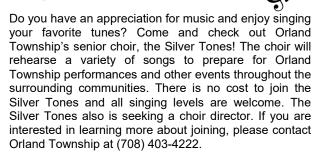
Throughout the year, Orland Township hosts luncheons and dinner dances for seniors. Luncheons consist of a hot catered meal from a local restaurant while dinners are served family-style. Both feature fantastic live performances with the opportunity to meet and socialize with new and old friends.

Tickets for events go on sale at 8 a.m. on the date specified and are sold on a first come, first served basis. Luncheon tickets are limited to two per person; dinner dance tickets are limited to 10 per person. All tickets are non-transferable.

In the event of a cancellation, a full refund will be given prior to the refund deadline on the ticket. After the deadline, refunds will be given only if the ticket can be resold to an individual on the waiting list.

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Silver Tones Seeking Senior Singers and Choir Director



SENIOR LUNCHEONS

Summer Fun Luncheon

Spend a lovely afternoon with Orland Township, complete with a delicious meal from Frankie's Restaurant Catering!

ORLAND TOWNSHIP **SENIOR SERVICES**

Senior Services Chair Maria Sanfilippo

Breakfast with the King

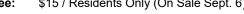
Join Orland Township for breakfast! This delicious Winston's catered meal includes scrambled eggs, French toast, bacon, sausage, diced breakfast potatoes, and homemade Irish soda bread. After breakfast, Erik Donner as "Elvis" will bring you back in time and have you "All Shook Up" singing and dancing in your seats!

Place: Orland Township, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave. Date: Tuesday Sept. 13, 2022 Time: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Fee: \$15 / Residents Only (On Sale Aug. 2)

Halloween Luncheon

Celebrate Halloween at Orland Township! In keeping with the spooky spirit, a magician will astound you with his mystical magical powers. Enjoy a delicious meal from Palermo's including house salad with Italian vinaigrette dressing, mostaccioli with marinara sauce, sausage with peppers, and chicken vesuvio with potatoes. Costumes are optional but prizes will be awarded for creativity.

Place: Orland Township, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave. Tuesday, Oct. 18, 2022 Date: Time: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. \$15 / Residents Only (On Sale Sept. 6) Fee:





SENIOR DINNER DANCES

Motown Dinner Dance

Orland Township is proud to present the music of Motown by The Michael Walters Band! Fresh from their triumphant performances, the Michael Walters Band's "Motown Show" will be a night to remember! After enjoying a delicious meal from the Orland Chateau, get your groove on, dancing to all your Motown favorites, including hits by James Brown, Al Green, Smokey Robinson, Aretha Franklin, Diana Ross and others. The evening also will include door prizes and split-the-pot.

Orland Chateau, 14500 S. LaGrange Road, Place: Orland Park Date: Thursday, Aug. 18, 2022 Time: 5 to 10 p.m. \$27 / Residents (On Sale July 7) Fee: \$32 / Non-Residents (On Sale July 8)

Grandparent & Grandchild Dinner Dance

Make memories with your little angels at Orland Township's Grandparent and Grandchild Dance!

Spend the evening dancing to music that all generations can enjoy, including the Hokey Pokey and the Chicken Dance. Maybe even win a prize



during some friendly dance floor competition! The grandparent/grandchild-friendly menu from Joey's Catering will include fried chicken, chicken nuggets, baked mostaccioli, macaroni and cheese, and tossed



follow the State of Illinois & Cook County Covid-19 guidelines for all public events and trips.

Senior Drop-In Center

Orland Township opens its Activity Center twice a week for seniors to 'drop-in' and make new friends, socialize, and play cards and bingo. During Drop-In, seniors are treated to refreshments (and the occasional light lunch) courtesy of the Township. Senior Drop-In occurs on Thursdays and Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Orland Township Activity Center, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave.

Need a reason to pick up and read a good book? Studies have shown that regular reading can help preserve mental faculties, enabling people to live independently longer. To help seniors get into or maintain a good reading habit, Orland Township has partnered with the Orland Park Library. On one Thursday during each of the next five months — July 21, Aug. 18, Sept. 15, Oct. 13 and Nov. 10 — library personnel will be at Senior Drop-In at 10 a.m. to provide seniors with the opportunity to sign up for library cards and borrow books and DVDs.

*Seniors MUST pre-register before attending Drop-In by calling (708) 403-4222. Cancellations will be posted on the Township website (orlandtownship.org/senior-activities) a week in advance.

The menu includes sliced Italian beef on a soft steak roll with au jus for dipping, fried chicken with au gratin potatoes with cheddar cheese and toasted breadcrumbs, fresh garden salad with tomatoes, carrots and cumbers with homemade ranch dressing, and dessert. Music will be provided by the incredibly talented Blake Alexander.

Place:	Orland Township, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave.
Date:	Tuesday, July 26, 2022
Time:	10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Fee:	\$15 / Residents Only (On Sale Now)

End of the Summer Picnic

Join Orland Township for an end-of-summer outdoor picnic at Jaycee Grove in Tinley Park. Joey's Food Truck will provide grilled brats, burgers, hotdogs and other goodies. Enjoy miniature golf, bocce ball, bean bag games and horseshoes for everyone to play. Prizes will be awarded for winners in each category.

- Place: Jaycee Grove, 16801 S. 80th Ave., Tinley Park
- Thursday, Aug. 25, 2022 Date:
- 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Time:
- \$15 / Residents (On Sale July 14) Fee: \$20 / Non-Residents (On Sale July 15)

salad with dressing. A photographer will be on hand to capture these unforgettable moments!

- Orland Township, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave. Place:
- Date: Friday, Sept. 9, 2022
- 6 to 9 p.m. Time:
- Fee: \$15 / Residents
 - \$20 / Non-Residents
 - \$7 / Grandchild

All On Sale July 29



Oktober Fest Dinner Dance Dance the night away with polka songs and other musical treats from Dan Mateja and his band! A delicious Polish menu from

Orland Chateau will be served, always sure to please! The evening also will include door prizes and split-thepot.

- Orland Chateau, 14500 S. LaGrange Road, Place: Orland Park
- Date: Thursday, Oct. 6, 2022
- Time: 5 to 10 p.m.
- Fee: \$27 / Residents (On Sale Aug. 25) \$32 / Non-Residents (On Sale Aug. 26)

SENIOR TRIPS

Orland Township offers a variety of day and overnight trips, which are cost effective and enjoyable and appeal to diverse interests and expectations.

Trip escorts are provided by Orland Township. All escorts should be made aware of any medical conditions that participants may have. In the event of an emergency, trip escorts will arrange for transportation to the local health facility but must remain with the group unless a participant is traveling alone.

All participants are required to provide an alternative emergency contact name and phone number upon ticket purchase. Orland Township requests that all travelers keep important medication and health information with them at all times.

Trip tickets go on sale at 8 a.m. on the date specified and are sold on a first come, first served basis. All tickets purchased include Deluxe Motor Coach reserved seating, are limited to two per person, and are non-transferable. Refunds will not be given but trip insurance is available. Buses leave from the north side of 151st Street directly between Bank Financial and Robert Morris College.

More information on all trips can be found at orlandtownship.org/senior-trips, or in person at Orland Township.

"Wizard of Oz" at the Fireside Theatre

Join Orland Township and travel to the Fireside Theatre on a deluxe motor coach for the hit Broadway musical The WIZARD Wizard of Oz. Generations have grown up loving this classic tale of a of an enchanted land — first as a beloved children's book, then as an iconic Hollywood film. Now the Fireside is bringing you an exciting stage

adaptation. It's all there - good witches, wicked witches, munchkins, a cowardly lion in search of courage, a tin man in search of a heart, a scarecrow in search of a brain, and a young girl from Kansas in search of home.

It's a show for the entire family filled with eyepopping costumes, rib-tickling humor, breathtaking adventure, and an immortal musical score including one of the greatest hit songs in musical history -"Over the Rainbow." So this summer just follow the yellow brick road to The Fireside.

Place:	Fireside Theatre, Fort Atkinson, Wis.
Date:	Thursday July 28, 2022
Time:	7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Fee:	\$105 / Residents
	\$110 / Non-Residents
	All On Sale Now

ORLAND TOWNSHIP CLASS SCHEDULE



Joints in Motion

The Arthritis Foundation exercise program, Joints in Motion, is an exercise program designed to help individuals living with arthritis enjoy a more active lifestyle while improving their health. Joints in Motion is intended to assist individuals who have joint and/or muscle problems achieve improved joint mobility, muscle strength and endurance. Exercises are done while sitting in a chair or standing and classes are led by an instructor certified by the Arthritis Foundation.

Joints in Motion Session Fee 8 weeks - \$14 residents (\$18 non-residents)

Joints in Motion Classes

Tuesdays, Aug. 2 to Sept. 27 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Registration Available Now

Lake Geneva Lunch Cruise

Take in the sights of beautiful Lake Geneva! For the true Lake Geneva experience, a visitor needs to be on the water.

Step aboard the Grand Belle of

Geneva for a unique cruise dining experience. Experience a narrated tour of the entire lake while you enjoy a delicious menu including ground sirloin steak served with peppers, onions, mushrooms and thick sliced provolone cheese, and finished with chef's demi glaze. Sides are chef's choice of vegetable and mashed potatoes. The luncheon also includes a fresh fruit cup, bakery rolls and butter, apple crumb pie for dessert, and coffee and iced tea. Relax while taking in the sites of the Lake Geneva narrated scenic tour. After departing the boat, participants will have time to browse the quaint shops located nearby. Ticket price includes transportation on a deluxe motor coach, lunch, and games for the road.

Place: Lake Geneva, Wis. Tuesday, Aug. 30, 2022 Date: 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. (Approximate Return Time) Time: \$115 / Residents Fee: \$120 / Non-Residents All On Sale Now

'Grease' at the Fireside Theatre

Join Orland Township and travel to the Fireside Theatre on a deluxe motor coach for the hit Broadway musical The Sound of Music. Rodgers & Hammerstein's last Broadway show turned out to be their most enduring and popular of them all.



Based on a true story set in Austria in 1938, The Sound of Music tells of a detour on Maria Rainier's journey to become a nun. Recognizing that Maria is not yet ready for religious life, Mother Abbess sends her to be the governess for the seven children of a widowed naval officer. Finding the household strictly run like one of his ships. Maria reintroduces music and warmth and quickly charms both the children and their father. Favorite songs such as "Do Re Mi" and "Climb Every Mountain" fill this time-honored show that practically invented the term "family entertainment."

Place: Fireside Theatre, Fort Atkinson, Wis. Date: Thursday, Sept. 15, 2022 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Time: Fee: \$105 / Residents (On Sale July 7) \$110 / Non- Residents (On Sale July 8)

"White Christmas" at the Fireside Theatre

Join Orland Township and travel to the Fireside Theatre on a deluxe motor coach for Irving Berlin's hit musical White Christmas. Based on the beloved film starring Bing Crosby, Danny Kaye and Rosemary Clooney, this heartwarming stage adaptation features 17 Irving Berlin songs. Army veterans Bob Wallace and Phil Davis have a successful song-and-



dance act following their service in World War II. With romance in mind, the two follow a duo of beautiful singing sisters en route to their Christmas show at a Vermont lodge, which just happens to be owned by Bob and Phil's former army commander. With a series of romantic mix-ups and a dazzling score including "Blue Skies," "I Love a Piano," and the perennial title song, White Christmas is an uplifting musical any time of year but especially loved at Christmas. So, this fall, join your friends from Orland Township for an unforgettable production.

Place: Fireside Theatre, Fort Atkinson, Wis. Thursday, Nov. 3, 2022 Date: 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Time: \$105 / Residents (On Sale Aug. 4) Fee: \$110 / Non-Residents (On Sale Aug. 5)

Island Resort & Casino

Enjoy a three-day, two-night stay at The Island Resort & Casino! Located near Escanaba in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, the hotel now features two towers of rooms with an



indoor pool and sauna. Michigan allows craps, let it ride, table poker, slots, blackjack and, of course, bingo. Includes motorcoach transportation, accommodations for two nights at the Island Resort & Casino, \$5 voucher towards food per night, and an optional trip into Escanaba for shopping and lunch. At Island Resort, NEW members only receive \$20 each day that is good toward slots. Existing members will receive \$10-\$200+ per day based on past play.

*PLEASE NOTE: All casinos require patrons to have a valid photo I.D. to receive specials and collect jackpots. For winnings over \$1,199, casinos require a social security card to collect winnings. Tickets can be purchased at Orland Township, 14807 S. Ravinia Ave.

Place:	Island Resort & Casino, Harris, Mich.
Dates:	Wednesday, Sept. 21 to Friday, Sept. 23, 2022
Time:	7 a.m. Departure
Fee:	Single Occupancy/Per Person \$341
	Double Occupancy/Per Person \$260
	Triple Occupancy/Per Person \$255
	All On Sale Now

Orland Township offers a variety of classes to improve and maintain residents' overall health and fitness while appealing to a wide range of interests.

Classes are held in a safe environment with certified instructors trained to recognize the needs of each individual. These instructors are available, through the Township office, to answer any questions or concerns.

Finance Chairman John Lynch

Yoga Flow

A number of studies show that yoga may help reduce stress and anxiety, but more importantly reduce the risk of chronic conditions such as heart disease and high blood pressure. This class will include plenty of modifications to accommodate all levels of experience and practicing from a mat or a chair. The class will focus on movements to bring the body through all ranges of motion to help improve mobility and strength. It also will focus on breathing and meditation to alleviate tension and stress.

Yoga Session Fee

8 weeks - \$48 (\$53 non-residents)

Yoga Classes Tuesdays, Aug. 23 to Oct. 11 from 3:45 to 4:30 p.m.

Registration Available Now

Tai Chi

Tai Chi is a great form of exercise that reduces stress while strengthening your muscles. The graceful, slow speed of the class, coupled with an emphasis on deep breathing and mental focus, creates balance, flexibility and calmness. This "meditation in motion" relieves stress and allows for the integration of mind and body. This class has many mental and physical health benefits.

Tai Chi Session Fee 8 weeks - \$30 (\$40 non-residents)

Tai Chi Classes Mondays, July 11 to Aug. 29 from 3 to 4 p.m.

Registration Available Now

Zumba

Zumba is a fitness program that combines Latin and international music with dance moves. Routines incorporate interval training - alternating fast and slow rhythms - to help improve cardiovascular fitness and boost your mood. If you enjoy Zumba, you're also more likely to do it regularly and experience its benefits as an aerobic exercise.

Zumba Session Fee 8 weeks - \$30 (\$40 non-residents)

Zumba Classes Wednesdays, July 6 to Aug. 24 from 9 to 10 a.m.

Registration Available Now

Strong & Fit

This class of simple movements and light weight lifting will increase your strength, improve bone density, and enhance your mood - the three components to slowing down the aging process and living a healthier life. Participants should bring a mat. Weights will be provided. Class will be led by certified instructor Barbara Cachey.

Strong & Fit Session Fee 8 weeks - \$40 (\$45 non-residents)

Strong & Fit Classes Wednesdays, Aug. 24 to Oct. 12 from 3:45 to 4:30 p.m.

Registration Available Now

NEW! Walk & Talk

Walk & Talk aims to better the quality of life for participants by using physical activity to help boost energy, increase confidence, and reduce stress. The club also acts as a support group by uniting residents, providing an opportunity to create meaningful connections. These walks will be held at a slower pace with frequent stopping, if needed. The group will meet at Orland Township and walk different local routes near the Township building. There is no fee to partake in the group walks.

Walk & Talk Classes Mondays, July 11 to Aug. 8 at 8:30 a.m.

Registration Available Now

Call Diane at (708) 403-4222

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ORLAND TOWNSHIP

Betty Rochowicz has been a dedicated volunteer to the

Orland Township Food Pantry for the past three years.

FOOD PANTRY

The Orland Township Food Pantry, located at 14807 S. Ravinia Ave., provides emergency food supplies to residents in need of immediate assistance. After completing a brief application, recipients leave with bags of non-perishable items, frozen and refrigerated food, and bakery aoods.



Hours of Operation: Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Please and join Meijer our community in the continued deeprooted hunger relief efforts, with the Fall Simply Give Campaign* which runs from Sunday, July 3 through Saturday, Oct. 1, 2022.

> Don't miss the **Double Match Days!**

> > Sat., Aug. 13 &

Sat., Sept. 10

For every \$10 Simply Give card purchased on these dates, Meijer will provide an additional contribution of \$20, bringing the total to \$30 for a single customer purchase!

*Please note that qualifying purchases must be made at the Meijer store located at 15701 S. 71st Ct. in Orland Park.





SNAP/LINK recipients have the following options to inquire about available benefits:

GREATER

CHICAGO

DEPOSITORY

FOOD

- Visit ABE.Illinois.gov
- Call (800) 843-6154 (Dept. of Human Services Helpline)
- Call (773) 843-5416 (Greater Chicago Food **Depository Benefits Hotline**)

Please check expiration dates before donating!

Non-perishable food items can be donated:

Monday - Friday, 9 a.m.- 4 p.m.



Thank you to Girl Scout Troop 65477 (Lucy, Bella, Maddy, Dakkota, Yaretzi, Layla, Nicolette, Izzy, and Breanna) for your generous donation to the Orland Township Food Pantry!

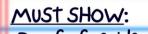
Orland Township Offering School Supplies to Qualifying Low-Income **Orland Township Families**

Distribution Dates: y, Auq. 8 - Friday, Auq. 12 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Saturday, Auq. 20 Back to School Héalth Fai

9 a.m. to 1 p.m.





- Proof of residency (picture ID with correct address)
- Proof of income from last 30 days
- One of the following:
 - -Child's birth certificate
 - -Medical card
 - -School district letter or bus route information
- **SCHOOL SUPPLIES & BACKPACKS** AVAILABLE FOR K - HIGH SCHOOL

Orland Township is currently seeking NEW backpacks and NEW school supplies to help Orland Township children and teens prepare for school. High need for middle school / high school themed backpacks & supplies.

Supplies will be distributed to low-income families beginning Aug. 8. For more information, call Robin: (708) 403-4222

SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST:



Pencil	box
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- □ Crayons
- □ Colored pencils
- Pencil pouch
- □ No. 2 pencils
- Pencil sharpener
- Highlighters
- Washable markers
- Erasers
- Personal organizer/calendar
- □ Three-ring binder
- □ Three-hole-punch
- Loose-leaf paper or

Glue Scissors

Plastic folders

□ Calculator

□ Blunt-tipped scissors

□ Plastic folders

- Blue or black ballpoint pens
- Book socks
- Backpack
 - Lunchbox or bag
- Index cards
- Ruler

- SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST: Middle & High School
- □ Pencil pouch
- □ Blue or black ballpoint pens
- □ No. 2 pencils
- □ Highlighters
- organizer/calendar

- Permanent markers

□ White-Out

- Pencil sharpener
- - □ Erasers
 - □ Personal
 - □ Three-ring binder
 - Three-hole-punch

- Protractor
- 🗆 Ruler
- □ Scissors
- □ Graphing calculator
 - Combination lock
 - □ Book socks Backpack

□ Glue

□ Lunchbox or bag

□ Plastic folders

spiral notebooks 🛛 🗆 Subject dividers	 Loose-leaf paper or 	Post-Its	
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	🗆 Graph paper	Index cards	

STUDENTS

Orland Township, Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church Organize Medical Supplies & Donations for Ukrainians

Orland Township and Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church in April held a joint drive to collect critically needed medical supplies in response to the millions of civilians adversely affected by the Russian invasion of Ukraine.

The war in Ukraine has caused far-reaching humanitarian consequences for the country's citizens, such as lost livelihoods and reduced access to basic medical essentials - like pain relievers, bandages, gauze, medical tape, and crutches - following attacks on healthcare facilities and warehouses near conflict zones.

Orland Township's collaboration with Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church has provided dozens of boxes of basic necessities for shipment to Ukraine, assisting Ukraine's defense and helping ill or injured people. An additional \$4,000 in monetary donations raised during the drive was used to purchase more medical supplies.

"The residents of Orland Township are committed to supporting those in need, no matter the distance, and we are grateful for their contributions," said Supervisor Paul O'Grady. "We won't just stand by and watch a besieged, democratic Ukraine be obliterated by the unjust invasion of an authoritarian regime. We will continue to partner with Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church to provide aid and help defend democracy for as long as it may be necessary.'

Individuals, businesses, and other local organizations may continue to donate supplies at the Orland Township Food Pantry, located at 14807 S. Ravinia Ave., Orland Park. Monetary donations through Venmo, a digital platform for transmitting funds, are welcome, too; on Venmo, search for the Food Pantry's username "@OrlandTownship-FoodPantry." Medical and monetary donations also may be delivered to Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church, 8410 W. 131st St., Palos Park.



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Orland Township Youth & Family Counseling Services provides programs and services to support the social-emotional health of residents.



ORLAND TOWNSHIP YOUTH & FAMILY COUNSELING SERVICES

Youth & Family Counseling Services Chair Michael Maratea

Orland Township Youth & Family Counseling Services strives to empower local youth and families to communicate more effectively, make good decisions and choose positive behavior by offering educational programs and services, guidance, and support. Our programs help teach and build social and problem-solving skills, lend assistance during difficult times, and provide information on additional resources available in the community.

All clinical services are supported by Orland Township tax dollars. Services included are listed below.

COUNSELING SERVICES

Counseling services are by appointment only and are offered with sliding scale fees. Sessions are tailored for individuals (adult and youth), couples, families or groups. Please call (708) 403-4222 for more information or to schedule an appointment.



ANGER MANAGEMENT WORKSHOPS

Anger is a normal and unavoidable feeling that can adversely affect many different aspects of life, including friendships, family, school and employment. Orland Township Youth & Family Counseling

Services offers anger management workshops to help navigate this powerful emotion. These workshops, available for adults and teens, are tailored for individual or group meetings.

PREVENTION / AWARENESS WORKSHOPS

Orland Township Youth & Family Counseling Services offers workshops for teens to discuss the consequences of potentially harmful behaviors. Workshop topics include drug/substance use and abuse, responsible risk taking and conscientious social media use.

CHARACTER BUILDING / LIFE SKILLS WORKSHOPS

Workshops are available to help individuals become better community and family members. Whether looking to communicate more constructively with peers, or develop more effective parenting skills, workshops produced by Orland Township Youth & Family Counseling Services are designed to help individuals develop the foundation and skill set to manage personal relationships.



COPING SKILLS / SUPPORT GROUPS

Major life changes such as the death of a loved one, divorce or moving can create feelings of grief, fear and anger that may

influence behavior. Orland Township Youth & Family Counseling Services offers programs to help residents navigate such challenging circumstances. Sessions are tailored to meet the specific needs of the group or individual and meet as needed.

For more information on any of the listed programs, including applicable fees, please call Orland Township Youth & Family Counseling Services at (708) 403-4222.

Orland Township Scholarship Foundation Awards 2022 Recipients

Orland Township held a scholarship awards dinner in May at RoccoVino's in Orland Park. The students, all Township residents, collectively were awarded \$12,000 from the Orland Township Scholarship Foundation. Over recent years, the Scholarship Foundation has awarded more than \$216,700 dollars in scholarships, helping well over 280 students receive financial aid towards college.

The students and their families were invited to the honorary dinner. Supervisor Paul O'Grady, who also serves as president of the Scholarship Foundation, presented the awards to the students after dinner was served. He detailed the various initiatives necessary to raise private dollars for the scholarships.

"The generosity of all the donors to help these students with such a heavy financial burden amounts to a great investment for the community," Supervisor O'Grady said. "Our youth are the future of Orland Township, and so we are proud to do our part to help support and encourage them.'

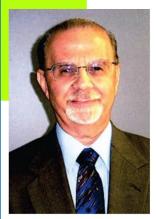
The 12 award recipients were three from Carl Sandburg High School (Jackson Fornek, Erin O'Connor, Elisa Shaheen), three from Providence Catholic High School (Daniel Chmura, Daniel Donlevy, Grace Hamilton), four from Victor J. Andrew High School (Katie DeHaan, Philip Godette, Chloe Krueger, Jessica Laird), one from Marist High School (Maeve Kelly), and one from Mother McAuley Liberal Arts High School (Grace White).

The selected students demonstrated outstanding leadership in their schools, communities, and extracurricular activities. Supervisor O'Grady and the Board of Directors of the Orland Township Scholarship Foundation hope you join them in wishing these students the best in the next chapter of their academic careers.



Promote Your Business, Support Local Youth Heading to College.

IF YOUR BUSINESS WOULD LIKE TO ADVERTISE IN THE FOCUS, PLEASE CONTACT ORLAND TOWNSHIP AT (708) 403-4222. ORLANDTOWNSHIP.ORG/ADVERTISE



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& MORE!







Living Word Early Childhood Program



A place where the 16301 Wolf Road **Orland Park**

> Call to schedule a tour (708)-403-9673

Registration for 2022/2023 is open!

https://livingwordorland.org/preschool/

Mark your calendar for the return of Orland Township's Pet Fair & Fundraiser



Hosted by Orland Township Supervisor Paul O'Grady & the Board of Trustees Saturday, Sept. 24, 2022 • Noon to 3 p.m.

Township Grounds at 14807 S. Ravinia Ave., Orland Park • Benefiting the Orland Township Pet Pantry Orland Township residents, along with their furry, four-legged family members, are invited for a day of family fun at the 10th annual Pet-Palooza. Rain or shine, come "paw-ty" at our pet-friendly festival.

Pet-Palooza will include:

- **Wore than 75 pet-friendly/pet-centered businesses and organizations!**
- **Pet Adoptions**
- **Pet products and information**
- * Free samples from local restaurants many of which have pet-friendly patio areas

The Kids' Zone:

&Games & prizes! *****Face painting! **WInflatable bounce-houses! ***Trackless train rides! **Princesses, superheroes & other characters!**

•Pet contests with prizes!

Professional dog trainers



Rover's Rest Zone: Water bowls Shade Cooling mist Cooling pools for hot paws

"Ask the Vet" booth

 All participating pets should have up-to-date vaccinations. DFT_DΛΙ ΛΛ7 •All pets must be on leashes of six feet or less. •All animals must very Owners are responsible for cleaning up after their pets.



Don't forget to bring a pet food Well or cash donation mannered, leashed & to the Pet Food tagged pets



• Costumes for pets (and their owners!) are encouraged but not required.



No pet? No sweat! All are invited to Pet-Palooza, and with the various rescue organizations in attendance, you might just find your next best fur-friend! At the 2019 Pet-Palooza, there were five successful adoptions on site!

Admission is FREE, however a donation of a five-pound bag of pet food or a cash donation to the Orland Township Pet Pantry is strongly encouraged and greatly appreciated. All proceeds benefit the Orland Township Pet Pantry, "Crashy's Closet," which was founded by Supervisor O'Grady and his wife and provides pet food and supplies to families in need.

For additional information, including how to become a participating vendor, please call Robin Kassis or Mary Gerbas at (708) 403-4222, or visit the website at orlandtownship.org/petpalooza.

Please note. at the time of Pet-Palooza, Orland Township will follow any and all State of Illinois Covid-19 guidelines for public events. Thank you for your cooperation.



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Additional copies are available

at the Township office,

14807 S. Ravinia Ave.

For more information on Township programs and events, please call (708) 403-4222 or visit www.orlandtownship.org