




VILLAGE MATTERS

Newsletter of the Village of Villa Park

SUMMER 2026

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Villa Park Annual Independence Day Parade

Join us on Saturday, July 4, 2026, as we celebrate Independence Day and America's 250th Anniversary at the annual parade hosted by Villa Park VFW Post 2801! The parade steps off at 10:00 am at Park Blvd. and Summit Ave., traveling a two-mile route through Villa Park before concluding back at Park Blvd. and Summit Ave. This milestone year marks 250 years of American independence—don't miss this special community celebration filled with patriotic spirit and hometown pride. Visit invillapark.com/independence-day-parade 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!



 [Facebook.com/villaparkgovernment](https://www.facebook.com/villaparkgovernment)

 X (formerly known as Twitter)
[X.com/villapark_il](https://twitter.com/villapark_il)

 [Instagram.com/villageofvillapark](https://www.instagram.com/villageofvillapark)

 [Linkedin.com/company/village-of-villa-park](https://www.linkedin.com/company/village-of-villa-park)

 [Youtube.com/@villageofvillapark3578](https://www.youtube.com/@villageofvillapark3578)

Board Meetings & Village Holidays Observed

Village of Villa Park Board Meeting
Apr 13, Apr 27, May 11, Jun 8, Jun 22, Jul 13 & Jul 27
7:00 pm, *Village Hall, Second Floor*

Committee of the Whole Meeting
Apr 13, May 11, Jun 8 & Jul 13
6:00 pm, *Village Hall, Second Floor*

Coffee with the Village Board
Apr 4, May 2 & Jun 6
9:00 am, *Village Hall, Second Floor*

Village Summer Holidays Observed 2026
Memorial Day: Monday, May 25
Independence Day: Saturday, July 4
(Observed Friday, July 3)



Community Events

Electronics Recycling
Every third Saturday of the month
Saturday Apr 18, May 16, Jun 20 & Jul 18
9:00 am–12:00 pm
Public Works Garage, 20 W. Home Ave.

Me & My VIP Dance
Friday, April 10 • 6:00-8:00 pm
Villa Park Recreation Center

Group Relaxed-Paced Bike Ride
Friday, April 17-Friday, May 22
Villa Ave. (Near the Historical Museum)

Illinois Prairie Path Annual Trail Clean Up
Saturday, April 25 • 9:00 am

Mom and Son Night
Friday, May 1 • 6:00- 8:00 pm
Villa Park Recreation Center

Spring Craft & Vendor Sale
Sunday, May 3 • 11:00 am-2:00 pm
Villa Park Public Library

Bike Safety Rodeo
Sunday, May 3 • 1:00-3:00 pm
Prairie Path & Ardmore Ave.

Spring Sweep
Saturday, May 16 • 9:00 am-12:00 pm
20 W. Home Ave.

Villa Park's Got Talent
Saturday, May 16 • 11:00 am-4:00 pm
Lufkin Park Performance Shelter

Villa Park Summer Concerts
Thursdays in June & August • 6:30 pm
Ruggard Gazebo

Family Fishing Derby
Saturday, June 6 • 9:00 am-12:00 pm
North Terrace Park

Library Family Concerts
Wednesdays, June 17, 24 & July 1 • 6:30 pm
Ruggard Gazebo

Kites & Kicks
Sunday, June 14 • 11:00 am-3:00 pm
Rotary Park

Kiwanis Summer Concerts
Wednesday, July 8 & July 22 • 6:30 pm
Ruggard Gazebo

Independence Day Parade
Saturday, July 4 • 10:00 am



Stay Connected

Utility Billing Payment System

The Village of Villa Park transitioned to a new payment system in January 2025, BS&A, replacing Xpress Bill Pay. BS&A allows you to view bills, make payments, manage autopay, and sign up for paperless billing. To pay your bill or create an account, visit our website. 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.

Receive Public Safety Alerts

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Stay in the know, rain or shine!

Sign up for RainoutLine text and email alerts to get real-time updates on Jefferson Pool closures and any Parks & Recreation program cancellations. Sign up today by scanning the QR code, or at invillapark.com/rainoutline.



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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 subscribe today!



Parks & Recreation E-Newsletter

Stay connected with our Parks & Recreation Department by signing up for our monthly e-newsletter. Be the first to hear about upcoming programs, special events, and exciting community activities delivered straight to your inbox. Scan the QR code to subscribe today!



News & Updates

Service Request Update

The GoGov/My Villa Park app is no longer available for use in the Village. Residents can continue to submit questions, requests, and concerns through the Village website using our new department-specific forms. Each form can be expanded to view the types of requests it covers, making it easy to direct your inquiry to the appropriate department. Please note that online submissions are not monitored 24/7. A staff member will respond during regular business hours. To submit a request, visit invillapark.com/request. Residents may also email feedback@invillapark.com to contact all members of the Village Board and the Village Manager.

Residents are encouraged to share their thoughts, concerns, or inquiries by emailing [**feedback@invillapark.com**](mailto:feedback@invillapark.com)

WE WANT YOUR FEEDBACK!

To submit a request to a specific department, visit [**invillapark.com/request**](http://invillapark.com/request) or scan the QR code.




Car 321 is Coming Home to Villa Park

Villa Park plans to bring historic Car 321, a railcar built in 1914 for the Chicago Aurora & Elgin electric railway, back to the community and display it near the former Ardmore Avenue station along the Illinois Prairie Path. Car 321 served passengers until the CA&E line closed in 1957 and is being restored in collaboration with the Village of Villa Park, the Illinois Railway Museum, the Villa Park Historical Society, and other partners as a way to honor local rail history and celebrate the Rails-to-Trails movement that transformed the abandoned line into a recreational path. The railcar is expected to be staged in Villa Park in 2026 under a new pavilion with lighting and security. Make sure to follow our social media and check our website for the latest updates!

Villa Park Launches Recycle Coach

The Recycle Coach app is now available in Villa Park, making it easier than ever to reduce waste and recycle right! Residents can access collection reminders, service updates, custom calendars, and the "What Goes Where?" search tool for local disposal information—all for free on desktop or mobile. Download the app by scanning the QR code, or check it out on our website at invillapark.com/garbage-recycling.

Wait... that goes where?


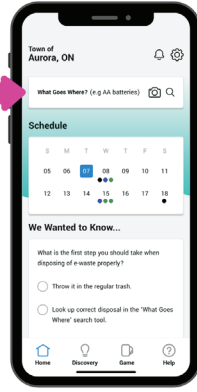


SCAN ME

Download the Recycle Coach mobile app to search our **What Goes Where** tool.

Take a picture of an item or search for it using the tool to find out how to dispose of it.

You can also access this tool in the recycling section of our municipality's website.



Chamber of Commerce



Harley Bike Night

Wednesdays • 6:00-9:00 pm

Apr 15, May 20, Jun 17, Aug 19, Sep 16 & Oct 21

Chicago Harley-Davidson

120 W North Ave.

Chicago Harley-Davidson Bike Nights are back! Enjoy live music, food trucks, and some incredible bikes. Each year, the Chamber of Commerce hosts a concession stand at these events, with all proceeds supporting the Chamber Scholarship Fund. Interested in volunteering with the Chamber or just stopping by to network and take in the bikes, food, and music? Contact Kyle Schnettler at info@villaparkchamber.org.

Spring Installation Event

Thursday, April 29 • 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 Chamber Board members and fellow members. Enjoy pizza, appetizers, and a cash bar with your \$25 admission. We look forward to seeing you there! Register online by scanning the QR code.

HARLEY BIKE NIGHTS ARE BACK!

WEDNESDAYS
6:00 - 9:00

APRIL 15
MAY 20
JUNE 17
AUGUST 19
SEPT 16
OCT 21

120 W NORTH AVE
VILLA PARK, IL

VP
VILLA PARK
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

LIVE MUSIC
DELICIOUS FOOD TRUCKS
COLD DRINKS!

CHICAGO HARLEY-DAVIDSON
FORMERLY WILD FIRE HARLEY-DAVIDSON

COME FOR THE FUN AND SUPPORT THE VILLA PARK CHAMBER SCHOLARSHIP FUND!

THE VILLA PARK
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
INVITES YOU TO OUR

Installation Event

MEET OUR BOARD, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
AND OTHER LOCAL BUSINESSES!

FOOD | DOOR PRIZES | SHARE THE POT

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THURSDAY APRIL 29, 2025 | 6:00PM - 9:00 PM
\$25 PER PERSON

CRAZY POUR
105 E N AVE, VILLA PARK, IL 60181
SCAN THE QR CODE TO RSVP

Village President's Message

To Everyone Who Calls Villa Park Home,

Summer in Villa Park is a season of momentum, pride, and visible progress. As the days grow longer and our parks and trails fill with families, this time of year reminds us that community isn't just something we talk about, it's something we build together. This summer reflects both where we've been and where we're going.

One of the most significant developments underway is the new Union Project. This transformative investment will bring new residential opportunities, strengthen our tax base, and add long-term vitality to our historical downtown area. Projects like this are about more than buildings, they're about economic sustainability, walkability, and positioning Villa Park for the future.

With that progress comes patience. Over the next year and a half, residents can expect construction activity and increased traffic in the immediate area. We understand that this will be challenging at times. Our goal is to communicate clearly, minimize disruption where possible, and ensure that the long-term benefits far outweigh the temporary inconvenience. Growth requires careful planning, and sometimes short-term discomfort to achieve long-term strength.

This spring, we're also welcoming the arrival of historic Car 321 along the Illinois Prairie Path. Once part of the Chicago Aurora & Elgin electric railway, this railcar represents the very foundation of Villa Park's early growth. Placed near the former Ardmore Station site, Car 321 reconnects our community to its rail-to-trail history in a meaningful and visible way. It will serve as an educational space, a gathering point, and a reminder that today's Prairie Path was once a working rail line that helped shape our Village. By honoring our past, we are strengthening our identity and enhancing one of our most treasured public spaces.

We're also in the early stages of developing our newly designated Natural Park, recommended by the Garden Village Commission and approved by the Village Board. This space reflects our commitment to preserving the natural character of Villa Park while thoughtfully enhancing it with native species and accessible green space. As the "Garden Village," stewardship isn't just a slogan, it's a responsibility.

This summer carries historic significance as our nation marks the 250th anniversary of American independence. I encourage everyone to attend the Fourth of July Parade hosted by Villa Park VFW Post 2801. Our veterans continue to lead this tradition with dedication and pride, reminding us that the freedoms we celebrate were secured through service and sacrifice.

From responsible development to historic preservation... from natural stewardship to patriotic celebration... this summer represents progress in every direction.

Thank you to the volunteers, commission members, veterans, staff, and residents who continue to invest their time and energy into our Village. Progress happens when people show up, and in Villa Park, they do.

Sincerely,



Kevin Patrick

Village President

PresidentPatrick@invillapark.com

630-592-6078



Village Manager's Message

Greetings,

No one, and I mean no one, likes to get pulled over by a police officer on a traffic stop. Having been the one pulling people over, I always tried to look at it from the driver's point of view. Getting pulled over for a traffic violation due to a construction zone is crazy and many times dangerous. We are quickly approaching spring and the beginning of many construction and road projects here in the Garden Village. The Village website has information on upcoming projects as well as completed projects. Please visit invillapark.com/construction.



Several major projects are planned for the upcoming construction season, including roadway resurfacing, water main replacements, sewer rehabilitation, and streetscape enhancements in key corridors. Work is anticipated to occur in phases, allowing crews to focus on specific segments while minimizing full closures wherever possible. However, lane reductions, partial detours, and intermittent intersection closures will be necessary at various points throughout the schedule. We are delaying construction near the July 4th Parade Route so we can enjoy the 250th Anniversary of our Great Nation. Construction activity will be most active during daytime hours, although certain utility work may require occasional early morning or evening operations to reduce conflict with peak travel times.

These projects, while beneficial, present several traffic related hazards that drivers, pedestrians, and cyclists should prepare for. One of the most prominent risks involves changes in normal traffic flow. Temporary lane shifts, detours through residential streets, and adjusted signal timing can create confusion for motorists unfamiliar with the altered patterns. Reduced visibility due to equipment, construction fencing, or dust may further complicate navigation. The presence of workers near active travel lanes increases the importance of reduced speeds and heightened attentiveness.

Another common hazard is uneven pavement or sudden transitions between driving surfaces. Milling and resurfacing work often results in temporary height differences or rough surfaces that can challenge vehicles at higher speeds. Utility work may involve open trenches or steel plates, which require cautious driving. For pedestrians, rerouted sidewalks or temporarily closed crossings can create unexpected walking paths that intersect with traffic zones, requiring additional care.

Traffic congestion is likely, with slower movement, narrowed lanes, and increased stop-and-go conditions, along with construction vehicles entering and exiting work zones. The Village encourages residents to plan ahead, observe posted signage, and exercise patience to help ensure safety while supporting the successful completion of these essential infrastructure improvements. We thank you for your careful attention to this public safety matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael Rivas".

Village Manager

mrivas@invillapark.com

630-592-6052

Community & Economic Development

Spring Home Improvement Season

As warmer weather approaches, spring is the perfect time to begin planning exterior improvements, home renovations, and property maintenance projects. The Village Community & Economic Development Department is here to help ensure your projects are safe, compliant, and completed smoothly. Please call 630-433-4300 with any questions or e-mail permits@invillapark.com.

Do I need a permit?

Projects that typically require permits include but are not limited to:

- Deck construction or replacement
- Fences
- Roof replacement
- Window replacement
- Electrical Upgrades
- Water Heater
- HVAC Replacement
- Sheds and Gazebos
- Additions and remodeling projects

If you are unsure whether your project requires a permit, contact the Community & Economic Development department before starting work. We are happy to guide you through the process.

Hiring contractors

Homeowners are reminded to:

- Verify contractors are licensed and bonded (when required).
- Ensure contractors obtain proper permits.
- Avoid paying large upfront deposits.

If a contractor tells you a permit is not needed, please confirm with the Village before proceeding.

Spring and Summer are the busiest times of year for building permits and inspections. To keep projects moving:

- Apply early.
- Submit complete documentation.
- Schedule inspections in advance.
- Be mindful of neighboring properties and working hours.

Our goal is to support responsible development while maintaining the safety and appearance of our neighborhoods.

Construction Dumpster Regulations

As projects begin, we often see an increase in temporary dumpsters throughout the Village. Proper dumpster use helps prevent litter, odors, and pest issues. Please remember:

- A permit is required for a dumpster.
- Only one dumpster is permitted per lot, for a maximum of 90 days.
- Dumpsters may not block sidewalks or create safety hazards.
- Lids must remain closed when not actively in use.
- Debris may not overflow or accumulate outside the container.

Thinking about chickens?

Backyard chickens are becoming more popular in communities across the country, and yes, they are allowed here in Villa Park! Fresh eggs, sustainable living, and a fun family project are just a few reasons residents are exploring the idea.

Before bringing home your hens, here's what you should know to help ensure a positive experience for you and your neighbors.

The Basics

- Chicken (hens) are allowed (no roosters, ducks, or turkeys).
- A Village permit is required before getting chickens.
- There is a limit on the number of hens permitted per property.

These regulations help ensure backyard chickens remain enjoyable without creating issues in residential neighborhoods.

Coop and Yard Requirements

Your chickens must have a safe and secure home:

- Coop runs must be located in the rear yard only.
- Structures must meet required setbacks from property lines.
- Coops must be well ventilated. Enclosed, and predator resistant.
- Feed must be stored in rodent proof containers.

Before You Get Started

Before building a coop or bringing home hens:

- Review Village requirements.
- Submit a permit application.
- Confirm zoning and setback compliance.
- Construct your coop according to Village standards.
- Schedule an inspection.

Our Community & Economic Development staff are happy to answer questions and guide you through the process. Call 630-433-4300 for assistance.

Public Works

Request for Fall Parkway Tree Planting

The Village is currently accepting requests for parkway tree planting to be included in the annual Fall Planting schedule. To submit your request or to learn more about the program, please visit the village website at invillapark.com/forestry or scan the QR code. Please note that submitting a request does not guarantee tree placement. The Village will assess the eligibility of the parkway based on its guidelines. Residents will be notified before any trees are planted.

REQUEST A PARKWAY TREE

If your request is approved, the location will be added to the Village's annual tree planting schedule, and the type of tree to be planted will be selected by the Village of Villa Park.



Project Dashboard – COMING SOON!

The Village is currently working on designing an interactive map to view all capital improvement projects in town. Residents will be able to click on an area on the map and learn more about each project as information becomes available. Make sure to check our social media and our website when it is live!



Landscape Waste Collection

Curbside yard and landscape waste collection will resume on Wednesday, April 1, 2026. The rate for a yard waste sticker is \$3.00. Please remember that yard waste must be contained in one of the following:

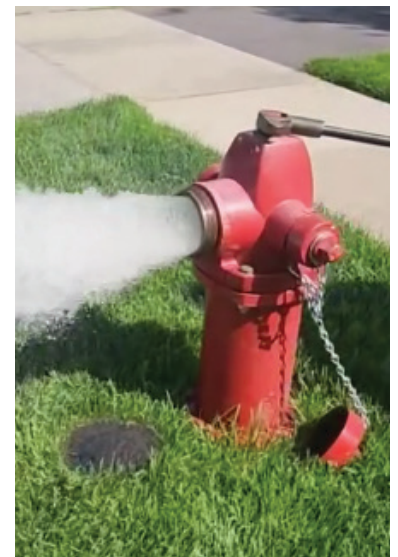
- Metal or plastic containers marked as "YARD WASTE" with two handles, not exceeding 50 lbs or 35 gallons.
- Biodegradable paper landscape and yard waste bags, also not exceeding 50 lbs or 35-gallon capacity.
- Securely tied bundles using biodegradable string or twine (bundles must not exceed 4 feet in length and 50 lbs).

Please note that unbundled brush will not be collected. Each container must have a yard waste sticker attached, which can be purchased at the following locations:

- Village Hall – 20 S. 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 operations from May 4-8, 2026. This important maintenance procedure is designed to clear rust deposits from the water mains and to ensure that fire hydrants are functioning properly. Flushing will take place each day between 8:00 am-3:00 pm. Residents are advised to avoid doing laundry during these hours, as rust stains could potentially damage clothing. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and appreciate the patience of the residents and businesses of Villa Park. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Village of Villa Park Public Works Department at 630-834-8505.



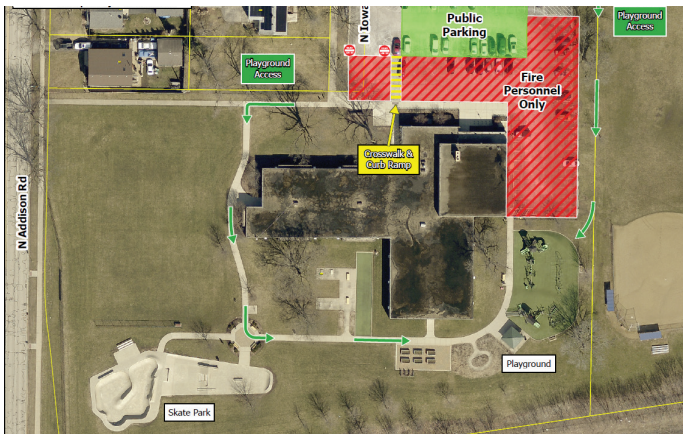
Fire Department

Temporary Closure of Fire Station 81

We would like to remind the community that Fire Station 81 is temporarily closed for renovations, with construction expected to last approximately four to five months. During this time, Station 81's crew has relocated to the former Iowa Community Center, 338 N. Iowa Avenue. Emergency response services will continue without interruption.

Originally built more than 50 years ago, Fire Station 81 no longer meets current safety and operational standards. The planned renovations will improve functionality, enhance code compliance, and strengthen the department's ability to serve the community. Additional upgrades may be needed in the future to fully address long-term operational needs.

The Villa Park Fire Department participates in a shared response system with neighboring agencies. Calls south of the Union Pacific Railroad tracks will automatically receive assistance from the York Center Fire Protection District. No significant impact on response times is anticipated.



For parking information and access to nearby park amenities, please visit invillapark.com/temporaryfirestation or scan the QR code on our website. Questions? Call 630-833-5350 or email Fire Chief Steve Stapleton at ssapleton@invillapark.com.



Scan for
FAQs on Fire
Station 81's
Temporary
Closure

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.



Scan to
download
the spring
cleaning flyer!

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!

Low-Speed Electric Scooter Ordinance Approved for the Village of Villa Park

The Village of Villa Park has adopted Ordinance No. 4486, officially authorizing and regulating the use of low-speed electric scooters within Village limits. This ordinance aligns with the Illinois Vehicle Code and allows residents and visitors to use scooters as an alternative, environmentally friendly mode of transportation. The goal is to enhance mobility options, promote sustainability, and ensure the safety of riders, pedestrians, and motorists.

Under the new ordinance:

- Where scooters can operate: Scooters are permitted on public roads, sidewalks, bicycle paths, and trails where bicycles are allowed, unless prohibited by signage. Operation on state highways is not allowed.
- Speed and vehicle limits: Scooters may only be used on streets with speed limits of 30 mph or less and must not exceed 10 miles per hour in operation.
- Age requirement: Operators must be 18 years of age or older.
- Equipment requirements: Scooters must have working brakes and front and rear lights or reflectors for nighttime use. Sirens are prohibited, except for authorized emergency scooters.

Safe operation rules:

- Only one rider is allowed per scooter.
- Operators must keep at least one hand on the handlebars at all times.
- Scooters may not be attached to any other moving vehicle.
- Riders must obey all traffic signals, signs, and laws, and yield to pedestrians.
- Operating under the influence of alcohol or drugs is strictly prohibited.
- Parking: Scooters may be parked in the same manner and locations as bicycles, provided they do not block sidewalks, building entrances, or access points.
- Condition: All scooters must be well-maintained and in good working order.

Penalties:

Violations of the ordinance carry fines starting at \$100, reduced to \$75 if paid within 10 days. Fines may increase up to \$750 for repeated or unresolved offenses. The ordinance

was passed by the Village Board on July 23, 2025, and will take effect 10 days after publication. This regulation ensures consistent, safe, and responsible scooter use throughout Villa Park, providing residents with a convenient and sustainable way to get around the community.

E-Bike Safety

E-bikes are bicycles with fully operable pedals and motor assistance. All e-bikes must be labeled with their classification, top assisted speed, and motor wattage. Devices rated 750 watts or higher are prohibited. E-bikes may only be ridden on the roadway and must follow all traffic laws. For nighttime use, they must have a front lamp and rear reflector.

- **Class 1:** Pedal assist only, up to 20 mph. No age requirement.
- **Class 2:** Throttle assist (no pedaling required), up to 20 mph. No age requirement.
- **Class 3:** Pedal assist only, up to 28 mph. Riders must be 16 or older.



E-SCOOTERS
What You Need to Know

Rules for E-Scooter Use

- Riders must be **18 or older**, per ordinance and State Law
- Only one person allowed per scooter
- **Check your wattage!** Any device 750W and over is **prohibited**!
- E-Scooters are **NOT** permitted on roads with posted speed limits above 30mph or 4 or more lanes
- Riding on sidewalks is discouraged—use bike lanes, paths, or streets

E-Scooter Safety Reminders

- Walk your e-scooter in crowded areas such as Downtown Villa Park
- Look both ways before riding through any intersections
- Avoid distractions
- Wear a helmet
- Use lights at night—white in front, red in back

Fines for E-Scooter Misuse

\$100 Initial Fine will be issued for operating an E-Scooter under these conditions:

- While under 18 years old
- With multiple riders
- On roads with a speed limit of 30mph or greater

Parents may be liable for minors' offenses.

Scan the QR Code For More Information



Scan to download our flyers to learn more about E-Scooter and E-Bike safety and use.



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT
NNO
2026

FREE

SAVE THE DATE
Tuesday, August 4 • 5:30-8:00 pm

Parks & Recreation

Villa Park Recreation Center Family Events

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

Me & My VIP Dance

Friday, April 10 • 6:00-8:00 pm

All ages • \$50 per pair, \$20 each additional child

Villa Park Recreation Center

You and your special VIP are invited to an unforgettable evening of dancing, music, and fun! Enjoy light refreshments, a DJ playing your favorite tunes, and a keepsake photo from the special photo booth.

Mom and Son Night

Friday, May 1 • 6:00-8:00 pm

All ages • \$50 per pair, \$20 each additional child

Villa Park Recreation Center

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

Saturday Family Social

Saturday, June 20 & July 19 • 11:00 am-12:00 pm

All ages • Free • Lufkin Park

Get ready to move, groove, and play at Saturday Family social! This high-energy morning is filled with music, dancing, face painting, bubbles, and entertainment by Istvan and His Imaginary Band! Bring the whole family and enjoy this free, drop-in event, no registration necessary.

Jefferson Pool

Pool passes go on sale Friday, May 1! This year the pool will be open for the summer from Saturday, May 30-Sunday, August 30. Purchase your pool passes in person at the Villa Park Recreation Center, or online at invillapark.com/aquatics.

Summer Concerts

Thursdays in June & August • 6:30 pm

Ruggard Gazebo (10 W. Park Blvd)

We can't wait for another great summer of music and fun! Visit our website to view this year's full lineup of talented musicians: invillapark.com/summer-concerts



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 2026-2027 School Year

Registration is now open for the 2026-2027 school year! Classes begin the week of September 14.

2½-Year Old Program 9:00-11:00 am M/W
(Must be 2½ by 9/1/26)

3-Year Old Program 9:00-11:30 am Tu/Th
(Must be 3 and bathroom independent by 9/1/26)

4-Year Old Program 9:00-11:30 am M/W/F
(Must be 4 and bathroom independent by 9/1/26)

Preschool Prep 2-Year-Old Program

2-Year Old Program 9:00-10:30 am F
(Must be 2 by 9/1/26, Sep 18-Dec 11)



Scan to
register
online

Summer Camp

Registration is now open for Ages 2-12! Camp runs June 1-August 7 and you can register in person at the Villa Park Recreation Center or online at invillapark.com/summer-camp.

Athletics

Villa Park Recreation Center

Join us at the Villa Park Recreation Center this summer for an action-packed season of athletics! From youth and adult leagues to pickleball and dodgeball tournaments, there's something for everyone looking to stay active and connect through community sports. For more information on our athletics programs, visit invillapark.com/athletics.

Parks & Recreation

Summer Shelter Rentals

As summer kicks off, we're excited to share some great news! We've streamlined and improved our rental process to make planning your event easier than ever. Reserving your space is now quick and convenient. Simply visit in villapark.com/rentals, log in or create an account, choose your preferred shelter, and secure your date in just a few clicks!

Whether you're planning a family gathering, birthday celebration, reunion, or community event, we would love to host your next special occasion with us. Make this summer unforgettable, reserve your shelter today!

Party Trailer

Make your next event unforgettable with our Party Trailer Rental! Available year-round for weekend rentals, delivered Friday and picked up on Monday for an easy and hassle-free experience! Scan the QR Code to check availability and submit your request.



Scan to request Party Trailer.



Block Party Applications

The Parks Department now manages all block party reservations. If you're planning a neighborhood celebration, be sure to secure your date early.

Reservations are available on a **first-come, first-served basis**.

Ready to get started? Scan the QR Code to reserve your spot!

Prefer to register in person? Forms are available at **Village Hall (20 S. Ardmore)** and the **Villa Park Recreation Center (320 E. Wildwood Ave)**. Completed paper applications must be returned to the Parks Office located at **42 W. Home Ave.**



Scan to fill out block party application.

Villa Park Recreation Center Fitness Center Memberships

Ready to level up your fitness routine? Our Fitness Center offers something for every goal and fitness level, from certified personal training and energizing group exercise classes to a full lineup of state-of-the-art Life Fitness strength and cardio equipment.

Whether you're just getting started or pushing toward your next milestone, our welcoming team and modern facility are here to help you move, feel, and live better. Memberships start at \$25 a month for adults or \$62 a month for families, so what are you waiting for? Scan the QR Code for more information and to purchase your membership!



Scan to learn more and to purchase membership.



Fitness Center Memberships

Did you know every new VPRC Fitness Center membership includes a complimentary 45-minute personal training session? Our trainers will help you get comfortable with the facility and show you how to use the equipment with confidence.

From there, you can continue training for as little as \$50 per one-hour session, where our experts will help you create personalized workout plans, set achievable fitness goals, or help boost athletic performance for an upcoming sports season. Whatever your needs, our certified trainers are here for you! Partner training options are also available.

Library

Spring Craft & Vendor Fair

Sunday, May 3 • 11:00 am-2:00 pm



Summer Reading Program

Summer Reading Program 2026

Step into the library, Unearth A Story™, and walk with the dinosaurs this summer! Sign up for 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.

UNEARTH A STORY™

Library Closings

Sunday, April 5: Easter
Sunday, May 3: First Sunday closed for the summer
Monday, May 25: Memorial Day
Saturday, July 4: Independence Day

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 17, 24 & July 1 • 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.



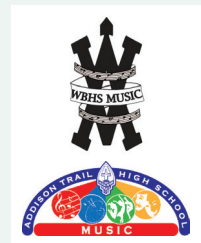
June 17:

ScribbleMonster



June 24:

Miss Jamie's
Farm

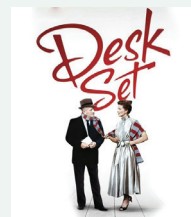


July 1:

Willowbrook &
Addison Trail
High School
Bands

Library Holds Movie Matinees

Come see the show! All matinees are from 1:00-3:00 pm.



April 20:

Desk Set



May 18:

The Devil Wears Prada



June 15:

Shaolin Soccer



July 13:

Rocky

SCHOOL DISTRICT 88

District 88/Willowbrook High School shares information regarding resources and supports available for students and families, as well as how community members can help.

At DuPage High School District 88 and Willowbrook High School, we provide a variety of resources and services – as well as partner with local organizations – to ensure students and families receive the supports they need. This includes:

1. Mental health and social-emotional supports: District 88 students/families can receive in-person or virtual treatments for up to eight sessions at no cost. See details at www.dupage88.net/Supports.
2. Academic supports: To help ensure each student is successful in the classroom, Willowbrook provides an academic resource center, a resource period, a writing center, tutoring and more. See details at www.dupage88.net/AcademicSupports.

3. Willowbrook relief center: The center provides food, hygiene items, clothing and more. See details, including requested items that community members can help provide, at www.dupage88.net/reliefcenters.
4. Food services: District 88 students/families experiencing food insecurity or challenges accessing food can contact the school to request assistance. See details at <https://qrco.de/bgQA1E>.
5. Individualized programming: District 88 and Willowbrook offer in-person and remote options for students to complete coursework, including a Virtual Learning Academy, homebound services and supportive placement options.

For more information, including how to access these services, go to www.dupage88.net/District88CommunityResources.



SCHOOL DISTRICT 48

From Campfires to Classrooms: A District 48 Progress Report

Change is in the air at Salt Creek District 48! As we wrap up the school year, we are excited to move into Phase II of our district-wide renovations. This summer, all three schools will receive interior refreshes—like new lighting and flooring—designed to improve the daily learning experience for our students.

A special thank you goes out to our Albright Middle School families and staff for their flexibility during the final stages of our new gym construction. Our PE teachers turned this challenge into an adventure, launching an Outdoor



Education unit where students learned to pitch tents, fish, and geocache. While we've loved seeing our students master the great outdoors, we are thrilled to announce the new gym will be ready for action this fall!

SCHOOL DISTRICT 45

School District 45 Kindergarten registration for 2026-27

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. Visit d45.org/registration for more information.

Ardmore: 630-516-7370
North: 630-516-7790
Schafer: 630-516-6500

Stevenson: 630-516-7780
Westmore: 630-516-7500



2026-27 SCHOOL YEAR
KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION
BEGINS FEBRUARY 23
D45.ORG/REGISTRATION

D45



Elected Officials

Kevin Patrick

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Jorge Cordova

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TDD 630-834-8589
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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: 5:30 am-9:00 pm
Sat-Sun: 7:00 am-6:00 pm
630-749-3200

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:

Sun (April): 1:00-5:00 pm
Sun (May-Labor Day): Closed
Mon-Thurs: 9:30 am-9:00 pm
Fri-Sat: 9:30 am-5:00 pm
630-834-1164

Join a Commission

Are you a Villa Park resident? Do you want to see changes around town? Join a commission! Commission vacancies open throughout the year, so be sure to check our website regularly for current opportunities. To learn more about each commission and apply for any vacancies, visit: invillapark.com/committees-boards-commissions.

Historic Preservation Walking Tour

Explore Villa Park's rich history on this self-guided walking tour, sponsored by the Villa Park Historical Preservation Commission! You'll visit locations that have all received a Historic Preservation Award and learn more about the stories behind these treasured buildings and homes. Scan the QR Code below to start your tour today!

Villa Park
Historic Preservation Award
Self-Guided Walking Tour

Sponsored by the Villa Park Historical Preservation Commission

Come experience the rich history of Villa Park!
Use the QR code below to view all the locations on the Self-Guided Walking Tour! All locations have received a Historic Preservation Award. Click on each location to read more about the history of each building.

STARTING LOCATION:
Villa Park Historical Museum
220 S. Villa Ave.

Extreme Heat-Cooling Centers

You can find a full list of heating and cooling centers by distance on the 211 DuPage website or by scanning the QR code. The Villa Park Police Department and Villa Park Public Library are registered cooling centers during listed business hours.

