








VILLAGE MATTERS

Newsletter of the Village of Villa Park

SPRING/SUMMER 2025

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Villa Park Annual Independence Day Parade

Join us on Friday, July 4 for the annual Independence Day Parade hosted by the Villa Park VFW Post 2801. This year's theme is "Forever United." The parade kicks off at 10:00 am at Park Blvd. and Summit Ave., traveling through a 2-mile route before dispersing at Park Blvd. and Summit Ave. Visit invillapark.com/independence-day-parade soon for sponsorship and participation details!

Community Calendar



Follow us on Social Media!

Do you want to stay informed on all the happenings around town between issues of Village Matters? Be sure to follow all of our social media accounts for up-to-date information on events, news, and all things Villa Park!



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villaparkgovernment



X (formerly known as Twitter)
X.com/villapark_il



Instagram.com/
villageofvillapark



LinkedIn.com/company/
village-of-villa-park



Youtube.com/
@villageofvillapark3578

Board Meetings & Village Holidays Observed

Village of Villa Park Board Meeting

Apr 14, Apr 28, May 12, Jun 9,
Jun 23, Jul 14, Jul 28

7:00 pm, *Village Hall, Second Floor*

Committee of the Whole Meeting

Apr 14, May 12, Jun 9, Jul 14

6:00 pm, *Village Hall, Second Floor*

Coffee with the Village Board

Apr 5, May 3, Jun 7, Jul 5

9:00 am, *Village Hall, Second Floor*

Village Spring/Summer Holidays Observed 2025

Memorial Day: Monday, May 26

Independence Day: Friday, July 4



Community Events

Electronics Recycling

Every third Saturday of the month
9:00 am–12:00 pm

Public Works Garage, 20 W. Home Ave.

Saturday, April 19, May 17, June 21, July 19

Flashlight Egg Hunt

Friday, April 11 • 7:00 pm

Lufkin Park

Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 12 • 10:00 am

Lufkin Park

The DOG Gone Bunny Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 12 • 11:30 am

Lufkin Park

Mom and Son Night

Friday, May 9 • 6:00–8:00 pm

Villa Park Recreation Center

Spring Sweep

Saturday, May 17 • 9:00 am–12:00 pm

20 W. Home Ave.

Summer Concerts

Thursdays in June • 6:30 pm

Cortesi Veterans Memorial Park



Summer Children's Fishing Derby

Saturday, June 7 • 9:00 am–12:00 pm

North Terrace Park

Kites and Kicks

Sunday, June 8 • 11:00 am–3:00 pm

Rotary Park

Summer Festival

Saturday, June 21 • 11:00 am–10:30 pm

Ardmore Business District (Ardmore and Park Blvd, next to Illinois Prairie Path)

Independence Day Parade

Friday, July 4 • 10:00 am

Stay Connected

New Utility Billing Payment System

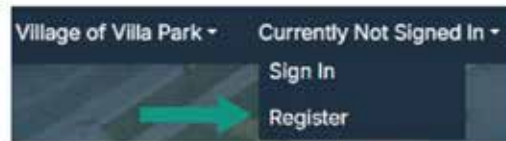
The Village of Villa Park has transitioned to a new payment system, BS&A, replacing Xpress Bill Pay. BS&A allows you to view bills, make payments, manage autopay, and sign up for paperless billing. Registration is only required for autopay or paperless billing. For your account number, check your most recent bill or email statement. If you do not use online bill pay, no changes apply to your payment method. For help, refer to our how-to guides at invillapark.com/billing or contact the Finance Department at 630-834-8500.

Join a Commission

If you want to see changes around town or are happy with the way things are and want to keep them that way, consider joining one of our commissions! Be the voice for what you believe in! You must be a Villa Park resident. To learn more about each commission and apply, visit invillapark.com/committees-boards-commissions.

- Economic Development Commission
- Board of Fire and Police Commission
- Community F.U.N. Commission
- Environmental Concerns Commission
- Bike, Pedestrian, and Transit Sub-Committee
- Firefighter Pension Fund Board
- Historical Preservation Commission
- Local Liquor Control Commission
- NEDSRA Board of Trustees
- Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission
- Planning and Zoning Commission
- Police Pension Board
- Senior Concerns Commission
- Sugar Creek Golf Course Administrative Board
- Traffic and Safety Concerns Commission
- Video Production Committee

PAYMENT CHANGES NOW LIVE



Pay a Bill

Pay utility bills.



Visit invillapark.com/billing



Finance Department:
630-834-8500

The Village Roundup Biweekly E-Newsletter

Our bi-weekly e-mail newsletter will keep you informed about the latest updates and upcoming events in our community. Stay in the loop about village-sponsored activities, local initiatives, and important news that affects our residents. Scan the QR code to sign up today!

invillapark.com/villageroundup



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Village President's Message

Fellow Residents of Villa Park,

This will be my last Village Matters letter; I can't believe how quickly the past four years have gone by. It has been my honor to have served as a Trustee for six years and your Village President for four years. I am proud of the accomplishments we have seen, culminating with the construction of the Villa Park Recreation Center which has been in the planning stages for several years. I have worked with many dedicated Board Members and Villa Park employees and am grateful for the time I have spent with these people. Villa Park has shown much improvement including public works projects, new businesses, and many new residents who enjoy the fine amenities we have to offer. I look forward to seeing these improvements continue in the coming years.



These past few months have seen a lot of activity in Villa Park. Our Joyful Traditions was another success with many people coming out to see Santa and start the Christmas season on the Prairie Path. The new Recreation Center opened on January 3, a ribbon cutting was held on January 13, and the facility has been well used since opening. Although our street projects were temporarily stopped for the Winter, planning for the 2025 construction season continued and our Public Works Department is readying for several large projects including the final stage of the Jackson Pond expansion. As usual, this looks to be a busy year coming up!

Now that Spring is here, let's enjoy all the Spring activities we love—bicycling the several paths in Villa Park, playing baseball, walking, jogging, and planting the beautiful flowers and trees we see in our Village.

Thank you again for the opportunity to have been of service to the Village of Villa Park. I appreciate the trust our residents have put in me. Villa Park truly is one of the best places to live and raise a family and I am confident this will continue long into the future. Have a great Spring and Summer, and I hope to see you around town.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nick Cuzzone".

Nick Cuzzone
Village President
PresidentCuzzone@invillapark.com
630.601.8113

Village Mission Statement

The Village of Villa Park is committed to providing superior municipal services in a responsive, effective, and fiscally responsible manner while maintaining a good quality of life for our residents and businesses alike.

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Village Manager's Message

Villa Park Residents, Business Owners, and Visitors,

Spring in Villa Park is special with Youth Baseball season starting, trees budding, and trails inviting you to walk or bike, now accessible via the new Tri-Trail Connector completed last fall. Driving along the Great Western Trail, you'll notice new Rectangular Rapid-Flashing Beacons (RRFBs) at Ardmore and other trail intersections. Construction of The Union Apartments is also underway on Villa Avenue, and across the street, you'll see the Villa Park Recreation Center (VPRC), which opened January 3. These are just a few of the accomplishments made over the past year based on the Board of Trustees' priorities and budget.



By the publication time we will likely know our next Village President. It has been an honor to work with our outgoing President, Nick Cuzzone. He has been a dedicated public servant for the last eight years—the last four as President. We met weekly to review the agenda, and Nick participated on numerous phone calls and meetings, attended groundbreakings, grand openings, Chamber of Commerce events, and was active in the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference where he served on the Legislative Committee. He also serves on the Board of Directors of the DuPage Water Commission where his training as a chemical engineer comes in handy, all of for the annual salary of \$4,500. Clearly no one does this for the money, like President Cuzzone, they do it for the love of Villa Park.

We anticipate turning on the Lufkin Park splash pad on May 1, weather permitting. Lufkin Park was paid for by a \$400,000 Open Space Land Acquisition and Development (OSLAD) Grant from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. It is unusual to get grants in consecutive years, but the Parks & Recreation Department obtained a second one to rebuild Lions Park, outside of the VPRC. This will include a playground, basketball court, pickleball court, and picnic pavilion. The completion of the VPRC campus will include some additional parking, possibly as early as 2026.

We hear concerns about the lack of resources on the north side. In the past year, we completed improvements to Iowa, Vermont, and Wisconsin (Vermont to Ridge). We also began tree trimming the north part of town in 2023-2024 and with additional staff plan to trim over 13,000 trees by 2026, starting in the northwest part of the Village. Unfortunately, the project once known as Garden Station and EcoTerra north of the Metra train station is no longer moving forward. All zoning rights have been rescinded, and we are working to clear and seed the site for grass. While the Village doesn't own the property and has no plans to purchase it, we're hopeful a new developer will come forward with a new plan.

This year, we will continue work on the 2014/2017 referendum projects, including parts of South Wisconsin, South Addison, and West Madison, as well as finishing the Jackson Area Improvement Project, except for East Jack from Addison to Ardmore, which will be completed in 2026. The repurposing of the Iowa Community Center to be a temporary home to the Fire Stations will begin soon.

It won't be long until the summer concerts will be back, and summer will be in full swing. That means the annual Villa Park VFW 4th of July Parade will start again at 10:00 am and follow last year's route. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the Village Manager's office or the VFW. It continues to be an honor and a privilege to serve this community. I look forward to seeing you at the concerts this summer.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Matt Harline".

Matt Harline
Village Manager
mharline@invillapark.com
630-592-6052

Green Initiatives

2025 SPRING SWEEP RECYCLING & SHREDDING EVENT

SATURDAY, MAY 17 | 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM | HOME AVE



Spring Sweep

Saturday, May 17 • 9:00 am–12:00 pm • 20 W. Home Ave.

The Environmental Concerns Commission and the Community F.U.N. Commission are once again teaming up to bring residents the 2025 Villa Park Spring Sweep. This event offers a convenient, drive-through recycling experience where residents can dispose of items safely from the comfort of their vehicles. Simply load your car, drive to the event, and volunteers will assist with unloading while attendees remain in their vehicles. The event is free for Villa Park residents, but there is a \$20 flat fee per vehicle for non-residents for electronics and paper shredding. Some vendors may charge additional fees, which are marked with an asterisk (*) on the flyer. Traffic will enter from Harvard Avenue and exit onto Ardmore Avenue, and attendees are asked to pack recyclable items in the trunk of their vehicle in easy-to-carry boxes, clearly labeled with their contents. For more information, visit our website at invillapark.com/spring-sweep.



No Mow Til Mother's Day

The Village of Villa Park and the Environmental Concerns Commission invite residents to join the "No Mow 'Til Mother's Day" initiative. By avoiding lawn mowing (or part of it), participants help support local ecology, pollinators, and wildlife. Code enforcement will be suspended for overgrown grass during this period, and no registration is required to participate. Signage will be available at Village Hall while supplies last. This program supports the springtime growth of plants like clover and dandelions, which provide food for birds and pollinators. For more details, visit our website at invillapark.com/no-mow-mothers-day

Arbor Day

Friday, April 25

Join us for our annual Arbor Day Celebration at Lufkin Park! The time and tree planting details are still being finalized, so be sure to check our social media for updates. We are proud to announce that Villa Park has once again been named a Tree City!



Prairie Path Cleanup

Saturday, April 26

In celebration of "Celebrate Trails Day" and Earth Day, the Illinois Prairie Path Corporation, in partnership with the Friends of the Great Western Trails, several municipalities, DuPage County, and other organizations, will hold its annual cleanup on Saturday, April 26 at 9:00 am. Bring gloves, wear sturdy shoes and long pants! Meet us at the Historical Museum at 220 S. Villa Ave. To volunteer, sign up at ipp.org/cleanup.

Chamber of Commerce



Ribbon Cuttings

Aspire Advanced Dentistry

Thursday, April 24 • 6:00 pm
43 W. Roosevelt Road



Face by Sal

Saturday, May 10 • 12:00 pm
113 S. Villa Avenue



Monday Public Office Hours

Take part in Monday Public Office Hours! Every week, the Chamber of Commerce will be conducting business from various local businesses and public locations around town to talk all things Villa Park business. Visit our calendar to see the location each week and stay connected with us!
villaparkchamber.org/events/calendar

Spring Installation Event

Thursday, April 17 • 6:00–9:00 pm
Crazy Pour Sports Bar, 105 E North Ave.

Join us for our Spring Installation event! This is a great opportunity to meet and mingle with the Chamber Board and Members. Enjoy pizza, appetizers, and a cash bar with your admission. Cost is \$20. We look forward to seeing you there! Register online by scanning the QR code!



Community & Economic Development

Building Permits are Online!

With the Village's roll-out of our new permitting software, all building permit types are available for online application, review, payment, and even issued so you never have to come into the office.

Visit invillapark.com/permitting or scan the QR code!

Our permitting staff, Kristin and Mandy, will continue to provide assistance on emailed or paper applications and drawings. They are happy to help and assist you! Please remember, most construction projects require a building permit. Also, all building permits have inspections.

Building Permits Save Lives:

- Construction projects that meet modern building codes provide life safety measures.
- Building inspections ensure work has been completed to meet life safety standards.
- A finalized building permit provides peace of mind the work is completed per plan.

Building Permits Increase Property Values and Marketability:

- Work Without a Permit are red flags during home inspections and will be reported to the Buyer.
- Mortgage lenders are less likely to underwrite loans for homes that have Work Without a Permit.

Please contact Community & Economic Development regarding all building permit questions at 630-433-4300 or permits@invillapark.com



**Scan for
Building
Permit Online
Application**



Public Works

2025 Construction Projects Update

Plymouth Street Water Tower Repainting

The Village has awarded a \$786,849 contract to Eva-Valdivia for the rehabilitation of the Plymouth Street Water Tower. This project includes interior and exterior painting, including the Village logo, and sandblasting. Work will begin in early spring and is expected to be completed by late summer 2025.

Jackson Area Expansion

Construction of the Jackson Area Improvement Project began February 28, 2025. This \$6 million project will upgrade stormwater sewers along Madison, Wisconsin, and Addison Streets to reduce flooding. Work will continue through fall 2025, with staged construction to minimize disruptions to residents.

2025 Sidewalk Program

Bidding for the 2025 Sidewalk Program is set for early spring. The program includes new sidewalks along Maple Avenue (Summit to Illinois) and Illinois Street (Maple to Division), along with repairs to existing sidewalks. Construction will begin in May and is expected to finish by late summer.

DCEO Grant Drainage Projects

Bidding for the DCEO Drainage Improvement Project will take place in spring 2025. The project will improve drainage along Ridge Road (Westmore to Roy) and the Ellsworth Right of Way (Schiller to North Avenue). Construction is expected to begin in summer 2025.

North Harvard Avenue Water Main Improvement

The Village plans to improve the water main along Harvard Avenue from Plymouth to Ridge Road. The project will bid in early spring 2025, with construction set to begin after the school year to avoid disrupting North Elementary School. Completion is expected by early fall.

Washington Sewer Separation

Engineering for the Washington Street sewer separation project is underway. The project, which extends a new storm sewer along Washington and Euclid, will help with sewer separation. Funding will be sought from the IEPA, with construction anticipated to begin in 2026.

Westmore & Wisconsin Sewer Separation

Engineering design for the sewer separation along Westmore and Wisconsin is in progress. The project will reconstruct roadways and separate storm and sanitary sewers. With IEPA funding, construction is targeted for 2026.

For more details, visit invillapark.com/construction-projects. Thank you to residents, businesses, and commuters for your cooperation during this busy construction season!

Landscape Waste Collection

Curbside yard waste collection will begin Monday, March 31. Yard waste must be in containers (metal/plastic, 2 handles) not exceeding 50 lbs/35 gallons, biodegradable paper bags (50 lbs/35 gallons), or securely tied bundles with biodegradable twine (no longer than 4 feet and 50 lbs). Unbundled brush will not be collected.

Each container must have a yard waste sticker, available for \$3.00 at:

- Village Hall, 20 Ardmore Ave
- Villa Park Ace, 46 S. Villa Ave
- Jewel-Osco, 33 E. St Charles Rd
- Lombard Ace Hardware, 837 Westmore-Meyers Rd
- Johnson's Lighthouse Marathon, 1 W. St Charles Rd

Water Main Flushing Operations

The Village will conduct its semi-annual water main flushing from May 5-9, 2025, between 8:00 am-3:00 pm.

This maintenance clears rust deposits and checks fire hydrants. Residents are advised to avoid doing laundry during these hours to prevent

rust stains. We appreciate your patience and understanding. Contact the Public Works Department at 630-834-8505 with questions.



Home Flood Prevention Reimbursement Program

The Village is offering a Home Flood Prevention Reimbursement Program to assist homeowners with funding certain flood-prevention projects that protect their homes and improve the Village's sanitary sewer system.

To learn more and request an eligibility determination, visit invillapark.com/flood-prevention-reimbursement, or scan the QR code to fill out your Request for Eligibility form.



Scan for
Flood
Prevention
Reimbursement
Eligibility
Request Form

Fire Department

The Villa Park Fire Department Welcomes New Members

We are excited to welcome three new members to our Fire Department Family: Candidate Evan Swanson, Candidate Will Schermer, and Candidate Steven Schimanski. We look forward to their contributions and service to the community!



Outdoor Cooking Safety Tips

With warmer weather comes grilling season! Keep these safety tips in mind to ensure a safe outdoor cooking experience and enjoy a safe grilling season!

- Place your grill away from the home, deck railings, eaves, and overhanging branches.
- Keep children and pets at least three feet from the grill.
- Clean your grill regularly by removing grease and fat buildup.
- Never leave your grill unattended.
- Always open the lid before lighting a gas grill.
- Use only charcoal starter fluid for charcoal grills.
- Let coals cool completely before disposing of them in a metal container.



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the grill
safety flyer!



Flood Preparedness Tips

Before a Flood

- Store items at least two feet off the basement floor.
- Have a fueled generator and extra extension cords ready.
- Prepare flashlights (avoid candles) and a battery backup sump pump.
- Create a contingency plan, including a place to go if the power is out for an extended period.

During a Flood

- Never walk through moving water more than 6 inches deep.
- Don't drive through flooded areas; vehicles can be swept away in just 2 feet of water.
- If your vehicle stalls in water, exit immediately and move to higher ground.

After a Flood

- Watch for downed electrical lines and weakened roads/bridges.
- Stay out of flooded buildings and avoid floodwater—it may be contaminated.
- Discard any food touched by floodwater.
- Have a licensed electrician inspect flooded electrical outlets and wiring.

Spring Cleaning for Fire Safety

- Test your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms.
- Keep fire extinguishers charged and easily accessible.
- Ensure doors and windows open easily for quick escape.
- Display your house number clearly for emergency responders.
- Create a family escape plan with a map and two routes per room, including provisions for pets and a meeting place outside.
- Practice your escape plan regularly.
- Clean the lint trap and exhaust duct on your clothes dryer.
- Remove dead leaves and debris from around foundations, decks, porches, and stairs.



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the spring
cleaning flyer!

Police Department



April is Distracted Driving Awareness Month

The Villa Park Police Department will once again conduct enforcement during Distracted Driving Awareness Month this April. Last year, the department issued 71 citations for hands-free law violations, made 1 arrest for a driver's license violation, issued 28 citations for other traffic violations, and gave 1 citation for a child safety seat violation. "Driver distraction is a persistent issue in Villa Park that can have life-altering consequences," said Sgt. James Cihak. The Villa Park Police Department worked with the Illinois State Police and other local law enforcement partners in this campaign, funded by federal traffic safety funds from the Illinois Department of Transportation. **Stay aware and stay safe on the roads.**

School Bus Safety: A Reminder for Motorists

As the end of the school year approaches, the Villa Park Police Department wants to remind everyone about school bus safety. They will be increasing enforcement efforts to ensure the safety of students.

The Most Dangerous Part: The Bus Stop

The greatest risk to children isn't the bus ride itself, but getting on or off the bus. Tragically, many child fatalities in bus-related accidents occur when children are hit by the bus or by motorists illegally passing a stopped bus. Always exercise extra caution near bus stops and school zones.

Know the Law: Passing a Stopped School Bus

In Illinois, it's illegal to pass a school bus with its stop sign extended and red lights flashing. Violations can result in a ticket, and your driver's license could be suspended for three months or longer for repeated offenses.

When to Stop

- Two-lane roads: All vehicles must stop in both directions when the bus is picking up or dropping off students.
- Four-lane roads: You only need to stop if the bus is in your lane.

Bus Drivers' Role

Bus drivers report violations to local police, and violators may receive a reminder letter, though no penalties are imposed.



Why It's Dangerous for Children

Children can be easily distracted and may not understand the dangers of moving vehicles. They may not judge traffic speed or distance and often expect vehicles to stop when they are at a bus stop.

Illinois Law

The Illinois Vehicle Code requires drivers to stop for school buses with flashing lights when children are boarding or exiting.

Stay Safe, Stay Informed

Let's all work together to keep our children safe by following the law and being vigilant around school buses!

Reminder: No Overnight Parking on Village Streets

Please remember that overnight parking is not allowed on village streets between 2:00 am and 6:00 am. However, if you need to park on the street during these hours, you can request permission online at the following link or scanning the QR code: frontlinepss.com/villapark

Parking Request Guidelines:

- You are allowed **6 overnight parking requests per month**.
- You can request up to **3 consecutive days** of overnight parking.
- If you need more than 6 days or more than 3 consecutive days, please call **630-834-7447** to obtain permission.

Thank you for your cooperation in helping keep our streets clear for overnight maintenance and safety!



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Parks, Buildings, & Grounds

Parks, Buildings & Grounds

Lufkin Park Renovation Update

The Lufkin Park Renovation Project was completed in the summer of 2024, but we're excited to share that additional features are planned for 2025. Interpretive signage highlighting native plants and animals will be added around the pond, along with adjustments to the pathways to address some settling from the first season. New pathways will also be added, leading to the pond and outcropping stones. A few Pollinator Garden beds will be installed, and updated signage will be placed near the splash pad and playground amenities.



Lions Park OSLAD Improvements

Improvements to Lions Park are estimated to be completed by July 2025. Below is an approximate project timeline. For more information and updates, visit the Village website at invillapark.com/parks-recreation-updates.

In addition to these OSLAD improvements, the Village will be upgrading the baseball field on the north end of the park. The upgrades will include new fencing, a home run fence, re-grading the infield, and safety netting for the right field.

Lion's Park Estimated Project Timeline

- **Site Preparation & Earthwork:** April 1–24, 2025
- **Concrete Work:** April 28–May 28, 2025
- **Playground Installation:** May 12–29, 2025
- **Site Furnishings:** May 29–June 13, 2025
- **Asphalt Work:** May 12–22, 2025
- **Fence Installation:** May 26–June 10, 2025
- **Drainage:** May 30–June 6, 2025
- **Poured in Place Installation:** June 9–20, 2025
- **Restoration:** June 23–July 11, 2025

Party Trailer Rentals

Villa Park has two Party Trailers available for rent! Book yours today for your upcoming weekend event. Check availability and complete your application at invillapark.com/block-parties.



For the latest updates, visit our website at invillapark.com/parks-recreation-updates.

All Parks

We are always working to improve our buildings, parks, and playgrounds. Routine inspections of parks, sports fields, playgrounds, buildings, and other amenities help us identify and address any issues in a timely manner. We value the assistance of Village staff and residents in notifying us of any concerns as soon as they arise. For your convenience, you can also submit requests through the MyVillaPark app, where you can attach photos or videos and track the status of your request. To learn more, visit invillapark.com/myvillapark. Thank you for helping us keep our community spaces safe and enjoyable!

Family Events & Free Programs

There's a lot Hop-Hop-Happening at Lufkin Park, 1000 S. Ardmore Avenue!

Note: Please pre-register is encouraged and all egg hunts are rain or shine. See more details at invillapark.com/vprc-events

Flashlight Egg Hunt

Friday, April 11 • 7:00 pm **Sharp**
Ages: 11-16 • \$5 • Lufkin Park

Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 12 • 10:00 am **Sharp**
All Ages • \$5 • Lufkin Park



The DOG Gone Bunny Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 12 • 11:30 am **Sharp**
\$5 per dog • Lufkin Park

This one's for the dogs who must remain on leash; no shock collars allowed.

Mom and Son Night

Friday, May 9 • 6:00–8:00 pm
All ages • \$45 per couple/\$20 each additional son
Villa Park Recreation Center

Young men and their special date are invited to enjoy an evening out. Enjoy great music, a keepsake photo from the photobooth, games, activities, snacks and desserts.

Summer Children's Fishing Derby

Saturday, June 7 • 9:00 am–12:00 pm
FREE • North Terrace Park

Bring the family, a picnic basket, and enjoy a fun day of fishing! No license needed for kids under 16. Prizes will be awarded for the largest, smallest, and most fish caught, thanks to the Villa Park Sportsmen's Club. Registration is not required. Don't forget your tackle and bait!



Jefferson Pool

Pool passes go on sale May 1! The pool will be open Saturday, May 24–Sunday, August 31. Purchase in person at the VPRC or online at invillapark.com/registration.



As of press time programming is scheduled as shown on this page. Please call the Recreation Department at 630-749-3200 for updates as needed.

Early Childhood Preschool 2025–2026 school year

2025–2026 school year Open Registration: February 24, 2025
Classes begin the week of September 8.

2½-Year Old Program 9:00–11:00 am M/W
(Must be 2½ by 9/1/25)

3-Year Old Program 9:00–11:30 am Tu/Th
(Must be 3 and bathroom independent by 9/1/25)

4-Year Old Program 9:00–11:30 am M/W/F
(Must be 4 and bathroom independent by 9/1/25)

Preschool Prep 2-Year-Old Program

2-Year Old Program 9:00–10:30 am F
(Must be 2 by 9/1/25, Sep 12–Dec 12)



Scan to register online

Summer Concerts

Thursdays in June • 6:30 pm • Cortesi Veterans Memorial Park
Visit our website to view the lineup this year! We can't wait for another great summer of music and fun.
invillapark.com/summer-concerts

Summer Festival

Saturday, June 21 • 11:00 am–10:30 pm
Ardmore Business District
(Ardmore and Park Blvd, next to Illinois Prairie Path)

Visit our website for more details coming soon including the music lineup and food vendors at invillapark.com/summer-festival!

Summer Camp

Registration is now open for ages 2-12! Camp runs June 2–August 8. Register in person at the VPRC or online at invillapark.com/summer-camp.

Library

Northern Illinois Lego® Train Club Show

Saturday, April 26 • 9:30 am–4:00 pm

Sunday, April 27 • 1:00–4:30 pm

Come and experience the Northern Illinois LEGO® Train Club's huge LEGO® display! The club members have created a whimsical world built out of LEGO® for all to enjoy. See tall buildings, custom trains, and more! This is a drop-in program. Sponsored by the Friends of the Villa Park Library.

Spring Craft & Vendor Fair

Saturday, May 4 • 11:00 am–2:00 pm



Summer Reading Program

Tuesday, May 27–Friday, August 1

Join the Summer Reading Program this year—read for enjoyment and a chance to win prizes! We're offering a variety of activities and incentives all summer long. Summer reading is easy, fun, and open to everyone! For more information, visit the library to sign-up in person, or online with Beanstack at vppl.beanstack.org/reader365.



To reach the library

For more information on these and other library events and services, visit the library's website at vppl.info or call 630-834-1164.

Library Family Concerts

Wednesdays, June 11, 18, 25 • 6:30 pm

Ruggard Gazebo

Join us at the Ruggard Gazebo in June! Bring along a blanket or chairs and enjoy the summer weather with fun and lively musical entertainment. This is a free event! Children under 12 with adult, please.

This event will be held at the Ruggard Gazebo, located off of Ardmore Avenue, along the Prairie Path.

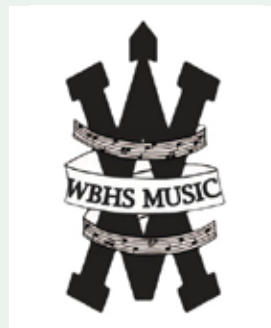
Note: In case of inclement weather, the first two concerts will be held indoors at the Villa Park Public Library, and the last concert will be held at Willowbrook High School.



June 11:
The BenAnna Band



June 18:
Little Miss Ann



June 25:
Willowbrook High School Band

Library Closings

Sunday, April 20: Easter

Sunday, May 4: First Sunday closed for the summer

Monday, May 26: Memorial Day

Friday, July 4: Independence Day

SCHOOL DISTRICT 88

This year, Willowbrook High School—part of DuPage High School District 88—is excited to implement a new opportunity for students: the U.S. Army Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (JROTC) program.

What do Students Learn Through JROTC?

- The program focuses on teaching students: Character, Personal social responsibility, Student achievement, Fitness, Leadership, Teamwork, Selfless service to community and others.

What is involved in the JROTC Program?

- **Academics:** Grades are based on quizzes, assignments, participation, attendance and presentations.
- **Weekly Events:** Every Friday, students participate in physical training. This includes team-building sports and



a biannual Cadet Challenge. Students also participate in a drill and ceremony/uniform inspection each week.

For more information about the JROTC program at Willowbrook, go to dupage88.net/WBJROTCProgram.

SCHOOL DISTRICT 48

District 48 is on the move, celebrating academic excellence and student achievement across its three schools. Albright Middle School's cheerleading squad earned a well-deserved first-place victory in their conference after countless hours of practice and dedication. Additionally, the district believes in providing enriching experiences; students in grades 5-8 had the opportunity to learn and refine their skills out on the slopes. District 48 is committed to ensuring students not only succeed academically but also enjoy unique opportunities during their time in the district.

This spring, construction will begin at all three District 48 schools, continuing throughout the summer with the goal of completing the majority of the renovations before



students return in the fall. All three buildings will have a new, more secure entryway. Salt Creek Primary looks forward to an addition, and Albright Middle School cannot wait to host students and guests in a new gymnasium! We are deeply appreciative to the community for supporting our referendum for this work.

SCHOOL DISTRICT 45

School District 45 Kindergarten registration for 2025-2026

Tell a friend or neighbor: Registration for District 45 Kindergarten is now open. To register your child for Kindergarten, your child must be five (5) years old on or before September 1, 2025. To register, contact the school where your child will be enrolled for more information and schedule a time to submit your documents. You do not need to pay your fees at the time of registration. Fees can be paid at a later date.

Ardmore: (630) 516-7370 | North: (630) 516-7790
Schafer: (630) 516-6500 | Stevenson: (630) 516-7780
Westmore: (630) 516-7500
Visit d45.org/registration for more information.



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Visit our website to view the newly elected officials taking office May 2025!

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Village Hours

Hours may vary

Village Hall:

Mon-Fri: 9:00 am–5:00 pm
630-834-8500

Finance Department:

Mon-Fri: 9:00 am–5:00 pm
630-834-8500

Public Works:

Mon-Fri: 7:30 am–4:00 pm
630-834-8505

Community & Economic Development:

Mon-Fri: 9:00 am–4:00 pm
630-433-4300

Villa Park Recreation Center:

Mon-Fri: 9:00 am–7:00 pm
Saturday: 9:00 am–1:00 pm
VPRC Fitness Center Hours
Mon-Fri: 5:30 am–9:00 pm
Sat-Sun: 7:00 am–6:00 pm

Police Department:

Mon-Fri: 7:00 am–7:00 pm
Weekends & Holidays Closed
Non-Emergency Phone Number:
630-834-7447

Fire Department:

Mon-Fri: 8:00 am–4:30 pm
630-833-5350

Villa Park Public Library:

Mon-Thu: 9:30 am–9:00 pm
Fri & Satur: 9:30 am–5:00 pm
Sun: (April) 1:00–5:00 pm
Sun: (May-July) Closed

My Villa Park App

Are you tired of having to call or visit City Hall to report issues in your community?

There's an easier way! With the My Villa Park mobile app, you can submit service requests with just a few taps on your phone.

To get started, simply download the My Villa Park app from the App Store or Google Play. Once you open the app, select the "Submit a Service Request" button. From there, choose the type of request you want to submit, whether it's a pothole, a broken streetlight, or a missed trash pickup.

You'll be prompted to take a photo of the issue and provide a brief description. Plus, you can track the status of your request and receive updates on when it will be addressed.

The app also offers links to the website, village news, job opportunities, community events, and more!

So why wait? Download the My Villa Park app today to stay connected with the community and easily report any issues. Learn more at invillapark.com/myvillapark.

Extreme Heat-Cooling Centers

You can find a full list of heating and cooling centers by distance at www.dupagecris.org. The Villa Park Public Library is a registered cooling center, during their normal business hours. Heat-related illnesses are preventable. Learn the symptoms and what to do if you or a loved one shows signs of having a heat-related illness at www.cdc.gov/disasters/extremeheat/warning.html.

