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Bridgeview residents come out for a night of fun!

★ BRIDGEVIEW'S National Night Out is August 6th! ★



Parking Available in lot South of Mama Luigi's



Fire Chief Grzadziel flips burgers at National Night Out 2023.



Firefighters show children how to use their fire hoses.

The Village of Bridgeview Board of Trustees and Mayor Landek invite **all Bridgeview residents** to attend Bridgeview's 2024 National Night Out event for the community from 5PM to 7PM on Tuesday, August 6th at Village Hall. The evening will be filled with fun activities, delicious **FREE** food, and a chance to meet Bridgeview Police Officers, Firefighters, and Employees who together keep our Village running smoothly and safely. This family

friendly event features a face painter, a balloon twister, a petting zoo, a pony carousel, a DJ, an inflatable slide, a dunk tank, squad car and fire truck rides, grilled burgers and hot dogs, refreshments, delicious gelato from Bridgeview business Melt n Dip, and more—all at **no cost to Bridgeview residents!** Everyone is welcome to join in on the fun, so come out for an evening of community building with the whole Village of Bridgeview at Village Hall!



See Page 3 For Treasure Days Info!

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Bridgeview Appoints New Part-Time Police Officer

During the July 3rd Village Board Meeting, the Bridgeview Board of Trustees approved the appointment of Hever Valenzuela Mejia as a part-time police officer of the Bridgeview Police Department. Mejia looks forward to learning more about Bridgeview as he serves our community in his new role. The Village of Bridgeview continues to bolster the ranks of the Police Department to ensure it is staffed with the personnel required to respond to emergencies in our community.



Free No Soliciting Stickers!



The Village of Bridgeview's Ordinance #08-01 requires all solicitors wishing to operate in Bridgeview to register with the Village of Bridgeview by filling out a Solicitor's Permit Application. Residents who do not want to be visited by solicitors may display the Village of Bridgeview No Soliciting Sticker at their doors. Residents can scan the QR code and fill out a No Soliciting Sticker form to receive FREE stickers. The stickers are also available at the Customer Service Office at Village Hall, 7500 S. Oketo Ave. If you have any questions, call the Office at 708-594-2525 option 3.



Free No Soliciting Stickers Form

Bridgeview's Latest Fire Lieutenant



Lieutenant Lipinski (center) with his family, the Board of Trustees, Clerk Altar, and Mayor Landek

At the Village Board meeting on July 3rd, 2024, Bridgeview Firefighter Nicholas Lipinski was officially sworn in as Lieutenant. Lieutenant Lipinski has served our community and his fellow firefighters for years, and he takes on this leadership position to do even more.

ed Bridgeview firefighters. "Our Fire Department relies on firefighters who know our community and care for our residents. Keeping the Department well-staffed with reliable firefighters is vital to our long-term emergency preparedness and safety."

Trustee Patricia Higginson reiterated the vital role of promoting trust-

The Village of Bridgeview Board of Trustees looks forward to seeing Lieutenant Lipinski in his new role!

Fire Department Tests Hoses



Bridgeview firefighters test the fire hose and nozzle.

On May 28th and 29th the Bridgeview Fire Department conducted their annual testing of all fire hoses contained in their vehicles in the Seat-Geek Stadium East Lot. Bridgeview firefighters first unwrapped and laid out sections of the water hoses before connecting and securing them with couplings. Next, they attached the part of the hose running through the truck to a tapped fire hydrant.

After confirming that the first hose was ready to be tested, the firefighter in charge of monitoring the water pressure via gauges on the side of the truck opened the valve to allow water to flow from the truck through the hose. Firefighters at the end of the hose used an attached nozzle to spray the water and ensure a steady stream. Other firefighters checked for leaks or loose connections along the hose line,



Bridgeview firefighters monitor the pressure gauges as water flows through the hose.

and the water pressure measurements were tracked throughout the process. With the first hose working properly, firefighters cut the water, detached the hose sections, began rolling them up for proper storage, and finally prepared to test the next hose.

"It's important to test our hoses to ensure they're ready for field use at any time," explained Battalion Chief Jason Yerkovich. "You never want to

show up for an emergency and discover your equipment isn't fit for the job." Trustee Patricia Higginson added, "The Bridgeview Fire Department's diligence saves lives, property, and money. The important process of testing the hoses and making sure the Department's equipment is properly functional helps keep our residents and our community safe."

Bridgeview Park District Lights Up the Night for 3rd of July

Hundreds of Bridgeview residents gathered at Commissioners Park in the evening for the Park District's annual 3rd of July fireworks celebration, and the Independence Day festivities offered fun for the whole family. Food trucks lined the streets as attendees explored their delicious food options. Kids full of energy played on the colorful park equipment or hula hooped with the hoops provided by the Park District. Families set up their lawn chairs and tossed bean bags as the sun slowly set. A beautiful evening of laughter and relaxation led up to the 9:15pm fireworks display that would wow everyone.



Fireworks lit up the night sky in blazes of glory!



Hundreds of families made their way to Commissioners Park to see the show.



People of all ages hula-hooped for prizes!

The sounds of canons firing their projectiles into the air preceded the small sparks of color that began to light the sky. A taste of the show to come garnered 'ooh's and 'ah's from the children looking up to the heavens in wonder and awe. Soon the once-quiet pops echoing into the night grew louder as bright gleams burst out of the darkness and painted the canvas of the atmosphere. Brilliant shades of red, blue, orange, and more struck across the sky in glimmers and streaks as the audience sat rapt in amazement. The whistling of rockets shot one after an-

other dominated the otherwise silent airwaves before the booms of huge, dazzling explosions took control. Radiant flashes and sparkles of color came again and again, mesmerizing all who saw them.

As the tempo of colorful bursts increased, so did the anticipation for the display to come. Blast after blast of beautiful flares finally crescendoed into a sensational sequence of brilliant and blinding explosions that completely lit

up the night sky. As the final sparks faded away, residents clapped and cheered in appreciation for the wonderful show before happily heading home with their families.

Treasure Days Blow into Bridgeview

Bridgeview Treasure Days, Bridgeview's Village-wide garage sale, is sailing in for the first 3 weekends of September! This three-weekend event is all about finding hidden gems at bargain prices or selling your own treasures to eager adventurers. If you would like to cash-in on the opportunity to sell during the Treasure Days, please fill out the form on the right and bring it to the Customer Service Window at Village Hall to be added to the list of participating homes. Participating homes will receive a pink mailbox cover to let others know they are selling. Treasure Days signup forms are also available for pickup at the Village Hall, so be sure to pick one up now. Signup is FREE!

If you have any questions, please call the Bridgeview Customer Service Office at (708) 594-2525 Ext. 3.



Please print clearly and bring to the Customer Service Window at Village Hall - 7500 S. Oketo
NO FOOD SALES ALLOWED

Treasure Days 2024



Village-Wide Garage Sale

YES! I want to cash-in on Bridgeview Treasure Days! Please include me on the list of homes participating. My day of participation is:

September 7 & 8
Homes North of 87th St. & East of Tracks

September 14 & 15
Homes North of 87th St. & West of Tracks

September 21 & 22
Homes South of 87th Street

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

EMAIL _____

PHONE _____

Treasure Days Schedule:

- Homes North of 87th St. & East of the tracks participate on September 7th and 8th
- Homes North of 87th St. & West of the tracks participate on September 14th and 15th
- Homes South of 87th Street participate on September 21st and 22nd

Romania Reclaims Pershing Cup at SeatGeek!



Fans on both sides were ecstatic throughout the game!



The USA keeps the ball in their possession with a series of well-timed passes.



A close-up of the Pershing Cup.



Both teams celebrated the end of the match.

Thousands of rugby fans and hundreds of Bridgeview residents gathered at SeatGeek Stadium for the historic international rugby match between the USA Men's Eagles and Romania on Friday, July 5th. The USA and Romania famously played each other in 1924 in Paris for the Olympic Games, and the exciting American Series Rugby game organized by USA Rugby and AEG Rugby at SeatGeek celebrated the 100-year anniversary of the rivalry between the two competitive teams as they battled for possession of the

Pershing Cup. The USA may have been the defending winners of the trophy, but the competition proved to be even fiercer this year. The Eagles and The Oaks went head-to-head for the first 45 minutes, with each team scoring one try, one conversion kick, and one penalty goal. Neither team could secure the upper hand, and the USA and Romania broke for halftime with the scoreboard reading 10-10. The intense struggle continued as each team traded tries and conversions while in-

curing penalties along the way. After much fighting, the score balanced on a knife's edge at 20-19 with fewer than fifteen minutes to go. Fans hung on the edge of their seats as the tension grew. An unfortunate call against the Eagles gave another penalty kick to The Oaks, and a clean score put Romania ahead at 22-20 amid a roaring crowd. Hope was never lost though, and the Eagles had one more chance to make a penalty kick to put them ahead in the final few minutes of the match. Sadly, the kick went to the right of the posts,

and the USA lost the Pershing Cup in a close and thrilling game. Both USA and Romania fans stayed to enjoy the wonderful postgame fireworks display celebrating Independence Day. "SeatGeek Stadium often hosts international soccer matches, but this was the first international rugby match," said Mayor Landek. "While I was rooting for the USA, I'm thankful that the historic match and postgame fireworks show once again demonstrated the international appeal and utility of Bridgeview's Stadium."

RIOTLAND COMING TO SEATGEEK STADIUM!

Riot Fest
SEPTEMBER 20, 21, 22 2024
SEATGEEK STADIUM BRIDGEVIEW, IL

FALL OUT BOY **BECK** **PAVEMENT** **SLAYER**

THE OFFSPRING **ST. VINCENT** **ROB ZOMBIE**

PUBLIC ENEMY **SPITFIRE** **SUBLIME** **DR. DOG**

THE MARLEY BROTHERS PERFORMING WITH BOB MARLEY BY-MANI • DAMIAN

SPoon MANCHESTER ORCHESTRA PERFORMING AT COFFEE OLIVER TREE SUM 41 CYPRESS HILL
WAXAHATCHEE NEW FOUND GLORY SOMETHING CORPORATE TIERRA WHACK
TAKING BACK SUNDAY LAMB OF GOD MASTODON PERFORMING AT LEVIATHAN HOT MULLIGAN BEACH BUNNY
THE HIVES SUICIDAL TENDENCIES L.S. DUNES BASEMENT STATE CHAMPS
POISON THE WELL GWAR CLUTCH RIVAL SONS HEALTH

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DESCENDENTS CIRCLE JERKS PENNYWISE THE LAWRENCE ARMS FACE TO FACE
BUZZCOCKS LAURA JANE GRACE W/ CATBITE 94.3 DILLINGER FOUR LAGWAGON THE VANDALS
ALL STRUNG OUT DEAD MILK MEN D.O.A. THE DICKIES CODEFENDANTS COBRA SKULLS
SWINGIN' UTTERS THE DEFIANT THE EXPLOITED URETHANE GET DEAD DOOMSCROLL

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THE ARMED GEL DRUG CHURCH THE CHISEL SUNAMI NEKROGOBLIKON FIDDLEHEAD
PIXEL GRIP HOME FRONT SAXSQUATCH SWEET PILL HEART ATTACK MAN VERBÖTEN ZHEANI
SPIRITUAL CRAMP SPRINTS WINONA FIGHTER JHARIAH LORD OF THE LOST
GAMES WE PLAY THE MYSTERINES LIQUID MIKE ACTION/ADVENTURE HUGE EUGE
A VERY RELIABLE SOURCE HAVING A MOMENT THE FRIENDS WE MADE ALONG THE WAY
AND FEATURING HELLZAPOPPIN' CIRCUS SIDESHOW REVUE

ONLY AT RIOTLAND

On Wednesday, June 12th Riot Fest officially unveiled RiotLand, the 19th Iteration of Riot Fest that will be held at Bridgeview's SeatGeek Stadium. In a video teasing the announcement a day prior on social media, Riot Fest expressed a desire to redefine and expand their festival experience. It started in 2005 as a multi-venue weekend of punk and rock but eventually became much more, evolving into a festival in 2012 and staying at Chicago's Douglass Park from 2015 until 2023. "SeatGeek Stadium hosts one of the US's largest hip hop festivals along with one of the largest EDM festivals and welcomes Punk/Rock with open arms," said Mayor Steven Landek. "The folks over at Riot Fest have a unique vision for RiotLand and SeatGeek Stadium, and we can't wait to show the public the enhanced experience Bridgeview has to offer."

Riot Fest has become known as the punk rock music fest that reunites beloved bands and has run for nearly twenty years. The 2024 RiotLand Lineup features the reuniting of the headliner Slayer, who haven't performed together since November 2019 in Los Angeles! Other high-profile artists include Fall Out Boy, Rob Zombie, Sublime, Beck, The Offspring, and many more. In addition to top-tier music, the 3-day music festival features a multitude of attractions and vendors, including arcades, artists, retail vendors, and even hairstylists and massage therapists. RiotLand will take place at SeatGeek Stadium from September 20th to 22nd. For more details on the full lineup of bands, parking, and ticket information, please visit riotfest.org.



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END OF SUMMER BINGO

August 7th, 2 p.m.

Join us to play a few games of Bingo! Prizes for winners, and everyone will receive a FREE book for playing! AGES 5 to 12 years (*children 6 and under must attend with Parent or caregiver 16 years and older*). Register 30 minutes before the program.

“SCOOBY DOO AND THE GHOUL SCHOOL” - MOVIE AND POPCORN

August 17th, 2 p.m.

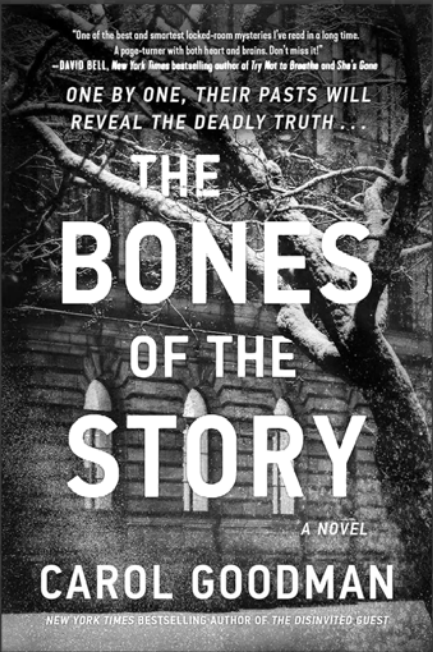
Summer is coming to an end, and it’s time to get ready for school! While working as gym teachers at an all-girls finishing school, Scooby-Doo, Shaggy and Scrappy-Doo get tangled up in a monstrous mystery. AGES 5 to 12 years (*children 6 and under must attend with Parent or caregiver 16 years and older*) Register 30 minutes before the program.

SMARTY PANTS BIG BALLOON SHOW


September 7th, 2 p.m.

The Big Balloon Show is a one-of-a-kind stage production featuring magic, all-ages comedy, interactive storytelling and of course, Smarty’s award-winning, larger than life balloon props. **ALL AGES NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED.**

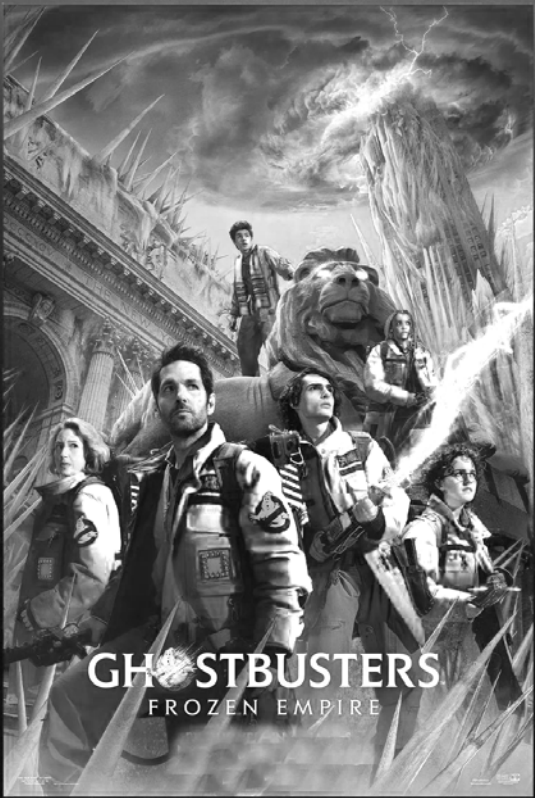
Whodunit? Mystery Book Club
 presents:
The Bones of the Story by Carol Goodman




Pick up books on/after July 25th, 2024
Thursday August 29th, 2024
6pm



Friday Flix presents:



Friday August 23rd, 2024
1pm

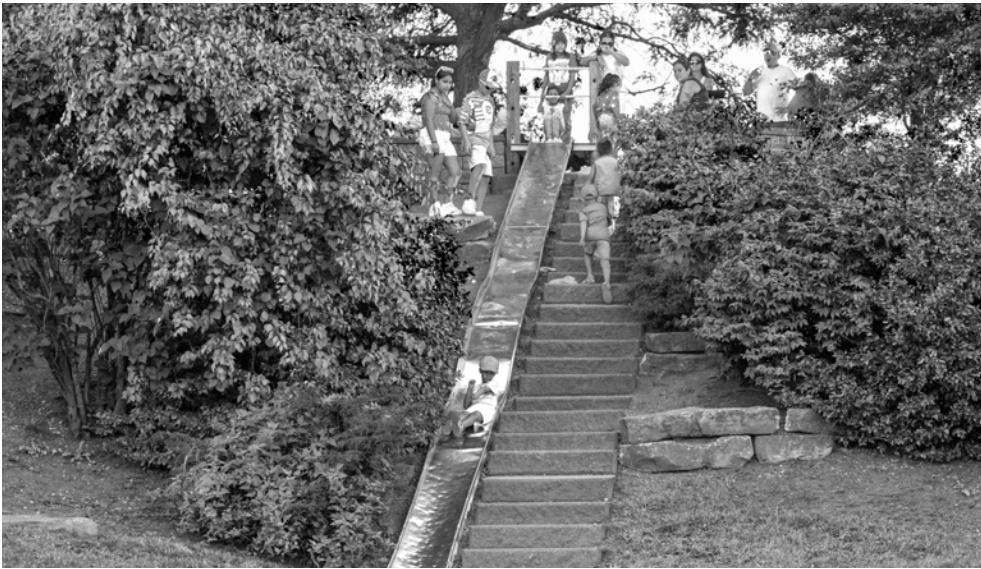


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3rd of July Photos Continued



Kids glide down the Park District's famous slide!



Families enjoyed the Comissioners Park equipment.



Food trucks lined Comissioners Park!




BRIDGEVIEW PARK DISTRICT

TAEKWONDO

FALL SESSION: AUGUST 22ND-OCTOBER 10TH

Class Description:
 Martial arts develops many positive character traits in addition to physical fitness, coordination and self-discipline. Students learn how to use every part of their body more effectively and to focus their mind efficiently. The class focuses on self-defense and skill and does not require competition for advancement.



Instructor Bio:
 Grandmaster Cameron was inducted into the USA Martial Arts Hall of Fame in 2018 as Grandmaster of the Year and has 50 years experience. He is one of the highest ranked martial artists in the Western World with an 9th degree black belt.

AGES 5-12: THURSDAYS: 5:00PM-5:45PM
AGES 13 AND UP: THURSDAYS 6:00PM-7:00PM

FEE: \$90

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GYMNASTICS

Fall Session: August 19th- October 16th

Please pay attention to the new days and times for each class

NO GYMNASTICS CLASSES THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 2ND

<p>★ BEGINNER (LEVEL 1) GYMNASTICS: 6-13 YEARS OLD WEDNESDAYS: 4:00PM-5:00PM</p> <p>Your child will learn the beginning stages of tumbling, uneven bars, beam, and vault. Once your child has mastered a certain skill set, the coaches will move your child up to Beginner level 2.</p> <p>Fee: \$115.00</p>	<p>★ BEGINNER (LEVEL 2) GYMNASTICS 6-13 YEARS OLD MONDAYS 4:00PM-5:00PM</p> <p>This program is a step up from Level 1 Beginner, once your child has mastered the skill set that is needed to move on to Advanced Beginner the coaches will start to evaluate the students to move on to the next program.</p>
<p>★ ADVANCED BEGINNER: 6 - 13 YEARS OLD WEDNESDAYS: 5:30PM-7:00PM</p> <p>This program is for students who have passed the skill requirement of the beginner class.</p> <p>Fee: \$165.00</p>	<p>★ TUMBLING: AGES 6-13 YEARS OLD MONDAY 5:00PM-6:00PM</p> <p>This class will teach the students the skill of acrobatic movements such as rolls, twists, handsprings, or somersaults on floor mats</p> <p>Fee: \$120</p>
<p>★ TEDDY BEAR TUMBLE AGES 3-5 YEARS OLD WEDNESDAYS: 5:00PM-5:45PM</p> <p>This class is an introduction to gymnastics where children develop and advance their foundational gymnastics skills. Children will learn gross motor skills, how to follow an obstacle course, as well as basic skills on floor, balance beam, and bars.</p> <p>Fee: \$90.00</p>	

AUGUST 30th-31st-SEPTEMBER 1st NORTH COAST MUSIC FESTIVAL TRAFFIC INFORMATION

Our stadium continues to be a premiere destination for Live Music Festivals, and with the 3-day North Coast festival on the horizon it is important we work together to ensure that residents have easy access to their homes throughout the duration of the festival.

To help improve travel access in and out of the area, we have developed an access map on this page. Please use this map as a reference when making decisions to commute to and from your home. Stay informed of when traffic is expected to be the busiest and avoid traveling between 10PM and midnight around the stadium. It is best to plan to travel Southbound away from stadium traffic.

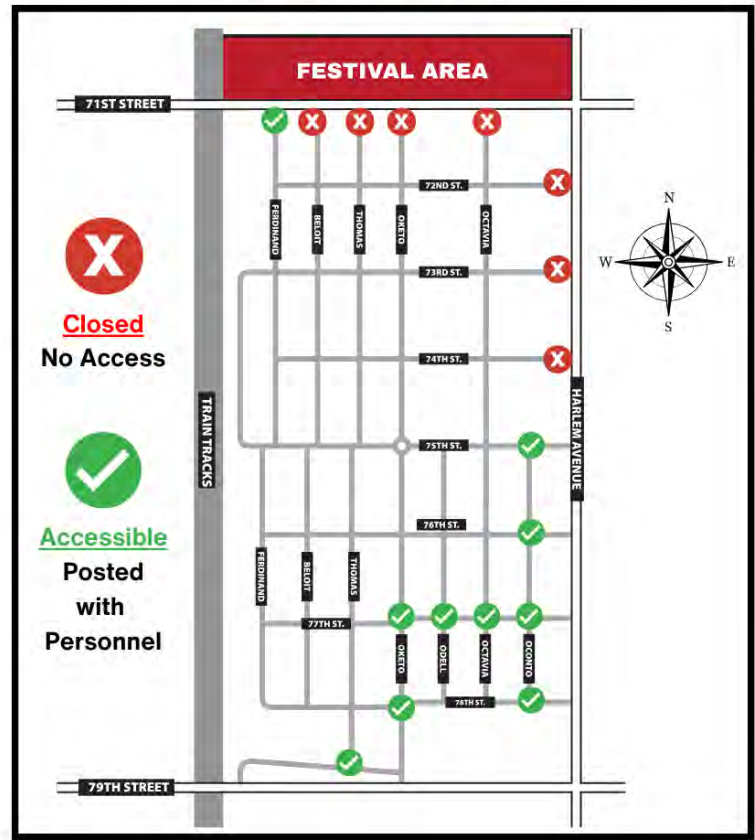
All spots on the map marked in green are access points that will be posted with personnel to keep con-

certgoers out and resident traffic moving. The process will move faster if your vehicle has a 2024 Village of Bridgeview Vehicle Sticker on it.

If you expect to have guests over during the festival weekend, please call Village Hall to make arrangements for your guests as soon as possible. Birthday celebrations, anniversaries, graduation parties, or any other type of planned private party must be called in to Village Hall. Residents who communicate with Village Hall regarding planned parties will receive special passes for their guests to enter in and out of the residential area of Bridgeview.

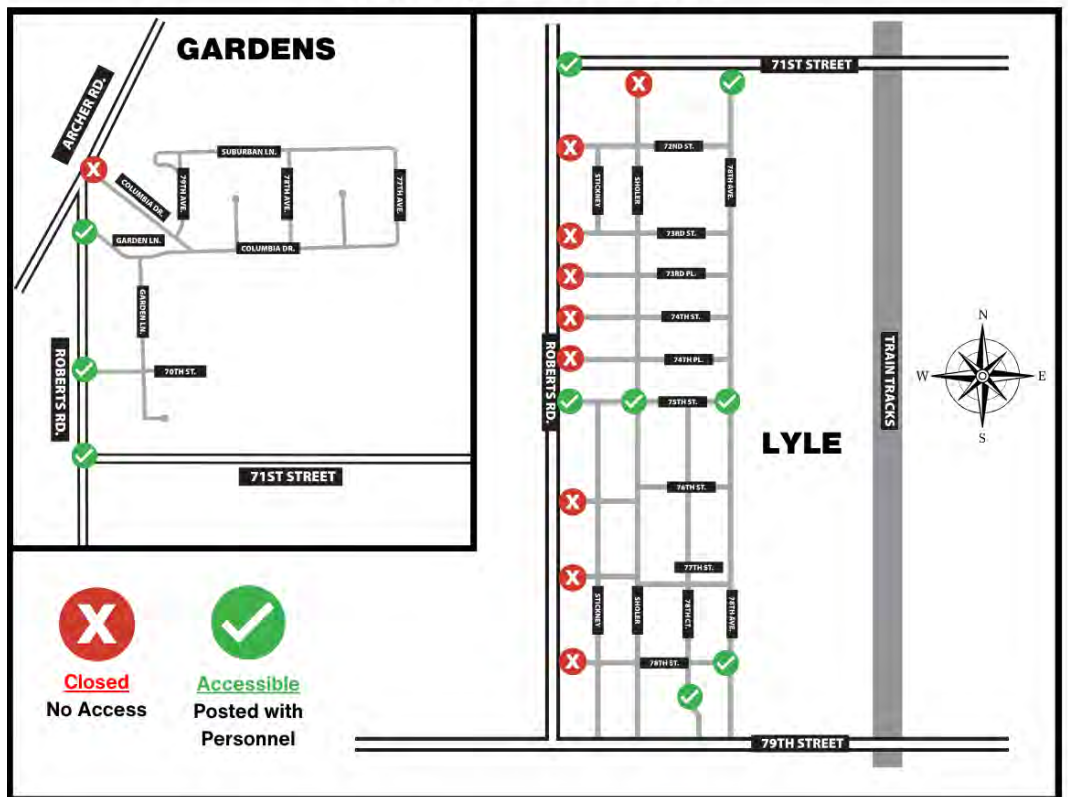
Call 708-594-2525 ext. 3 with any questions. We will be open late into the evening during festival days to help! Your patience and understanding are appreciated as we welcome our guests to Bridgeview!

NORTH OF 79TH STREET & EAST OF TRACKS ACCESS VILLAGE HALL AREA



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NORTH OF 79TH STREET & WEST OF TRACKS ACCESS GARDENS & LYLE AREA



ATTENTION!



**DISPLAY YOUR 2024 VILLAGE OF
BRIDGEVIEW VEHICLE STICKER
TO EASILY MOVE THROUGH
RESIDENTIAL AREAS**

IMPORTANT 2024 DATES

- August 6th _____ National Night Out
- August 30th-Sep. 1st _____ North Coast Music Festival
(Residential Gates will be Activated)
- September 2nd _____ Labor Day
- September 3rd _____ Garbage Pickup
- September 20th-22nd _____ Riot Fest
(Residential Gates will be Activated)
- September 28th _____ Fall Cleanup Day
- November 5th _____ Presidential Election

TREASURE DAYS

- Sept. 7 & 8th _____ North of 87th Street/ East of Tracks
- Sept. 14th & 15th _____ North of 87th Street/ West of Tracks
- September 21st & 22nd _____ South of 87th Street