

Happenings Newsletter & Recreation Brochure ● WINTER/SPRING 2026



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CITY HALL 10335 S. Roberts Rd (708) 598-3400 Dear Residents,

As we close out the calendar year, the City of Palos Hills has had many significant projects completed. A new walking bike trail along the Cal-Sag from Southwest Highway to 86th Street was funded and completed with a \$650,000.00 grant from Cook County. This past summer we also completed the Indian Woods restoration project with a \$350,000.00 grant from the State of Illinois.

Most recently, the City of Palos Hills completed the reconstruction of the 111th Street & Roberts Road intersection improvement which was accomplished with a \$3.5 million dollar grant from Cook County and the State of Illinois.

Over the past year, numerous local infrastructure projects throughout the city involved new street pavements, storm water drain improvements, and repair & replacement of numerous water & sewer lines.

Next year, we will bring additional infrastructure projects including a hookup to the new 60-inch water main connecting to the Oak Lawn water system which is under construction on Southwest Highway. We also look forward to additional street sidewalks, and water and sewer lines to be upgraded.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the men and women of the Palos Hills Police Department for their continued efforts in public safety and proud to maintain the City of Palos Hills having one of the lowest crime rates in the State of Illinois. As always, we ask our residents when you see something suspicious, please do not hesitate to call 911.

The City Building Department continues to see growth in residential and commercial properties. Economic Development continues to increase with retail sales tax receipts, having almost doubled in the last 3 years. Next year, we are already receiving interest in commercial retail investments.

Our Community Resource & Recreation Department has had a very successful year in new park programs, along with additional special events.

We thank our residents for their support and participation in these accomplishments and more to come next year. Finally, on behalf of myself, the City Council and all employees of the City of Palos Hills, many thanks for your support, participation, and your continued efforts in improving the quality of life for all residents of the City of Palos Hills.

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays and blessings to you all and have a safe and joyous New Year!

Sincerely, Gerald R. Bennett, Mayor



1st Ward News

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Fall and winter are on the horizon, but let's linger for a while on a beautiful summer that was filled with nice weather and wonderful city activities. To mention a few. our Friendship Festival in July once again provided us with four days of fun, music, carnival rides, a wonderful patriotic fireworks display and numerous other activities. Concerts in the Park brought us together to share music, relaxation and camaraderie with our neighbors in beautiful natural surroundings. National Night Out in August allowed us to show our appreciation to our First Responders for keeping us safe all year long. Our Beautification Contest Awards ceremony in October put a well-deserved focus on our many residents, businesses, churches and schools for the pride they take in maintaining their properties in a way that greatly enhances our city's image. We wish to extend our congratulations to all of the winners.

This September the City Council passed an ordinance addressing restrictions on the use of electric scooters, bikes and skateboards within the city. The use of these devices have posed safety concerns for pedestrians and motorists alike. Our ordinance is modeled on restrictions imposed by the State of Illinois, and we encourage everyone to access the ordinance on our city website and become familiar with it. In particular, there is a section on "parental responsibility" that explains the important part parents play in this serious safety concern.

Please remember that many home improvements like driveway expansions, patios, room additions, sheds fences, window replacements and many others require city permits before any work begins. A call to our building department at city hall before you start can insure that your project is a success. Finally, we extend our sincere best wishes that everyone enjoys their holiday celebrations in a safe manner.

We wish you all a very safe and joyous holiday season!

Alderman Marty Kleefisch 708-334-3055 mkleefisch@paloshillsweb.org

Alderman Mike Price 708-380-3969 mprice@paloshillsweb.org

Meet Your Neighbor!

John and Aggie Lubon have lived in Palos Hills for 26 years along with their children Nicole and Jacob. It was important for them to find a community that had good schools, low taxes, and lots of trees, but what was most important was raising their family in a town that they felt was a safe place to live. Well, they hit the jackpot moving to Palos Hills where the schools are award winning, our tax rate is one of the lowest in the area and we have one of the lowest crime rates in the state! Oh, and we have plenty of trees and border the largest forest preserve district in the state!

The past few years John has participated in the Track and Field Master World Championships in the triple jump. In 2024 he traveled to Sweden where he finished 9th and this year the competition was held in Florida where he finished 8th. John's friends and family will be rooting for him when he competes at the 2026 games which will be held in South Korea. John said the training is very challenging but he loves the competition and enjoys competing with athletes from around the globe. You may see John training on the trails at Bennett Park or at the Fit Rec Center at MVCC. We wish John the best of luck as he continues to make Palos Hills proud!



2nd Ward News Alderman Pauline Stratton

Update phone numbers!

Cell phones and new land line phone numbers must be registered with the City in the event of an emergency and the City needs to contact you. In addition, please call Margareth Balan at City Hall in the event you eliminate your land line phone and now exclusively use a cell phone. Margareth can be reached at 708-598-3400, ext. 1106.

No Burning

Please do not burn leaves, yard waste or garbage.

Important Numbers

Please call 911 if you see anything suspicious. The phone numbers for Southwest Central Dispatch are 911 or 708-598-2151. With immediate notification to the police, officers will be able to address any situation to keep us safe.

Stay Safe!

Pauline Stratton 708-430-2240 pstratton@paloshillsweb.org

2nd Ward News Alderman Mark Brachman

Thoughts from the 2nd Ward:

For this issue of the Happenings I would like to focus on all of the examples that make our City truly a great place to live.

Our leadership is evident with our Mayor of over 40 years and a City Council who works extremely well with him in order to move our City forward.

Our City services are second to none. Public Works, with our new maintenance building, continues to be the envy of many municipalities. Our workers are competent in so many areas and our commissioner and superintendent are outstanding. Resident concerns are addressed quickly and courteously.

Our building department continually improves with excellent leaders and inspectors. The modernization of this department helps it to be efficiently run.

Our ordinance officer is quick to respond to violations and works with the homeowner to solve problems. His main goal is to make sure the residents are in compliance with ordinances and offers advice for improvement.

Our well trained and professional police department results in an extremely low crime rate.

All of these things, along with the rising property values, excellent schools, new businesses and low taxes make Palos Hills a community in which people want to live.

Our City continues to improve and modernize with new businesses, new roads and new landscaping. These are the reasons that make me proud to represent you on our City Council.

One troubling issue that disturbs me is the inability to deal with houses that are abandoned. Please call City Hall or me directly to inform us if someone's property is not being maintained. This information can be anonymously given.

In closing, let me remind you to call me directly or indirectly through City Hall to answer any questions or concerns.

Mark Brachman 708—710-9844 mbrachman@paloshillsweb.org

Community Center / City Hall Holiday Closed Dates
Wednesday, December 24
Thursday, December 25
Friday, December 26
Thursday, January 1

3rd Ward News

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Winter 2025 Update

As the weather turns colder and we prepare for As we head into the colder months, here are a few moment to update you on recent happenings comfortable: around our community and share a few helpful winter survival tips.

COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS

Friendship Fest Pizza Social

This past July we had a wonderful time connecting with residents during the Pizza Social in the Beer • Tent on Sunday evening at the Friendship Festival. Thank you to everyone who stopped by to share a • slice and conversation—it's always great to celebrate our community together!

Condo Association Outreach

Throughout the year, we've been attending various Condo Association board meetings across the Third Ward. These visits give us valuable insight into your We're grateful for the opportunity to serve you and to live.

Halloween Social at Louks and Scoops

In October, we were thrilled to sponsor a *Halloween* Warm regards: Social at Louks and Scoops, one of Palos Hills' newest Alderman Mike Lebarre small businesses. It was a fantastic turnout - thank lebarremike@gmail.com you to all the families who joined in for treats, costumes, and community fun! Supporting our local Alderwoman Jennifer Frankowicz businesses remains a top priority for us.

Marty Kleefisch Beautification Awards

We were also honored to help recognize many outstanding businesses and residents through the Marty Kleefisch Beautification Awards Program. These awards highlight those who go above and beyond to keep Palos Hills beautiful and welcoming. Congratulations to all of our winners for their pride and care in our community!

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Winter Survival Tips

another Chicago-area winter, we want to take a reminders to keep you and your neighbors safe and

- Prepare your vehicle: Check tires, battery, and emergency supplies. Keep an ice scraper, blanket and flashlight handy.
- Stay warm and safe at home: Inspect your heating system, change furnace filters, and keep space heaters at least three feet from anything flammable.
- **Be neighborly:** Check in on the elderly or vulnerable neighbors during extreme cold.
- **Snow reminders:** Please avoid parking on the street during snow emergencies so plows can clear the roads efficiently.
- **Stay informed:** Follow the City of Palos Hills website and social media for weather updates and city notices.

concerns, needs and ideas for improving our look forward to seeing everyone at upcoming neighborhoods. We truly appreciate your openness community events in 2026. As always, please don't and partnership in keeping Palos Hills a great place hesitate to reach out with any questions, ideas or concerns.

Stay warm and safe this winter!

jfrankowicz@paloshillsweb.org

The Mayor, City Council and City Staff wish you and your family a safe and healthy holidays! See you in 2026!

Ward 4 News

Hello 4th Ward Residents..... We are excited to give this update for the Fourth Ward. While we are always working to make life better in the Fourth Ward we also like to stop to appreciate the great things that we have like our safe streets, parks and residents. We continue to work to improve the Fourth Ward.

ROBERTS ROAD PROJECT

The Roberts Road Project to alleviate flooding down Roberts Road from 99th Street to 103rd Street and the adjacent neighborhoods is still moving forward. East of Roberts Road, the project plans to direct water from Roberts Road into the Lucas Ditch Extension, which runs North/South from the Hickory Hills Baseball fields through Bennett Park and into Stoney Creek. On the west of Roberts Road, the project aims to control the flow of water into Lucas Ditch, which runs East/West from 80th Court & Roberts Road, southwesterly to 111th & 86th Ave. and into Stoney Creek further south. As part of this project, the northern third of Indian Woods Park will be changed into a water retention area, similar to some other flood prone areas already in town. The project will include road construction along 81st Ave from 99th St. to 103rd and along 103rd St.

With the new federal administration, federal funding for this project was delayed. The federal portion of the funding has now been approved, but the state and county portion of the funding has changed a bit. The city is working with the state and county to finalize funding so that we can proceed with the construction phase of the project. We expect this project to give significant flood relief to many Fourth Ward residents directly and to better control the re-direction of rain water for all residents during significant rain events. We appreciate the great work of the Mayor, Public Works and the City Council in pushing this important project forward.

Additionally, our Public Work's Department has performed water main replacement on 81st Avenue south of 97th St and on 99th St east of Roberts Road, along with rebuilding the roads. This infrastructure project was paid for by a State of Illinois grant rather than local taxpayer money.

INDIAN WOODS & GLACIER PARKS

Significant improvements have been made to both of the parks in the Fourth Ward. Indian Woods Park is popular for exercise, dog walking, sports, family gathering and the play equipment. Glacier Park is popular for sports such as soccer and especially in the coming months for winter activities such as ice skating.

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Both have ample parking. Indian Woods is great for day-time activity and Glacier Park is open later for ice skating under the lights during winter. WE thank our Parks Department for the hard work that they put into our parks and activities. We encourage all of our residents to get out and enjoy our wonderful parks.

SCOOTERS & E-BIKES The City Council has recently enacted significant restrictions on the use of electric scooters and electric bicycles in our city by underage riders and in certain areas. The scooters and bikes are prohibited for use in the parks. Our new ordinance follows closely with existing state law and is a very important piece of legislation for the safety of our residents, especially minor residents. We encourage residents to review our website BEFORE purchasing any scooter or e-bike for a minor resident, since their use in the City of Palos Hills may be prohibited by law.

SPEEDING

All nearby communities are struggling with the issue of speeding and racing on our streets. In an effort to combat speeding and protect our residents, the City has significantly increased the number of tickets issued and installed many additional stop signs in the Fourth Ward and throughout the City. We greatly appreciate the efforts of our Police Department, Mayor Bennett and the City Council for their efforts to keep our streets safe. However, we would also like to ask for the help of our residents. Most of the speeding in the Fourth Ward is on the side streets, which means it is likely our own residents who are speeding and getting all of the additional speeding fines. Please drive safely in the Fourth Ward and the entire city and remember all of the children who occupy our streets. The speed limit on all side streets is 20 MPH.

Finally, please remember to patronize the businesses in the Fourth Ward and the City of Palos Hills. We would also like to congratulate our 2025 Beautification winners. If we are ever needed, please remember we are only a phone call or email away.

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ALDERMAN PETER A. DONAHUE 708-598-3400 Pdonahue@paloshillsweb.org

Ward 5 News

We are honored to serve you and value the trust you We would like to express our appreciation to all of have placed in us. Your questions and inquiries drive us forward, and we are excited to continue building a strong and supportive ward and community together.

Our ward has taken an exciting step forward with the unnoticed. Thank you! arrival of Alderman Art Krasowski in May 2025. Art has been actively engaging with our community through various City events and our Friendship Festival. If you haven't had a chance to meet him yet, we will be organizing meet and greets throughout the coming year, and will keep you updated through our Spotlight on a 5th Ward Resident Facebook page.

Our fifth ward has achieved tremendous growth over contributions to his association and our community, the past year, marked by two significant milestones in city development, and we couldn't be more proud of the progress!

1. The walking/bike trail extension to Cal Sag on 86th Hidden Lakes for many years. reached for 185 acres of property. The trails leads \$650,000 grant from Cook County Department of tireless efforts. Transportation's "Invest in Cook County". We are also awaiting a \$270,000 county award for Wishing everyone a joyous holiday season and a Avenues.

Take a stroll or a bike ride on this beautiful trail, it is sure to be pleasing to the eye with the natural beauty and an inspiring sense of wonder and awe in every season.

2. The beautiful gateway to Palos Hills on 111th and doconnell@paloshillsweb.org Roberts Road: Our City held a ribbon-cutting ceremony with Mayor Bennett, elected officials Alderman Art Krasowski and dignitaries, as well as Palos Hills residents who 312-731-6542 shared their support of this project.

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the residents and businesses in the fifth ward who participated in our annual beautification award ceremony this year. Your hard work throughout the year on your home or business does not go

Please continue to support our local businesses, every bit of support propels them forward and strengthens our community.

We would like to acknowledge a dedicated resident of the fifth ward who has made significant demonstrating exceptional commitment perseverance. The resident is Mr. Paul Morgan of Hidden Lakes, a name that may be familiar due to his outstanding leadership as the former President of Paul is currently Avenue and Moraine Drive. Plans were first set in spearheading a transformative initiative to replace motion by Mayor Bennett in the mid-1980's to the outdated bridge/entranceway to Hidden Lakes. preserve the land for public uses in agreement. The project was estimated to be over budget, so in with the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District exchange for dedicating the new entrance to his late (MWRD), nearly 40 years ago. The agreement was mother, he offered to provide supplemental funding. Quoted from Paul, "the amount is not important, and out to 111th and connects to Moraine Valley I've joked I'm spending her money, I may as well put Community College. The trail extends beyond her name on it"! The entranceway will have a Southwest Highway to the Palos Heights Metro dedication ceremony to the late Lorraine E. Morgan. The project was funded through a We extend our sincerest gratitude to Paul for his

pedestrian improvements for 111th and 76th new year filled with promise and opportunity. We look forward to seeing you at one of the City's spring/summer events.

Warmest wishes,

Alderman Donna O'Connell 708-420-2326

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PALOS HILLS POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWSLETTER

9-1-1 Usage

Please contact our dispatch center for all police services. They can be contacted by dialing 911. Using this service is the fastest and most effective way for officers to assist our residents 24 hours a day.

Stolen Vehicles/Theft from Vehicles

Please lock your vehicles when you are not using them. Multiple vehicles have been stolen by being left unlocked and having the key fob left inside. All valuables, to include holiday gifts, should be removed from the vehicle when not in use to prevent them from being stolen.

Driving Safely

The weather will soon be turning colder. Please be careful of road conditions and give yourself extra time to get to your destination safely. Please be cautious and pay attention to your surroundings so accidents can be avoided.

Suspicious Activity

If you see anything suspicious or dangerous, please dial 911. This allows dispatch to document the incident immediately and allows officers to quickly respond and investigate. Reporting suspicious activities is a great way for community members to help keep Palos Hills one of the safest cities in Illinois.

Be Aware of Tech Support Scams

Teck support scammers try to scare you into believing there's a problem with your computer. They tell lies to get your financial information or remote access to your computer. Their goal is to steal your money, or worse, steal your identity.

Most tech support scams rely on elaborate stories, threats and pressure to con you into giving up your financial information or your hard-earned money. But remembering these two things will help you avoid a tech support scam.

- 1. Legitimate tech companies won't contact you by phone, email or text message to tell you there's a problem with your computer.
- 2. Real security pop-up warnings and messages will never ask you to call a phone number. Not sure if it is a scam? Talk to someone you trust a friend, a family member, a neighbor or dial 911. Talking about it could help you realize it's a scam.

Social Media

Please look for us on Facebook. You can find our page by scanning the QR code below with your cell phone camera or by searching for our **Palos Hills Police Department** Facebook page.

The men and women of the Palos Hills Police Department wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season!





Palos Hills Economic Development News

I am delighted to announce that once again Palos Hills is experiencing truly remarkable economic growth!

With the addition of approximately 27 new businesses to our city in 2025, marking a significant milestone in our ongoing journey towards unprecedented prosperity. Let's acknowledge, support and extend a warm welcome to the following new businesses:

- 1. Insuredway Insurance Agency 8150 W. 111th, Suite 11
- 2. Minuteman press 236 -9901-03 S. Roberts Rd
- 3. White Sheep Café, 9000 College Parkway Building D
- 4. Al Hamawi Roastery, 9000 College Parkway Building D
- 5. Prestige home healthcare, 9944 South Roberts Rd. Unit 101
- 6. Haven of Beauty Braids, 8102 W. 111th
- 7. Biggby Coffee, 10300 S, Harlem Avenue
- 8. Albarakah Financial Services, 10125 S. Roberts Rd.
- 9. Fit & Run Club, 10608 South Roberts Rd.
- 10. Palos Home Care, 7836 W. 103rd St.
- 11. Precision Ground Metals, 8150 W. 111th St. Unit 14
- 12. Donut Dudes, 9000 College Parkway Building L
- 13. Zayara, Inc . , 10424 S. Harlem Ave.
- 14. Nashmi Express, 11056 Southwest Highway
- 15. Tanour, 10331 South Roberts Rd.
- 16. Sada Coffee House, 10366 S. Harlem Ave.
- 17. M & B Complete Auto Repair, 10058 South Roberts Rd.
- 18. Louks & Scoops, 8648 W. 103rd
- 19. Palos Pantry Food, 8100 W. 111th St.
- 20. Safety Public Adjusters, 8150 W. 111th St. Unit 10
- 21. Palos Smiles, 8114 W. 111th St.
- 22. Top Agency, 9748 South Roberts Rd. Unit one
- 23. Tunnell Insurance Agency, 11018 Southwest Highway
- 24. Paean Instruments, 10709 South Roberts Rd.
- 25. Mickey's, 10701 S. Roberts Rd.
- 26. Sob Laban, 10412 S. Harlem Ave.
- 27. Bergman Business Consulting, 10125 S Roberts Rd Unit 100

RIBBON CUTTING & GRAND OPENINGS

Did you know Palos Hills's economic development fosters a strong business community by hosting celebratory events, such as ribbon cuttings, grand openings and re-openings, business anniversaries, open houses and more to invigorate our local economic growth? Our residents are always welcome to participate at these events! Join us and help shape the future of our City! Visit the City of Palos Hills Economic Development Facebook page for the latest updates and information on these events.

CITY IMPROVEMENTS

- * Cal Sag walking and bike trail extension located at 86th Avenue and Moraine Drive
- * Gateway to the City of Palos Hills located at Roberts Road and 111th Intersection.

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LOCAL BUSINESS NEWS

Midwest Orthopaedics, 10330 S. Roberts Road, has been nominated as Chicago Southland's Best Orthopaedic facility. In July 2025, David Adam, Workman's Comp Director, gave the city officials a tour of the cutting edge facility, showcasing its impressive capabilities and potential. Midwest Orthopaedics also held a grand reopening this summer.

Onyx Food Delivery Company Inc., 11264 Southwest Highway, renowned for their exceptional steaks and seafood, has expanded their menu to include pierogi offering customers more delicious options.

Gadabout Travel, 10552 Roberts Road, held their 50 year anniversary this past August. Congratulations to owner Pat Carroll!

El Gallo Tapatio 4, 10164 Roberts Road, has new owners and will be opening up soon!

Dunkin Donuts located at 10340 S. Harlem Avenue hosted our Palos Hills Police Department's "Cop on a Roof" in May to raise funds benefitting Special Olympics.

Baba Saj, 10442 S. Harlem Avenue, opened a second location in Oak Lawn, they plan to open another location soon in the Chicagoland area. Congratulations!

McDonald's, 11050 Southwest Highway, has been a shining example of community spirit, this past year they have hosted numerous children's parties, "Frozen" with North Palos Firefighters and a visit from the "Hamburgler" to our Palos Hills Police and North Palos Fire Departments showing their support.

Peppo's Subs, 10303 S. Roberts Road, celebrated their 49th Anniversary in July. Peppo's was also featured on "Inside the Heat", hometown edition with Miami Heat #31, Max Stros!

The Valley Inn Restaurant, 8300 W. 107th Street, suffered a devastating fire this summer. We are hoping for their reopening. Meanwhile, their catering service located at 10620 S. Roberts Road remains operational and continues to serve exceptional cuisine.

Round 4 Gym, 8086 W. 111th Street—owners and professional boxers, Askar & Motaz Askar (brothers), took home a championship win this October and November! Congratulations to both!

Cake N' Bake, 10456 S. Harlem Avenue, was featured on "Chicago Today"! Congratulations to the owner, Wafsia Shalabi.

Honeybee Boba, 8074 W. 111th Street, has new owners and is open for business.

Durbin's Pizza, 10154 S. Roberts Road, was newly remodeled in January, they have a full calendar of events every month!

Palos Hills resident and business owner, Phil Wingo of Pork Mafia US, was featured in "Food Industry News Magazine" for his award-winning rubs and seasonings in February. Congratulations Phil!

Temple Fuel, 10721 S. Roberts Road, was featured on ABC 7 with host Val Warner and Terrell Brown!

Green Hills Public Library, 10331 Interlochen Drive, held a special ribbon-cutting for their new 24 hour library, the first of its kind in the state of Illinois! Congratulations!

DID YOU KNOW???

Palos Hills was voted as one of the best 10 places to live in Illinois by World Atlas 2025!

"Ruby", Palos Hills' mascot identity was revealed in February. Kylie O'Connell, daughter of Alderman Donna O'Connell, was featured in the Regional Newspaper!

Our Resource & Recreation Department is selling "I Love Palos Hills" t-shirts! Get yours and show your support!

Bennett Park has earned all five National Demonstration site designations from Playcore, making it the only park in the United States to do so! We have earned the national standard for accessibility. Congratulations Commissioner Violante and Mayor Bennett!

Palos Hills Economic Development News-con't

RENTALS, VACANCIES & VACANT PROPERTIES

If you would like this information for Palos Hills, please contact Donna O'Connell at doconnell@paloshillsweb.org.

In closing, you can see that Palos Hills has undergone a truly transformative journey of growth and positive change in 2025. Please continue to shop and dine in Palos Hills. Our family owned businesses are counting on your support to keep our Community thriving!

Warmest Regards, Alderman Donna O'Connell, Economic Development Chairperson, 708-420-2326 Facebook—City of Palos Hills Economic Development - doconnell@paloshillsweb.org

From the Desk of City Clerk, Dawn M. Nowak

Hello Residents!

The City has been busy getting projects completed before winter sets in! The corner at 111th and Roberts Road is complete and looks beautiful! That corner has really developed nicely over the last 10 years. I would like to take a moment to thank our Public Works Department for all of their hard work and dedication to the many City projects that they have helped us complete. They are out there in all kinds of weather and with winter coming up, you will see them plowing our City streets. Give them a wave when you see them and let them know appreciate what they do!

In the City Clerk's Office, I just wanted to give some friendly reminders Our vehicle stickers for the City of Palos Hills are free and available at City Hall. Please bring in your current vehicle registration (showing your Palos Hills address) along with your driver's license and you will receive your City sticker.

Also, if you are an owner of a dog or cat, please be sure to register your pet at City Hall. This will help if they are ever lost. Currently, you must show a valid rabies certificate to register your pet. The fee is \$5.00.

As many of you know, the Cook County Clerk's Office closed a few years ago in the Bridgeview Courthouse (this is the office where birth, marriage and death records were obtained). The new Cook County Clerk, Monica Gordon, has opened an online appointment scheduling process to obtain your records from the Markham Courthouse, 16501 S. Kedzie, Room 238, Markham or Maywood Cook County Clerk's Office, 1311 S. Maybrook Square, Room 104 (they are not located in the courthouse, but the Whitcomb Building). You can navigate to her website at cookcountyclerkil.gov and under Vital Records you will be able to schedule an appointment. There are no appointments needed if you choose to go to the Downtown location.

Lastly, please support our local businesses, we have many great businesses in our City!

Dawn M. Nowak, City Clerk 10335 S. Roberts Road, Palos Hills 708-598-3400, ext. 1109

RECREATION BROCHURE

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Mission Statement

The Palos Hills Community Resource & Recreation Department (CRRD) strives to maximize its resources to provide the community with high quality, diverse and economic leisure opportunities; through open space preservation, park development, administration and active and passive recreational program offerings.

Americans with Disabilities Act

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Palos Hills Community Resource & Recreation Department will make reasonable accommodations for individuals with a disability when using facilities or programs to enable participation. If you have any questions about the Park Department's compliance, please contact the Palos Hills Community Resource & Recreation Department at 430-4500.

Special Recreation

The Palos Hills Community Resource & Recreation Department is a cooperative member of the Oak Lawn Park District Special Recreation Agency. Residents of Palos Hills with special needs can participate in programs at Oak Lawn at the resident rate. Brochures for Oak Lawn Park District Special Recreation, 708-857-2200, programs are available at the Palos Hills Community Center, 8455 W. 103rd St.

Registration

Because we cannot control when the post office delivers this publication to all of our residents, please call the Community Center to ask when resident and non-resident registration begins.

City of Palos Hills Recreation Board

Mayor Gerald R. Bennett Alderman Mike Price, Chairman Alderman Marty Kleefisch Alderman Pauline Stratton

City of Palos Hills Community Resource Board

Mayor Gerald R. Bennett Alderman Mike Price, Chairman Alderman Pauline Stratton Alderman Phil Abed

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Employment Opportunity

The City's PATSE bus service which provides rides within Palos Township for seniors and to the physically disabled is currently seeking a part-time driver. Perfect job for a retired individual or someone looking to work one-two days a week from approximately 8:30am—2:00pm. For more information, please call Sophia at 708-430-4500.

EXTENDED PLAYSCHOOL PROGRAMS FOR 4 & 5 YEAR OLDS

The City of Palos Hills provides enrichment classes for our 4 & 5 year olds after Tot Stuff Playschool. These classes are an excellent way to enhance kids' reading, fine & gross motor and social skills. Kids not enrolled in Tot Stuff Playschool are also invited to attend these classes, but must be preschool aged. Supervision will be provided between Tot Stuff Playschool and these programs. Please note that we do not pro-rate for late registrations. Please make sure to bring a lunch.

PLEASE NOTE: Children enrolled in Tot Stuff Playschool will have priority for registration. Children not enrolled in Tot Stuff Playschool may begin registering on **Monday, January 12**.

BIG BOOKWORMS (Ages 4-5 years old)

You can never get enough of practicing letters, sounds, and putting them all together. In this class we will work on different phonics techniques to help your child begin the process of reading and reinforce concepts taught in class. This class is without a parent. No class February 16, March 2, 23, April 6.

Location: Community Center

Day: Mondays

Dates: January 26 - May 4 #320228-1

Time: 11:30 am - 12:30 pm *bring a lunch

Cost: \$55.00 **Min/Max:** 4/12

JUNIOR EINSTEIN'S (Ages 4-5 years old)

Want to conduct experiments or learn some basic science and math? Then this is the class for you! Introduction to science and math concepts will be presented. This class is without a parent.

Location: Community Center

Day: Wednesdays

Dates: January 28 - May 6 #330220-1

Not March 25

Time: 11:30 am - 12:30 pm *bring a lunch

Cost: \$84.00 Min/Max: 4/12

SPORTS FANATICS (Ages 4-5 years old)

Learn a variety of sports such as basketball, soccer, t-ball and more. The kids will receive instruction in each sport, while learning the importance of sportsmanship and teamwork. This class is without a parent.

Location: Community Center

Day: Fridays

Dates: January 30 - May 8 #320227-1

Not March 20, 27, April 3

Time: 11:30 am - 12:30 pm *bring a lunch

Cost: \$60.00 Min/Max: 4/12

TOT CLASSES

PLAYGROUP PALS (with parent/caregiver)

Playtime, stories, songs and crafts are offered for parents or caregivers and their little ones. Spend some time with your child while meeting other parents and caregivers in the community. This loosely structured class is led by a teacher, who will help guide your child through certain activities, but the emphasis is on social interaction with the assistance of the parent or caregiver. Only children registered for this class will be allowed to attend.

Location: Community Center - Youth Room

Day: Mondays

Date: March 9 - April 27 #320206-A

Not March 23, April 6

Time: 9:15 – 10:15 am

Cost: R:\$60.00/NR:\$65.00 per session Age: Walking - 2 year olds with parent

Min/Max: 4/12 Teacher: Miss Liz

SATURDAY SOCCER with SOCCER STARS

PARENT & ME (12-24 months)

Parent & Me is a parent-child, pre-soccer, music and movement program designed for toddlers between 12 and 24 months. Our program focuses on nurturing toddlers' physical, cognitive and social skills through fun, engaging activities with our puppet friends, Mimi and Pepe. Dive into a world of stimulating play and physical engagement alongside your little one in our program.

Ages: 12-24 months with parent

Days: Saturdays Time: 10:00-10:45am

Location: Glacier Park—101st & 78th Avenue, Community Center in inclement weather

Dates: Session 1: January 10—February 28 #340090-1

Session 2: March 14—May 2 #340092-1

Cost: \$120.00/Session

Min/Max: 6/10

SOCCER STARS (2-5 years old)

Soccer stars introduces children to the fundamentals of soccer in a fun, educational and non-competitive environment. Our philosophy emphasizes positive reinforcement, individualized attention, and a low child-to-coach ratio to ensure every player thrives. Each week, classes feature creative, imagery-based games built around engaging themes that promote ball awareness, balance and coordination. Through playful dribbling and goal-scoring activities, children develop essential soccer skills while building confidence and positive social interactions.

Days: Saturdays

Location: Glacier Park—101st & 78th Avenue, Community Center in inclement weather

Cost: \$120.00/age group

Ages: 2-3 year olds

Dates/Times: March 14—May 2 11:00-11:45am #340093-1

Ages: 4-5 year olds

Dates/Times: March 14—May 2 12:00-12:45pm #340094-1

Min/Max: 6/10

EARLY CHILDHOOD SPORTS

ILLINOIS SHOTOKAN KARATE

Illinois Shotokan Karate Club is Chicagoland's premier karate school taught under the instruction of John DiPasquale, a four-time National Champion, and President of the American Shotokan Karate Association.

In our **Pre-Karate** Safety classes, young children develop flexibility, strength, and coordination in fun, yet disciplined activities. This program is specifically designed for growing minds and bodies to enhance memory and agility. Watch your child's confidence blossom and their skills improve.

- Uniforms and belt testing are options available through the ISKC instructor.
- Beginner students will not be permitted to register into the current session after the second class
 has met. Registration for continuers through advanced students will be accepted after the start
 date, but the full class fee is required.
- Please visit www.iskc.com for more information or call us at 847/359-0666.

Location: Apollo Recreation Center (12521 S. Kostner, Alsip) - Gym 2

Day: Fridays

Dates: Session 1: January 9—March 27

Session 2: April 3—June 5

Cost: Session 1: \$186.00

Session 2: \$155.00

Age: Pre-Karate - 4 - 6 years Maximum: 8 kids

Times: <u>Pre-Karate</u>

Session 1

4:30 - 5:15 pm Beginner (no prior experience) #320217-A 5:20 - 6:05 pm Continuing (White w/stripe & up) #320217-B

Session 2

4:30 - 5:15 pm Beginner (no prior experience) #320217-C 5:20 - 6:05 pm Continuing (White w/stripe & up) #320217-D

PIPSQUEAK OPEN GYM (With Parent/Caregiver)

Parents, come join your child and have fun in the gym. The layout is altered regularly to provide new challenges. Mats are put out to climb on and balls are available to bounce and play catch with. Socialization will be a positive aspect for both parent and child. This program requires adult supervision, there is no instructor for this open gym program. This is a drop-in class. Fees are paid weekly.

Location: Community Center- Gym

Day: Fridays

Date: January 16 - May 1, not March 20, 27, April 3

Time: 9:30 – 11:00 am

Cost: R:\$2.00/NR:\$3.00 each week

Age: Walking - 3 year olds with parent

Min/Max: 4/20

SOCCER FOR KIDS - No. 23 Futbol

The Recreation Department has partnered with No 23 Futbol and owner/player/coach, Michael Szaflarski, to provide elite soccer training for area youth. Michael is a professional soccer player as well as a coach at Benedictine University. He is very excited to partner up with us to provide the Palos Hills area with expert training. Please note that the first week of registration is open to Palos Hills residents only. Non-residents can begin registering a week after residents. Please call 708-430-4500 to determine when registration begins. Please note that there will be no class over spring break or the EID holiday.

SOCCER (3-5 year olds)

The first week will include fun games related to the sport and then each week after will include passing, dribbling and shooting drills. Wear gym shoes and shin guards.

Ages: 3-5 years
Days: Tuesdays

Location: Community Activity Center

Dates: Tuesdays -

Winter: January 6, 13, 20, 27 February 3, 10, 17, 24, March 3, 10 **#321011-A Resident Cost:** \$130.00 **Non-Resident Cost:** \$150.00

Spring: March 31, April 7, 14, 21, 28, May 5, 12, 19, 26

#321011-B Resident Cost: \$117.00 Non Resident Cost: \$137.00

Thursdays—

Winter: January 8, 15, 22, 29, February 5, 12, 19, 26, March 5, 12 **#321012-A Resident Cost:** \$130.00 **Non-Resident Cost:** \$150.00

Spring: April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, May 7, 14, 21, 28

#321012-B Resident Cost: \$117.00 Non-Resident Cost: \$137.00

Time: 4:30—5:30 pm

Min/Max: 4/10

SOCCER (6-8 year olds)

The first week will include fun games related to the sport and then each week after will include passing, dribbling and shooting drills. Wear gym shoes and shin guards.

Ages: 6-8 years Days: Tuesdays

Location: Community Activity Center

Dates: Tuesdays -

Winter: January 6, 13, 20, 27 February 3, 10, 17, 24, March 3, 10 **#321013-A Resident Cost:** \$130.00 **Non-Resident Cost:** \$150.00

Spring: March 31, April 7, 14, 21, 28, May 5, 12, 19, 26

#321013-B Resident Cost: \$117.00 Non Resident Cost: \$137.00

Thursdays—

Winter: January 8, 15, 22, 29, February 5, 12, 19, 26, March 5, 12 **#321014-A Resident Cost:** \$130.00 **Non-Resident Cost:** \$150.00

Spring: April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, May 7 14, 21, 28

#321014-B Resident Cost: \$117.00 **Non-Resident Cost:** \$137.00

Time: 5:40—6:55 pm

Min/Max: 4/10

If enrollment is low for the 6-8 year or 9-11 year groups, the two groups may be combined.

SOCCER FOR KIDS - No. 23 Futbol - con't

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SOCCER (9-11 year olds)

The first week will include fun games related to the sport and then each week after will include passing, dribbling and shooting drills. Wear gym shoes and shin guards.

Ages: 9-11 years
Days: Tuesdays

Location: Community Activity Center

Dates: Tuesdays -

Winter: January 6, 13, 20, 27 February 3, 10, 17, 24, March 3, 10 **#321015-A Resident Cost:** \$130.00 **Non-Resident Cost:** \$150.00

Spring: March 31, April 7, 14, 21, 28, May 5, 12, 19, 26

#321015-B Resident Cost: \$117.00 Non Resident Cost: \$137.00

Thursdays—

Winter: January 8, 15, 22, 29, February 5, 12, 19, 26, March 5, 12 **#321016-A Resident Cost:** \$130.00 **Non-Resident Cost:** \$150.00

Spring: April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, May 7 14, 21, 28

#321016-B Resident Cost: \$117.00 **Non-Resident Cost:** \$137.00

Time: 7:05—8:20 pm

Min/Max: 4/14

If enrollment is low for the 6-8 year or 9-11 year groups, the two groups may be combined into one session from **5:40-6:55 pm**.



ILLINOIS SHOTOKAN KARATE

Illinois Shotokan Karate Club is Chicagoland's premier karate school taught under the instruction of John DiPasquale, a four-time National Champion, and President of the American Shotokan Karate Association.

ISKC's karate classes offer a good mix of strength training, with cardiovascular and flexibility exercises. Students increase their coordination, agility and poise, as well as learn lasting personal safety skills. They also benefit from the mental stimulation of learning the choreographed moves of the kata and the discipline of conforming to class rules.

- Uniforms and belt testing are options available through the ISKC instructor.
- Please note that the Youth and Adult classes train together.
- Beginner students will not be permitted to register into the current session after the second class
 has met. Registration for continuers through advanced students will be accepted after the start
 date, but the full class fee is required.
- Please visit WWW.ISKC.COM for more information or call us at 847/359-0666.

Location: Apollo Recreation Center (12521 S. Kostner, Alsip) - Gym #2

Day: Fridays

Date: Session 1: January 9—March 27

Session 2: April 3—June 5

Cost: Session 1: \$186.00

Session 2: \$155.00

Age: Karate - 7 years & up Maximum: 8/class

Times: <u>Youth/Adult</u>

Session 1

6:15 - 7:10 pm Beginner/Continuer (White-Red Belts) #330221-1 7:15 - 8:10 pm Inter/Advanced (Orange belts & up) #330221-2

Session 2

6:15 - 7:10 pm Beginner/Continuer (White-Red Belts) #330221-3 7:15 - 8:10 pm Inter/Advanced (Orange belts & up) #330221-4



YOUTH SPORTS WITH SPORT KIDS, INC.

TUESDAY CLASSES

PARENT & TOT GYMNASTICS

Parents are an integral part of helping their tots participate in basic sports movement through gymnastics. Join a fun, nurturing environment, while exposing your child to a safe and challenging gymnastics experience. Gymnastics equipment in this class is downsized to benefit this age group. Please bring a labeled water bottle.

Location: Palos Hills Community Center Age 2-3 years old with parent

Day/Date: Tuesdays

Session 1: January 6 – February 10 #311117-1 Session 2: February 17-March 31, not March 24 #311117-2 Session 3: April 14-May 19 #311117-3

Time: 10:15-10:45 am

Cost: \$39.00/session/Resident, \$49.00/session/Non-Resident

Min/Max: 5/16

ADULT & TOT MULTI-SPORT MANIA

Sign up your little one for the ultimate first time sports experience! Each week adults will assist their tots as they play a body-challenging sport, improve listening skills, and learn how to follow directions. A variety of sports such as soccer, t-ball, basketball and Nerf football will be explored through fun games and partner play. This is a great opportunity to get active with your child in a positive and controlled setting. Please bring a labeled water bottle.

Location: Palos Hills Community Center **Age** 2-3 years old with adult

Day/Date: Tuesdays

 Session 1: January 6—February 10
 #311122-1

 Session 2: February 17—March 31, not March 24
 #311122-2

 Session 3: April 14-May 19
 #311122-3

Time: 10:45-11:30 am

Cost: \$59.00/session/Resident, \$69.00/session/Non-Resident

Min/Max: 5/16

TOT HOOPSTERS - NEW!

In this class, young hoopsters learn the fundamentals of bouncing, catching and shooting. This class is designed to introduce the sport of basketball and develop motor skills and hand-eye coordination through fun skills and games. Equipment is tailor made to ensure success. Please bring a labeled water bottle.

Location: Palos Hills Community Center **Age** 3-5 years old with adult

Day/Date: Tuesdays

Session 1: January 6—February 10 #311123-1 Session 2: February 17—March 31, not March 24 #311123-2

Time: 11:45-12:30 pm

Cost: \$59.00/session/Resident, \$69.00/session/Non-Resident

Min/Max: 5/20

Note: This is a winter only program, why not join soccer in the spring?

YOUTH SPORTS WITH SPORT KIDS, INC.—Con't

MINI SOCCER - NEW! SPRING ONLY!

This class is a great introduction to the sport of soccer. Basic soccer skills such as running, kicking, passing and game play will be covered. Games are used to incorporate the skills taught during class in a fun and safe environment.. Please bring a labeled water bottle.

Location: Palos Hills Community Center **Age** 3-5 years old with adult

Day/Date: Tuesdays

April 14—May 19 #311127-1

Time: 11:45-12:30 pm

Cost: \$59.00/Resident, \$69.00/Non-Resident Min./Max: 5/20

PEE WEE BASKETBALL - NEW!

This class teaches young players the rules of the game, ball handling, passing and defense through a variety of creative drills that will assist them in improving at their own pace. Games will be played so that participants can work on the new skills as well as learn teamwork and sportsmanship. Please bring a labeled water bottle.

Location: Palos Hills Community Center Age 4-6years old with adult

Day/Date: Wednesdays

 Session 1: January 7—February 11
 #311119-1

 Session 2: February 18-April 1, not March 25
 #311119-2

 Session 3: April 15-May 20
 #311119-3

Time: 5:00-5:45 pm

Cost: \$59.00/session/Resident, \$69.00/session/Non-Resident

Min/Max: 5/20

YOUTH BASKETBALL—NEW!

Break a sweat and sharpen your skills! Boys and girls get skill instruction in the offensive points of the game of basketball such as ball handling, shooting, passing, and setting screens. They are also introduced to defensive aspects including proper defensive stance and concepts such as zone and man-to-man defense. Players develop their shot using proper form and mechanics to be effective from various distances from the basket. Don't miss out on the opportunity to learn new skills and develop a more thorough understanding of the game of basketball in this exciting program. Please bring a labeled water bottle.

Location: Palos Hills Community Center

Age: 7-9 years old Day/Date: Wednesdays

 Session 1: January 7—February 11
 #311113-1

 Session 2: February 18—April 1, not March 25
 #311113-2

 Session 3: April 15—May 20
 #311113-2

Time: 5:45-6:45 pm

Cost/Age/Session: \$78.00/session/Resident, \$88.00/session/Non-Resident

Min/Max: 5/20

Age: 10-12 years old Day/Date: Wednesdays

 Session 1: January 7 – February 11
 #311114-1

 Session 2: February 18-April 1, not March 25
 #311114-2

 Session 3: April 15-May 20
 #311114-3

Time: 6:45-7:45 pm

Cost/Age/Session: \$78.00/session/Resident, \$88.00/session/Non-Resident

Min/Max: 5/20

YOUTH SPORTS WITH SPORT KIDS, INC.—Con't

T-BALL SKILLS & GAMES

Boys and girls can come enjoy America's favorite pastime in this class. Participants will learn the basic fundamentals used in baseball such as running bases, throwing, catching and fielding. They will also learn the skills to hit the ball off the tee and maybe live pitching. Exiting drills and games will help children learn about teamwork and good sportsmanship in an atmosphere where participation and fun are top priority. Please bring a labeled water bottle and mitt to each class...

Location: Indian Woods Park

Age 4-6 years old with parent

Day/Date: Thursdays

April 16– May 21 #311115-1

Time: 4:30-5:15 pm

Cost: \$59.00/session/Resident, \$69.00/session/Non-Resident

Min/Max: 5/20

ADULT & TOT T-BALL

Parents can enjoy America's favorite pastime with their child. Young children will develop motor skills while having fun throwing, catching, batting and base running like the big kids. Parents and their little athletes will enjoy making new friends and working together to learn the basics of game play in this exciting class! Please bring a labeled water bottle and mitt to each class.

Location: Indian Woods Park
Age 2-3 years old with adult

Day/Date: Thursdays

April 16– May 21 #311116-1

Time: 5:15-6:00 pm

Cost: \$59.00/session/Resident, \$69.00/session/Non-Resident

Min/Max: 5/16

YOUTH TRACK, FIELD & FITNESS

This class will get kids excited about exercise and teach them about track and field, one of the oldest sports that continues to grow and is highlighted by the Olympics every four years. Participants will learn the fundamentals involved with improving flexibility, proper stretching, body positioning, developing core-strength, improving balance, cool-down techniques and other fitness concepts as they relate to exercising and the jumping, running and throwing skills involved in the sport of track and field. Boys and girls will participate in sharks and minnows, capture the cones, and other fitness games as well as sprints, relays, long-distance walking, running hurdles, long jump, discus throw and other track and field events. Youngsters will participate in a fun-filled track and field meet on the last day of class. Please bring a labeled water bottle.

Location: Indian Woods Park
Age 6-10 years old
Day/Date: Thursdays

April 16—May 21 #311121-1

Time: 6:00-7:00 pm

Cost: \$78.00/session/Resident, \$88.00/session/Non-Resident

Min/Max: 5/20

SPRING BREAK SPORT PROGRAMS & KIDS COOKING

TOT T-BALL CAMP

This camp is designed to teach children the basic fundamentals of baseball and softball. Participants learn to catch, throw, bat and run bases in a fun team atmosphere. Please bring a labeled water bottle.

Location: Palos Hills Community Center

Age3-6 years oldDay/Date:Monday—Friday

March 23-27 #311126-1

Time: 9:00-10:00 am

Cost: \$60/Resident, \$70.00/Non-Resident

Min./Max: 5/20

BASEBALL/SOFTBALL SKILLS CAMP

Get ready for the upcoming baseball and softball season. This camp will include instruction in skill development, fundamentals and games. Drills for defense, hitting, base running and throwing will be taught. Outfield, infield, pitching and catching segments will all be included. Please bring a mitt, bat and labeled water bottle.

Location: Palos Hills Community Center

Age 7-12 years old **Day/Date:** Monday—Friday

March 23-27 #311125-1

Time: 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Cost: \$120/Resident, \$130.00/Non-Resident

Min./Max: 5/20

KIDS COOKING

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Beat the winter blues by joining us to learn how to cook some great recipes Participants will have the opportunity to provide feedback on what recipes will be done each week. **Please let staff know of any food allergies**. Participants should either wear a hat or pull their hair back. Bring empty containers to bring your food home in. Sign up soon—spots fill quickly!

Location: Palos Hills Community Center **Day/Date:** Tuesdays, February 3 - March 31

Not March 24

Age/Time: 5—8 years, 4:00-5:15 pm #330333-1

9-12 years, 5:30-6:45 pm #330333-2

Cost: \$64.00 Resident/\$69.00 Non-Resident

Min/Max: 4/8 Instructor: Ms. Liz

OPEN GYM

PALOS HILLS COMMUNITY ACTIVITY CENTER OPEN GYM

The Palos Hills Community Center Gym will be available for supervised open gym. Participants must be eligible to attend school in District 117, 118, 230 or be a resident of Palos Hills. Each participant must have a registration form filled out and signed prior to first day. If participant is under the age of 18 years old, a parent or legal guardian must sign the registration form. Gym shoes, shorts and ID are required. No jeans! Open Gym may be canceled for other programs or events. **OPEN GYM SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE.** We suggest calling the Community Center at 708-430-4500 to determine if open gym is taking place.

Junior High Open Gym

Wednesdays, 3:30-5:30 pm \$3.00/person

*kids can come at 2pm on early dismissal days

Family Open Gym

Saturdays, 11:00am-12:30pm \$3.00/family member

*Call ahead to make sure the gym is available on the day you intend to come, sometimes we have special events and need to use the gym.

Note: A SCHOOL ID or Drivers License IS REQUIRED EACH TIME A PARTICIPANT COMES TO OPEN GYM. Park staff reserve the right to dismiss and/or suspend an individual's open gym privileges if they are unable to follow Community Center rules and/or are disrespectful to park staff.



MUSIC INSTRUCTION

We are happy to be collaborating with Palos Music Instruction in Palos Hills for piano, voice and guitar lessons. All lessons take place at their store located at 10604 S. Roberts Road. After registration, please call Frank at 708-974-8002 to schedule a lesson time and day.

Piano-NEW!

Lessons are available for students 3 years to adult. Learn fundamentals of sight reading, technique, theory and most of all, play songs! Lesson books are sold separately through Palos Music Instruction for any given age and skill level. This is an 8-week program (1 lesson/week). Monday-Thursday time, 2:00-8:00pm Fridays, 2:00-6:00pm and Saturdays, 8:00am—2:00pm. (30 minute private individual lesson.) Make up classes are available only during the 8 week program. 24-hour advance notice policy for lesson cancellations. No make up lessons for no shows.

#340202-1 R: \$184.00/NR: \$194.00

Voice -NEW!

Lessons are available for students 8 years to adult. Learn fundamentals of breathing, posture, tone, diction, intonation and most of all sing songs! Sheet music is sold separately through Palos Music Instruction for your song of choice. This is an 8-week program (1 lesson/week). Monday-Thursday time slots available, 2:00-8:00pm, Fridays, 2:00-6:00pm and Saturdays, 8:00am—2:00pm (30 minute private individual lesson.) Make up classes are available only during the 8 week program. 24-hour advance notice policy for lesson cancellations. No make up lessons for no shows.

#340203-1 R: \$184.00/NR: \$194.00

Guitar -NEW!

Lessons are available for students 7 years to adult. Learn fundamentals of sight-reading, tablature, technique, theory, rhythm and learn to play songs of choice from a variety of styles! Books and sheet music are sold separately through Palos Music Instruction. This is an 8-week program (1 lesson/week). Monday-Thursday time slots available, 10:00am—8:00pm, Fridays, 10:00am—6:00pm and Saturdays, 8:00am—2:00pm (30 minute private individual lesson.) For homeschoolers daytime hours are available. Make up classes are available only during the 8 week program. 24-hour advance notice policy for lesson cancellations. No make up lessons for no shows.

#340204-1 R: \$184.00/NR: \$194.00



DOG OBEDIENCE

GOOD DOG! DOG OBEDIENCE

How would you like to have a better dog in just a few weeks? Learn training techniques in this affordable class. Dog obedience classes include instruction in basic obedience, manners, socialization and tips on general health. Dog obedience is for dogs ages 6 months and up. The class can also serve as a refresher course for dogs with previous training, and include some tricks and the opportunity to earn the AKC Canine Good Citizen Certificate. The class is designed for adults, and while the children may participate in the class with their parents, an adult must be the primary trainer. Proof of vaccinations is required. Also, please bring a dog waste bag. **Everyone attending this class must sign a participant waiver.**

Location: Community Center

Dates: April 1 - May 6

Day: Wednesdays Time: 7:30 - 8:30 pm

Ages: 18 years and older with dog

Cost: R:\$65.00/NR:\$70.00

Min/Max: 5/8

Instructor: Tommy Whang

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#350815-1



JAZZERCISE

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday Thursday Friday		Friday	Saturday	
9:15 am	9:15 am	9:15 am		9:15 am	9:00 am	
4:50 pm			4:50 pm			
6:15 pm	6:15 pm		6:15 pm			

Jazzercise offers group fitness classes for all levels. Our classes incorporate dance cardio with strength training to sculpt and tone your muscles in the ultimate full—body workout. Whether you're looking for physical results or a way to relieve stress and FEEL your best, our instructors will guide you every step of the way in your wellness journey!

Ongoing offer for new customers: 2 weeks for \$59 - no commitment!

New Year Sale: (12/26/25-1/31/26) - 2 months of unlimited classes (in person) for only \$99! Classes expire 2 months after purchase.

Sign up before class or online @ jazzercise.com (type in Palos Hills location) Contact Aggie Lubon—Lubonki@aol.com

YOGA

As of the printing of this publication, the Recreation Department does not have information about adult yoga beginning in January. For updated information, please call the Palos Hills Community Center at 708-430-4500. We hope to have specific dates after the Holidays. Thank you for your patience.

LUNCH BUNCH

Don't miss the Lunch Bunch! Join in as we head to different lunch locations in the suburbs. Perhaps you want to check out a new restaurant, but are looking for a lunch buddy to go with you. We will explore new restaurants and enjoy some old time favorites. The fee includes transportation only; lunch is on your own. **Note: Please bring cash on the trips.**

Location: Depart from Community Center

Day: Thursdays Time: 11:00 am - 2:30 pm

Cost: R:\$10.00/NR:\$15.00

Ages: 18 years old and up Min/Max: 6/11

JANUARY 8 – SCHMALTZ DELI - Lisle

#350344-1

Come try their hot pastrami, juicy corned beef, brisket, chopped liver, or their signature Sloppy Paul Reuben, hearty matzo ball soup and Carnegie Triple sandwich on rye. Start your day with freshly made NY-style bagels and house-whipped cream cheese, classic bakery items.

FEBRUARY 26 - ROCCOVINO'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT - Orland Park #350348-1

A casual and family-owned eatery offering a large Italian menu of pasta, pizza, seafood and steak. Come join us where meals are more than food, they are an experience you won't forget. Arrivederci!

MARCH 19 - FAT ROSIE'S - Frankfort

#350349-1

Enjoy this fun, hip and festive family-friendly Mexican Taqueria featuring a modern take on traditional Mexican cuisine and craft cocktails. It is a place where meals are meant to be enjoyed together.

APRIL 16 - PAPA PASSERO"S - Westmont

#350350-1

For 48 years, Papa Passero's has been a beloved staple in Westmont, Illinois, serving up delicious, family-friendly dining. An atmosphere full of amazing smells that make you hungry the second you walk through the door. Where every bite tastes a little nostalgic.

MAY 21 - CHARLIES RESTAURANT - Bolingbrook

#350351-1

A unique aviation-themed setting, friendly staff, and classic diner food, especially breakfast items. Watch planes take off from the windows while you enjoy your meal. Prepare for take-off!.

MIX N MINGLE—

Looking for a place during the week for an early dinner? We are thrilled to invite you to an evening of exciting new restaurants and their special offers. Join us as we have picked restaurants that will feature a variety of foods and great ambiance, at special prices. Whether you are winding down from a busy day or looking to make new friends, this is a perfect opportunity to kick back and enjoy some time together. **Note: Please bring cash on the trips.**

Location: Depart from Palos Hills Community Center

Day: Thursdays Time: 3:15 - 6:00 pm

Cost: R:\$10.00/NR:\$15.00

Ages: 18 years old and up Min/Max: 4/10

January 22 - Carnivore & The Queen, Downers Grove

#350428-1

Craving juicy steaks, fresh seafood, elegant pasta and classic cocktails? Carnivore and The Queen offers sophisticated prohibition-era dining in a contemporary space.

April 23 - Francesca's, Oak Lawn

#350429-1

Step into the streets of Rome as you savor a variety of zesty pastas. The sweet aroma of rustic Italian dishes will leave you wanting to try their handmade cocktails and selected wines.



ADULT WINTER/SPRING TRIPS

CONSERVATORY & LUNCH TRIP - Garfield Park Conservatory, Chicago

Get a breath of fresh air at one of the largest conservatories in the nation. Discover thousands of plants species from around the world across eight indoor gardens, ponds and ten acres of outdoor land. Come see what many call "landscape art under glass". Afterward, we will travel to Cooper's Hawk in Oak Park for a late lunch. This trip includes a self guided tour of the conservatory and transportation. Lunch is paid on your own.

Depart/Return: Community Activity Center

Day/Date: Thursday, February 19 #350338-1

Time: 11:30 am - 5:00 pm (approx.)

Cost: R: \$20.00/NR: \$25.00 (includes admission and transportation, lunch is paid on

your own.)

Min/Max: 6/14

Note: The building is temperature-controlled for plants, so it is very warm. Dress accordingly. Not all areas are accessible for walkers and wheelchairs.

MEDIEVAL TIMES TOURNAMENT—Schaumburg, Illinois

Greetings, good nobles! By the royal decree, the Oueen of the Royal Court has invited us to a feast and tournament in celebration of peace between the kingdoms of Zaragosa and Galicia. Journey across the drawbridge and into the 11th century castle walls, where you might discover valuable trinkets in the Hall of Arms, purchase refreshments at the bar, or prepare your voice to cheer for your knight. Only one of the six knights will win and be crowned the Defender of the Throne! Watch as they demonstrate their master horsemanship and weaponry while enjoying a lavish meal. This trip includes a show, a four-course meal and transportation. The show is 90 minutes.

Depart/Return: Community Activity Center

Day/Date: Thursday, March 5 #350327-1

Time: 4:30 pm - 9:30 pm (approx.)

Cost: R: \$75.00/NR: \$85.00 (includes show, four-course meal and transportation)

Min/Max: 10/14

Note: Each course is served without utensils, but utensils are available upon request.

FATHER OF THE BRIDE—THE SHOW - Drury Lane Theater, Oakbrook Terrace

Don't miss the wedding of the year in this heartfelt comedy show! Watch as an overprotective father navigates the difficulties of wedding planning and meeting the new in-laws, all while learning that sometimes the greatest act of love a father can do for his daughter is letting her go. This trip includes lunch, a show and transportation. Lunch is served at 11:30 am and the show begins at 1:30 pm. The show is 2 hours in length with a 20 minute intermission.

Depart/Return: Community Activity Center

Day/Date: Thursday, April 9 #350334-1

Time: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm (approx.)
Cost: R: \$110.00/NR: \$115.00

Min/Max: 8/14

ADULT TRIPS—con't & GENERAL INTEREST

GRAND VICTORIA CASINO - Elgin, IL

Hit the jackpot while floating on the Fox River! Experience 700 different slot machines, 26 Vegas-style tabletop games and 20 poker tables all on one riverboat. We will grab lunch at the Slice Pizzeria and Pasta in between your big wins. Gambling and lunch is paid for on your own.

Day/Date: Thursday, May 14 #350328-1

Time: 9:00 am - 2:30 pm (approx.)

Cost: R: \$10.00/NR: \$15.00 (includes transportation in CRRD vehicle. Lunch

and gambling is on your own.

Min/Max: 6/14

AARP Driver Safety Course Thursday, March 12 & Friday, March 13 9:00 am - 1:00 pm AARP Members \$20, Non-Members \$25 Maximum: 30 students

Please make checks payable to AARP. You may register in person or by calling the Palos Hills Community Center 430-4500, 8455 W. 103rd St. Palos Hills, IL 65. *Payment is due when you arrive to take the class.

PATSE Bus Service



The PATSE Bus services provides bus service for individuals 60 and older who live within the Palos Township or are physically disabled. Bus service is available Monday - Friday from 8:00 am - 1:30 pm for rides to doctors, medical appointments, stores and beauty shops. For more information about PATSE bus, please call 708-430-3822.

39'ers Senior Club

Come join the fun! The Palos Hills Seniors Club is looking for new members. There is always something exciting happening at the Palos Hills Community Center for seniors. It's a place to meet new people and get together with old friends. The laughs and fun will keep you feeling young. Luncheons, entertainment, and BINGO are offered. Activities are held at the Community Center located at 8455 W. 103rd Street, starting at noon on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month to Palos Hills residents, age 55+. If you can't make every event, that's ok, we would love to see you when you do! Activity fee for events and luncheons must be paid at least one week in advance. Sorry no walk-ins or refunds. If you have any questions or would like a list of activities call Sophia at 708-430-4500.

January 14—\$4.00 Welcome Back from the Holidays!	January 28 - \$5.00 Stagg Jazz Band	February 11 — \$3.00 Valentine's Day—John Boda	
	Once again we have the amazing Stagg Jazz Band bringing their great music and energy to us. Don't miss the fun!		
Breakfast for Lunch	Mickey's Hot Dogs, fries and cookies	Spaghetti and meatballs and a sweet treat!	
February 25 — \$3.00 Mardi Gras	March 11—\$6.00 St. Patrick's Day	March 25 — \$3.00 Spring is here!	
	Get your green on and join us for some fun. Come and hangout, enjoy the food and play bingo.	Wear your favorite spring colors and celebrate the beauty of new beginnings. It's the season of sunshine and bloom.	
Pulled pork sandwiches	Baked potatoes & toppings	Assorted sandwiches	
April 8 - \$1.00 Poetry Day	April 22 — \$6.00 Earth Day	May 13—\$5.00 Cinco de Mayo	
Poetry is not only beautiful but relaxing. Any poets out there? Come and share with us. We can't wait to hear your poems!	good food and getting ready to get	We will be having a taco par Bring your appetite and your mu knowledge because we are playin NAME THAT TUNE! Taco 'Bout a Fiesta!	
Bagels & Coffee/Tea	Chi Tung for lunch	Mexican Food	

Palos Hills New Horizons Senior Club

Membership is open to adults and their guests 60 years of age and older residing in Palos Hills. Enjoy BINGO, Casino Trips and Parties. Meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6:00 pm at the Community Center, 8455 W. 103rd St. New members can join anytime. Yearly dues are \$3.00 payable at the start of the 1st meeting. Call the Community Center at 430-4500. A club member will return your call.

Registration Information

How to Register

- Complete the registration form; be sure to include the program number and signatures. Please read all registration instructions carefully because some programs have special registration requirements.
- 2. Include the registration form with a check for the correct total fee. Please include your phone number on the check and make check payable to the Palos Hills Community Resource & Recreation Department.
- Mail in or drop off your completed registration along with your check or credit card number to the Palos Hills Community Resource & Recreation Department, 8455 W. 103rd Street, Palos Hills, IL 60465.
- 4. The Community Resource & Recreation Department will check proof of residency.
- 5. The Palos Hills Community Resource & Recreation Department does not mail confirmation cards to confirm program registration. You may assume that you are enrolled in your first choice of programs for which you have registered unless you receive a phone call from our staff.
- 6. Telephone registration is not accepted.
- 7. Proof of residency must be shown at time of registration. Non-Residents may enroll in any program for an extra fee.

Mail In/Drop off Registration

Please call to determine when resident registration begins. We want to ensure all residents receive the brochure before anyone can register. Non-resident registration will begin one week following resident registration. Mail in and drop off registrations will be placed in open program slots in the order they are received. Registrants will be notified of any class conflicts at the time of registration.

Registration Policies

- 1. Fees for late registration will not be prorated.
- 2. The Palos Hills Community Resource & Recreation Department reserves the right to cancel or postpone programs due to insufficient participation numbers.
- 3. Registration fees are transferable if requested prior to the first day of class.
- 4. It is the registrant's responsibility to record times and locations of programs they are enrolled in.
- 5. The Palos Community Resource & Recreation Department is not responsible for lost or late mail or drop off registrations.
- 6. By registering for Community Resource & Recreation Department programs, each registrant realizes the inherent risks involved in the program and appreciates the nature of these risks. The applicant holds the Palos Hills Resource & Recreation Department harmless for any damages caused by participation in these programs.
- 7. Participants or their parents (if participant is under 18) permit the taking of photos, audio and videotapes during Palos Hills Community Resource & Recreation Department activities for publication and use as the department deems necessary.
- 8. Participants registering for activities of a strenuous nature are encouraged to seek a physician's approval.
- 9. Signatures on registration forms are mandatory. Forms without signatures will be returned to registrant thereby jeopardizing their registration.
- 10. <u>Individuals registering for other family member</u> and friends or neighbors must complete a separate registration form and make sure it is signed by the person who is participating in the program.

Typographical Errors

Our staff has made every effort to prepare this brochure as accurately as possible; however errors can occur. Circumstances may require that adjustments be made to programs, fees, schedules, etc. All typographical and printing errors are subject to correction.

Program Registration Form

Assistance Required

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REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Refund Procedures

- 1. A prorated in house credit will be issued to the family household account if the application for refund/credit is received prior to the start of the third class.
- Any cash or credit refunds issued after the start of class will be up to the discretion of the Commissioner.
- 3. All requests for refunds must be made through an official refund/credit application form..
- Refunds typically take two to three weeks to process if the original payment was by cash or check. All other refunds will be done after they are approved by the Commissioner.
- 5. There may be an \$8 administrative fee assessed to each refund.
- 6. No telephone or email refunds.
- 7. It is the responsibility of the participant to attend the class/trip/program he/she is registered for. No refunds will be given for failing to attend a class/trip/program. No refunds or credits will be given for missing a trip unless a replacement is found.
- 8. Medical credit situations will be handled individually with a doctor's note.
- 9. All day camp field trips have a nonrefundable fee unless canceled by the department.
- 10. Credits must be used within six months of issue date.
- 11. Cancellations for day camp and playschool must be received in writing on the credit/refund form, two (2) weeks prior to the beginning of the class/camp session. No refunds/credits will be given after that date.
- **12.** All other contracted camps and classes will follow the policy of day camp.
- **13.** There will be no prorating of programs due to late starts, early withdrawals or failure to attend class(es).

Behavior Policy

The Palos Hills Community Resource & Recreation Department has an established behavior policy relative to inappropriate behavior. Inappropriate behavior is defined as that which disrupts a recreation program and which requires a program leader to call for a stop of the behavior due to its effect on other participants or on the leader's ability to conduct the program. Such behavior may call for an immediate and/or permanent dismissal of the participant. Additional rules may be developed for individual programs and athletic events as deemed necessary by staff. No credits or refunds will be given for behavior dismissal.

Waiting Lists

If a program is full, a waiting list will be started. When this is possible, individuals on the waiting list will be called in the order they are placed on the waiting list. However due to schedule restrictions, it is not always possible to accommodate all individuals on waiting lists and in such cases those individuals will not be called.

Credit Card Information

Program registrants are able to pay for program fees with a Visa, Master Card or Discover Card. If paying by credit card, you must provide photo identification.

NSF Checks

Any individual or group which submits a non-sufficient funds check for payment of a registration fee will be charged \$15.00.

We Love Parents But...

Please do not remain in the classroom or gym after dropping off your child. Continual interruptions tend to affect the children's participation levels. You are more than welcome to sit and relax in the lobby.

PALOS HILLS PARK SITES & FACILITIES

LOCATION INFORMATION

City of Palos Hills - City Hall 10335 S. Roberts Road Palos Hills, IL 60465 (708) 598-3400

Palos Hills Community Center 8455 W. 103rd Street Palos Hills, IL 60465 (708) 430-4500

Glacier Park
7801 101st Pl, Palos Hills, IL 60465
Palos Hills, IL 60480
(708) 361-1807

Palos Park Recreation Center 8901 W. 123rd Street Palos Park, IL 60464 (708) 671-3760

Apollo Recreation Center 12521 S. Kostner Alsip, IL 60803 (708) 389-1003

City of Palos Hills Important Numbers

Administration 598-3400
Animal & Ordinance Office 598-3400
Building Department 598-3400
Community Resource &

Recreation 430-4500 Municipal Golf Course 599-0202 Police (Non-emergency) 598-2992

Public Works/Sewer &

Water 598-3400

City Council Meetings

1st & 3rd Thursday of the month Committee Meeting: 6:30pm Regular Meeting: 7:00pm City Hall Council Chambers 10335 S. Roberts Road www.paloshillsweb.org

GUIDELINE FOR PARKS

City of Palos Hills Ordinance Section 2.48.070 For a complete list of rules visit our website at www.paloshillsweb.org

For All Parks

- 1. All Dogs Must be on a leash.
- 2. Dog Waste must be picked up and removed by the owner.
- 3. No person shall be allowed to swim, bathe, wade or enter into any water feature located on any City property. A water feature is any pond, lake, retention/detention pond or waterfall.
- 4. Ice skating is allowed on City made ice skating areas only.
- 5. No person may sleep overnight or camp in any park.
- 6. No person shall enter an area posted as "Closed to the Public" nor shall any person use any area in violation of posted notices, included but not limited to parking areas designated for the handicapped.
- 7. The City of Palos Hills reserves the right to close a park for City held functions.

Bennett Lake Rules

No Swimming, Boating, Ice Skating, or Camping. Fishing is catch and release only.

PALOS HILLS PARKS

Town Square - 8500 W. 103rd Street
Indian Woods - 100th Street & 82nd Avenue
Michael Park - Michael Drive & 105th Street
Loveland Park - 8500 W. 106th Street
Aspen Park - 105th Street & Aspen
Calvary Park - 111th Street & Roberts Road
Krasowski Park - 104th Place & Tod Drive
Volunteer Park - 99th Street & 88th Avenue
Bennett Park - 10801 Roberts Road
Glacier Park - 101st Street & 78th Avenue

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Let us show you how our commitment to excellent care can help your family when you need it most.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Dave and Loretta Gaidas

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