



# Schillergram

SCHILLER PARK UPDATES

## Mayor's Corner



I was pleased to host the Annual *Breakfast with the Mayors* event sponsored by the Chamber by O'Hare. This event gives us the opportunity to meet with our local businesses and update them on the policies that impact their operations. It also allows us to tell them about our plans to make our Village an attractive place for investment and job creation.



Franklin Park Mayor, Barrett Pedersen and River Grove Mayor, David Guerin joined Mayor Nick Caiafa at the Chamber by O'Hare Annual Breakfast. The cooperative working relationship among the villages is adding value to our business attraction and retention programs.

At the breakfast, I highlighted some of the new businesses that recently chose to make Schiller Park their home, including My Kitchen, a very unique business that allows entrepreneurs to utilize their facility to manufacture products for the marketplace.

I also mentioned that we have serious interest from a developer for the site at River Road and Lawrence Avenue. More information will be announced about this when it is available. Finally, I indicated that we are pleased that the BP station is open at River and Irving Park Roads and that a large, new banquet facility is being built by Allegra on River Road.

## Tollway Update

The Illinois Tollway is reconstructing the Central Tri-State, I-294, to provide congestion relief and to meet current and future transportation demands. As part of this project, the bridges carrying I-294 over Lawrence Avenue and Irving Park Road will be repaired and portions of the ramps connecting Irving Park to I-294 will be reconstructed. The project also includes adding lanes, improvements in drainage, lighting, signage and landscaping which will benefit our Village.

Road shoulders, in both directions on I-294 between Rosemont and Franklin Park, will be closed for repair work in early summer 2018. When the shoulder work is complete, traffic in both directions is scheduled to shift to the outside lanes and roadway

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repair work will begin. The Tollway will maintain four lanes of traffic in both directions by shifting traffic to provide work zones during construction. Additional lane closures will be scheduled as needed during overnight and off-peak hours.

Along with shoulder closings, the entrance ramps to I-294 North, on both the north and south sides of Irving Park Road, will be closed and are expected to reopen in November or December, but the schedule is dependent upon the weather. We will keep you updated regarding this project on our website and Facebook Page. Construction and detour information is available on the Tollway's website at [illinoistollway.com](http://illinoistollway.com).

Finally, enjoy all that Schiller Park has to offer for summer fun. See page 4 of this newsletter for the details about upcoming summer events.

### Nick Caiafa

Village President



*Mayor Caiafa and the Village Trustees thank everyone who came out to support the kids who played in the annual T-ball game at Shelton Field.*

## Stay Connected

You can stay connected with the Village by visiting our Facebook Page. Also, you can sign-up to receive our periodic E-Newsletter and other important alerts via email at <http://bit.ly/SchillerParkSignUpHere>



## The Library Isn't Just for Kids

The Schiller Park Public Library provides materials and programs designed to meet the needs of both kids and adults. The library has many large-print books including best sellers, mysteries, romances and biographies. If you prefer to listen to books, there is an impressive collection of audiobooks from MP3s to CD-Spokens.

The library offers 24/7 access to eBooks, audiobooks and digital magazines through OverDrive/Media on Demand, Axis360, and RBdigital Magazine. Choose from hundreds of titles that can be downloaded to your computer or mobile device.

Talking Book programs provide library service to individuals who are unable to read standard print. Accessible materials (digital audio and braille books and magazines) are conveniently mailed to and from patrons at no cost. Please contact the Reference Department at 847-678-0433 for more information.

Residents can get help with basic computing by calling 847-678-0433 to schedule a free 30-minute appointment.

In addition, the Schiller Park Historical Commission maintains a research room at the library that houses an extensive collection of items showcasing our community's history including photographs, maps, newspaper articles, pamphlets, costumes, and much more. Everyone is welcome to view the collection to learn more about our community's rich history and traditions.

## August Blood Drive – Please Donate

Did you know that across the country, blood donation drops by about 20% every summer? All blood types are needed, so please consider coming out to donate! The next Blood Drive will be held on Tuesday, August 21 at the Community Center located at 4501 N 25th Avenue. No appointment is necessary to donate blood. Simply stop by during donation hours which are from 1 PM to 7 PM. This location is handicapped accessible with ground level access and no stairs.



## 2017 Schiller Park Water Quality Report Now Available



The 2017 Village of Schiller Park Water Quality Report, which contains important information about the source and quality of your drinking water, is available for download from the Village website or at <http://www.villageofschillerpark.com/ArchiveCenter/ViewFile/Item/430>. You can request that a copy of the report be mailed to your home by calling 847-678-2550, or by sending a written request to Water Quality Report Request, Village of Schiller Park, 9526 W. Irving Park Road, Schiller Park, 60176.

## Hold a Garage Sale

Thinking about cleaning out your basement or eliminating some of your stuff? Then host a garage sale! Remember that a permit, available at no cost, is required. Garage sales are limited to three consecutive days and each residence is limited to two garage sales per year. If interested, please complete the Garage or Yard Sale Permit Application on our website or visit Village Hall to apply.

## Thank You to Our Veterans

Mayor Nick Caiafa and the Board of Trustees are proud to offer free fitness passes and basketball court passes to Schiller Park veterans returning home from active duty. Please stop by the Recreation Center during regular business hours with proof of residency and your discharge papers. For more information, call 847-671-8580.



*Mayor Caiafa, members of the Village Board, the Library Board and staff get ready to kickoff Schiller Park's SUMMER OF FUN before the Fourth of July Parade!*



# 2018 Summer Events in Schiller Park



The Anna Montana Waterpark and Memorial Pool is open through Labor Day, Monday, September 3 at 4 PM.



**National Night Out** is an evening dedicated to increasing awareness about police programs in our community. This year's event will be held on Tuesday, August 7, from 6 to 9 PM

with a fun-filled evening at the Anna Montana Waterpark and Memorial Pool. Refreshments will be served! Remember to turn on your porch light to demonstrate your support!

**Relay for Life** of Leyden and Norwood Townships – Join us as we walk and raise funds to fight cancer on Friday, August 3 from 6 PM to Midnight at Elmwood Park High School. Bring the family to an evening designed to celebrate cancer survivors. The evening will include a DJ, entertainment, food and a luminaria ceremony at dusk. For more information on how to participate, call 708-633-7771.



**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Pierogi and Fun** will be held on Saturday, August 25 from 4 PM to 9 PM at the Metra Station. Savor the food and enjoy your friends and neighbors at this new Village tradition!



**The 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Family Fun Day, Car Show** offers something for everyone! Join us on Sunday, August 26 from Noon to 4 PM at the Metra Station. The event will include entertainment, games, children's rides and local restaurants serving tasty menu items.

## **Summer Movies in the Park**



**Coco** – Saturday, August 11 at 8:30 PM in Stalica Park

## **Rockin' in the Park Concert Series at Clock Tower Park**

**Tony Ocean & Anthony Cassano** – Rat Pack era and Motown favorites - Friday, July 27 at 7:30 PM

**Anthony Holmes & Ladies Night** – Pop music and more - Friday, August 3 at 7:30 PM

**Kaleidoscope Eyes** – A night of Beatles music under the stars! - Friday, August 17 at 7:30 PM

*For more information on any of these events, go to [www.villageofschillerpark.com](http://www.villageofschillerpark.com).*