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Crestwood & Midlothian Join Together to Alleviate Chronic Flooding

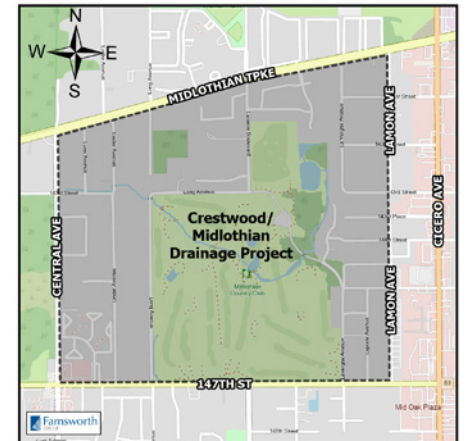
The Village of Crestwood, in partnership with the Village of Midlothian, will host a Public Information Event on Tuesday, April 28, 2026, at 6:30 pm at the Crestwood Civic Center to share information about the *Crestwood/Midlothian Flood Mitigation Project*, a major effort to reduce chronic flooding. The project will focus on the area bound by Midlothian Turnpike (north), 147th Street (south), Lamon Avenue (east) and Central Avenue (west). Studies by Crestwood, Midlothian, and Bremen Township confirmed recurring flooding affecting homeowners, a local church, and major roadways such as the heavily traveled Midlothian Turnpike. These

studies resulted in eleven targeted drainage improvements across seven locations designed to lower water surface elevations, improve stormwater flow and storage, and strengthen the watershed's resilience to future flooding.

The Villages of Crestwood and Midlothian have entered into an Agreement with the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD) for vital funding to advance this project, which requires easements, land acquisition, and coordination among several agencies. Construction will occur in two phases that include stream flow improvements, new and reconstructed detention

basins, culvert upgrades, stream-bank stabilization, and additional stormwater storage. At this time, construction is scheduled to begin in Winter 2027.

Residents are invited to learn more at this event at the Crestwood Civic Center, 13820 S. Cicero Avenue from 6:30 to 8:30 pm on April 28, 2026. Crestwood and Midlothian



staff, along with the project engineers, will be available to answer questions and discuss anticipated benefits for the community.



REMINDER: Garbage day is Monday in Crestwood.
 Residents are not allowed to put Garbage cans out before 6pm Sunday and must remove cans from the street by Monday Night by 8pm. We appreciate your efforts!



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Village Meeting Schedule

Village Board Meetings - 7:00pm
Crestwood Civic Center | 13820 S. Cicero Ave
April 2 and April 16

Committee of the Whole - 7:00pm
Village Hall | 13800 S. Cicero Ave
April 14

Planning Commission – Zoning Board - 8:00pm
Crestwood Civic Center | 13820 S. Cicero Ave
April 13 and April 27

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

13830 S. Cicero Ave.
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Recreation & Wellness Facility

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

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 Republic Services at (708) 385-8252.

IDOT

(847) 705-4222

Cook County Highway Dept.

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

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

Dear Residents and Businesses,

Happy Spring! This is a time of year many of us look forward to—getting outside, enjoying the warmer weather, and reconnecting with our neighbors.

As more residents are out walking, biking, and spending time outdoors, I kindly ask everyone to remain mindful of posted speed limits and to watch for pedestrians and cyclists. Keeping our community safe is a shared responsibility.

I would also like to extend warm Easter wishes to all who celebrate. From my family to yours, may your holiday be filled with peace, joy, and many blessings.

I hope to see many of you at our annual Easter Egg Hunt at Walker Park on Saturday, April 4th at 10:00 a.m. It's always a wonderful event for families and a great way to bring our community together.

Additionally, I would like to thank Cindy Haase, Director of the Biela Center, for organizing a fantastic craft fair this past weekend. So many of us were able to attend and enjoy the event—your hard work and dedication truly made it a great success.

Please mark your calendars—our annual Crestwood Clean-Up Day is scheduled for Saturday, May 16, 2026, pending final confirmation from Republic Services. Additional details will be provided in the May Advisor, so please stay tuned.

Keeping our community clean is something we all take pride in, and it plays an important role in the quality of life we enjoy here in Crestwood. A clean environment not only enhances our neighborhoods, but also helps protect property values, supports local businesses, and promotes a healthier place for everyone to live and work.

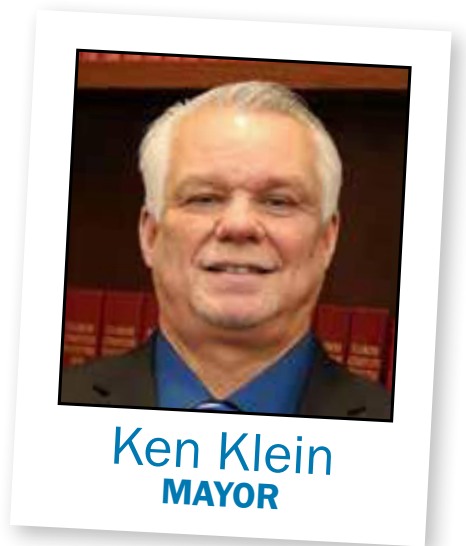
Unfortunately, littering continues to be an issue in certain areas of our Village. Much of this can be prevented by making small, mindful changes in our daily habits. Simple actions—such as properly disposing of trash, securing loads during transport, and ensuring dumpsters and waste containers are not overflowing—can make a significant difference.

We ask all residents and businesses to do their part:

- Please use designated trash receptacles and avoid discarding litter on streets, sidewalks, and parking lots.
- Business owners are encouraged to regularly maintain their properties, including storefronts, parking areas, and dumpsters.
- Secure garbage and recycling containers to prevent debris from spreading, especially on windy days.
- Report illegal dumping or problem areas so they can be addressed promptly.

Maintaining a clean community is a shared responsibility. By working together and being mindful of our actions, we can prevent litter before it starts and take pride in the appearance of our Village.

I also invite all residents to attend a Town Hall Meeting on Tuesday, April 28 at 6:30 p.m. at the Crestwood Civic Center, 13820 S. Cicero Avenue. This meeting will focus on an upcoming project along Midlothian Turnpike near Lavergne Avenue aimed at improving storm water flow through Midlothian and Crestwood. We



Ken Klein
MAYOR

encourage you to attend to learn more and ask questions.

Finally, I always encourage community involvement and value resident input. I invite those interested to join me in efforts to bring new businesses to our Village. Your ideas, energy, and participation are important—please feel free to reach out at 371-4800.

Thank you for your continued support in making Crestwood a wonderful place to live.

Sincerely,

Ken Klein

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Mayor, Village of Crestwood

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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

02-11-2026: A resident reported that he received 1099 tax forms from Uber Technologies, even though he has never been employed with Uber. The victim learned that someone was using his identity to work for Uber.

02-27-2026: A resident reported that she was contacted by Capital One in reference to a recently opened credit card. The victim denies ever opening a credit card and did not give anyone permission to use her identity.

Retail Theft

02-02-2026: Walgreens reported that 2 male Hispanics entered the

store and took \$1,210 worth of cosmetics. The suspects have been identified from another retail theft committed in New Lenox.

02-10-2026: Target Loss Prevention reported that a black male and female entered the store and took possession of a suitcase, valued at \$299.00 and then fled the store in a light-colored SUV.

02-20-2026: Officers responded to Target for a retail theft in progress. Officers arrived and learned that the male and female suspect had gathered and concealed merchandise and were preparing to leave the store. As the suspects left the store they were detained and later found to be in possession of \$679.00 worth of merchandise.

Both suspects were charged with retail theft.

Theft

02-02-2026: Unknown suspects stole a bed frame that had been ordered on Wayfair and delivered to the 136th block of Royal Court.

02-16-2026: Unknown suspects stole a catalytic converter from a Ford F-150 that was parked in the 131st block of Cicero.

02-16-2026: Unknown suspects stole a catalytic converter from a 2015 Chevy that was parked in the 133rd block of Cicero.

02-18-2026: A resident reported that she allowed two workers from A+ Energy Conservation into

her home to do furnace repairs. She letter discovered that a piggy bank had been damaged and that approximately \$1,000 in cash was missing.

02-21-2026: Unknown suspects stole a 2017 Chrysler 300 from the parking lot of Pockets Billiards.

02-23-2026: Unknown suspects broke into a 2021 Ford Mustang that was parked in the 140th block of Gail Lane and stole a wallet.

02-25-2026: Unknown suspects stole a catalytic converter from a Check Truck that was parked in the 136th block of Kenton.

Burglary

02-13-2026: Officers responded to the Off Track Betting in reference to a burglary. Arriving officers learned that three unknown suspects were able to pry open the front door with a crowbar and then removed the ATM from the business.

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Every year in November dumpster companies apply for a license to have their company supply dumpsters to Crestwood residents and businesses. This year we have five approved companies that are only allowed to have dumpsters in the Village.

1. Cook County Waste & Recycling of Chicago & Suburbs, Blue Island, 708-489-5050
2. Tri-State Disposal, Riverdale, 708-388-9910
3. Homewood Disposal, Homewood, 708-478-1004
4. Republic Services of Crestwood, Crestwood, 708-272-6760
5. Lake Shore Recycling Systems, LLC, Joliet, 815-725-4555

These are the only companies allowed in Crestwood, if you have someone else they will need to be removed, asap.

Businesses are required to have their dumpsters in a corral, the lids closed and all garbage in the dumpster so it does not fly around.

We appreciate your cooperation!
Please call the Village with any concerns - 708-371-4800

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT



MAYOR KLEIN IS CALLING ALL INTERESTED RESIDENTS TO JOIN HIM IN TRYING TO BRING NEW BUSINESSES TO THE COMMUNITY!
Please call 708-371-4800 X2003 to express your interest!

Reminder for Parking and Storage of Trailers, Campers, Boats and More

As we begin to notice the leaves changing and temperatures rising, it's a sure sign that the seasons are shifting once again. Soon, many of us will be taking out our summer equipment and outdoor recreational vehicles for the season.

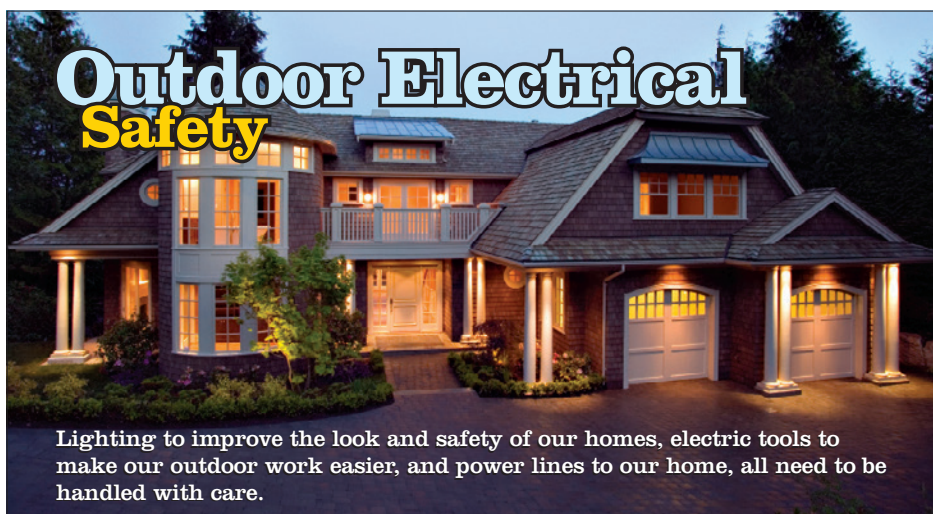
This is a friendly reminder that the Village of Crestwood enforces Ordinance 2232, which regulates the parking and storage of trailers, campers, boats, and similar vehicles within residential areas.

In R-1 and R-2 Residential Districts, travel trailers, campers, boat trailers, and commercial trailers are required to be stored or parked only in side or rear yards. Please

note that side yards on corner lots that adjoin a public street are excluded from this allowance. Additionally, all such vehicles must be parked at least three (3) feet from any lot line and must be placed on an asphalt or concrete surface.

These regulations are in place to help maintain the appearance, safety, and overall quality of our neighborhoods. Being mindful of these requirements is one way we can all continue to be good neighbors and take pride in our community.

Thank you for your cooperation and for helping to keep the Village of Crestwood clean, orderly, and welcoming.



Outdoor Electrical Safety

Lighting to improve the look and safety of our homes, electric tools to make our outdoor work easier, and power lines to our home, all need to be handled with care.

Outside Electrical Work

- Have a qualified electrician do all electrical work.
- To prevent an electrical shock, make sure all your outside electrical receptacles are GFCI (ground-fault circuit interrupter) protected.

Equipment Safety

- Use lighting and power tools that are listed by a qualified test laboratory and make sure they are made for outdoor use.
- Store your electrical tools indoors.
- Keep electric tools away from children.
- Keep the area around your electric meter and other electrical equipment clear.
- Check lighting and extension cords for damage before using. Replace any damaged cords right away.
- Use extension cords that are listed by a qualified test laboratory and are marked for outdoor use.
- Extension cords are not meant for long-term use.

POWER LINES

Have a professional tree cutting service trim branches that might fall on electric wiring. Use a wooden or fiberglass ladder outside. Keep the ladder at least 10 feet away from power lines. Never touch anyone or anything in contact with a downed wire. Power lines may be live, stay a safe distance away. Report downed wires to authorities right away.

IMPORTANT REMINDER

Call "Before You Dig" (8-1-1) before any digging on your property. They will mark where your underground utilities are located. *It's a free service!*



POLAR PLUNGE 2026

A big thank you to Amy Bandstra and Sue Vanderhyden for organizing another Polar Plunge at the CRWC which raised money for Special Olympics.

In 7 years, Amy and Sue have collected close to \$30,000 in donations.

Thank you to all who have donated and for making this event great!



April showers bring May flowers!

And with them comes the time to start getting our yards picked up and ready for the spring planting ahead. Starting April 6th, 2026, you will be able to put your yard waste out on the curb. Please remember to have your yard waste properly bagged or in a designated can with a yard waste label on it. Yard waste labels can be picked up at Village Hall, at 13800 S. Cicero Ave. We know many of you take great pride in your yards, and we appreciate your hard work and efforts to keep Crestwood beautiful.



NATIONAL FALLEN FIREFIGHTERS FOUNDATION

LIGHT THE NIGHT

for Fallen Firefighters

Landmarks Fire Departments Homes

April 26 - May 3, 2026

Light Up Red & Share Your Why

From April 26–May 3, 2026, join the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation in honoring America's fallen fire heroes by lighting up red. Landmarks, fire departments, businesses, organizations, and families are invited to take part in this nationwide tribute leading up to National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Weekend. Light up—and share why. Tell the story behind your light and help us shine red in all 50 states to show we honor and remember the fallen.

Sign up and find more ways to get involved in the 2026 National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Weekend at weekend.firehero.org.

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firehero.org/light-the-night ★ #nfflightthenight2026 ★ #firehero2026

COMMUNITY NEWS

FEATURED ARTIST APRIL PEGGY KONRATH GORDON

Peggy Konrath Gordon, a resident of Crestwood, was always interested in the arts as she studied dance since she was three years old. She also learned to sew in high school, adding artistic touches to her clothes. She opened her own dance studio in Oak Lawn when she was seventeen years old and used a creative and artistic eye when choreographing dance numbers. Peggy married and had two children. Sewing clothes for her children was very rewarding and showed her creativity. She continued with her dancing career for 28 years until she was diagnosed with Fibromyalgia and couldn't dance anymore.



Peggy, then, started teaching elementary school, where she used her artistic talents helping her students with art projects. Her second career lasted 19 years until her retirement.

When her children grew up and had children of their own, Peggy helped her granddaughters develop their love of art by researching and teaching them many different aspects of art from the teacher called "Google." They all still love art with Grammy!

Finally, after retirement, Peggy had time to really pursue her love of art. She began taking art classes at the Biela Center with local artist, Carol Chirafisi, in August 2023. Carol has helped Peggy explore sketching and using colored pencils,

pastels, and acrylic paint. "I get such enjoyment, peace, and a feeling of creative achievement when working on and then finishing another piece of art," Peggy said. "My favorite is working with acrylic paint."

After joining Town and Country Art League (TCAL) approximately two years ago, she was exposed to many more art mediums. According to Peggy, TCAL is for anyone interested in art, meeting on the second Friday of the month from September through May from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at the Biela Center in Crestwood. This year, she serves as secretary for TCAL.

Peggy, as well as many local artists, displays her art pieces at local libraries, in addition to the Vogt Visual Arts Center in Tinley Park. As she points out, "There are so many different mediums of art. There certainly is one that you can enjoy! Give it a try!"

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HOMETOWN HERO BANNERS

"Honoring those who serve"



The Village of Crestwood is proud to offer this program to honor current or former residents of Crestwood who have served or are currently serving our country in a branch of the military.

Individuals to be recognized must be a current or former resident of Crestwood.

Individuals must have served in any of the following branches of service:

- ◆ Army
- ◆ Navy
- ◆ Air Force
- ◆ Marines
- ◆ Coast Guard
- ◆ National Guard

The fee for participation is \$100 and will include the banner production and placement by the Village during the time period.

To order a banner simply fill out the application that is provided on the Village's website:

crestwood.illinois.gov

Return the completed form, photo of individual in uniform and fee to the Village Hall.

Applications will be accepted from December 1st through June 30th of each year.



HOMETOWN HEROES BANNER PROGRAM APPLICATION

Name of Veteran: _____

Branch of Military: _____

Name of Applicant: _____

Relationship of Applicant to Veteran being honored: _____

Applicant Address: _____

Applicant Phone: _____

Applicant E-Mail Address: _____

Would the applicant like the banner provided to them at the end of the two-year display period? YES NO

Photo Release Acknowledgement (If Applicable):

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BIELA SENIOR CENTER

What is the Biela Senior Center?

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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

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!



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

William Butler Yeats



**APRIL FEATURE
Favorite
Crockpot Meal**

Biela Center Cookbook Club

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22 • 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. 6000 to register.

Pinochle at Biela!

MONDAYS • 10:00AM - 1:00PM

4545 MIDLOTHIAN TURNPIKE, CRESTWOOD

Do you like to play pinochle? Join us at the Biela Center for Mixed Men/Women Pinochle.



Pool, Library and Air Hockey Table!

BOTH ROOMS OPEN MONDAY - FRIDAY, 9 AM - 4 PM

Did you know the Biela has a pool table and air hockey game? 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.

Bingo & Breakfast at the Biela Center

WEDNESDAYS: 9:30 – 10:45 AM

4545 MIDLOTHIAN TURNPIKE, CRESTWOOD • Cost: \$5

Join us for a fun morning with a continental breakfast while playing bingo. Prizes will be awarded for each game.

Biela Senior Center Calendar of Events | APRIL 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Bingo & Breakfast 9:30-10:45 a Art Club 10 am-12 pm Chair Fitness 11 am-12 pm Senior Club 12:30-3:30 pm TOPS 5-6:30 pm	2 Chair Yoga 9:30-10:30 am KnitWits 10 am-12 pm Mexican Train 11:30-2 pm Line Dance 12:30-2 pm Bunco 1-4 pm	3 CLOSED Good Friday	4
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BIELA SENIOR CENTER

Crestwood Senior Club

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1 • 12:30-3:30PM
Regular Meeting

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15 • 12:30-3:30PM
Easter Hat Contest • Lunch from Culvers
1st prize - \$25.00
2nd prize - \$20.00
3rd prize - \$15.00



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 @ 12:30-3:30pm. We offer sweet rolls, coffee, split the pot, raffles, bingo, and on occasion have lunches to celebrate special events!! *Doors open at 12:15pm.*

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!

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708-371-4800 ext. 6000



Chair Yoga

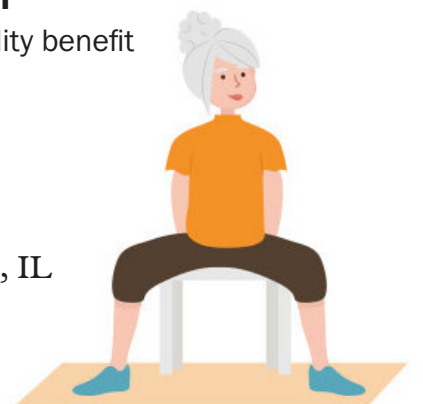
Good for your body, mind, and soul

Stress relief • Strength training • Flexibility benefit

TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS

9:30 - 10:30AM
\$2/class

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*If you have any questions, 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

Real People. Real Weight-Loss.® www.tops.org



Boot Scootin' Boogie!

THURSDAY LINE DANCING LESSONS

TIME: 12:30 PM TO 2PM

Location: Biela Center
4545 Midlothian Turnpike Crestwood IL
Cost: \$5 per class
Enter through the back door entrance

Men, Women, Guests of ALL AGES are welcome
Please enter through the back entrance.

IMPORTANT BIELA POLICY INFORMATION

PAYMENT POLICY

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

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

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.

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.

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.



1 FREE TRIAL CLASS

AVAILABLE TO ALL NEW STUDENTS

**ALL BIELA CENTER
FITNESS CLASSES**

BIELA SENIOR CENTER



PARAMOUNT THEATRE IN AURORA PRESENTS...
South Pacific
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10



DEPART FROM THE BIELA CENTER: 10:30 A.M.

Cost: \$120

Cost includes transportation, lunch, gratuity and performance
 Full (non-refundable) payment is due upon reservation by May 8th.

Set in a tropical paradise with warm sea breezes, breathless sunsets and B52 Bombers. *South Pacific* is an uplifting musical tale that follows World War II Armed Services personnel, Ensign Nellie Forbush and Lt. Joseph Cable through spy missions, war-time drama and romance. Balancing duties to their country with their island expectations, they each find themselves irresistibly falling in love on foreign soil. But will that love translate back in the States?

South Pacific is an iconic, complex and important piece of musical theater reminding us all of the importance of celebrating cultural differences and the value of people unlike ourselves. Featuring some of Broadway's most memorable showtunes from Rodgers and Hammerstein including: "Some Enchanted Evening," "I'm Gonna Wash That Man Right Outa My Hair" and of course... "Bali Ha'i"

Call the Biela Center at 708-371-4800 ext. 6000 with any questions.



White Fence Farm

THURSDAY, APRIL 23
DEPART FROM THE BIELA CENTER: 10:00AM
APPROX. RETURN: 3:30PM
4545 MIDLOTHIAN TURNPIKE, CRESTWOOD

Cost: \$95

Cost includes transportation, chicken lunch with sides, gratuity and performance

Full payment is due upon reservation by April 1st.

Join the Biela Center as we go enjoy the music of Denny "Diamond" Svehla at White Fence Farm in Romeoville as he performs a tribute to Neil Diamond. Audiences are transported back to the golden era of hits like "Sweet Caroline" and "Coming to America" along with hearing stories of his life, the inspiration behind some of his songs and how Denny came to be a part of the tribute industry.

Call the Biela Center at 708-371-4800 ext. 6000 with any questions.



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 ext. 6000

If you want your lunch to go, please mark it on the menu sheet ahead of time. If the lunch has already been plated, there will be a \$1 charge for a to-go container.

While we know there are emergencies, should you not cancel prior to the date and/or do not attend 3 or more dates for the month, this will result in you having to pay in advance for future lunches.

Please check the lunches you would like to attend:

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| <input type="radio"/> Friday, April 3rd | CLOSED - Good Friday |
| <input type="radio"/> Tuesday, April 7 | Beef Stew |
| <input type="radio"/> Friday, April 10 | Chili Dog Casserole |
| <input type="radio"/> Tuesday, April 14 | Egg, Cheese, and Canadian Bacon on English Muffin |
| <input type="radio"/> Friday, April 17 | Cheese Soup |
| <input type="radio"/> Tuesday, April 21 | Sloppy Joe |
| <input type="radio"/> Friday, April 24 | Chicken Pot Pie Casserole |
| <input type="radio"/> Tuesday, April 28 | Individual Cheese Pizza |

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

Name _____



Looking for a gift idea for a relative or neighbor? Try a Biela Lunch Certificate!

It doesn't need to be just for Christmas - Stop by the Biela and purchase a lunch certificate!!



BIELA SENIOR CENTER



Game Night at Biela!

FRIDAY, APRIL 10TH

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.

Color and Conversation

MONDAYS • 10 – 11AM

Do you remember the joy of grabbing a box of crayons and filling the pages of a coloring book as a child? Well guess what? Coloring isn't just for kids anymore! Come escape from everyday life, release your inner child, and lower your stress level. *All supplies will be provided!*



Scrabble at Biela!

MONDAYS • 12:00 - 2:00PM

BIELA SENIOR CENTER • 4545 MIDLOTHIAN TURNPIKE

Have fun while improving your memory, spelling and vocabulary!

DRURY LANE PRESENTS ... Father of the Bride

THURSDAY, APRIL 9TH

DEPART FROM THE BIELA CENTER:

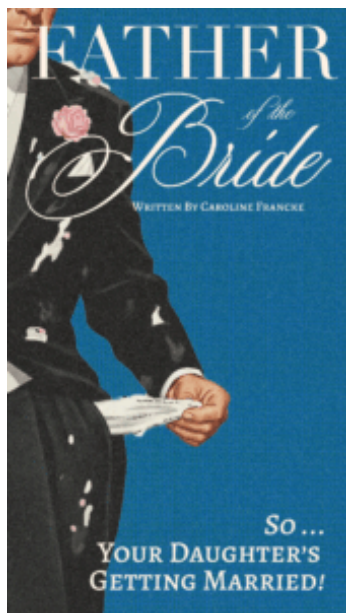
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4545 MIDLOTHIAN TURNPIKE,
CRESTWOOD

Cost: \$130

Cost includes transportation, lunch, gratuity and performance.

Full payment is due upon reservation by March 18



Choose from the following for your lunch entrée:

_____ Roasted Salmon _____ Three 2 oz. Petite Filets

DON'T MISS THE WEDDING OF THE SEASON!

Father of the Bride is the classic comedy that has touched our hearts for decades. Based on the novel that inspired the Elizabeth Taylor and Steve Martin films, this hilarious yet bittersweet play reminds us that sometimes the greatest love a father can give to his daughter is to let her go.

Call the Biela Center at 708-371-4800 ex. 6000 with any questions.

WANTED...VOLUNTEER BINGO CALLER

Do you like bingo, but don't always like to play?

Are you passionate about helping others?

Come share your sunshine at the Biela Center!

NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED!



4545 Midlothian Turnpike, Crestwood
Tuesday and/or Friday afternoons
12:30 – 3:30PM

For your support in assisting, you will be treated to a free lunch of the day, in addition to the opportunity to meeting and making new friends!

Please call Cindy at 708-371-4800 ex. 6001 for details

The gift of your time is priceless!

ILLINOIS SECRETARY of STATE
MobileDMV

Driver's License & State ID Cards – Standard & REAL ID
(First time, Renewal, Duplicate, Corrected)

Vehicle Registration / License Plate Stickers

For a full list of acceptable documents visit ILSOS.gov
* Written and road tests are not available at Mobile DMV events.

Date: Monday, May 4, 2026

Andrew Biela Center

4545 Midlothian Turnpike, Crestwood



IL Secretary of State
Alexi Giannoulias

Time: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Please call 708-371-4800 Ext. 6000 with any questions and/or to register.

Monday Movie Matinee

MONDAYS: 1:00 – 3:30 PM

4545 MIDLOTHIAN TURNPIKE,
CRESTWOOD

Come join us in the comfort of our living room! Free popcorn!



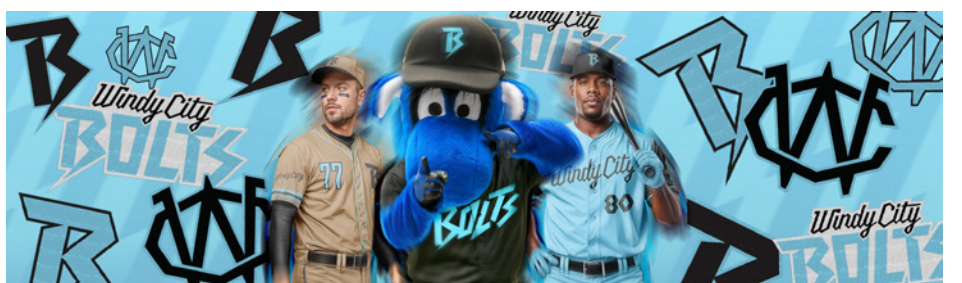
Bunco...let's roll!

1st and 3rd Thursday of every month, 1PM – 4PM

Are you looking for more ways to have fun, win some prizes, and love to play Bunco? Admission will be \$5.00 every time in order to win select prizes. We hope to see you there!



Join us at the Biela Center! 4545 Midlothian Turnpike, Crestwood
Please Contact Cindy with any questions @ 708-371-4800 ext. 6000



Join us cheer on our Windy City Thunderbolts as they take on the Joliet Slammers!

THURSDAY, MAY 28, 2026

DEPART FROM THE BIELA CENTER: 10:00 A.M.

(GAME TIME: 10:30 A.M.)

4545 MIDLOTHIAN TURNPIKE, CRESTWOOD

Cost: \$30

Cost includes premier seating in an executive suite, in addition to an All-You-Can-Eat lunch which will be extended until the end of the fifth inning.

Full payment is due upon reservation



Call the Biela Center at 708-371-4800 ex. 6000 with any questions.

COMMUNITY NEWS

*** WINDY CITY ***

BOLTS

2026

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SEPTEMBER						
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HOME

HOME FIREWORKS

OFF

AWAY

*ONLY THE 6PM GAME ON AUGUST 1ST WILL HAVE POST GAME FIREWORKS, NOT THE 1PM GAME
*THE MAY 10TH DOUBLE HEADER ARE BACK TO BACK 7 WINNING GAMES STARTING AT 1:05PM

PUBLIC OUTREACH MEETING

TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2026 • 6:30 PM
CRESTWOOD CIVIC CENTER | 13820 S. CICERO AVE.

RE: PROJECT ON THE MIDLOTHIAN TURNPIKE
 NEAR LAVERGNE AVE. TO **FIX THE FLOW OF THE STORMWATER** THROUGH MIDLOTHIAN AND CRESTWOOD.

PLEASE COME AND LISTEN TO THE PROJECTED WORK
 AND VOICE YOUR CONCERNS.

HELP UNWANTED PETS!

Crestwood **MENARDS**® will be accepting
 Pet Related Items from
April 1st - May 31st
 PLEASE DONATE IF YOU ARE ABLE!





**YOU'RE INVITED TO
NEW LIFE OAK FOREST**

GOOD FRIDAY - APRIL 3
SERVICE AT 7:00PM

EASTER SUNDAY - APRIL 5
10:00 AM

MOTHER'S DAY - MAY 11
10:00 AM

5333 151ST STREET
OAK FOREST, IL 60452
NEWLIFEOKFOREST.ORG

CELEBRATE EASTER ON SUNDAY, APRIL 5!

Whether you are new to our church or just coming back, you will experience welcoming people, dynamic worship, and an encouraging message from the Bible. Our Kids Zone for children, Nursery-5th is available during our service. We look forward to seeing you soon and celebrating the resurrection of Jesus this Easter at New Life!




Pastor Mike & Juliet Rodriguez

CRESTWOOD LIONS

CHEERLEADING

SIDELINE CHEER & COMPETITIONS

SHOES, POMS, UNIFORMS ARE INCLUDED IN FEES



CRESTWOOD LIONS TACKLE FOOTBALL

The CRWC is excited to announce the partnership with Crestwood Football to bring you the Crestwood Lions Tackle Football League



Early Reg: Nov 28th 2025 - Jan 14th 2026
\$300
\$150 Equipment Deposit (returned at end)

Price Increase: Jan 15th 2026 - May 1st 2026
\$325
\$150 Equipment Deposit (returned at end)






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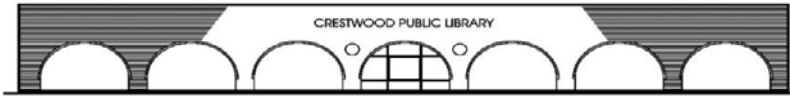


Spring 2026- Girls Flag Football League
 Crestwood, IL
 League beginning end of March-May 2026
 Leagues for girls 1st-8th grade
 Practice schedules will be determined by volunteer coaches. Game schedule will be determined after sign ups close
 \$100
 REGISTER BY MARCH 21ST TO PLAY!

crestwoodfitness.com

CRESTWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY

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

ADULTS

Tech Help Tuesdays

Tuesdays in April, 1 - 2 PM

Registration required for appointments. Stop by the library for assistance with basic tech questions like downloading apps or using your device. Please note, we are unable to help with malfunctioning equipment.

Stampin' Up Card Class

Monday, April 13th, 6 PM

Registration required. \$5 per person. Stop by the library and learn how to make one-of-a-kind greeting and holiday cards with Stampin' Up Instructor, Dee Tollaksen!



Medicare 101

Wednesday, April 15th, 6 PM

Registration encouraged. Join Bill Johnson, a local insurance agent, for Medicare 101, an informative program that breaks down the basics of Medicare, explains your coverage options, and helps you make confident, informed health-care decisions.

Bullet Journaling for Beginners

Thurs, April 16th, 6 PM

Registration required. Want to try bullet journaling, but have become too intimidated by the museum quality examples on Pinterest? Learn the basics of bullet journaling including sample layouts and possible uses to find the right fit for you and remove some stress from your life with artful organization.



Elder Fraud Avoidance

Mon, April 20th, 6 PM

Registration required. Space is limited. Local attorney Mike Maslanka will lead an informative program designed to help older adults recognize and avoid common fraud schemes, offering practical tips and guidance to stay financially safe.



Day Trips on a Dime

Monday, May 4th, 6:00 PM

Registration required. Join Melanie Holmes for an engaging talk where she shares creative, budget-friendly ideas for memorable local getaways. Discover how to explore hidden gems, plan affordable adventures, and make the most of day trips without breaking the bank.

Mystery Thriller Book Club

Thursday, April 30th, 6 PM

Join our Book Club to explore *The Last Flight* by Julie Clark. Two desperate women swap plane tickets to escape their dangerous lives until one flight crashes, the survivor assumes the other's identity only to uncover dark secrets that make her new freedom more dangerous than the life she fled.



Needles & Yarn

Monday, April 27th 6:30 PM

Bring your knitting, crocheting, or sewing projects to the library!



Celebrate
NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK
April 19-25, 2026

National Library Week

Celebrate National Library Week from April 20th - 25th at the library with opportunities to discover all the resources your library has to offer.

Food Drive

Support our community by donating non-perishable food items during our Food Drive, taking place from April 1st - 20th, and help make a meaningful difference for local families in need.

Illinois Libraries Present: Cristina Henríquez: Voice, Culture, and Human Connection

Thursday, April 16th, 7:00 PM

Online registration available via library website.

Critically acclaimed author Cristina Henríquez will discuss her new novel *The Great Divide*, which explores the lives of people affected by the construction of the Panama Canal and has been recognized by *The New York Times* and *TIME*. She will be joined by moderator Carmen Álvarez, a writer and advocate for libraries and Latinx representation in publishing.



YOUTH & FAMILIES

Easter Bunny Visit & Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 4th 12 - 1:30 PM

Children ages 1-12. Registration required. Families can join us for our annual Easter Bunny visit and egg hunt here at the library! Kids ages 1-12 can register for our egg hunt and visit with the Easter Bunny. Additional activities will be available.



Toddler Time

Fridays, April 10th and 17th, 10:30 AM

Registration required. Space is limited. Our Spring session continues this month. Children ages 1-3 years, with an adult, can come hear stories and songs, and make a simple craft during this 30-minute program.



Preschool Storytime

Fridays, April 10th and 17th, 12 PM

Registration required. Space is limited. Our spring session of storytime continues this month! Children ages 3-5 years, can come hear stories, move to music, and make a craft during this 45-minute program all on their own!

Board Games & Brownies

Tuesday, April 7th, 5:30 PM

All Ages. No registration needed. Drop-in program. Join us for an evening of board games, and you can snack on some yummy brownies. Families are welcome!



Kids Art Studio

Monday, April 13th, 4 PM

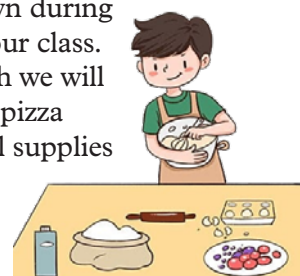
Children ages 6 and up. Registration required. Join us each month as we create a different art project using different art techniques each month. This month we will make paper flowers. All supplies will be provided.



Kids Kitchen

Tuesday, April 21st, 4 PM

Children ages 10 and up. Registration required. Kids will learn to make simple recipes that they can make on their own during this one hour class. This month we will make fruit pizza cookies. All supplies will be provided.



Family Bingo

Tuesday, April 28th, 6 PM

Registration required. Space is limited. Join us for a fun-filled hour of Pokemon themed BINGO - when the adult gets BINGO, the child wins the prize! Families, come and enjoy an evening of good fun and great prizes.

YOUR USUAL FAVORITES

Read to the Dogs

Tues, April 14th, 5 PM

Children in grades K-5. Reg required. Call for a 15-minute time slot.



LEGO Club

Thursdays, April 9th & May 7th, 4 PM

Children ages 6-12 years. Registration required.



Toddler STEAM

Thurs, April 23rd, 10:30 AM

Children ages 2-4 years with an adult. Registration required.

Messy Mondays

Mondays, April 6th & 20th, 10:30 AM

Children ages 2-4 years with an adult. Registration required.



Take Home Science Kit

Available Thursday, April 2nd

Children ages 6 years and up.

International Snack Club

Thurs, April 30th, 4 PM

Children ages 10 years and up. Registration required.

This month we'll explore snacks from Poland!



Monday Take & Make Craft Kit

Available every Monday while supplies last. Suitable for 3 and up.

FUN AND ENTERTAINMENT

Classified Advertising

TWO OAK TWIN BEDS
HEADBOARDS AND FRAMES
VERY GOOD CONDITION
\$40.00 EACH SET
FRANK (708) 388-1178

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 accommodates the digits 1-9, without repeating any.

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Crossword

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March Puzzle Solution

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ACROSS

- "The Raven" author
- Allow
- Pressure symbol
- Decades
- Bullfight call
- South African currency
- Matures
- Soap ingredient
- At one time
- Republic in SW Asia
- Aircraft shed
- Legendary emperor of China
- Ovum
- Ketchup
- Red dyes
- Grain beard
- Sesame plant
- Separate
- Gruesome
- Arable land temporarily sown with grass
- Rodent
- Lithe
- Bivalve mollusk
- Curve
- Young louse
- Relax
- Portico
- High-pitched
- Prefer
- Two-up
- Firmament
- Annoying insect

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- Clothesline clips
- Unique thing
- Short stories
- Bound ungainly
- Cathedral city
- Titter
- Tines
- Carolled
- Ancient Peruvian
- Chi. Slow moving martial art form
- The (German)
- French, water
- In the past
- Boulder
- Reverential fear
- An explosive
- Sexless things
- Zero
- Wily
- Daylong
- Prefix, whale
- Laughing dogs
- Seedy
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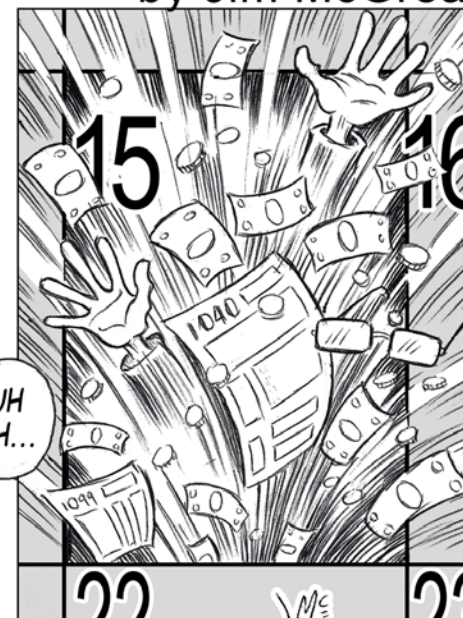
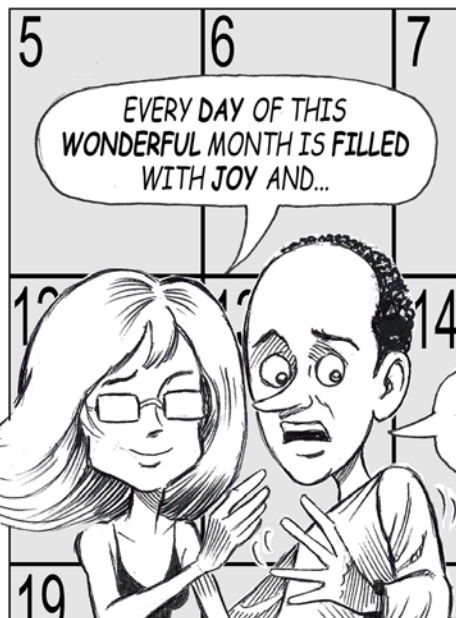
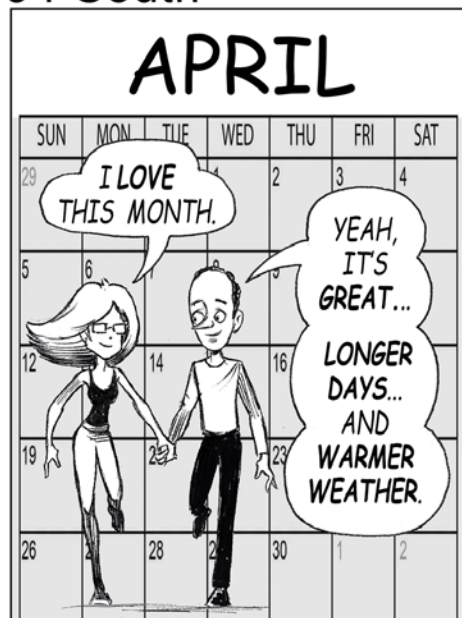
Riddle ??

Why did the duck get fired from his Easter job?

MARCH RIDDLE:
What has three feet but cannot walk?

ANSWER: A yardstick!

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CRWC Hours

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

NOTE: Pool closes 1 hour before we close during the week and always at 3pm on the weekend!

CLOSED ON EASTER SUNDAY!

Youth Activities

Youth Swim Lessons

April 14th - May 16th, 6 week session

The next youth swim lesson runs from April 14th-May 16th. This is a 6 week session starting after the holidays! Sign ups take place in person and are open to everyone on Monday, April 6th.

Crestwood Lions Tackle Football

The CRWC is excited to announce the partnership with Crestwood Football to bring you the Crestwood Lions Tackle Football League. The Crestwood Lions will be a part of the River Valley Football League and the season will run from Mid Aug-Early Nov. Mini Camps for players will begin in May- once a week. Early Registration begins on Nov 28th and will run through Feb 14th 2026 with the price increasing on Feb 15th 2026 - May 1st 2026.

Crestwood Lions Cheerleading

Come show your spirit and cheer on the sidelines for our Crestwood Lions Football Teams this season! The season will run from May 2026 - Nov 2026 and will be for ages 6-14yrs old. Cheerleaders will cheer on the sidelines of both home and away games of the Lion's teams. Registration begins on November 28th 2025 and the fee includes shoes, poms, and uniforms.

Southside NFL Flag Girls Leagues

The NFL Flag is coming to Crestwood, IL for a girls only league beginning the end of March 2026 through May 2026. This is for 1st-8th grade girls and grade levels will be split up. Registration can be found on our website and takes place online.

Southside NFL Flag Boys League

The NFL Flag is coming to Crestwood, IL for a boys only league beginning in July 2026. Full details will be released soon including dates, times registration info, and more soon!

Summer Camp

CRWC Summer Camp is now open for registration! Summer Camp at the CRWC is offered from June 8th-July 16th, Monday-Thursday: 8am-12pm. Campers participate in outdoor/indoor activities, arts & crafts, pool/water days, and weekly field trips. Field trips include, firehouse tours, movie days at the theater, Thunderbolts games, Hollywood Park, and more! You can sign up for the full camp or by the week.

Upcoming Events

CRWC Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 4th, 10am Walker Park Softball Fields Rain or Shine Event

Join us for a fun-filled morning of Easter eggs, excitement, and fun! This egg hunt is for children ages 0-12 years old. Kids will be divided into age groups and assigned to different fields upon arrival to make sure everyone has a fair and fun experience! Don't forget to bring a bag or basket to collect all the eggs you find! We ask that you register for this event using the google form on our website, so we are able to get a headcount for the event!



A huge thank you to all of our 2026 Easter Egg Sponsors!

Thank you for all your support & help with our event. Thanks to Windy City Thunderbolts, Cast Water Safety, Target, Woori, Buck's Farmstand, Chick Fil-A, Blackwood Outdoors, Raising Cane's, Walmart, Swim Learn Play, All Day Comfort, In The Game Hollywood Park, Becvar & Son.



Spring Sports Parade

Come cheer on our Crestwood Spring Sports in their Spring Sports Parade on Saturday, May 9th! The parade will line up behind Nathan Hale School on Highland Court and travel down West Playfield Drive to Playfield Park. The parade kicks off at 10am and can't wait to cheer on all Crestwood Spring Sports!



Workout Classes (not included in membership)

Zumba with Kristen Castillo

Tuesday & Thursdays • 7pm - 8pm

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.

Guided Yoga with Jessica Garces

Mondays, 7- 8pm

Wednesdays, 7pm-8pm

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!

Chair Yoga with Jessica Garces

Wednesdays • 5:30pm-6:30pm

Chair yoga is a gentle, supportive practice done seated or using a chair for balance. Through slow movements and mindful breathing, it helps ease tension, improve flexibility, and promote relaxation. Suitable for all abilities, this class offers a peaceful way to move, rest, and reconnect with your body.

Guided Yoga

This 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. Students will also learn well-being techniques and breathing practices to use on and off the mat.

- 7pm-8pm
- Monday & Wednesdays
- CRWC Multi Purpose Room

PRICING:
6 Class Pack: \$55
DROP IN: \$10

Bring a mat, water bottle, and comfortable clothing

