

THE CRESTWOOD ADVISER

A Village on the Move

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Our first annual HALLOWEEN decorating contest!

Our first annual Halloween decorating contest. Since our residents are so creative at Christmas time we have decided to join in on the Halloween decorating fun. We will let you use your imagination with some family friendly fun throughout the spooky season.

Does your house stand out as the spookiest one in the neighborhood, or the most inviting for the ghost and goblins who will be trick-or-treating this month?

This year our judges will be out **judging your spectacular displays October 15-31**. Be sure to have your homes ready. There are some creative and talented people in Crestwood, so we are sure we will get to see the coolest **decorations** and **haunted houses** around! Homes will be judged on visual impact, creativity/ innovation, use of space, incorporation of a theme, and cohesiveness.

If you would like to nominate your house or a neighbors house please be sure to email cjohnson@crestwood.illinois.gov or call 708 371-4800 x 2003

Halloween is a great neighborhood activity and a long standing tradition for most kids! We want everyone to enjoy the fall weather and have fun!!

First prize - \$300
Second price - \$200
Third price - \$100

We will announce the winners in the November Adviser and award the winners their cash prize at the November 2, 2023 Village Board meeting.



Local Artists on Display at Village Hall

The Village of Crestwood is excited to announce the showcasing of art pieces from some of our local artists at Village Hall!

When the new Village Hall was relocated several years ago we were very proud of its new look. We knew we wanted to add a personal touch in it so we reached out to some local artist that had formed the Town and Country League or TCAL to ask if they would like to display some of their pieces throughout Village Hall.

The artists and photographers brought many of their finest creations to be placed. These individuals have shared so many pieces of their exceptional works of art that we would like to extend an opportunity for you all to come visit and enjoy. We have started what we are calling, "TCAL Artist of the Month". Each month a piece of artwork will be placed on an easel in our lobby of Village Hall.

We will also showcase their piece in a section of the Adviser every month.

Kay O'Brian will be our first artist in the spotlight. Kay is a Crestwood resident. Kay studied Art Education at Loyola and gravitated to teaching developmentally disabled children using various art forms. Later in life, she engaged with local professional artist and continued her education at the Art Institute.

We recognize that the Village of Crestwood is home to many thriving artist. We invite you to enjoy a variety of creative and inspiring works of art produced by local artist's right here in our community. We are happy to support and encourage awareness to many of these talented artists. Many of these paintings are for sale.



Artist Kay O'Brian



CRESTWOOD VILLAGE HALL

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Important Numbers

Village Hall

13800 S. Cicero Ave.
(708) 371-4800 | Fax: (708) 371-4849
Mon., Wed., Thu., Fri.: 9am - 4pm
Tues.: 9am - 8pm

Police Department

13840 S. Cicero Ave.
Main: (708) 371-4800 x 5007 | Fax: (708) 371-8307
Nonemergency: (708) 385-5131
Emergency: 911

Fire Department

13840 S. Cicero Ave.
(708) 371-4800 x4500 | Fax: (708) 385-2836

Recreation & Wellness Facility

5331 W. 135th St.
(708) 659-4800
Mon.-Thu.: 5am - 10pm, Friday 5am - 8pm
Sat.-Sun.: 7am - 5pm (Closed July 3 & 4)

Library

4955 135th St.
(708) 371-4090
Mon.-Thu.: 9am - 8pm, Friday: 9am - 5pm
Saturday: 9am - 4pm, Sunday: Closed

Worth Township (Residents north of 135th)

(708) 371-2900

Bremen Township (Residents south of 135th)

(708) 333-1591

Republic Services

Call Village Hall first at (708) 371-4800, before
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IDOT

(847) 705-4222

Cook County Highway Dept.

(708) 448-8006 or (847) 705-4228

Village Meeting Schedule

Village Board Meetings - 7:00pm
Crestwood Civic Center | 13820 S. Cicero Ave
October 5 and October 19

Committee of the Whole - 7:00pm
Village Hall | 13800 S. Cicero Ave
October 3 and October 17

Planning Commission – Zoning Board - 8:30pm
Crestwood Civic Center | 13820 S. Cicero Ave
October 9 and October 23

Village of Crestwood Parking

Crestwood Village ordinance prohibits parking on any village street between 2:00am and 6:00am. The reason for this ordinance is so police will be alerted to abandoned vehicles or suspicious vehicles that require investigation. This ordinance also ensures that all streets throughout the Village will be open to fire and rescue equipment in the event of an overnight emergency. This is especially necessary in areas where narrow streets can block large fire trucks. We will continue to enforce this ordinance. Thank you for your cooperation with this ordinance. The initial fine for this violation is \$75.00. This is a Village-wide ordinance. PLEASE BE SURE THAT YOUR LATE NIGHT AND OVERNIGHT GUESTS ARE MADE AWARE OF THIS AS WELL!

LETTER FROM THE MAYOR

Hella October Crestwood!

The weather is changing, the summer toys will be put away and we are getting ready to see all the beauty fall has to bring. This time of year many of you are headed to the schools to support our kids and their school sports team. I would like to personally wish all of our students and schools Good Luck on your seasons, work hard, try your best and have fun!

Speaking of fun, we have our first annual Halloween Home Decorating Contest. We have seen what you guys do for Christmas and can't wait to enjoy all the spooky creative décor for Halloween. Judging will be the weeks of October 15-31. Winners will be announced in next month's Crestwood Adviser as well at the November 2nd Village Board meeting where cash prizes will be awarded!

Saturday October 28th will be our annual Trunk or Treat at

the Crestwood Recreation and Wellness Center. Be sure to join us for an amazing time of fun. Trunks are still needed. Please call the Rec Center to be added to the list. 708 659-4800.

Join me October 17th at Barraco's Pizza from 4-9 pm for Tip-A-Cop. Police officers from Crestwood will be doing more serving than usual as they team up with Barraco's Pizza for the return of Tip-A-Cop event to raise money for Special Olympics.

We continue to finish up projects as quickly as possible around the Village. The Midlothian turnpike sidewalk project is about 95% complete. This projects goes from Central to Pulaski. We have some minor adjustments that need to be addressed but are looking forward to the completion of this project for all to enjoy. Our Flood control project is almost complete. I want to thank all

of you for your patience and understanding during this large project especially those residents in Crestwood Gardens. I am very excited to see some flooding relief for so many residents.

Be sure to stop in Village Hall to see our newest display. Each month we will be displaying a piece of art from one of our local artists. I and Village staff get to enjoy these pieces daily that are showcased throughout the Village. We want to share these extraordinary pieces with you all.

Save the date, February 18th 2024 we will host our annual Fine Arts Fair at CRWC. Here we will pass out the stimulus rebate checks as well. I look forward to this event every year. I enjoy seeing all of our artist, vendors and residents coming together for an opportunity to browse, shop and celebrate these artists.



As a reminder, this Halloween please be safe as our little ghost and goblins hit the streets. Be extra cautious on the roads, keep your surroundings well lite and if you see something not right, dangerous or suspicious call 911.

Sincerely,
Ken Klein
Ken Klein
Mayor, Village of Crestwood

Boat and Trailer Ordinance

The Leaves are changing and temperatures are dropping, it's almost time to put the summer toys away. Just a friendly reminder that the Village of Crestwood has an ordinance 2232 which regulates trailer, camper and boat parking restrictions. Please be sure you are following the below ordinance. Our goal is always to keep our Village looking tidy and clean.

159.126 TRAILER, CAMPER AND BOAT PARKING RESTRICTIONS.

(A) Definitions. For the purpose of this section, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

BOAT. Any device used or capable of being used for navigation on water.

BOAT TRAILER. Includes every vehicle designed or utilized for the transportation of any boat, without motive power, designed for being drawn by another vehicle.

COMMERCIAL TRAILER. A vehicular portable structure built on a chassis designed to be used for a business, trade or occupation and which may be used as a conveyance on streets or highways.

TRAVEL TRAILER. A vehicular, portable structure, built on a chassis, designed to be used as a temporary dwelling for travel, recreational and vacation

uses. A TRAVEL TRAILER shall include the following: self-contained travel trailer, pick-up coach, motorized home, camping trailer and mobile home.

(B) Parking restrictions in residential districts.

In an R-1 or R-2 Residential District, as defined in §§ 159.004, 159.033 and 159.047, travel trailers, campers, boats, boat trailers or commercial trailers, as herein defined, shall only be stored or parked in side or rear yards, excluding side yards on corner lots that adjoin a public



street. In addition to the foregoing restrictions, travel trailers, campers, boats, boat trailers or commercial trailers may only be stored or parked in an R-1 or R-2 Residential District if they are parked or stored at least three feet from any lot line and placed on an asphalt or concreted surface.

Surplus Refund 2023

Forms will be available November 1, 2023 at the Village Hall ONLY - 13800 S. Cicero Ave.

Requirements to qualify for the surplus refund:

- 1. Moved in to your home on or before 1/1/22
- 2. Currently Residing in the home
- 3. Have paid all your 2022 real estate taxes
- 4. You are the owner of the home and receive no rental income at the property

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Shepard Youth Cheer Camp Record Attendance

More than 100 students enrolled in kindergarten through eighth grade participated in the youth camp hosted by Shepard High School coach Felicia Marr and her team.

Campers learned stunts, tumbling, jumps and chants. Then they performed with the Shepard cheerleaders on Friday night at the football game.



More than 100 participated in the youth camp sponsored by the Shepard High School cheerleading program last week.



Eisenhower High School choral director Tina Jacklin talks with a Chicago White Sox staff member as the honors choirs from Richards, Shepard and Eisenhower high schools await the start of their performance of the National Anthem.

D218 honors choirs sing National Anthem at Sox game

Last night the Honors Choirs from Eisenhower, Richards, and Shepard high schools sang the National Anthem prior to the Chicago White Sox-Kansas City Royals game.

With nearly 500 teachers, parents, and friends in attendance, the

students performed an incredible rendition of the Star Spangled Banner.

Students from all three schools gathered at Richards to rehearse prior to leaving for the game.

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Moraine Valley hosting Fire Science/First Responder Career Day

Moraine Valley Community College is hosting a Fire Science/First Responder Career Day for high school students on Monday, Oct. 2, 9:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., in Building T on campus, 9000 W. College Parkway, Palos Hills.

Students will learn about this trade through hands-on teaching and learning stations, including a forcible entry simulator, trying on firefighting gear, a thermal imager presentation, and fire hose handling and fire extinguisher training. They

also will hear about firefighting and EMT classes and observe a side-by-side burn in sprinkler rooms, demonstrating the importance of smoke detectors and sprinkler systems. View past events here: <https://youtu.be/OGLPD5bR5FA>.

Crestwood Fire Department celebrates Fire Prevention Week

October 8th–14th, 2023

This year’s Fire Prevention Week Campaign “Cooking Safety Starts with you” Pay attention to prevention, works to educate everyone about simple but important actions they can take to keep themselves and those around them safer with cooking.

Did you know? Cooking fires are the leading cause of home fires and home fire injuries. Unattended cooking is the leading cause of cooking fires and deaths.

What can I do? The good news is you can prevent most cooking fires and burns. Help keep your family safer with some simple but effective tips.

1

Turn Pot Handles toward the back of the stove

2

Keep a LID nearby when cooking, if a small grease fire starts, slide the LID over the PAN and turn off the burner.

3

Watch what you heat, set a timer to remind you that you are cooking.

4

Have a KID-FREE ZONE, of at least 3 Feet, around the stove and areas where hot food or drink is prepared or carried.

Cooking Safety

Cooking brings family and friends together, provides an outlet for creativity and can be relaxing. But did you know that cooking fires are the number one cause of home fires and home injuries? By following a few safety tips you can prevent these fires.

“COOK WITH CAUTION”

- Be on alert! If you are sleepy or have consumed alcohol don’t use the stove or stovetop.
- Stay in the kitchen while you are frying, boiling, grilling, or broiling food. If you leave the kitchen for even a short period of time, turn off the stove.
- If you are simmering, baking, or roasting food, check it regularly, remain in the home while food is cooking, and use a timer to remind you that you are cooking.
- Keep anything that can catch fire — oven mitts, wooden utensils, food packaging, towels or curtains — away from your stovetop.

If you have a small (grease) cooking fire and decide to fight the fire...

- On the stovetop, smother the flames by sliding a lid over the pan and turning off the burner. Leave the pan covered until it is completely cooled.
- For an oven fire, turn off the heat and keep the door closed.

If you have any doubt about fighting a small fire...

- Just get out! When you leave, close the door behind you to help contain the fire.
- Call 9-1-1 or the local emergency number from outside the home.

Cooking and Kids

Have a “kid-free zone” of at least 3 feet (1 metre) around the stove and areas where hot food or drink is prepared or carried.

FACTS

- The leading cause of fires in the kitchen is unattended cooking.
- Most cooking fires in the home involve the kitchen stove.

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Importance of Fire Prevention

In a fire, mere seconds can mean the difference between a safe escape and tragedy. Fire safety education is not just for school Children, Teenagers, Adults, and the Elderly are at risk in fires, making it important for every member of the community to take some time every October during Fire Prevention Week to make sure they understand how to stay safe in case of a fire.

About Fire Prevention Week

Since 1922, the NFPA has sponsored the public observance of Fire Prevention Week. In 1925, President Calvin Coolidge

proclaimed Fire Prevention Week a national observance, making it the longest-running public health observance in our country. During Fire Prevention Week, children, adults and teachers learn how to stay safe in case of a fire. Firefighters provide lifesaving public education in an effort to drastically decrease casualties caused by fires.

Fire Prevention Week is observed each year during the week of October 9th in commemoration of the Great Chicago Fire, which began on October 8, 1871, and caused devastating damage. This horrific conflagration killed more than 250 people, left 100,000 homeless, destroyed more than 17,400 structures, and burned more than 2,000 acres of land.

Name _____

Cooking safety starts with YOU!

Sparky says: Have a 3-foot (1-meter) “kid-free zone” around hot things like the grill or stove. Stay away from things that get hot.

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VILLAGE OF CRESTWOOD



We Watch, We Call!

Mayor Ken Klein and the Board of Trustees have heard the requests of many to report crimes in our Village. Working with our Police Department, a compiled snapshot of a month’s reporting will be shown here in the Adviser. Our intent is to inform the public in order to protect and be vigilant in calling upon our Police. The Mayor urges all to stay tuned in to your neighbors’ well-being and property. Call our police, report suspicious activity, be aware. (911 or Dispatch non-Emergency 708-385-5131).

Deceptive Practice/ SCAMS

08-03-2023: A resident reported that he was contacted by Publishers Clearinghouse and was informed that he was the winner of 18 million dollars. The victim was instructed to send a certified check for over 7 thousand dollars to cover the taxes for his winnings. The victim obtained a certified check and sent it to an address in Connecticut via FedEx before realizing that this was a scam.

08-11-2023: A woman reported that she was dabbling in BitCoin with the assistant of an online boyfriend. She recently received a cashiers check for 5 thousand dollars from her BitCoin Account Manager. Her online boyfriend instructed her to deposit the money into her checking account. After depositing the check she was instructed to withdraw the money and deposit it into a Bit-Coin Account . She then received another cashiers check and again was instructed to deposit it in her bank. While making this deposit, she learned that her account was over-drawn by several thousand dollars. The victim reports that she has lost over \$350, 000.00 in BitCoin in the last four years since being involved with her online boyfriend.

08-14-2023: A woman reported that she discovered four unauthorized withdrawals from her bank account totaling over \$14,000.00.

08-19-2023: A resident reported that he received a phone call from a subject claiming to be a representative from Comcast/Xfinity. He was told that he could save on his month Comcast bill if he made a certain payment. He was instructed to go to Target and purchase 3 gift cards for \$220.00 each. The subject purchased the gift cards and provided the gift card information before realizing that he had been scammed.

08-25-2023: A woman reported that she was contacted by Old National Bank who requested she needs to come to the bank to speak with a personal banker. While speaker with the banker she learned that an unknown female suspect attempted to withdraw \$4500.00 from her account in Ann Arbor, MI.

08-30-2-23: A woman reported that she discovered 3 unauthorized withdrawals from her Fidelity IRA account for over \$10,000.00.

Theft

08-08-2023: A resident reported that unknown suspects still several items from his unlocked vehicle including a firearm from the 132nd block of West Playfield Drive.

08-10-2023: 3 black male suspects driving in a white Dodge Charger stole mail from multiple mailboxes. The suspects were observed by a business owner who followed the suspects to 159th and Cicero before fearing for his safety and turning around.

08-11-2023:Unknown suspects stole a 2020 white Kia Sportage from the 142nd block of Cicero.

08-16-2023: Unknown suspects stole transmissions control modules from 2 International trucks that were parked at Midlothian Turnpike and Cicero.

08-18-2023: Unknown suspects entered a vehicle and stole a purse as the vehicle owner was pumping gas at the Delta Sonic gas station. A check of the surveillance video shows the suspects vehicle was a black Infinity which had been stolen from Hazel Crest the day before.

08-23-2023: Unknown suspects entered a vehicle and stole items including a wallet in the 5300 block of Park Lane.

08-27-2023: Unknown suspects stole a 2015 Dodge Charger from the 136th Block of Lamon.

Criminal Damage to Property

08-02- 2023: A resident reported that unknown suspects intentionally scratched her vehicle in the 4900 block of 134th Street.

08-11-2023: Unknown suspects attempted to steal a 2021 Hyundai from the parking lot of Target by breaking a window and damaging the steering column.

08-11-2023: Unknown suspects attempted to steal a 2020 Kia from the parking lot of Starbucks by

breaking a window and damaging the steering column.

08-11-2023: Unknown suspects broke the windows on 3 vehicles that were parked in the OTB parking lot.

08-12-2023: Unknown subjects broke the window on a Jeep Cherokee that was parked at the AMC movie theater.

Burglary

08-02-2023:At 2:04 am officers responded to the BP gas station located at 12459 Cicero for a burglar alarm. Upon officers arrival they discovered the front glass door had been shattered. Upon reviewing surveillance video, it was discovered that suspects in a black SUV backed into a parking spot outside of the front door. Two suspects exited the vehicle and used a large brick to shatter the glass. Both suspects entered the business and ransacked the drawers before fleeing the scene.

08-07-2023:Unknown suspects broke into a storage room at the Laundry Land Laundry mat and took several items and caused damage to an industrialized water heater.

08-22-2023: Officers responded to Next Level Tobacco located at 13443 Cicero in reference to a burglary. Upon officers arrival ,they observed the front door to the business was damaged. The surveillance video showed 3 suspects exiting a black Jeep , making entry through the front door and fleeing with several items.

08-22-2023: Officers respond to a burglar alarm at Boost Mobile located at 13215 Cicero. Upon officers arrival, it was observed that the front door to Boost Mobile, as well as, the front door to Wing Stop and the front door to Pizza Hut had all been shattered. Surveillance video from Wing Stop shows 2 suspects broke the window, enter the business and ransacked the cash register. The surveillance video from Boost Mobile shows 1 subject entering the business and attempting to open the cash register The suspect then fled with a box containing 37 Ondigo BEAT wireless speakers. Video surveillance was not immediately available from Pizza Hut and it was unknown if anything was taken.

Tip-a-Cop event to benefit Special Olympics returns to Barraco's Pizza

On Tuesday, October 17th, police officers from Crestwood will be doing more serving than usual as they team up with Barraco's Pizza for the return of Tip-A-Cop event to raise money for Special Olympics.

From 4-9 p.m., the officers will be serving tables as celebrity waiters with the staff from Barraco’s Pizza at 13445 Cicero, collecting money for Special Olympics. Not only will they donate the tips they receive, but Barraco's Pizza will also donate 20% of your bill toward this organization. Law Enforcement Torch Run T-shirts, hats and commemorative pins will also be available for purchase. A local athlete from Special Olympics will also be working with the officers as our guest host to ensure you the best service. Several new officers will be making their first appearance working a Tip-a-Cop and are excited to serve you.

Prior to Covid, this was a sold out event, but with the recent expansion of Barraco’s, there will be plenty of room for everyone, including the live entertainment.

Special Olympics Illinois provides year round training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities.

More information on Tip-A-Cop is available from Detective Chris Soderlund, who can be reached at csoderlund@crestwood.illinois.gov

Thank you!

Thank you to In The Game Hollywood Park for hosting the Mayor's Senior Mini Golf outing. The rain couldn't stop almost 80 seniors from coming out and making their own sunshine. Mayor Ken Klein, Bill Graffeo, and some of our trustees joined in the fun.



Seniors having a fun time golfing despite the rain.



Bill Graffeo, Denise Pietrucha, Mayor Klein, Cindy Haase. Seated: Bernie Alfano, Marie Grossman



Dan Dawson winning prize points



In the Game/Hollywood Park employees stopping to pose with Crestwood Mayor Klein, village manager Bill Graffeo and trustees.



Bowling for prizes

Village of Crestwood
Trick or Treat Hours
3:00–7:00 pm

A close-up of an orange plastic bucket with a jack-o'-lantern face cutout. It is sitting on a surface with some leaves and a small light.

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Herbal \$70	
Fruit \$70	
Gold \$80	

THANK YOU FOR YOUR BUSINESS!



Kyle with Tbolts catcher Matt Morgan right after the pitch.

Crestwood Thunderbolts
Make Boys 8th Birthday
GREAT!

Kyle had his 8th birthday party at the field and was very honored to be able to throw out the first pitch of the game this past July.

The Thunderbolt's catcher was Matt Morgan who gave Kyle the ball and posed for pictures with him. Kyle threw a perfect pitch. It was low and outside part of the plate. The applause was deafening and couldn't have made his birthday memories any better or exciting.

Kyle started with Tball at age 3 or 4. He has been playing on a team at Merrionette Park since age 5. He also plays basketball but baseball is his favorite sport. His parents Brendan and Bridgett Kiefer, saw the interest he has taken in it and kept him enrolled as he wanted, as long as he continues to



Kyle with Dad Brendan, Mom Bridgett and Sister Brianna

get good grades in school. Brendan works with Kyle at home and helps coach his team, the Brewers, on the field.

They made it to the playoffs and ended the season with a first place win. The entire team worked hard to achieve that goal. In the final game Kyle played 2nd base. He was 3 for 3, he got a double, several RBI's, and he threw somebody from the opposing team out. He got the game ball!

Needless to say his family is so proud of him not only for his accomplishments in baseball but for the kindhearted and thoughtful kid he has become. His sister Brianna also plays and her team clinched 1st place as well. The Kiefer family has had an awesome time at the Thunderbolts ballpark!



Kyle right after the pitch.

CALLING ALL CRAFTERS!!!!

The Chicago South Elks Lodge
4428 Midlothian Turnpike,
Crestwood, IL

is having a Craft/Vendor Show

Saturday, November 4, 2023
10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

What is the Biela Senior Center?



4545 MIDLOTHIAN TURNPIKE, CRESTWOOD, IL

The Biela Senior Center offers adults, over the age of 50, many opportunities that promote independence with a wide variety of activities.

Some of the events that take place are Senior Club, fitness and yoga classes, day trips, Bingo, lunches, Knit Wits, line dance and

“There are no strangers here, only friends you haven’t yet met.”

William Butler Yeats

much more! Groups also meet to play pinochle, Mexican Train and Bunco. We have a pool table, a library where you can find a quiet place to read or do a puzzle, and a computer lab.

Call to make a lunch reservation, or stop by at any time for a tour of

our building and see what we are all about. If you live in the Village of Crestwood, and do not drive, call and schedule bus pick up with our Dial-A-Ride program. Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to call Cindy at 708-371-4800 Ext. 6001. We look forward to meeting you!



OCTOBER'S FEATURE desserts

Come join the Biela Center's Cookbook Club

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25TH • 12:30 – 2:00 PM

BIELA SENIOR CENTER
4545 Midlothian Turnpike, Crestwood, IL

We will meet on the 4th Wednesday of each month. Bring a copy of your favorite recipe along with a prepared sample to share. We will discuss the recipes and compile them for the year to make into a cookbook. Your recipe may even be featured in a Biela lunch! Dishes will rotate monthly.

Please call Cindy at 708-371-4800 ext. 6001 to register.

Bunco

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR MORE WAYS TO HAVE FUN, WIN SOME PRIZES, AND LOVE TO PLAY BUNCO?

Join us at the Biela Center!
4545 Midlothian Turnpike, Crestwood

First & Third Thursday of every month 1:00PM – 4PM

Admission will be \$5.00 every time in order to win select prizes. We hope to see you there!

Please Contact Cindy with any questions @ 708-371-4800 EXT: 6001

Pinochle

Join us at the Biela Center!
4545 Midlothian Turnpike, Crestwood

Men/Women Pinochle
MONDAY'S 12:00-4:00PM

Men's Pinochle
WEDNESDAY'S 12:00-4:00PM

Call Cindy at 708-371-4800 Ext. 6001 for more information.



Biela Senior Center Calendar of Events | October 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Chair Fitness 11-12 pm Mixed Pinochle 12-4 pm	3 Chair Yoga 9:30-10:30 am Lunch/Bingo 12-3 pm TOPS 6-7:30 pm	4 Art Class 10-12 pm Chair Fitness 11-12 pm Men's Pinochle 12-4 pm Senior Club 12:30-3:30 pm	5 Chair Yoga 9:30-10:30 am Knit Wits 10-12 pm Line Dance 12:30-2 pm Mexican Train 1-3 pm Bunco 1-4 pm	6 Chair Fitness 11-12 pm Lunch/Bingo 12:15-3:15 pm	7
8	9 CLOSED Columbus Day	10 Chair Yoga 9:30-10:30 am Lunch/Bingo 12-3 pm TOPS 6-7:30 pm	11 Super Senior Rules of the Road 10:00 am-2 p Art Class 10-12 pm Chair Fitness 11-12 pm Men's Pinochle 12-4 pm	12 Chair Yoga 9:30-10:30 am Knit Wits 10-12 pm Line Dance 12:30-2 pm Mexican Train 1-3 pm	13 Chair Fitness 11-12 pm Lunch/Bingo 12:15-3:15 pm Art League 7-10 pm	14
15	16 Chair Fitness 11-12 pm Mixed Pinochle 12-4 pm	17 Chair Yoga 9:30-10:30 am Lunch/Bingo 12-3 pm TOPS 6-7:30 pm	18 Four Winds Art Class 10-12 pm Chair Fitness 11-12 pm Men's Pinochle 12-4 pm Senior Club 12:30-3:30 pm	19 Chair Yoga 9:30-10 am Knit Wits 10-12 pm Line Dance 12:30-2 pm Mexican Train 1-3 pm Bunco 1-4 pm	20 Chair Fitness 11-12 pm Lunch/Bingo 12:15-3:15 pm	21 Fall Craft and Vendor Fair 9 am- 3 pm
22	23 Chair Fitness 11-12 pm Mixed Pinochle 12-4 pm	24 Chair Yoga 9:30-10:30 am Lunch/Bingo 12-3 pm TOPS 6-7:30 pm	25 Art Class 10-12 pm Chair Fitness 11-12 pm Men's Pinochle 12-4 pm Cookbook Club 12:30-2 pm	26 Chair Yoga 9:30-10:30 am Knit Wits 10-12 pm Line Dance 12:30-2 pm Mexican Train 1-3 pm	27 Chair Fitness 11-12 pm Lunch/Bingo 12:15-3:15 pm	28
29	30 Chair Fitness 11-12 pm Mixed Pinochle 12-4 pm	31				
	Come	make	new	friends!	😊	



Crestwood Senior Club

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4TH • 12:15 – 3:30PM
7-11 Game. Bring a \$3.00 new wrapped gift. Additional Christmas gifts for Treasure Chest/Children in Oncology may be brought in.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18TH • 12:15 – 3:30PM
Halloween Lunch
Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Salad, Cupcakes and Pop - \$10.00
BIELA SENIOR CENTER
4545 Midlothian Turnpike, Crestwood, IL

All are welcome to come JOIN US in an afternoon out to our Senior Club Meeting. We meet two times a month on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month @ 12:15 – 3:30pm. We offer sweet rolls, coffee, split the pot, raffles, bingo, and on occasion have lunches to celebrate special events!! Doors open at 12:15pm.

FALL CRAFT
& VENDOR FAIR

ANDREW BIELA CENTER

4545 Midlothian Turnpike
Crestwood, IL 60418

Saturday, October 21st
9 AM - 3 PM

Shop for holiday gifts!

FREE
ADMISSION

A box will be available should you wish to donate canned goods for our Thanksgiving baskets.

Made with PosterMyWall.com

Seniors Pump it Up!

with Certified Instructor, Diana Esparza

MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS
& FRIDAYS

11:15AM – 12:00PM
\$2/class

Get your body moving with an exercise class designed just for you!

BIELA SENIOR CENTER
4545 Midlothian Turnpike, Crestwood, IL
708-371-4800 EXT: 6002



1 FREE
TRIAL CLASS

AVAILABLE TO ALL NEW STUDENTS

ALL BIELA CENTER
FITNESS CLASSES

Chair Yoga

Good for your body, mind, and soul
Stress relief • Strength training • Flexibility benefit

TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS

9:30 – 10:30AM
\$2/class

BIELA SENIOR CENTER
4545 Midlothian Turnpike, Crestwood, IL
708-371-4800 EXT: 6002

If you have any questions, please call Cindy at 708-371-4800 Ext. 6001.



IMPORTANT BIELA POLICY INFORMATION

PAYMENT POLICY

Full payment is due upon reservation. We will no longer be excepting reservations without full payment.

NO REFUND POLICY

If you are unable to attend a trip that you have paid for, you will have the option to try and find someone to take your place. **Unless there is a waiting list you will not need to find a replacement, and you will be issued a refund**
No refunds will be given otherwise.

This is in place because we have to pay the facility's fees prior to our trip. Which means they are paid well in advance and your seat has already been paid.

If you have any questions please call Cindy at 708-371-4800 option #6

CREDIT CARD POLICY

As of February 17, 2023 there will be a fee of 3.25% when using a credit card.

All other items being paid using a credit card, debit card or e-check will incur a 3.25% processing fee (minimum of \$1.95), assessed by Invoice Cloud, the Village of Crestwood's electronic payment processing vendor.



Boot Scootin' Boogie!

THURSDAY LINE DANCING LESSONS

TIME: 1PM TO 2PM

Location: Biela Center
4545 Midlothian Turnpike Crestwood IL
Cost: \$20.00 for the month
Enter through the back door entrance

To reserve your spot please email: LDAllearntolinedance@gmail.com
Men, Women, Guests of ALL AGES are welcome
All CDC COVID-19 guidelines are being followed.

BIELA SENIOR CENTER

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ADMIT ONE

First Time Visitors
Present this ticket for one FREE lunch
(and stay for Bingo)

Biela Senior Center
4545 Midlothian Turnpike, Crestwood
Not applicable for holiday lunches

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ADMIT ONE

Super Seniors Days

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2023
10AM – 2PM

LOCATION: BIELA CENTER
4545 Midlothian Turnpike Crestwood, IL

Why wait in line at the DMV?

This program is for anyone who may need to get his or her driver’s license renewed, state ID (if you are 65 and older you may obtain a free state ID), License plate sticker, Refresher course on the Rules of the Road.

WHAT IS SUPER SENIORS? Super seniors is a convenient and voluntary program for driver’s license renewal, which includes Rules of the Road classroom instruction, and a vision-screening exam. The Rules of the Road Review Course also includes a review of safe driving techniques and Illinois driving laws. You may also renew your License plates.

A Secretary of State Mobile Driver Services Unit will be available for participants to renew their driver’s licenses. An identification card can be obtained for \$20.00; however, if you are age 65 and older you may obtain a free, non-expiring State of Illinois photo ID card.

FYI, Drivers age 75 and older are required to take a driving test to renew their driver’s licenses; therefore they must visit a Driver Services Facility.



THE RULES OF THE ROAD COURSE REVIEW*
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2023 • 10AM

You may come into the Biela center and grab a copy of the course workbook or you may download a copy of the course workbook from this website: www.cyberdriveillinois.com/services/services_for_seniors/programs.html

*Please register in advance

To register for Rules of the Road Review Course please call Cindy at 708-371-4800 EXT: 6000

**SHED POUNDS,
GAIN FRIENDS**

First visit is FREE!

Join us for affordable, effective
weight-loss support!

Biela Center
4545 Midlothian Turnpike
Crestwood, IL

Tuesday 6:30-7:30pm
For more information
Adrienne 708-2281701

OCTOBER Biela Center
Lunch Menu

Lunches are \$5.00. Tuesdays we serve from 12:00-1:00 pm and Friday’s from 12:15-1:15 pm. All lunches are served with a side and dessert. Bingo will be played following lunch. **Reservations must be made one week in advance.** For cancellation call: 708-371-4800 Option #6

Please check the lunches you would like to attend:

- ☐ Tuesday, October 3rd Marry Me Chicken (in a tomato cream sauce)
- ☐ Friday, October 6th Hamburger
- ☐ Tuesday, October 10th Madori's Zesty Italian Sausage Sandwich
- ☐ Friday, October 13th Stuffed Manicotti and Sausage
- ☐ Tuesday, October 17th Sweet & Sour Meatballs
- ☐ Friday, October 20th Smoked Sausage and Sweet Potatoes
- ☐ Tuesday, October 24th Macaroni and Cheese
- ☐ Friday, October 27th Stuffed Pepper Soup
- ☐ Tuesday, October 31st Halloween Party **(\$10 TODAY ONLY - PAY BY OCT 24th)**

Extra Dessert, Pop and Water is \$1.00 each, please pay before receiving your lunch.

Name _____



The Four Winds Casino
Senior Day

SENIOR DAY INCENTIVE: Earn 100 W♣ Points at Four Winds New Buffalo, and then visit a kiosk between 8am - 10pm Eastern to receive \$10 in Instant Credit/Free Slot Play.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2023
DEPART: 9:30AM • RETURN: 4:30 PM

Cost: \$35.00 per person
Cost Includes: \$15.00 Instant Slot Credit, **Up to \$10.00 Food Credit, ** Up to \$10 Food credit can be used towards the following food outlets The Buffet, Timbers Fast Food & Deli, Grab N Go, Kankakee Bar & Grill.

Any questions please call Cindy 708-371-4800 EXT: 6001

If you would like to attend, please fill this out and return to Ashley.

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

City & State: _____

DOB: _____

Current W-Club Card: _____

THE CHRISTKINDLMARKET

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2023
10AM (BUS DEPARTS AT 10:30AM)
RETURN: 5:00PM
Cost: \$40.00 Coach Transportation
No refunds, you may transfer your seat to another person.



The smell of roasted nuts, fresh pretzels, bratwurst, and hot spiced wine, the sound of music, and the glimmer of sparkling Christmas ornaments, all in a cozy atmosphere - this is the authentic German-style Christkindlmarket experience.

Visitors can explore vendors’ products from all around the world and enjoy the unique shopping experience while enjoying international food, beverages and performances at the outdoor market that is always free of admission. Children have the opportunity to participate in Kinder Club activities.

Ready to make some wonderful memories, collect a specialty souvenir mug, and get into the holiday spirit?

Call Cindy with any questions 708-371-4800 Option #6



Game Night at Biela!

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13
6:00PM – 8:00PM

Do you like to play board games? Come on over! Join us for a FREE night of fun! Come with a friend, or make one here. Bring your favorite game or cards (or borrow the ones we have here). Snacks will be provided

Play Pool or Visit our Library

BOTH ROOMS ARE OPEN MONDAY – FRIDAY
9:00AM – 4:00PM

Did you know the Biela has a pool table? Gather your friends and drop in to play! Come read a book or do a puzzle in the comfort of the Biela’s library. You may also borrow a book to take home.



 **BREAD TAG**
RECYCLING PROGRAM

Recycle Bread Tags at the Biela Center

4545 Midlothian Turnpike, Crestwood, IL



Bread tags for wheelchairs

We’ve partnered with SCARCE for this recycling project. SCARCE works with Danielle Cares for Chairs to recycle bread tags. Funds raised through recycling bread tags provide mobility equipment for those in need.

Learn more on www.scarce.org.



HALLOWEEN TRIVIA

1. WHAT WAS CANDY CORN ORIGINALLY CALLED?
2. WHAT FAMOUS MAGICIAN DIED ON HALLOWEEN?
3. WHEN IS HALLOWEEN THOUGHT TO HAVE ORIGINATED?
4. WHAT IS THE MOST COMMERCIALY SUCCESSFUL HORROR MOVIE OF ALL TIME?
5. WHO SANG THE ORIGINAL "MONSTER MASH?"
6. WHAT ITEM IS BANNED IN BEVERLY HILLS, CALIFORNIA ON HALLOWEEN?
7. HOW MANY PIECES OF CANDY DOES THE AVERAGE HOUSE GIVE TO EACH TRICK-OR-TREATER?
8. WHAT IS THE MOST POPULAR HALLOWEEN CANDY IN AMERICA?

ANSWERS: 1. CHICKEN FEED 2. HARRY HOUDINI 3. 4000 B.C. 4. IT 5. BOBBY PICKETT 6. SILLY STRING 7. TWO PIECES 8. SKITTLES



Water Rate Increase September, 1, 2023

The Village of Crestwood will be increasing the water rates, beginning on September 1, 2023. The Village has not raised the water rates since 2019 even though we have seen increases from our suppliers, The (Village of Alsip and the City of Chicago). But this year, we have again seen an increase of \$.32 per thousand gallons of water, so we felt it necessary to pass this along in order to keep our fiscal responsibility to our water account, which pays for all infrastructure repairs, all maintenance at the pump house, any water related problems that arise in the Village, as well as, salaries, supplies, etc.

We try very hard to keep our outstanding record as one of the lowest water costs anywhere in the suburbs. We still bill single family residential customers on a quarterly basis, where some towns boast a smaller minimum bill but bill every month

or bi-monthly. Our minimum bill for single family residential customers, with the increase will be \$112.60 per quarter. For Commercial customers, the minimum bill will be \$40.99 per month. Multi-family residential customers will pay a minimum of \$24.47 per unit.

Our Sewer rate and our Capital Improvement rate will remain the same as previous billed. Residential customers pay a flat \$20.00 per quarter for sewer, Multi-family residential accounts will pay \$20.00 per unit per month for sewer, and our commercial customers pay a minimum of \$8.00 per month for sewer with a sliding scale from there based on usage. The Capital Improvement charge is \$2.06 per thousand gallons of water used.

If you have any questions regarding the increase please call the water dept. supervisor at 708-371-4800 x2003.

OBITUARIES

John W. Hedman, 89 years of Crestwood. Beloved husband of the late Barbara L. Hedman nee Kolling. Loving father of John, Lee, Laura and Michael (Susan). Cherished grandfather of Cody and Catherine. Visitation Monday, September 11, 2023, from 9:00 A.M until time of prayers 10:30 A.M. at the BECVAR & SON FUNERAL HOME, 5539 West 127th Street, Crestwood, to Incarnation Catholic Church, 5757 W. 127th Street, Crestwood, for an 11:00 A.M. Mass. Interment private. (708) 824-9000 or www.becvarfuneralhome.com

Elizabeth Ida Chase, nee Godin, passed away at her Crestwood residence on Thursday, August 31, 2023 at the age of 99 years. A Celebration of Life will be held on Thursday, September 7, 2023 from 5:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M. at the BECVAR & SON FUNERAL HOME, 5539 W. 127th Street, Crestwood. Prayer service begins at 7:00 P.M. For more info: (708) 824-9000 or www.becvarfuneralhome.com

Rose A. Flynn, nee Gannon, longtime resident of Midlothian and Crestwood, passed away on Sunday, September 3, 2023 at the age of 79 years. Loving mother of Timothy, David, and Daniel (Gail). Cherished grandmother of Cora, David III, Michael, and Shelby. Dear great-grandmother of Mailyn, Rome, Carter, Gianna, Danielle, and Elaina. Beloved daughter of the late Michael and Mary, nee Malone, Gannon. Fond sister of William (Nancy) Gannon, and the late Kevin (Linda), Michael, Thomas (the late Betty), Mary, Helen (the late Tom) Heinen, Eileen "Pat" (the late Frank) Cassidy, and James. Dear aunt and cousin of many.

Visitation Thursday, September 7, 2023 from 9:00 A.M. until time of prayer service 11:30 A.M. at the BECVAR & SON FUNERAL HOME, 5539 W. 127th Street, Crestwood. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Alsip. For more info: www.becvarfuneralhome.com or (708) 824-9000

Linda A. O'Brien, nee Landero, of Crestwood passed away on Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at the age of 81 years. Beloved wife of Timothy "Mike." Devoted mother of Michelle (Bob). Cherished grandmother of Eric, Katie, and Bryan. Loving sister of Gloria, Regina, and Geraldine.

Visitation Friday, September 22, 2023 from 3:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M. Funeral Saturday, September 23rd, Chapel Prayers beginning at 10:30 A.M. at the BECVAR & SON FUNERAL HOME, 5539 W. 127th Street, Crestwood, to Incarnation Catholic Church, 5757 W. 127th Street, Crestwood, for an 11:00 A.M. Mass. Interment Private. For more info: (708) 824-9000 or www.becvarfuneralhome.com



Flood Control Project Completed on 135th Street

Residents in the Crestwood Gardens neighborhood south of 135th Street and along the Cook County Forest Preserves at Central are finally getting some long-awaited defense against recurring flooding. Two major projects designed to alleviate overland flooding from the Forest Preserves are set to be complete by October 1st, according to Village Services Director, Bill Graffeo.

The Village secured a \$9.5 million flood mitigation project from the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRDGC) in 2015. The project centered around the design and construction of a stormwater basin and inlet on Forest Preserve property to collect rainwater and take it through a 6-foot trunk pipe along 135th Street to the Laramie Avenue ditch. The ditch was improved and cleaned up to take this stormwater more efficiently in outflow to the Calumet Sag Channel.

To assist the residents of the Crestwood Gardens neighborhood better withstand major rain events that have plagued the area for decades, the Village Mayor and Board allocated over \$1 million dollars to install larger storm sewer pipes. These larger sewers are expected to carry the stormwater more efficiently to the new 135th Street sewer in order to alleviate street flooding and basement back-ups.

According to Mayor Klein, the objective of this project is to improve the quality of life for these homeowners. "I am very excited to see some relief for these residents. Our hope is that these two major infrastructure projects will reduce the impact of major



storms and the damages that flooding brings. Of course, no storm sewer system can handle disastrous rain events in short periods of time. But we believe these two projects will make a positive impact with higher home values and a stronger community."

He added, "We thank the MWRD for their investment in Crestwood, and especially our residents of Crestwood Gardens for their patience with all the construction over the past 2 years."

The Village expects that all streets and several sidewalks will be improved starting in October and will be completed before Thanksgiving.



CRESTWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY



4955 W. 135th Street, Crestwood
P: 708-371-4090 F: 708-371-4127

ADULTS

Virtual Classroom Kitchen: Oktoberfest

Wednesday, Oct. 3rd • 6:30 pm
Virtual Program
Pretzels, polka and parades! It's Oktoberfest, the largest festival in the world! Learn how to prepare classic German cuisine to have your own Oktoberfest party. Be sure to join us for this live virtual demonstration with guest cooking instructor Kristyn Slick!

Introduction to Tarot Cards

Monday, Oct. 16th • 6:00 pm
Virtual Program
Learn the history, theory, and myths about tarot reading with guest speaker Barbara G. Meyer. You'll also learn about how to do your own reading! Registration required for meeting link.

Needles & Yarn Knitting Club

Monday, Oct. 23rd • 6:30 pm
In-Person Program
Bring your knitting, crocheting, or sewing projects to the library!

Medicare PPO Seminars
Thursdays, October 5th & 12 6:00 pm

Monday, Oct. 16th • 6:00 pm
In-Person Program
Join guest speaker and independent insurance agent Bill Johnson at the library as he shares important information on Humana Medicare PPO options.

Scrabble Club
Saturday, October 21st 10:30 am - 12:30 pm

In-Person Program
Stop by the library to join a game of Scrabble and meet some new folks!

Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra tickets

Through our community partnership with Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra (IPO), the Crestwood Public Library is pleased to offer free tickets to classical music concerts as part of the Check Out IPO Library program. IPO performances are held at Ozinga Chapel, Trinity Christian College, 6601 W. College Dr., Palos Heights, IL 60463.



Illinois Libraries Present: An Evening with Stephen Graham Jones
Wednesday, October 4th • 7:00 pm
Virtual Program

Stephen Graham Jones joins us to talk scary stories, horror and more with librarian Becky Spratford. Jones is the New York Times bestselling author of The Only Good Indians and Don't Fear the Reapers, and a prolific author of more than 25 books.



Illinois Libraries Present: Food, Family, and Folktales: A Conversation with Grace Lin
Tuesday, October 17th, 7:00 pm
Virtual Program

Join Newbery and Caldecott honoree and New York Times bestselling Grace Lin for an engaging conversation about her journey to become an award-winning author and illustrator.



Stampin' Up Card Class
Monday, October 9th 6:00 pm

In-Person Program
\$5 per person. Join us at the library to create your own one-of-a-kind greeting cards!

Take & Make Adult Craft
Available Thursday, Oct. 26th
Stop by the library and pick up a DIY craft kit!

Solar Eclipse Glasses Available at the Library

We now have solar eclipse glasses available to residents age 14 and older, for the upcoming partial solar eclipse on October 14. Bring in your library card or ID to receive a pair from the Front Desk. Limit of two pairs per resident on a first-come, first-served basis.



YOUTH & FAMILIES

Toddler Story Time
Fridays, October 6, 13, 20, & 27 • 10:30 am

Space is limited so please register.
Children ages 1-4 with an adult, can come hear stories, songs and make a craft during this 30 minute program.

Pajama Storytime
Wednesday, October 11th 6:00 pm

Children under 4 with adult please. Please register.
Children of all ages can join us for a special 45 minute evening storytime with songs, stories and a craft. Wear your Pajamas!

LEGO Club

Tuesday, October 10 & 24th 4:00 pm

Kids ages 6-12, come share your imagination and join us for a fun day with Legos! You can be inspired by our weekly theme or your own design!

Kids Craft

Monday, October 16 4:00 pm

Please register.

Kids ages 7 and up can come to this in-person craft class to make a spooky Halloween craft.

Preschool STEAM
Thursdays, October 5 & 19 10:30 am

Children ages 2-4 with an adult. Please register.
Join us twice a month for a fun science or math activity to learn basic math and science concepts.

Read to the Dogs!
Tuesday, Oct. 17 • 5:00 pm

Call to register for a 15 minute time slot.
Therapy dog, Hershey and friends, are back to listen to kids in grades K- 5 read their favorite books aloud!

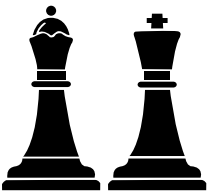
International Snack Club
Thursday, Oct. 19 • 4:00 pm

Do you like learning about different places and their foods? Are you brave enough to try snacks from different countries? Then join us for snacks, facts, and fun! Kids ages 10 and up are invited to journey to Taiwan.



Chess for Kids
Friday, October 20, 3:30 pm

Kids ages 6 - 16, have you wanted to learn to play chess or need some new opponents to play? If so, Mr. Pierre is back to host another session of Chess for Kids.



Take Home Science Kit
Available Thursday, Oct. 5th

Come to the library to pick up a hands -on science kit for kids ages 5 and up to experiment at home. A limited number of kits will be available to pick up beginning Thursday, October 5 while supplies last.

Messy Mondays
Mondays, October 9 & 23 10:30 am

Children ages 2-4 with an adult. Parents can bring their budding artist to the library to create with all things messy during this 30 minute art class. Please dress to get messy.



Family Bingo
Wednesday, Oct.25, 6:00 pm

Please register. Limit of 8 families.
Bring the whole family for a fun night of Bingo!

Monday Take and Make

Every Monday, a limited number of craft kits will be available for pick-up for children to create at home. Basic supplies and instructions will be provided. Craft kits are suitable for all ages; younger children may need adult assistance.

Classified Advertising

HELP WANTED
Copher Movers and Storage, Inc.
Steady Full or Part Time Work
Call (708) 423-1890
4745 West 135th Street
Crestwood, IL 60418

Free Advertising for Crestwood Residents! Limited to 20 words or less and include information related to the following items:
Garage Sales • Lost and Found
Large Appliances • Automobiles
Motorcycles • Boats and Trailers

Non-Residents and Area Businesses can place classified advertisements for goods and services for just \$5 for twenty words under the following categories:
Garage Sales • Appliances and Electronics • Sales • Transportation (Cars, Boats, motorcycles) • Homes for Sale or Rent • Apartments for Sale or Rent • Employment Openings • Jobs Wanted

Sudoku

Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3x3 box accomodates the digits 1-9, without repeating any.

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9			6		3	4	8	
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	1	8				9		6
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8	9		3					5
		1		9	5		6	2

Crossword

1	2	3		4	5	6	7		8	9	10
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		18		19				20			
21	22					23					
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Riddle

What three numbers, none of which is zero, give the same result whether they're added or multiplied?

SEPTEMBER RIDDLE:
What has 13 hearts, but no other organs?

Answer:
a deck of playing cards

September Puzzle Solutions

2	5	8	6	3	9	1	7	4
1	9	7	4	5	2	8	6	3
3	6	4	7	8	1	5	2	9
9	8	6	5	1	7	4	3	2
5	4	2	3	9	8	6	1	7
7	3	1	2	4	6	9	8	5
4	1	3	8	7	5	2	9	6
6	7	9	1	2	4	3	5	8
8	2	5	9	6	3	7	4	1

S	U	E		M	A	L	L		S	T	A	B
O	N	E		A	S	E	A		C	U	R	E
P	I	R	A	N	H	A	S		O	B	O	L
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E	N	S			H	E	I	R		S	L	O
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O	L	L	A			I	M	P	O	R	T	E
L	O	U	R			S	I	A	M		I	R
D	E	L	L			H	A	N	S		C	A

ACROSS

- Buddhist sect
- Stare
- Beep horn
- English college
- Dash
- Fish eggs
- Relax
- Denying
- Weird
- Crucifix
- Indian religious leader
- Snow runner
- Prefix, one
- Earthen pot
- In bed
- Prima donna
- Charged particle
- Eat
- Stalk
- Bustle or fuss (Colloq) (2-2)
- Commercials
- Climbing plant
- Danzig
- Icon
- Ancient
- U.S. States, North and South -
- Hick
- The Self
- Employs
- Paddles
- Nocturnal precipitation
- Red planet
- Fold

DOWN

- Letter Z
- Greek letter
- Headfirst plunge, especially an aircraft
- Bonhomie
- To the sheltered side
- Humorous person
- Skill
- Vigor
- Charged particles
- Clothesline clips
- Require
- Chinese secret society
- 17th letter of the Greek alphabet
- Immature flowers
- Military detachment
- Hourglass
- Card game
- Twice a year
- Finishes
- Writing table
- Spanish, friend
- Rum
- Soft palate
- Prefix, air
- Decorated cake
- Magician
- In a line
- Unique thing
- Mount -, N.W.Qld. mining town
- Brassiere
- Extrasensory perception

94 South

by Jim McGreal

SOMETHING IS WRONG.

YES, I CAN FEEL IT TOO.

WAIT, I KNOW WHAT IT IS.

THE A.I. FILTER IS ON.

GLICK

AH, THAT'S BETTER.

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CRWC Hours
Mon.–Thurs. 5 am - 10 pm
Friday 5 am - 8 pm
Sat. and Sun. 7 am - 5 pm

Events

Island to the Wood 4.6 Wiffle Ball Tournament 2023

Our 2023 Wiffle Ball Tournament was a success! We had a 28 team double elimination bracket with great wiffle ball games all day long. There was lots of food and drinks to purchase and great weather throughout the entire tournament. A special thank you to our 2023 Wiffle Ball tournament sponsors! We hope to see everyone back next year!

Trunk or Treat
Saturday, October 28th, 12pm-2pm
No registration necessary
Come dressed in your Halloween costumes and trick or treat from trunk to trunk in the CRWC parking lot. Costume contests will be happening every hour! We can't wait to see all the awesome costumes & decorated trunks. If you want to decorate a trunk and pass out candy, email Kelsey at kkolecki@crestwood.illinois.gov by October 21st.



CRWC'S ANNUAL
TRUNK OR TREAT

Saturday, October 28th
12pm - 2pm

Costume contests for prizes
Free admission & Free candy

Located at 5331 W 135th St. Crestwood IL
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Children

Swim Lessons
October 24th- December 9th (No class 11/19 - 11/27)
6 week session
In person registration required
Registration for the next session of swim lessons begins October 9th, in person at the CRWC. Swim lessons take place either on Tuesday evenings, Thursday evenings, or Saturday mornings. Swim lessons teach a variety of different stroke development, pool safety, and pool skills.

Christmas Market with Santa
Saturday, December 9th 11am-2pm
No registration necessary
Get in the holiday spirit by coming to the CRWC on December 9th to see Santa. Christmas Market shopping, pictures with Santa & Mrs. Claus, arts & crafts, cookie decorating, and more!

CHRISTMAS Market

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9TH
11AM-2PM

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ARTS & CRAFTS
COOKIE DECORATING
COOKIES & HOT CHOCOLATE
AND MORE!

NO REGISTRATION IS NECESSARY TO ATTEND!

Group Exercise and Water Fitness Schedule

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Aqua Fitness 8:00 - 9:00 am <i>Pool</i>	Aqua Fitness 8:00 - 9:00 am <i>Pool</i>	Aqua Fitness 8:00 - 9:00 am <i>Pool</i>	Aqua Fitness 8:00 - 9:00 am <i>Pool</i>	Aqua Fitness 8:00 - 9:00 am <i>Pool</i>	Aqua Fitness 8:00 - 9:00 am <i>Pool</i>
Water Walking 9:05 - 9:50 am <i>Pool</i>	Arthritis Class 9:05 - 9:50 am <i>Pool</i>	Water Walking 9:05 - 9:50 am <i>Pool</i>	Arthritis Class 9:05 - 9:50 am <i>Pool</i>	Water Walking 9:05 - 9:50 am <i>Pool</i>	Cardio Kickboxing 9:15 - 10:30 am <i>MP Room</i>
Pump It Up 10:00 - 11:00 am <i>MP Room</i>		Pump It Up 10:00 - 11:00 am <i>MP Room</i>		Pump It Up 10:00 - 11:00 am <i>MP Room</i>	NOTE: Cardio Kickboxing does not meet every Saturday - call on Saturday mornings to confirm that class is running.
Rusty Hinges 1:05 - 1:50 pm <i>Pool</i>	Rusty Hinges 1:05 - 1:50 pm <i>Pool</i>	Rusty Hinges 1:05 - 1:50 pm <i>Pool</i>	Rusty Hinges 1:05 - 1:50 pm <i>Pool</i>	Rusty Hinges 1:05 - 1:50 pm <i>Pool</i>	
	Pump It Up 5:30 - 6:30 pm <i>MP Room</i>		Pump It Up 5:30 - 6:30 pm <i>MP Room</i>		These Group Exercise and Water Fitness classes require the All Inclusive Membership. Group Exercise and Water Fitness are for ages 16+.
Cardio Splash 5:30 - 6:30 pm <i>Pool</i>		Cardio Endurance 5:30 - 6:15 pm <i>Pool</i>		Cardio Splash 5:00 - 6:00 pm <i>Pool</i>	

A LA CARTE Workout Classes

(separate from All Inclusive Membership)

Zumba with Kristen Castillo
Thursdays, 6:30pm-7:30pm
September 7th-October 12th (6 week sessions)
Zumba incorporates a variety of Latin inspired dance moves and music to promote a healthy heart, a dose of aerobic activity, and a fun way to build and tone muscle, improve cardio, and promote a healthy lifestyle.

Yoga with Sarah Cutrara
Mondays, 6pm-7pm
August 7th-October 2nd (new session dates; TBD)
This weekly slow flow yoga class is a well-rounded practice that will help reduce stress by calming the mind and body, increase flexibility, and restore balance. All levels are welcome!