



# Olympia Fields Park District

*winter spring 2017*



*silver social club*

*see pages 18 - 19*

# *renovations at the barn*

## **Dear Olympia Fields Park District Patrons**

Starting in October 2016, the Olympia Fields Park District started renovating the Barn building. We are relocating the bathrooms, making them larger and more accessible. We are also doubling the size of our kitchen, making it perfect for rental caterers or for a small cooking class. We are also making the front desk more visible and accessible to the public. Finally, we are adding a brand new multi-purpose room for all types of classes. Some other updates the facility is getting are an updated HVAC system, new landscaping, and additional space added to the Barn room for larger groups and rentals. The target date for completion of the facility will be May 2017. With this additional space, we will be able to hold at least 200 people inside the barn. New rental fees will be in place to rent the space, and will be available for inquiry starting in October 2016.



Due to construction, many programs daily activities normally held in the Barn building will be affected. Our front office will be transferred over to the Cull House building in the fall, since the office in the barn will be renovated. Also, during construction, the meeting rooms will be inaccessible, so classes will have to be located to the Cull House, or another facility off-site. The north parking lot will be the main location for the construction equipment, so visitors parking will be restricted to the south parking area. Our board meetings will be temporarily relocated to the Old Village Hall (address is 20701 Governors Highway, which is on the corner of Governors Highway & Scott Drive, across the street from Tolentine Park). Park Board meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 6:00 pm.

We hope that you are as excited about the renovations to our building, and we ask for your patience over the next 7 months. We will continue to offer you our very best in programming and rental space now and into the future. We hope that you stop by once our construction has completed, and take a look at all the things we have updated and added!



Dear Olympia Fields Park District patrons! We have already picked out the dates for some of our 2017 events, but we need your help! We are looking for sponsors, vendors, and entertainers for our events.

If you know of any local businesses who would like to sponsor any of our events, or know any vendors or entertainers who would like to participate in our events, please contact the Park District staff at 708-481-7313 to let them know about the business.

### **Sock Hop Hustle 5K** Sunday, May 14, 2017



Olympia Fields Park District is hosting their second 5K! The course will be going past many of our parks. At the end of the race, we are throwing an after-party, complete with games and races for kids, 50s music, and local food vendors.

We are looking for lots of sponsors for this event, as well as food and beer vendors to participate in the event.

Please see page 5 for complete details.



### **Concerts in the Park**

**Tuesday, June 13 and Tuesday, August 8**

Join us at Bicentennial Park and enjoy a relaxing evening of music with family and friends. Feel free to bring your own chairs, blankets, food, and drinks.

We are looking for local musicians to participate in this event.



### **Festival of the Vine**

**Friday, July 28, 2017**

Our annual Wine, Jazz, and Art in the Barn event is getting a makeover, and you won't want to miss it! We've kept all the things you love, like musical entertainment, along with a plethora of different wines to be sampled. We'll also have many local artists at the event, both showcasing their artwork, and some even selling it on the spot!

We hope you'll join us at this relaxing evening with friends and family. No one under the age of 21 will be allowed at the event.

We are looking for various artists and wine vendors for this event.



## special events



### Daddy Daughter Date Night

Attention all girls! You are invited to share this lovely Valentine's season with your favorite date: your dad! The evening will begin with an elegant buffet dinner, followed by a fun-filled night of dancing, music, games and prizes for you and your date. Each young lady will have the opportunity to have her photo taken with her dad for an additional cost. Couples must arrive by 7:00 pm to have their picture taken. There will be a drawing on February 6 for a limo ride to and from the event for one couple.

Daughters ages 3 and up, accompanied by an adult  
**Irons Oaks Environmental Learning Center\***

\$60 per couple, \$15 each additional child  
 \$50 Early Bird Discount

Fri, Feb 10      6:30 - 10:00 pm      382105-01

Early Bird registration deadline: January 21

Pre-registration required;  
 deadline to register: February 4

**\* Irons Oaks Environmental Learning Center**

Western Avenue Lot with Building

20000 Western Avenue, Olympia Fields

Located on the southwest corner of Vollmer Road &  
 Western Avenue

### Brushes & Bottles

Grab your friends for a fun night of painting and adult beverages! There is zero artistic experience required when you participate in this event. Our very own beloved watercolors instructor, Sandee Theisen, will walk you through how to create your artwork step by step while enjoying your favorite drink. She will instruct you how to create an acrylic canvas painting. A great night to relax with your friends or make new ones, and you will be able to take home your artwork masterpiece at the end of the event. All painting materials included. Bring your own drinks & snacks! Ice, cups, plates & napkins will be provided.

Adults 21 +

Sgt. Means Cull House

\$35

Fri, Feb 24	6:00 - 9:30 pm	388815-01
Fri, Mar 24	6:00 - 9:30 pm	388815-02
Fri, Apr 21	6:00 - 9:30 pm	388815-03
Fri, May 19	6:00 - 9:30 pm	388815-04

Pre-registration required; deadline to register is 3 days prior to each event

### Flashlight Egg Hunt

Hop on over to Olympia Fields Park District for an eggcellent time! Join us for our annual egg hunt! Please bring your own flashlight and egg basket. The egg hunt will be divided into age groups, and start after the sun sets and it gets dark, so make sure to get there on time!

All Ages (children must be accompanied by an adult)

Tolentine Park

Fri, Apr 7

7:15 pm

FREE

### Community Shred Day

You will have the opportunity to have your sensitive documents professionally and securely shredded. We will have a truck available to all, free of charge, for those who wish to have documents shredded. The company will shred the documents shred right in front of you, and then will transport them to a secure location to be discarded safely. There is a maximum of 2 boxes per person.

Tolentine Park

Sat, Apr 22

10:00 am - 12:00 pm

FREE



## Holiday Tree Recycling

Irons Oaks is sponsoring holiday tree recycling for the 6th year! Bring your undecorated and unwrapped holiday trees to Irons Oaks Vollmer Road Lot anytime between December 26 and January 18. Stack them neatly with the trunks pointed towards the parking lot. Donated trees will be chipped for use on the trails at Irons Oaks. Community Tree drop off day is Saturday, January 7. Get help unloading your tree and lights and join us for some fun!

Drop Off - Jan 7, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Irons Oaks Vollmer Road Lot  
FREE!

## Recycle your Holiday Lights!

Last year we recycled an amazing 600 lbs. of broken holiday lights and cords! Drop your broken lights and extensions cords in a bin at one of the collection locations between November 21 and January 18 or bring them to Irons Oaks on tree collection day, January 7. Thank you for helping Olympia Fields Green Up!

Nov 21 - Jan 18  
Containers located at Olympia Fields Cull House and Irons Oaks  
FREE!

## Winter Nature Camp

Have a blast exploring and playing in the snow. We will have winter fun even if there is no snow on the ground. Activities may include, but are not limited to: building snowmen, making snow crafts and treats, cross country skiing, seeing tracks and more!!! Each day will bring a new winter adventure!! Before and After Care available for an additional fee. Please contact Irons Oaks for additional details.

Ages 5 - 10  
Jan 5 & 6, 9:00 am - 3:30 pm  
\$33 Per Day  
\$26 Per Day, Discounted Resident Rate  
Irons Oaks Main Office

## Native Plant Sale

Spring is the time to begin planting and Irons Oaks is a great place to purchase native plants for your garden. A wide variety of plants will be available again this year. Pre-ordering is available. If interested in placing a pre-order please call 708.481.2330 through Saturday, April 22.

May 13, 9:00 am - noon  
Irons Oaks Vollmer Road Lot

*special events*



Olympia Fields Park District is hosting their second 5K! The course is certified by the USA Track & Field group and recognized by the Road Runners Club of America. At the end of the race, we are throwing an after-party at Sgt. Means Park, including 50s music, and games & races for kids. The after-party is for runners & non-runners alike, so feel free to join us at any time to celebrate!

We are hosting the run on Mother's Day, and have themed the run for the 50s era, so come dressed up for the event, and bring your mothers, co-runners, & families! Whether you want to participate in the 5K, the after-party, or both, you're sure to have a fun time!

All ages (Children must be accompanied by an adult)  
**Start & End Location: Sgt. Means Park**

\$25 Early Bird Registration Fee (ends on March 5)  
\$30 (March 6 - May 14)

Registration opens on January 1  
To register and for additional information, please visit [www.sockhophustle.org](http://www.sockhophustle.org)

Sun, May 14      8:00 am      386007-01



## Drake Hotel, Tour and Tea

The Drake Hotel History Tour & Tea is a hotel guided tour, where the tales from the 1920s throughout the decades are recounted, so guests can envision the past and fancy in the legendary Afternoon Tea Service in the Impressive Palm Court. The Drake's History Tour & Tea is a throwback to nearly a century of stories, narrated in a theatrical fashion by the History Tour & Tea guide. The History Tour & Tea encompasses architecture, ghost stories, crimes of the times, celebrities, entertainment, and more. It is approximately one hour long. There will be a selection of tea and finger sandwiches to enjoy during the day. Fee includes tea, tour, and motor coach transportation.

Adults

Mon, Jan 30

11:15 am - 4:15 pm

\$95

578998-13

Registration Deadline: January 3

## Fat Tuesday at Jacob Henry Mansion

In celebration of Fat Tuesday, treat yourself to a Mardi Gras party at the Jacob Henry Mansion in Joliet. Lunch will be comprised of homemade Jambalaya over rice with southern corn bread. While there, enjoy the toe tapping music of New Orleans with the Four Star Brass Band as they bring the Louisiana sizzle to Joliet. Don't forget your boas, beads, and umbrellas!

Adults

Tues, Feb 28

10:30 am - 3:45 pm

\$80

578998-81

Registration Deadline: February 14

## Chicago Bulls vs. Houston Rockets

Come out and see the Chicago Bulls stars Dwayne Wade and Jimmy Butler face off against talents such as the Houston Rockets' James Harden at the United Center. There is limited seating available and tickets are expected to sell out, so register early! Children under 18 must be accompanied by a ticketed adult. School bus transportation is provided.

All ages (Children under 18 must be accompanied by a ticketed adult)

Fri, Mar 10

5:15 - 10:45 pm

\$56

5788998-14

Registration Deadline: March 6

## Chicago Flower and Garden Show

The 2017 theme, Chicago's Blooming, will spotlight all that is wonderful about Chicago's unique neighborhoods and urban green spaces. The show treats 40,000+ gardening enthusiasts and newbies alike to the sights, scents, and sounds of feature gardens with blooming perennials, annuals, and trees while water features rustle throughout the Festival Halls of Chicago's acclaimed Navy Pier. There will be over 100 vendors of gardening, landscaping products, educational seminars, cooking demonstrations and more.

You will also have time to explore Navy Pier's wide variety of shops and the Stained Glass Windows Museum. Lunch is on your own. Fee includes motor coach transportation and admission to the show.

Adults

Fri, Mar 22

8:55 am - 4:00 pm

\$48

578998-45

Registration Deadline: March 6

## Day Trips

### All Sales Final · No Refunds

All trips depart / return from  
Sgt. Means Park unless otherwise noted.

Please arrive 15 minutes prior to start time.

## Key Lime Cove

Have the winter blues? Come spend the day at Key Lime Cove, located in Gurnee, Illinois. There's no need to worry about cold, rain, or snow, as it's always a balmy 84 degrees at the 65,000 square foot, indoor Lost Paradise Water Park, where the sun shines endlessly. Don't forget to pack your swimwear because you're definitely going to want to get wet! Lunch is on your own, and outside food is not permitted. School bus transportation.

Adults

Sun, Mar 26

9:15 am - 4:30 pm

\$50

578999-12

Registration Deadline: March 12

## Big Band Radio

Take a step back in time at the Jacob Henry Mansion, a historical city, state, and national landmark, where you can enjoy a self guided tour of over 40 rooms. Then relive the glorious 1930s Swing Era with a "live radio broadcast show" by the Alan Gresik Swing Shift Orchestra, complete with vocalists and radio actors. Fee includes luncheon, show, and motor coach transportation.

Adults

Mon, Apr 3

10:15 am - 3:30 pm

\$80

578998-99

Registration Deadline: March 20

## Heartland Spa Trips

### Olympia Fields Park District Participant Special

Transportation on your own

\$566.23 per person double occupancy

\$876.40 single occupancy

Special pricing, no discount coupons accepted

Includes check in at 1:00 pm, an Aqua Class option at 3:00 pm, and dinner on last day.

Tuesday or Sunday departure at 7:00 pm.

Olympia Fields Special Rate Choices:

Sunday - Tuesday

Sunday class at 3:00 pm - Tuesday night dinner

November 27 - 29

December 18 - 20

January 1 - 3

February 12 - 14

March 5 - 7

Friday - Sunday night

Friday class 3:00 pm - Dinner Sunday night

November 18 - 20

December 16 - 18

January 27 - 29

February 17 - 19

March 31 - April 2

## Boerner Botanical Gardens

Come enjoy the beautiful sights at Boerner Botanical Gardens, where the setting is reminiscent of an English country manor with glacial fieldstone walls and historic, handcrafted limestone statuary. The tour includes over forty acres of formal gardens, one of the largest crab apple collections in Wisconsin, over 500 varieties of roses and many other individual gardens, including herbs, annuals, shrubs, and peonies. Lunch will consist of mixed greens and a roasted vegetable medley, tossed in house made Italian vinaigrette, followed by a pan-seared chicken breast served with sweet potato mash with a rosemary grape compote. Enjoy a pastry tart with chocolate mousse and a warm strawberry sauce for dessert. Fee includes admission, a guided tour, lunch, and motor coach transportation.

Adults

Mon, May 22

7:55 am - 4:45 pm

\$80

578999-16

Registration Deadline: May 8







## **Backroads of Sunny Florida!** with Mayflower Tours

Feel the warmth of sunny Florida, and enjoy an 8 day motorcoach trip to visit the Plantation Resort on Crystal River. Visit Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings Historic State Park, stay on Crystal River, and ride a boat into manatee country, the Crystal River National Wildlife Refuge. Visit Homosassa Springs Wildlife Park, and on to Tarpon Springs, on Florida's "nature coast." Visit the Greek community and enjoy the Sponge Factory. The Farewell Dinner offers a show at the Derby Dinner Playhouse, featuring great entertainment.

Cost begins at \$1429 per person! Ask about our early booking discount and Mayflower Tours First Time Traveler Discount. We offer door to door service, which is included in your price.

Departs May 6, 2017 - 8 days, 12 meals

Guide with you the whole trip.  
Gratuities not included.

## **The Legendary Blue Danube River Cruise Including 2 Nights in Prague!**

### **2 for 1 Airfare Special!** with Mayflower Tours

Sail with us aboard the MV Emerald Sun for a 7 night cruise - visit 5 countries Hungary, Slovakia, Austria, Germany, and the Czech Republic - while cruising the best of the Danube River, including the beautiful Wachau Valley. Meals, shore excursions, and entertainment are included in the cost. 2 nights hotel in Prague are also included in the price. This is a life enriching experience that everyone will enjoy! Call for details.

Cost begins at \$3899 per person, plus 2 for 1 airfare from your city. Ask about the presentation savings and Mayflower Tours First Time Traveler Discount. We offer door to door service, which is included in your price.

Sailing Date: September 20, 2017

## **MARS Bus Tours**

### **Washington, D.C.**

March 22 - 27

\$1,135

5 nights, 6 days

5 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 5 dinners, and all admissions

Local Washington, D.C. hotel

Code: 578998-13

Registration Deadline: January 10

Minimum 28 participants

### **Crooke Road Tour/Blue Grass & Blue Ridge Mountains**

May 16 - 23

\$1,595

7 nights, 8 days

7 breakfasts, 5 lunches, 7 dinners, and all admissions

Code: 578998-11

### **New England, Cape Cod, Maine, Boston**

July 10 - 20

\$2,634

10 nights, 11 days

10 breakfasts, 1 lunches, 9 dinners, and all admissions

Code: 578999-03

### **Best of New Mexico/Balloon Festival**

October 12 - 17

\$2,175

6 breakfasts, 1 lunches, 4 dinners, and all admissions

Code: 578999-10

Round trip air and bus, transportation inclusive

MARS Trips are priced per person, based on double occupancy. ALL gratuities inclusive.

MARS insurance is non-refundable.

Visa/MasterCard/check accepted for payment.



## Diamond Tours

**Virginia Beach & Historic Colonial Williamsburg**  
 April 23 - 29, 2017  
 \$799 double occupancy  
 Code: 578998-12

**Grand Canyon and Las Vegas**  
 June 1 - 12, 2017  
 \$1,192 double occupancy  
 Code: 578998-16

**Niagra Falls and Toronto**  
 September 11 - September 15, 2017  
 \$549 double occupancy  
 Code: 578998-58

**\*Diamond Tours** trips are priced per person, based on double occupancy. Includes motor coach travel, hotels, breakfast and some meals. **(Step-on guides and motor coach driver gratuities all inclusive.)**

Visa/MasterCard/cash/check accepted for payment.

**\*\*Collette Trips** include airfare, hotel, hotel transfers, assigned 24 hour guide, breakfast and some meals. Group pick-up and drop-off to O'Hare airport included. **(Trip guide and motor coach driver gratuities not included.)**

American Express/Visa/MasterCard/Discover /check accepted for payment.

**Please contact Mallory at 708-481-7313 for additional information.**

## Collette Trips

August 3 - 17  
**Norwegian Coastal Voyage and Scandanavian Capitals**  
 A trip of a lifetime!

September 9 - 20  
**National Parks of America**  
 12 Day Tour from Phoenix to Rapid City, South Dakota

April 25 - May 9  
**South Pacific Wonders (Australia and New Zealand)**

October 28 - Nov 3  
**Iceland's Magical Northern Lights**

December 2017  
**Costa Rica**

\*Please register 6 months prior to departure to assure your space in the above trips otherwise it is by availability and/or selection of a different travel date.

**Other Collette departures and tours available. If interested, please contact Mallory at 708-481-7313.**

## Extended Trips

Travelers insurance is not included in your tour price. It is the participant's responsibility to investigate coverage and decide if it is to be added. Insurance payments due at time of registration. For Diamond/MARS/other companies used for extended Tours - please refer to their company refund policy. Travel insurance is available for these trips.

MARS Insurance non-refundable once purchased.

## Trip Refund Policy

Refunds for trips may vary due to non-refundable tickets or fees. Refund requests that can be processed will be cheerfully given, less a 5% refund fee. Cancellations made by Olympia Fields Park District are not subject to the 5% refund fee.

All trips depart / return from Sgt. Means Park unless otherwise noted.

Please arrive 15 minutes prior to start time.

Overnight parking available at Park District.

## Discover Magic - New!

Unlock your child's potential! Help them develop valuable life skills: respect, preparedness, enthusiasm, confidence, creativity, being authentic, giving, and humble. This program is a Life Skills Course cleverly camouflaged as magic classes for children 8 to 12 years old. Hidden in these fun and interactive classes is simple and powerful life changing lessons. Through the act of performing magic and working with others, your child will develop priceless communication and people skills without even realizing it. Each student will learn dozens of amazing tricks; get top secret file folders and other special props including a special graduation wand and certificate. The full 10 class course is divided into two semesters. Register for one semester or save with both.

Ages 8 - 12

Sgt. Means Cull House

Instructor: Brent Humecki; Master Magician of Mystic Magic School

Winter Sessions:

### Unlocking Secrets - Purple Wand Course

Unlocking Secrets is the first in the Wand series of Discover Magic courses and is a requirement for progression to the higher Wand levels.

\$185 per session - or register for both and only pay \$295! (a \$75 discount)

Discounted Resident Rate - \$165 per session - or register for both and only pay \$275! (a \$55 discount)

Sat, Jan 14 - Feb 11 10:00 am - 12:00 pm 314306-01

Sat, Feb 25 - Mar 25 10:00 am - 12:00 pm 314306-02

Spring Session:

### Developing Mysteries - Green Wand Course

Discover Magic's Green Wand course is the latest introductory magic course offered by the Mystic Magic School. This course includes all new tricks using common items like ropes, dice, and dollar bills.

\$295 per session

\$275 per session Discounted Resident Rate

Sat, Apr 8 - May 20 9:00 am - 12:00 pm 314306-03  
(no program May 13)

## Taekwondo

Learn the traditional style of Korean Martial Arts, Taekwondo with a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Black Belt holder. This class will teach all ages in the self-defense exercise, which emphasizes physical and mental fitness, endurance, coordination, control and balance. Students will build discipline and good character throughout the class. Taekwondo is a discipline that shows the way of enhancing your life and spirit through the training of your body and mind. You are guaranteed to learn a great deal from our instructor, who has been involved in Taekwondo for over 30 years, and has won many competitions.

Children & adults ages 4 and up

Sgt. Means Cull House

Benedict Effio, 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Black Belt in Taekwondo

\$75, \$60 Discounted Resident Rate

Taekwondo Uniform fee: \$55 (required)

Taekwondo Shoes fee: \$40 (recommended)

Uniform & shoes are purchased on the first day of class through the instructor (cash/check only)

Thurs, Jan 12 - Mar 2 4:30 - 5:45 pm 326204-01

Thurs, Mar 16 - May 4 4:30 - 5:45 pm 326204-02

## Tai Chi for Kids - New!

This class is fun and gives children the opportunity to move slowly and gracefully while building their energy circulation, the muscles becomes stronger and focus improves. This class helps to enhance the mind body experience.

Ages 5 - 11

Sgt. Means Cull House

\$75, \$60 Discounted Resident Rate

Instructor: Samuel Johnson

Mon, Jan 9 - Feb 27 4:00 - 5:00 pm 316301-01  
(no program Jan 16 & Feb 20)

## Tai Chi for Teens - New!

This class is designed for the energetic and developing males and females. It develops confidence, smooth flowing moves, strength and concentration. Controlled breathing, internal abdominal strengthen and sinew development and it is fun. Learn to create and generate energy and experience the sensing in your body.

Ages 12 - 18

Sgt. Means Cull House

\$75, \$60 Discounted Resident Rate

Instructor: Samuel Johnson

Mon, Mar 13 - Apr 17 4:00 - 5:00 pm 326301-01

# Summer Help Wanted

We will be accepting applications for part-time spring and summer positions in February, March, and April 2017, and we'd like you to join our team! Each position can offer anywhere from 5-40 hours of work per week. We have 3 main positions available, and all applicants must be at least 16 or older. Summer camp counselors are required to be 18 or older. All applicants must fill out an application on line. Go to our website, [ofparks.org](http://ofparks.org), and click on the "About Us" page, then click on the "Employment" tab. There is a link on this page, which will take you to our application website -

[www.applitrack.com/ofpd/onlineapp](http://www.applitrack.com/ofpd/onlineapp)

## Tolentine Park Attendant

Tolentine Park Staff duties include taking admission and monitoring the Splash Pad. They are responsible for enforcing rules of the park and promoting the park district, their programs, and events. Staff are responsible for monitoring the entire park and keeping it safe and clean.

Tolentine Park is open year round. The Community Garden generally is busy from early May through the end of October, and the Splash Pad is open 7 days a week from Memorial Day to Labor Day, weather permitting. The playground, Basketball courts and passive play areas are busy year round. Staff generally work around the Splash Pad hours and will be outside the entire shift. They will mostly be standing, walking and bending. This position generally starts 2 weeks before Memorial Day and ends the week after Labor Day. There are no minimum hours per week.



## Summer Camp Counselor

This is a high-energy position for those who love children! We look for energetic, active, and creative applicants who aren't afraid to interact with the children while constantly insuring the safety of all campers and staff. Creative and positive discipline techniques are a must. This position will assist in creating the daily schedule, and be able to, come up with new activities on the spot.

First-Aid and CPR/AED certifications are required and training will be available. This position is responsible for getting out the equipment and supplies for all activities, as well as cleaning and storing all equipment and supplies at the end of the day. Typically, Camp Counselors work Monday - Friday for up to 35 hours per week. Staff will be outside and on their feet the majority of the job. Summer Camp runs for 8 weeks, and there is at least one week prior to camp for training.

## Seasonal Maintenance

The maintenance department does a variety of park labor duties in order to maintain park properties and equipment. Seasonal staff must be able to work solely or in teams. They will perform work at a moderate, constant pace, depending on the demands of the job required. Work can start as early as March 1, and has the potential to continue through the end of October. Assigned hours will depend on scheduled work and weather.

Applicants must hold a clean and valid Illinois Driver's License and have reliable transportation, must be able to lift 50 lbs. frequently, and team lift up to 70 lbs. infrequently. All seasonal staff must be able to work any assigned hours from 6:00 am - 10:00 pm, and be available to work Monday - Sunday, weekends and holidays included.

# Summer Camp 2016

Get a jump on summer with early registration for summer camp! Save \$10 per session when you register by May 12.

Fill your child's summer days with fun and excitement. There's no substitution for the amazing memories and close friendships that are built through all the great times at Olympia Fields Park District Summer Camps. Come on in to the Sgt. Means office to pick up your Summer Camp Parent Packet and learn more information.

Each one-week session at Just for Fun, Pee Wee, Youth and Leadership Summer Camps will be filled with fun activities, including many eco-friendly sustainability lessons and projects. Each week will be themed differently, and the activities, arts and crafts, and event trips will be centered on that theme. Some themes include sports, water fun, and nature. Good behavior will earn campers a special prize. Campers must bring a lunch each day and make sure to have sun screen applied before they arrive. All campers will receive a T-Shirt, water bottle, and a calendar of events the first day of camp.

## Register for All 10 Sessions, Get 1 Free!

Discount expires after May 22.

Not applicable with any other discount.

Registration amount must be paid in full.

## Payment Plans Available

Call office at 708-481-7313 for details.

## Discount Available for Multiple Children!

Get 10% off registration fee for more than one child.

All children must reside in the same household.

Discount does not expire.

## Pee Wee Camp

Children in our Pee Wee Summer Camp will grow and develop while playing games, working on arts and crafts, and having fun outside. Children will play sports adapted specifically to their age and ability, and spend lots of time on the playground and exploring nature in our parks. Our Pee Wee's will also go on a field trip with the Youth Camp every week, and spend one day every week having a splash day either at our new park, Tolentine Park, or at Sgt. Means Park.

Entering Grades: Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, 3rd

Sgt. Means Park, Pavilion

\$135

\$110 Discounted Resident Rate

Mon - Fri 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

## Youth Camp

The days of our Youth Campers are filled with sports, arts and crafts, and lots of time outside being active and exploring nature in our parks. This high energy age group will have plenty to keep them busy throughout the fun summer days. Our Youth Campers will also go on a field trip every week with the Pee Wee Camp, and spend one day every week having a pool day either at our new park, Tolentine Park, or off site at a pool.

Entering Grades: 4th, 5th, 6th

Sgt. Means Park, Pavilion

\$170

\$140 Discounted Resident Rate

Mon - Fri 9:00 am - 4:00 pm





## Leadership Camp

Older youth can relive their summer camp days while expanding their leadership skills. Junior High and High School aged youth will play and have fun with kids their age, with the added opportunity of leadership roles. They will have opportunities to assist the counselors in planning activities for the younger kids, as well as participating in activities appropriate for their age group. They will be going on most of the same field trips as the other camps, but will occasionally take a separate field trip specifically geared towards building leadership skills. They will participate in all swim days as the Youth Camp.

Entering Grades: 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th

Sgt. Means Park, Pavilion

\$170

\$140 Discounted Resident Rate

Mon - Fri 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

## Just for Fun Camp

Just for Fun Summer Camp is best suited for parents who are looking to save money on summer camp, but still want their children to enjoy themselves and have memories to last them a lifetime. Children in our summer camp will grow and develop while playing games and sports, working on arts and crafts, and having fun outside. Children will spend lots of time on the playground and exploring nature in our parks, as well as have plenty to keep them busy throughout the fun summer days. Children will still be separated into their specified age group camp, Pee Wee, Youth, or Leadership Camp, but will stay at Sgt. Means Park and enjoy more time playing games and sports, and working on arts and crafts instead of going off-site on the field trip and swim days.

Entering Grades: Kindergarten - 6th Grade

Sgt. Means Park, Pavilion

\$100

\$80 Discounted Resident Rate

Mon - Fri 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

## Before Care

Need to get to work before camp starts or just want to expand the fun-filled day for your child? We've got the answer for you! Join us for Before Camp activities and programming. Children will be served a snack during Before Care.

Entering Grades: Kindergarten - 10th Grade

Sgt. Means Park, Pavilion

\$24

\$20 Discounted Resident Rate

Mon - Fri 7:00 - 9:00 am

## After Care

Need to work past 4pm or your child just doesn't want to leave camp? Don't worry! You can extend the camp day with us until 6pm. Join us for our After Camp activities and programming. Children will be served a snack during After Care.

Entering Grades: Kindergarten - 10th Grade

Sgt. Means Park, Pavilion

\$24

\$20 Discounted Resident Rate

Mon - Fri 4:00 - 6:00 pm

**Prices are per session.  
Each session is one week.**

Session 1: June 12 - June 16

Session 2: June 19 - June 23

Session 3: June 26 - June 30

Session 4: July 5 - July 7\*

Session 5: July 10 - July 14

Session 6: July 17 - July 21

Session 7: July 24 - July 28

Session 8: July 31 - Aug 4

Session 9: Aug 7 - Aug 11

\*No camp on July 3 and July 4.

Camp fee for this week will be prorated.

## How to Organize and Self-Publish Your Book

The student will learn the basics of: how to begin gathering information for the book idea that they have in mind. How to organize it, prepare it for publishing, select a catchy title and cover. How to obtain their ISBN and their copyright. How to locate an editor and an illustrator. How to self-publish and e-publish their book and sell it through social media and web retail. How to create a Press Kit and Branding. Upon completion of class the participant will have sufficient information to organize, complete and self-publish their book.

Age 16 and up

Sgt. Means Cull House

\$100

\$88 Discounted Resident Rate

Instructor: Dr. Terri Simmons

Students are also required to purchase the book "How to Finally Organize and Self Publish Your Book" and the workbook "How to Finally Organize and Self Publish Your Book" by Dr. Terri Simmons for \$60 on the first day of class through the instructor (cash/check only).

Tues, Jan 10 - Feb 28 7:00 - 9:00 pm 344402-01

Tues, Mar 14 - May 2 7:00 - 9:00 pm 344402-02

## Indestructible Marriage - New!

This class is designed for married couples who desire to enhance their relationship and experience a bond and intimacy that will last a life time. We will provide insight and practical tools as we dive into the issues that destruct our marriages. There will be group discussion and sharing as we embark on this journey together. In your workbook you will have a "walk it out - couple home activity" to complete each week. The bottom line is that none of us have a perfect marriage. The Joy of Marriage is learning how to become one and growing together. Some of the class topics that will be covered are:

- Indestructible Love
- Divorce Proofing
- Indestructible Communication
- Affair Proofing

Adults

Sgt. Means Cull House

\$33

\$28 Discounted Resident Rate

Instructor: Dr. Terri Simmons

Students are also required to purchase the book "The Indestructible Marriage" by Jimmy Evans for \$35 on the first day of class through the instructor (cash/check only).

Thurs, Jan 12 - Mar 2 7:00 - 9:00 pm 344414-01

Thurs, Mar 16 - May 4 7:00 - 9:00 pm 344414-02



## Program Locations

### Irons Oaks Environmental Learning Center

Western Avenue Lot with Building

20000 Western Avenue

Olympia Fields, IL 60461

Located on the southwest corner of Vollmer Road & Western Avenue

### Irons Oaks Environmental Learning Center

Gravel Lot & the Discovery Center

2453 Vollmer Road

Gravel lot is located on Vollmer Road, 0.1 miles west of Western Avenue on the south side of the street

### Old Village Hall

20701 Governors Highway

Olympia Fields, IL 60461

Located at the corner of Governors Highway & Scott Drive, across the street from Tolentine Park

## Dr. Sears Prime Time Health Workshop

In this fun, interactive wellness 4-part workshop, you will be provided with the scientific knowledge that's needed to empower you to take charge of your own health. Workshop session includes Prime-Time Health book, 4 workbooks, healthy recipes and raffle prizes!

### Workshop 1: "Open Your Internal Pharmacy"

Learn about the keys, and the science behind your body's internal pharmacy. You can help your body produce these custom-made medicines.

### Workshop 2: "Make Health Your Hobby"

Learn simple strategies and tips that will make it easier for you to make health your hobby.

### Workshop 3: "Move Waste from Your Waist"

Waist size is a strong indicator of our overall health! Learn how to reduce your waist by removing toxic waste and eliminating health-harming chemicals that are produced by belly fat.

### Workshop 4: "Live Without Pain & Inflammation"

Learn the primary causes, and ways to reduce inflammation throughout the body.

Adults

Old Village Hall

\$76

\$63 Discounted Resident Rate

Instructor: Cynthia Brooks,

Dr. Sears Certified Health Coach

Wed, Mar 1 - Mar 22	1:30 - 3:00 pm	344503-01
Wed, Mar 29 - Apr 19	1:30 - 3:00 pm	344503-02
Wed, Apr 26 - May 17	1:30 - 3:00 pm	344503-03



## ZUMBA®

Ditch the workout, join the party! ZUMBA®'s fast and slow Latin and international rhythms tone and sculpt your body through dancing. Join this program to shed the pounds while having fun!

Age 13 and up

Wed Class Location: Sgt. Means Cull House

Sat Class Location: Irons Oaks Discovery Center

\$32

\$25 Discounted Resident Rate

Instructor: Lisa McNeil

Wed, Jan 11 - Feb 8	7:00 - 8:00 pm	346203-01
Wed, Feb 22 - Mar 22	7:00 - 8:00 pm	346203-02
Wed, Apr 5 - May 3	7:00 - 8:00 pm	346203-03
Sat, Jan 14 - Feb 11	9:00 - 10:00 am	346206-01
Sat, Feb 25 - Mar 25	9:00 - 10:00 am	346206-02
Sat, Apr 8 - May 6	9:00 - 10:00 am	346206-03

## Just Jammin' With Janelle and Company

Join Janelle to learn the newest line dances and visit some of those oldies that you thought were forgotten. This is a great opportunity to have fun, boost your metabolism, and dance with your friends! See you there!

Adults

Irons Oaks Discovery Center

\$54

\$43 Discounted Resident Rate

Instructor: Janelle McGhee

Sat, Jan 14 - Feb 18	10:00 - 11:00 am	342206-01
Sat, Mar 4 - Apr 8	10:00 - 11:00 am	342206-02
Sat, Apr 22 - May 27	10:00 - 11:00 am	342206-03

## Create Your Own Masterpiece by Midnight - Chicago-Style Stepping Class

*"So I been told ... Do a little Stepping and you'll never grow old"*

Be one of the first in your circle of friends that really knows how to "Step." Join us and enjoy the fun of learning an original American art form of Chicago-Style Stepping.

Learn our Masterpiece by Midnight Stepping System ... and be the envy of your friends.

- No more excuses for being a "wall flower"
- No need to pretend you're Stepping ... when you're really just old school "Boppin" ... Faking it until you make it!
- Brush-up on those old "Stepping skills" ... Get ready for your next big event
- Meet new partners and make new friends
- Help achieve your daily 10,000 steps. Great exercise, great music
- ... and lots of fun

Adults

Sgt. Means Cull House

\$70

\$55 Discounted Resident Rate

Instructor: Milton Payton, Masterpiece By Midnight

Mon, Jan 9 - Feb 27      7:30 - 9:00 pm    342111-01  
(no program Jan 16 & Feb 20)

Mon, Mar 6 - Apr 10      7:30 - 9:00 pm    342111-02

Mon, Apr 17 - May 22      7:30 - 9:00 pm    342111-03

Bring your partner or a friend to dance with, and your partner receives a discounted rate! Partners must enroll at the same time to receive the discount. Each person must fill out their own form unless they both live in the same house.

\$42

\$33 Discounted Resident Rate

## PLYOGA® - New!

PLYOGA® is a 4 part interval training system using benefits of fundamental and accelerated yoga as an active recovery for plyometric (reactive) movement. Your body is power! The variable class structure destroys the personal fitness plateau. PLYOGA® helps participants to discover new levels of personal fitness as it pertains to endurance, balance, strength, and flexibility.

Age 13 and up

Sgt. Means Cull House

\$48

\$39 Discounted Resident Rate

Instructor: Rose Haynes

Mon, Jan 9 - Feb 13      6:15 - 7:00 pm    346521-01  
(no program Jan 16)

Mon, Mar 6 - Apr 3      6:15 - 7:00 pm    346521-02

Mon, Apr 17 - May 15      6:15 - 7:00 pm    346521-03

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## Water Colors

Whether you are a beginner or have already dabbled in this medium, come and celebrate watercolor with our popular art teacher, Sandee Theisen, who has been an art teacher for over 14 years. You will explore such techniques as wet in wet, dry brush, mixed media, sepia and color therapy. Paint subjects range from nature themes and landscapes to still life interiors. A supply list will be furnished at registration.

Adults

Sgt. Means Cull House

\$68

\$50 Discounted Resident Rate

Instructor: Sandee Theisen

Tues, Feb 7 - Mar 14 8:45 - 11:15 am 341202-01

Tues, Mar 21 - Apr 25 8:45 - 11:15 am 341202-02

Tues, May 2 - Jun 6 8:45 - 11:15 am 341202-03

## Why You Should Support Your Local and Statewide Park District:

### Research:

During the past several months, Illinois Association of Park Districts has been working closely with aQity Research & Insights to analyze the results of an IAPD-funded survey pertaining to the W-2 employment and revenue data of IAPD member agencies.

The report contains impressive statewide results, including key finding such as:

- Park districts, forest preserves, conservation districts, and special recreation agencies employ more than **67,000 people statewide**.
- These jobs represent nearly **\$720 million** paid in wages and compensation.
- **More than 62%** of an agency's employees live within the district where they work.
- **Roughly half** of these jobs **provide important early work experience for younger adults** (ages 25 and under).
- Statewide, **just over half of agency revenues come from non-tax sources**, including earned revenue (program fees and memberships) and other sources (grants, donations, interest, etc.)



## Beginning Bridge I - Bridge Basics 1 - Introduction

Learn the wonderful card game of Bridge! Whether you've never played before, or just want to refresh your knowledge of the game, this class will teach you the basics of bridge. Each week will focus on developing the skills of each player: bidding, playing your hand, and defensive strategies.

Adults

Old Village Hall

9:00 - 11:00 am

Instructor: Mattie Young

Wed, Feb 8 - Mar 29 \$70 NR / \$60 Res 348213-02

Wed, Apr 5 - May 24 \$70 NR / \$60 Res 348213-03

## Bridge Basics 4 - Play of the Hand

In this class the students will learn The Plan to bring home the contract. Students will learn how to determine their objective, how to count the winners & the losers, and how to put it all together to reach their goal!

Must have taken Bridge Basics 1-3 or must have basic bridge knowledge to take this class with instructor approval.

Adults

Old Village Hall

9:00 - 11:00 am

Instructor: Mattie Young

Tues, Feb 7 - Mar 28 \$70 NR / \$60 Res 348232-02

Tues, Apr 4 - May 23 \$70 NR / \$60 Res 348232-03

## Little Free Library

Little Free Libraries began in 2009: the first one in memory of a retired school teacher. The idea has spread to many states, and there are nearly 16,000 Little Free Libraries worldwide.

The Olympia Fields Library Board, with the co-operation of the Olympia Fields Park District, has installed our first Little Free Library at Sgt. Means Park. The Little Library is similar to a large bird house and holds many books. It is located beside the entrance way to the Park District buildings. This Free Library offers residents an opportunity to take a book, return it or replace it with another book. Please visit and share your love of literature.

Joan Braden

## silver social club

Join us for our program series for seniors and active adults. We will offer different programs featuring fun and fabulous activities, sure to excite everyone!

Times and days may vary for programs and day trips during the fall, winter, and spring.

Call Mallory at 708-481-7313, ext. 222 or visit us at [ofparks.org/activities](http://ofparks.org/activities) for current Silver Social Club offerings.



### Mah Jongg for Fun

Every Thursday, 12:15 - 3:45 pm  
Sgt. Means Cull House  
\$5 Drop In Fee to Instructor;  
Ongoing Classes

Mah Jongg is increasing in popularity and expanding to include all ages. This is a good strategic game for cognitive development, memory, hand-eye coordination and also great for stroke survivors. An awesome game for all ages. You will meet new people, socialize, and enjoy yourself while learning a new game. You must experience this world renowned game!!

### Movie Days

Tues, Jan 9, Feb 7, Mar 7, May 16  
12:30 - 2:30 pm  
Sgt. Means Cull House  
FREE

RSVP to Mallory by Monday prior to event date. We will serve popcorn, please bring your own lunch.

### Take Charge of Your Health

*Take Charge of Your Health* is a chronic disease self-management program for people with any chronic disease (asthma, arthritis, high blood pressure, etc.) and their caregivers. This is a proven series of six educational sessions taught by two trained class leaders from the University of Illinois Extension. Participants meet weekly for 2.5 hours to discuss:

- Coping with fatigue, frustration, and isolation related to ongoing health conditions
- Exercising to maintain and improve strength and flexibility
- Using medications
- Communicating with family, friends and health professionals
- Practicing good nutrition
- Evaluating new treatment options
- And more

Discover how to “Take Charge of Your Health” again!

\*Minimum of 10 participants required.

Tues, April 4 - May 9  
1:30 - 4:00 pm  
\$25  
Code: 578999-17

## Yoga with Sue

Reduce stress, increase flexibility and unify mind and body with this time-tested-ancient healing art. Sue is also a board certified holistic health practitioner and author of international best seller, *Young Mind, Young Body*.

Sgt. Means Cull House  
\$60

Instructor: Sue Ziang

Wed, Jan 11 - Feb 15  
6:00 - 7:00 pm  
305037-01

Wed, Mar 1 - Apr 5  
6:00 - 7:00 pm  
305037-02

Wed, Apr 19 - May 24  
6:00 - 7:00 pm  
305037-03

Thurs, Jan 12 - Feb 16  
11:00 - noon  
305036-01

Thurs, Mar 2 - Apr 6  
11:00 - noon  
305036-02

Thurs, Apr 20 - May 25  
11:00 - noon  
305036-03



## Tai Chi & Qigong

Our wonderful treasure, Master Teacher, Anpu Mfundishi, with over 46 years of practice and experience is certified by the Martial Arts Research Society and teaches both Qigong and Tai Chi classes.

Five Organ Chi Kung (Qigong) is a set of basic postures and principles for quality meridian stimulation. It is a foundation for a 72 posture Tai Chi Chuan form. Working this Chi Kung set in addition of post and moving postures will provide and generate an increase in intrinsic energy and circulatory development. You will become stronger and improve memory through having this experience. This can be added to Tai Chi being practiced to improve better understanding of Chi Kung (Qigong).

Sgt. Means Cull House  
\$67

**Tai Chi**  
9:00 - 10:00 am

Thurs, Jan 12 - Feb 16	356004-01
Thurs, Mar 2 - Apr 6	356004-02
Thurs, Apr 20 - May 25	356004-03

**Qigong**  
10:05 - 11:00 am

Thurs, Jan 12 - Feb 16	356005-01
Thurs, Mar 2 - Apr 6	356005-02
Thurs, Apr 20 - May 25	356005-03

**Tai Chi/Qigong**  
4:30 - 5:30 pm

Tues, Jan 10 - Feb 14	356006-01
Tues, Feb 28 - Apr 4	356006-02
Tues, Apr 18 - May 23	356006-03



Located at 20700 Governors Highway.  
Park Hours: Dawn to Dusk.

Tolentine Park has a variety of park features for all ages. One of our most popular features of the park is our Splash Pad. It has 12 nature-themed water features, and is a fun and cool relief for those hot summer days.

Besides the Splash Pad, we have many other places for children to have fun and play in the outdoors while enjoying nature. We have a great playground, complete with 4 slides, child and infant swings, chess table, and built-in bean bag toss! Then they can solve the mystery of how to get in and out of the garden maze!

If you take a stroll down our walking/biking path, you will be able to pass through all four of the eco-systems we have located at the park. You will pass a farm, prairie grass, wetland, and forest. Each is home to a variety of animals, birds and insects. If you want to view our green roof, which is one of our many sustainable initiatives in order for the park district to 'go-green', stop by the picnic pavilion and view our living roof. Then mosey over to the relaxing and beautiful sensory garden, where you can sit and listen to nature all round you.

Our community garden is another highlight of the park. It is a great place to plant a variety of plants, to perfect your 'green thumb', and grow closer with your neighbors in this community-fostering environment. We have 90 plots, each approximately 100 square feet, which are available for seasonal rent.

If you're looking to play sports with friends and the community, then Tolentine is the place for you! At the park we have 2 basketball hoops, each with a three-point arc. We also have plenty of open fields, perfect if you want to start a game of soccer, baseball, or ultimate Frisbee.

## Community Garden - New Pricing!

Garden Plots are available to rent  
April 1, 2017 - October 31, 2017  
(weather pending).

\$25 Per Plot (Resident & Non-resident)  
810005-01

No refunds for cancelled plots during current season.



## How Does Your Garden Grow?

Join us for this 5 part series to help you get your garden and skills in the best shape before the growing season. Register for one, several, or all classes.

Ages 10+  
Irons Oaks Main Office (May 20 at Irwin Center)  
9:00 - 11:00 am  
R \$8 / NR \$10 / per class

### Intro to Gardening

Sat, Jan 28

### Thematic Gardening

Sat, Feb 25

### Advanced Gardening

Sat, Mar 25

### Troubleshooting

Sat, Apr 22

### Food Preservation

Sat, May 20  
(Meet at Irwin Center)

See the Irons Oaks website for specifics of each class.  
[www.ironsoaks.com](http://www.ironsoaks.com)



## 2017 Splash Pad Hours of Operation

### NEW Open Splash Times\*:

Noon - 4:00 pm, Monday - Friday  
Noon - 6:00 pm, Saturday and Sunday

\*Spray features will not activate outside the open hours

### NEW 2017 Splash Pad Fees

\$2 per person, per admission

Daily entry fee can be paid at the Splash Pad by cash only.

**FREE entry days: May 29, July 4, and September 4**

The Park District reserves the right to close the Splash Pad due to inclement weather, high winds, or mechanical repairs.



We do not rent Tolentine for picnics or sporting events, and no grilling is allowed. Please contact our office or see page 26 for park rental information.

For a complete list of the rules & regulations for Tolentine Park, please contact the office at 708-481-7313, or visit Tolentine Park to view the rules & regulations signs around the park.

## Splash Pad Opening May 29, 2017

### NEW

### Aqua Party Rentals

#### Morning Rental Hours

10:30 am - Noon  
Monday - Friday Only

\$180  
\$120 Discounted Resident Rate  
\$100 Security Deposit

#### Afternoon Rental Hours

4:00 - 7:00 pm  
Monday - Friday Only

\$200  
\$150 Discounted Resident Rate  
\$100 Security Deposit

#### Schools, Camps, and Daycares

Splash Pad can accommodate Schools, Camps, and Daycares at a discounted rate:

\$80 per hour  
\$50 security deposit  
(same rules apply)

**10:30 am - Noon rental times only.** If you wish to enter the splash pad outside of those time, each individual must pay the daily admission fee.

Rentals less than 60 days away must be paid in full. Payments accepted for rentals less than 60 days from event must be made by credit card, money order, or cash. Call office for further details.

All cancellations must be in writing to the park district 60 days prior to the rental date. Otherwise, the security deposit will be forfeited. In case of cancellation, a processing charge of 50% of deposit will incur.

Refunds for security deposit available within 30 days of event. Rental groups must vacate when the splash pad is open to the public.

Rentals must be booked at least 2 weeks in advance.

Call 708-481-7313 to reserve the splash pad!



Mission Statement: Irons Oaks is dedicated to enhancing social and natural communities through experiential educational services and projects, professional development opportunities, and community initiatives.

Register today for upcoming programs at Irons Oaks!

Call us at 708-481-2330 or stop by our office at 20000 Western Avenue, Olympia Fields, IL 60461

Please check out our website for further information: [www.ironsoaks.com](http://www.ironsoaks.com)

## Holiday Crafts

Get some last minute shopping in while dropping the kids off with us. Children will make homemade crafts suitable for gifts for you or others. Gifts will be wrapped before pick up. Register by noon on December 7.

Ages 4 - 10  
Irons Oaks Main Office  
Dec 9  
6:00 - 8:00 pm  
R \$10 / NR \$13

## Holiday Tea

Dress in your finest and meet at Irons Oaks for an elegant holiday tea. We will celebrate family, holidays and the coming winter through an elegant cookie tea. A best hat contest and tea cup raffle will be held. Register by December 8.

Ages 2+  
Irons Oaks Main Office  
Dec 11  
3:00 - 5:00 pm  
R \$10 / NR \$13

## Nature Hikes

Enjoy this peaceful time of year at Irons Oaks. Discover what birds are out and which animals left tracks behind on this leisurely walk through the woods. Dress for the weather and be prepared to walk through snow in the winter. Pre-register by noon on the day before.

Age 15+  
Irons Oaks Vollmer Road Lot  
Dec 21, Jan 26, Feb 17, Mar 16, Apr 27, May 19  
FREE!

## Winter Nature Camp

Have you been missing the fun times of summer camp life? We want to let you know of an upcoming opportunity for you. If you are between the ages of 5 and 10, you can participate in the two-day Winter Nature Camp here at Irons Oaks. We will have indoor and outdoor activities both days of the camp. All you'll need: proper gear for the weather and a sack lunch, snacks and water bottle. We will take care of the rest.

Before and after care will be available for an additional cost. Please give us a call if you have any questions.

Registration is open now at Irons Oaks.  
Call 708-481-2330 today, and we will get you registered!

Ages 5 - 10  
Jan 5 - Jan 6  
9:00 am - 3:30 pm  
R \$26 / NR \$33 / per day

## Squirrel Appreciation Day

Watching squirrels with the family is always a treat. Learn more about these fuzzy creatures as we celebrate Squirrel Appreciation Day with activities and a hike.

Ages 2+  
Irons Oaks Vollmer Road Lot  
Jan 21  
10:30 am - 12:00 pm  
R \$2 / NR \$3

## Discovery Center Grand Re-Opening

Our Discovery Center has received a face lift!! Help us celebrate the Grand Re-opening by exploring our Discovery Center Nature Museum and taking a self-guided hike of the grounds. Plus your little one can make a nature craft to take home.

Ages 1 - 6  
Irons Oaks Discovery Center  
Mar 18  
10:00 am - noon  
FREE

## Teams Course Facilitator Training

We want you! Put your leadership skills and love of the outdoors to work by taking the first step in certifying to be an Irons Oaks Adventure Center Teams Course Facilitator. This 16 hour training will cover the basics of facilitation and provide you the tools to move forward in your certification. Spend your summer outside making an impact on the community in a positive way!

Age 18 and up  
Irons Oaks Main Office, 20000 Western Avenue  
Mar 20 - 23  
8:30 am - 12:30 pm  
R/NR \$90

## Flashlight Egg Hunt

Try this twist on the traditional egg hunt! Goody-filled eggs have been left in the forest at Irons Oaks. Decorate a unique basket first then head outside to find the eggs. Bring your flashlight - all children will find eggs. Please register by April 5.

Ages 3 - 10  
Irons Oaks Vollmer Road Lot  
Apr 7  
7:30 - 8:30 pm  
R \$10 / NR \$15

## Earth Day Campfire

Celebrate Earth Day at Irons Oaks with an evening of stories, folklore and songs around a blazing fire. The evening will end with a marshmallow roast. Audience participation is a must! Please register by April 20.

All ages  
Irons Oaks Vollmer Road Lot  
Apr 22  
7:00 - 8:30 pm  
R \$2 / NR \$3

## Women's Adventure Day

Celebrate our extension of Women's History Month into April with a women-only High Ropes experience. Bring a friend or family member to help you conquer your fears 30 feet up in the trees, or come by yourself for a chance to meet new people and have a great adventure. Pre-registration required by noon on Friday, April 21.

7<sup>th</sup> grade and up  
Irons Oaks Vollmer Road Lot  
Apr 23  
10:00 am - 2:00 pm  
R \$20 / NR \$30

## Cross Country Skiing

Try Cross Country Skiing This Winter! It is a family friendly exercise that is based off of natural movements, so it is fast and easy to learn. Cross Country Skiing burns more calories per hour than any other sport so it is a great way to get fit. It is an opportunity to get out and enjoy nature's beauty on a crisp, snowy day rather than being cooped up inside. Cave paintings indicate skiing was first invented in prehistoric times, and is one of the world's oldest sporting activities; keep the tradition alive at Irons Oaks! Ski lessons by appointment only, call for pricing. Includes ski rentals. Snowshoe rentals also available. Rentals may be used on or off-site in 4+ inches of snow.

All ages are welcome  
Irons Oaks Main Office, 20000 Western Avenue  
Pick up skis from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm, Mon - Fri

One-Day Rental, \$10, available Mon - Fri  
Weekend Rental, \$15, rent on Fri, return on Mon

Call the Irons Oaks Office at 708.481.2330 for details.



19910 80th Avenue  
Tinley Park, IL 60487  
815-806-0384 (Phone)  
815-806-0390 (Fax)  
711 (Illinois Relay System)  
[www.sssra.org](http://www.sssra.org)

South Suburban Special Recreation Association (SSSRA) is a therapeutic recreation program that is an extension of the Olympia Fields Park District. SSSRA is organized to provide individuals with special needs or disabilities the opportunity to be involved in year round recreation programs.

SSSRA programs are for individuals from birth through adult who are in special education classes, sheltered workshops or whom have recreational needs not met by traditional park district programs.

Persons residing in SSSRA member agency communities are considered residents. These agencies are: Country Club Hills Park District, Frankfort Square Park District, Hazel Crest Park District, Homewood-Flossmoor Park District, Lan-Oak Park District, Matteson Parks & Recreation Department, Oak Forest Park District, Olympia Fields Park District, Park Forest Recreation & Parks Department, Richton Park Parks & Recreation Department, and Tinley Park-Park District.

Programs and special events are offered seasonally throughout the year. They include programs in the areas of Early Childhood Development, Cultural Arts, Illinois Special Olympics, Summer Day Camp, Sports & Fitness, Social Programs, Adaptive Sports, Special Events and Overnight Trips.

A complete program brochure is available at the Olympia Fields Park District and the SSSRA office. Please call the SSSRA office if you would like to receive the SSSRA brochure on a seasonal basis.

Professional staff with experience in the field of Therapeutic Recreation or a related field supervise all SSSRA programs. They are assisted by individuals who are trained by SSSRA staff in specific areas of therapeutic recreation.

Scholarships are available to SSSRA residents with disabilities who would like to participate in one or more programs, but cannot afford the fees charged.

Through the Inclusion process, SSSRA staff members are available to help participants choose an appropriate program, conduct staff trainings, or supply adaptive equipment if you or a family member is interested in a park district or recreation department program.

## Stretch, Tone & Lift

Put on some workout clothes, grab a bottle of water, and join us for a workout at the gym. We will be enhancing our cardiovascular and muscular strength, burning calories, and feeling good with a variety of workouts. We will be using machine and free weights, as well as incorporating cardio workouts.

Due to the generosity of the Aileen S. Andrew Foundation, door-to-door transportation for this program is offered free of charge for residents.

You will be notified of your pick-up time for door-to-door transportation.

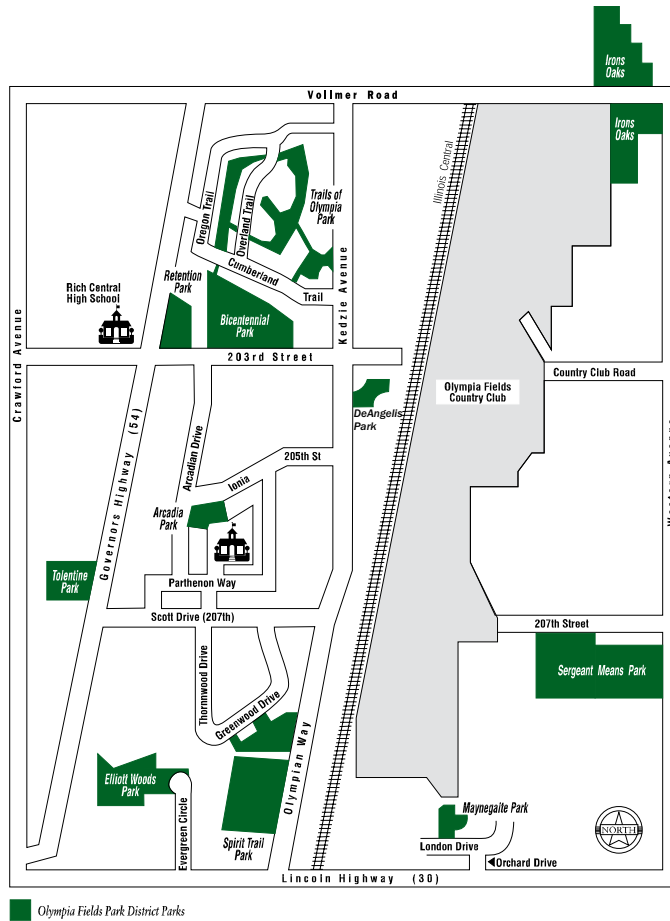
Persons ages 21 and older with a physical disability  
Matteson Community Center (Matteson Ave)

Thurs, Feb 16 - Mar 16  
11:00 am - 12:00 pm  
R: \$31, R w/ Trans: \$31, NR: \$124

Thurs, Mar 30 - Apr 27  
11:00 am - 12:00 pm  
R: \$31, R w/ Trans: \$31, NR: \$124



# park facilities



All parks open from dawn to dusk.

	Acreage	Playground Apparatus	Athletic Fields	Picnic Areas	Sledding Hill	Tennis Courts	Basketball Court	Nature Area	Sitting Area	Bicycle Path	Disc Golf	Community Gardens	Meeting Facilities	Picnic Shelter	Concession Stand	Restrooms	Splash Pad
Arcadia Park Arcadian Drive	1.5	X	X	X	X				X								
Bicentennial Park 203rd and Governor's Hwy	14	X	X	X	X				X	X				X	X	X	
DeAngelis Park Kedzie Ave. & Metra Station	3.1								X	X							
Elliott Woods Park Evergreen Circle	6.8							X									
Irons Oaks Environmental Learning Center Western and Vollmer	40			X				X	X				X	X		X	
Maynegate Park Orchard and London Drive	4.2	X	X	X					X								
Sgt. Means Park 207th and Western Avenue	20	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X	
Spirit Trail Park Kedzie Avenue	35.5							X									
Tolentine Park 207th and Governor's Hwy	10	X	X	X			X	X	X	X		X		X			X
Trails of Olympia North of Bicentennial Park	12.4								X	X							
Total Acres	144.7																

## Picnic Rentals

### Sgt. Means Park

Located at 20712 Western Avenue on 23.6 acres

- 1 Covered Picnic Area
- 2 Open Picnic Areas
- 4 Tennis Courts
- 2 Soccer Fields
- 1 Baseball Field

### Bicentennial Park

Located at 203rd & Governor's Highway

- 1 Covered Picnic Area
- 3 Soccer Fields
- 2 Baseball Fields

### Picnic Equipment Rental

There is a \$50 refundable deposit required for all picnic equipment rentals.

Picnic Kit - \$20 Rental Fee

Our Picnic Kit includes: 4 throw down bases, 2 Frisbees, 2 softball bats, 2-12" softballs, 2-16" softballs, 1 hard bat, 1 hard ball, 1 Wiffle ball bat, 1 Wiffle ball, 1 soccer ball, 1 playground ball, 1 volleyball, and 1 basketball.

In addition to the Picnic Kit, we have the following separate items available to rent for \$5 each:

- Frisbee
- Horseshoes
- Bocce Balls
- Baggo (Bean Bag Toss game)

### Grill Rental - \$25

Must provide your own charcoal.

Security Deposit: \$50

Please call 708-481-7313 for details.

### Looking for a home for your Softball or Soccer League?

We have just the place for you! Athletic field rentals available at Sgt. Means and Bicentennial Parks.

\$43 / game

\$32 / game Discounted Resident Rate

Security Deposit: \$100

Picnic Area Rentals can be contracted and approved up to one year in advance!

### Fees and Security Deposit Information

The following rates apply regardless of weather conditions. No refunds will be given based on weather conditions.

#### Bicentennial Park

# of Guests	Resident	Non-Resident
0-10	No charge*	\$60*
11-60	\$85*	\$110*
61-100	\$110*	\$185**

#### Sgt. Means Park (per picnic grove) Limit 60

# of Guests	Resident	Non-Resident
0-10	No charge*	\$60*
11-60	\$85*	\$110*
61-100	\$110*	\$185**

#### Arcadia Park (no alcohol allowed)

# of Guests	Resident	Non-Resident
0-10	No charge*	\$60*
11-60	\$85*	\$110*

\*Requires a \$100 security deposit

\*\*Requires a \$200 security deposit

#### Alcoholic Permit and Liability Fees

\$225 - Non-refundable

Refunds available within 30 days of event. Checks to be picked up in office.

All cancellations must be in writing to the park district 60 days prior to the rental date. Otherwise, the security deposit will be forfeited. In case of cancellation, a processing charge of 50% of deposit will be retained.

Teen parties or large groups require additional security fees. All outdoor rentals that will have 100 or more attendees must be approved by the park board.

No amplified music (including DJs) allowed in any park.

**Additional rental fees may apply depending on type of entertainment and/or rental equipment. Other rules and regulations apply. Please contact our office for further details.**

Rentals less than 60 days away must be paid in full.

Payments accepted for rentals less than 60 days from event must be made by credit card, money order or cash.

Call office for further details.

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## Plant a Tree!

Have you like many of us lost a tree to insects, weather or disease? We have several programs available to help you replace them. You can get bare root or potted trees for FREE! That's right, totally FREE! Thanks to the Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago and the Living Lands and Water Organization, we can reserve a tree - or 2 or 3 for you.

### **Please contact us and order your FREE Oak Tree(s)!**

We have some available right away, and we can get more, so help us "Restore the Canopy" and participate in the "Million Trees Project."

If you would like more mature trees, we can get you a discount on your purchase and installation with a year warranty through the iTrees program.

For any of these programs, as well as other environmentally friendly programs, please contact our Superintendent of Parks, Eric Darwell, at 708-481-7313, extension 229.

## Communitrees PARTNER PROGRAM

**Plant some GREEN in your community!**

**Park District Residents get a 10% Discount.**  
And for every 10 trees purchased the Park District will get a free tree!

Shop for trees at [www.iTrees.com](http://www.iTrees.com) and make sure to use the discount code **OFPARKDISTRICT** to receive a 10% discount on your purchase.

We can also coordinate with other residents, family and friends. The trees do not need to all be bought by the same person or even installed in our village or district.

Contact Eric at 708-481-7313 for additional information.

## Olympia Fields Park District Tree & Bench Commemorative Program

Celebrate a special occasion, honor someone you hold dear or remember a loved one by donating a tree or bench. A tree or bench makes a lovely gift or memorial and also contributes to the beauty and variety of the park landscape.

A tree spreads its strength and beauty across the years to become a lasting recognition of remembrance. Trees will be planted either in the spring or fall of each year as weather permits, depending on the species of tree. Application deadline is March 1 for spring and September 1 for fall.

Benches require an 8-10 week lead time from the date of the initial order to final installation.

### **Ordering Information:**

To order a tree or bench, please call the Olympia Fields Park District Maintenance Department at 708-481-7313, ext. 229. We will assist you with the process of selecting a tree or bench, deciding on the wording for the plaque, and choosing a fitting location for your memorial.

*A man doesn't plant a tree for himself.  
He plants it for posterity.*

....Alexander Smith

# general information



## Board of Commissioners

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Thank you, Tim Bradford, for 30 years of service on the Olympia Fields Park District Board of Commissioners!

## Park District Office Location

Sgt. Means Park, The Barn  
20712 Western Avenue  
Olympia Fields, Illinois 60461  
708-481-7313 (phone)  
708-481-8735 (fax)  
[www.ofparks.org](http://www.ofparks.org)

## Office Hours

Mon - Fri: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm  
Sat: 9:00 am - Noon  
Sun: Closed

## The office will be closed on the following dates:

Friday, December 23, 2016 (Christmas Eve, observed)  
Saturday, December 24, 2016 (Christmas Eve)  
Monday, December 26, 2016 (Christmas Day, observed)  
Friday, December 30, 2016 (New Year's Eve, observed)  
Saturday, December 31, 2016 (New Year's Eve)  
Monday, January 2, 2017 (New Year's Day, observed)  
Monday, January 16, 2017 (Martin Luther King Day)  
Monday, February 20, 2017 (President's Day)  
Monday, May 29, 2017 (Memorial Day)  
Monday, July 3, 2017 (Independence Day, observed)  
Tuesday, July 4, 2017 (Independence Day)

We will also have reduced office hours from  
Monday, December 19 - Thursday, December 29.  
We will be open from 9:00 am - 12:30 pm.

## Emergency Closing Information

[www.EmergencyClosings.com](http://www.EmergencyClosings.com)  
847-238-1234

## Board Meeting Dates

The Olympia Fields Park District Board of Park Commissioners meets the third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm.

Board Meetings will be held Old Village Hall during construction at Sgt. Means Barn.



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## You Must Register 3 Days Prior to the Start of Any Class or Event!

Ever wonder why classes get cancelled? If you wait to register for a class the day of, you run the risk of the class being cancelled because of low enrollment. To better ensure that your favorite class will not be cancelled, you must register at least 3 days prior to the class start date.

## ADA Conformity

Olympia Fields Park District intends to comply with the intent and spirit of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). If you require special accommodations, call the Park District at 708-481-7313 so that we can make necessary accommodations.

## Our Mission:

"To exceed the needs and better the community through innovative services and sustainable initiatives."

## Vision

"To deliver the ultimate experience in recreation and park services."

## Behavior Policy

The Park District reserves the right to dismiss a participant from a program if their behavior or language is deemed inappropriate by staff, or if it prevents fellow participants from having the best experience possible.

## Photography Policy

Olympia Fields Park District uses photographs in programs and special events to inform others of the many recreational opportunities available in our community. We do not use identification in our brochure. If you do not wish to have your picture taken, please inform the photographer. The Park District does not control newspaper photographers or others who may photograph program participants.

## Looking to Volunteer?

Several of our Park District programs have been successful due to the individuals who volunteer their time to assist us in the programs we offer. The Park District is looking for individuals to assist with programs and special events. If you would like to get involved, please stop by the Park District office and fill out a volunteer application. Please note for which programs/events you would like to volunteer.

## Local Organizations

### Enhancement Organization of Olympia Fields

Contact: Willett Hudson  
info@eoof.org

### Olympia Fields Women's Club

Contact: Lola Prouix  
708-481-8393

### Park Forest Library

400 Lakewood Blvd.  
Park Forest, IL 60466  
708-748-3731  
www.pfpl.org

### HF-Olympia Fields Soccer Club

708-802-4100  
(general information and girls program)  
708-802-2697  
(boys program)  
www.hfsoccerclub.org

## Step 1

\_\_\_\_ Check here for individuals with special needs. The Olympia Fields Park District does its best to accommodate those individuals with special needs. If you need any special assistance, please inform us one week prior to the program.

## Step 2

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The Park District reserves the right to dismiss a participant from a program if their behavior or language is deemed inappropriate by staff.

### Step 3

Billing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### Step 4

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ PARTICIPATION WILL BE DENIED If the signature of adult participant or parent/guardian and date are not on this waiver.

Drop-Off

## Registration Policies

1. Proof of residency (utility or tax bill) will be checked by the Park District staff upon registration.
2. Park District residents receive a discounted rate, as they pay taxes to the district.
3. Any applicant or participant may be required at any time to provide reasonable proof of age, residency, marital status or dependency.
4. You must complete the registration form and submit with full payment when registering for a program.
5. Registration is accepted at the Park District office (The Barn) located at:  
20712 Western Avenue  
Olympia Fields, IL 60461
6. Online registration is available on the district website: [www.ofparks.org](http://www.ofparks.org).
7. Drop-Off Registration - You may use the white drop box located to the right of the mail box outside the Cull House. This box is accessible 24 hours a day.
8. Pre-registration is necessary for most Park District programs.
9. All registration is done on a first come, first served basis. No space will be reserved until the appropriate program fee is paid.
10. Payment is accepted in the form of: cash, check, money order or credit card (Visa or MasterCard). Please make checks payable to: Olympia Fields Park District.
11. A \$35 fee will be charged for any returned check. Only cash will be taken in place of the NSF check.
12. Checks which are not cashed within the 90 day timeframe and need to be reprinted, will be charged a \$20 administrative fee.
13. Program Fees will not be prorated when registering for a program if the class session has already started or you cannot attend the class dates as listed.
14. Waiting lists will be formed when a class is full. Every attempt will be made to open an additional class.
15. Programs may be cancelled prior to the start date due to low enrollment. Refunds will be issued in the form of a check or return of charges to credit card used in the transaction within 30 days of request. All programs or rental refunds to be received in the form of a check will be written to the person whose name appears on the original registration/rental. Checks will be available by pick-up only, no checks will be sent through the mail. A refund in the form of a check will be available for pick up within 30 days.
16. It is mutually understood that a FAXED registration document (including waiver and release of all claims) shall substitute for and have the same legal effect as the original form. Our fax number is 708-481-8735. Payment is required to reserve a spot. This fax does not reserve you a spot until payment has been received.

## Refund Policies

1. In the event a program, trip, or event is cancelled by the Park District, each registrant will be notified and a full refund will be issued and available for pick up within 30 days.
2. A \$5 administration fee will be assessed on all refund requests by the participant. Refund requests for all programs (excluding trips) must be requested prior to the second class meeting. Refunds will not be approved past the start of the second class meeting. Refunds will be ready for pick up within 30 days of request.
3. No refunds will be given for trips past the registration deadline date - unless there is a waiting list and someone can take the place from that waiting list.

## Register with Ease!



Online  
[www.ofparks.org](http://www.ofparks.org)



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Sgt. Means Cull House



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Sunday, May 14  
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