



Elmwood Park News

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A Message from Angelo "Skip" Saviano

Dear Elmwood Park Residents,

I hope everyone enjoyed a wonderful holiday season. It was a joy for me to drive around town during Christmas time and see all the beautiful holiday decorations adorning your homes. Pride of home ownership is certainly one of the top items that makes Elmwood Park such a great place to live and raise a family. Congratulations to the winners of our holiday decorating contest.

Like most winters, I am sure we will have our share of snow and cold, so I urge you all to be prepared. Please shovel your sidewalks to make travel safe for everyone, especially our children and elderly.

We have a full docket of exciting activities coming up this winter starting with a full list of fun things for kids, young and old, at our Parks and Recreation Center. One activity that I would like to mention is **Pickleball**. That's right! Elmwood Park is now featuring open play for the latest sports craze to hit the country, Pickleball. Why not give it a try? It's fun for the whole family.

I also want to highlight our upcoming **Restaurant Week** in Elmwood Park. It's slated for February 16 - 25. As you know we have many fine restaurants in our community, some of which have been here for generations. Many restaurants will be offering special menus during this week's celebration, so be sure to check them out. You can view more information on our website, elmwoodpark.org or by checking out this newsletter. Whether it's Italian, Asian, Mexican, or good old-fashioned American cuisine, you can't beat our restaurants in Elmwood Park!

Another annual event I want to highlight is **"Fight Night."** If you've never been, make this the year to attend. It's happening on February 16 at 7:00 pm at the Parks and Recreation Center. Get your tickets early so you won't be disappointed. Come out and watch some of the best amateur boxing you'll find anywhere.

Finally, as we move into the future, Elmwood Park is pleased to announce three new public electric vehicle (EV) charging stations throughout the Village. See page 5 for more information.

Stay warm!

Angelo "Skip" Saviano

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Village President

Save the Dates!

Village Board Meetings
Monday, February 5, 6:00 pm
Monday, March 4, 7:00 pm
Village Hall

Fight Night
Friday, February 16
7:00 pm
Parks & Rec Center

Restaurant Week
Dine-In Elmwood Park
February 16 - 25
Various locations

Spring Carnival
Saturday, March 30
10:00 am - 3:00 pm
Parks & Rec Center

Upcoming Events

Fight Night is back!


Get your tickets today!

Get ready to sit ringside for one of the best nights of live amateur boxing of the year at Elmwood Park's Annual Fight Night. Come out to 2 Conti Parkway on February 16 and see the Parks and Recreation Center transformed for a night of live amateur boxing.

Coinciding with the kick-off of our Annual Dine-In Elmwood Park Restaurant Week, attendees are encouraged to take advantage of specials and deals at local restaurants before coming to the event.

"We're encouraging people to take a night out on the town by dining at one of our great local restaurants and then coming to see some live boxing," said Village Trustee Angelo Lollino. "People come from all over the area to watch the fights. It's something we look forward to every year."

Attendees will enjoy special entertainment from the Cover Girls in between bouts, so there will never be a dull moment. Food and drinks will also be available for purchase. Tickets for the event are available for \$50 at the Village Hall during normal business hours. Boxing begins at 7:00 pm and doors open at 6:30. As always, ticket sales are used to pay for the costs associated with Fight Night itself.



**Village of Elmwood Park
FIGHT NIGHT**

**LIVE AMATEUR
BOXING AT ITS BEST!**

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2024 - 7 PM

ELMWOOD PARK - PARKS & RECREATION CENTER
2 CONTI PARKWAY

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT
Elmwood Park Village Hall | 11 Conti Parkway
FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL: 708-452-7300

TICKETS \$50

FOOD • BEVERAGES • VALET PARKING
(DOORS OPEN AT 6:30 PM)

SANCTIONED BY USA BOXING AND THE ILLINOIS LOCAL BOXING COMMITTEE

USA BOXING

Kids Spring Carnival will be full of fun and games

Free Admission!

The Spring Carnival is back again this year on Saturday, March 30. This annual kid-friendly festival is packed with fun, food and friends. The Spring Carnival will be held at the Parks & Recreation Center, 2 Conti Parkway. The action begins at 10:00 am and runs until 3:00 pm.

"We're thrilled to host the Carnival again this year," said Village Trustee Elsa Estrada-Volpe. "It's a great opportunity for kids to blow off some steam during the colder months."

The Spring Carnival will feature inflatables including a jump house and carnival games. Arts, crafts and food will be available for purchase. Kids from pre-school through 6th grade are welcome to attend. Admission is free!



**Spring
CARNIVAL**

**Saturday
March 30th
10 AM - 3 PM**

Parks & Recreation Building

Ages: Toddler to 6th Grade

Elmwood Park Residents Only

FREE:
Jump House
Inflatables
Carnival Games

Happy Jack's will sell food (popcorn & cotton candy) and arts and crafts for a charge.

For more info call 708-452-3935.

VILLAGE OF ELMWOOD PARK

Spring playschool classes are back!



Spring playschool classes for three, four and five-year-olds are right around the corner at the Parks & Recreation Center in the Village Circle. Morning classes run from 9:00 – 11:00 am and afternoon classes run from 12:30 – 2:30 pm. Sessions are offered two days a week, either on Tuesday and Thursday or on Wednesday and Friday.

“The playschool program is guided by a philosophy of learning through play,” said Playschool Teacher Ms. Amanda. “Our primary vision is to help children develop their love of learning early.”

The fee is \$209 per session and runs from February 27/28 through May 16/17. Spring Break will be from March 26 to March 29. Registration is open at the Parks and Recreation office or online at parks.elmwoodpark.org. Parents or guardians must provide the child’s birth certificate and proof of immunization when registering. Children must be potty trained and must be the appropriate age when classes begin. No diapers or pull-ups are allowed.

Anyone who would like more information about playschool or wants to check on class availability can call the Parks and Recreation Center at (708) 452-3935 or email Ms. Amanda directly at aziupsnys@elmwoodpark.org.

ELMWOOD PARK



RESTAURANT WEEK
FEBRUARY 16TH – FEBRUARY 25TH

See page 12 for more information

See Spot sit!

Dog training classes now offered

Dog owners in Elmwood Park now have the opportunity to take their pooch to school. Two current sessions run through the end of February on Mondays and Wednesdays. Each session is eight classes and are held at the Parks and Recreation Center

at 2 Conti Parkway. The cost is \$180 per session.

The first class of each session is a class orientation with owners only, dogs stay home. The next seven classes are instructional with dogs and owners. The classes are taught by David Wieczorek, a 43-year dog training veteran.

If you missed this session, stay tuned for more training classes in the future!

Dog Training Classes

with David Wieczorek



Hands on training with dogs and their owners.

2 sessions. 8 classes each.
First day of class is orientation with NO DOGS.
Next 7 classes are instructional.

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION

STRESS LESS SALSA MORE

Sign up for Zumba® today!

Join us every Thursday at 6:00 pm and Saturday at 9:15 am this February for 45 minutes of dancing exercise. These Zumba classes are beginner friendly and cost just \$10. Participants can drop in at 2 Conti Parkway and pay with cash or Zelle. Registration is also available at parks.elmwoodpark.org.

Upcoming Events

What's happening at the CRC?

The Community Recreation Center has all kinds of things going on this winter, from our weight room, to our golf simulators, to our party rentals. Be sure to stop in and see all that's happening.

The weight room is outfitted with five treadmills, two elliptical machines and a Peloton machine. We also have free weights and multiple other machines to keep you in shape. The weight room is open seven days a week and we have packages that start at \$10 per month for residents and \$5 a month for seniors. Weight room hours are 8:00 am – 10:00 pm Monday through Friday, 9:00 am – 8:00 pm Saturday, and 9:00 am – 5:00 pm on Sunday.



Our building is a great facility for any type of celebration. Bar packages and full building packages are also available for rent. Weekend parties are available but interested parties need to call (708) 452-3917 in advance for more information.



The CRC is also a great spot to keep up your golf game during the off season. Indoor golf simulators are available for \$20 an hour. With over 7,500 courses including a driving range, there are plenty of options to choose from.

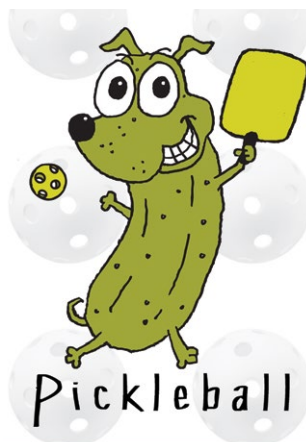
For more information, call (708) 452-3917.

What's the big dill about Pickleball?

Join us this spring to play pickleball at the Parks and Recreation Center. Whether you're a seasoned pickleballer or just learning the ropes, we've got you covered.

Courts will be set up Tuesday through Friday for play from noon to 2:45 pm. Beginner and family play will be available on Saturdays from 3:00 to 4:00 pm. Intermediate and advanced play will be Saturdays from 4:30 to 6:30 pm.

More information can be found at parks.elmwoodpark.org.



Register for Tigers Baseball and Softball

Elmwood Park Baseball and Softball Registration is now open for the 2024 Spring Season! There are 8U, 10U and 12U softball teams

being created along with 8U, 10U, 12U and 14U baseball teams! For the youngest among us, you can register for T-Ball.

Please go to <http://www.elmwoodparkbaseball.net> to register for the Spring season. Registration will close February 15.

The Tigers are also looking for sponsors for the spring season. If you are interested or have any questions, please email epbs2019@gmail.com. **Let's go Tigers!**

What's growing on?

Garden Club plants seeds for 2024 season



The Elmwood Park Garden Club kicks off the 2024 season on Thursday, February 8 with a lab session on winter sowing. Vanessa and Sophia Rodriguez will walk us through the process of this hands-off, low-tech, high-return way to get the most out of your seeds. We will meet at the high school in a real lab! Check our Facebook page for details. (GardenClubElmwoodParkIllinois)

The Garden Club will meet again on Thursday, March 14 in the Ferrentino Room of the Elmwood Park Library and the meeting will feature Sav-A-Tree's David Kusnierz, who will bring us information on the fast changing condition of trees, the best ones to plant, how to care for them and other helpful tips.

Contact Donna Clesen for further information (847) 361-1233, epgardenclubil@gmail.com.

Holiday decorating winners announced

The competition was intense, the votes have been tallied and the winners have now been selected for Elmwood Park's Holiday Home Decorating Contest.

"Elmwood Park has again proved to be a holiday lights destination, thanks to our residents and our Public Works Department," said Village Clerk Gina Pesko. "The Public Works Department makes sure our Village buildings, parks and of course, our beautiful water tower are decked out for the season."

Each year Village residents decorate their homes and blocks in the hope of winning the contest and bringing joy to their neighbors.

"We had great participation as usual," said Pesko. "The competition was fierce and our judges had a hard time picking the winners but enjoyed every minute of it."

The winners of the southside residential competition were the Guillen-Rivera residence on 73rd Avenue and the Lima residence on 78th Avenue. Northside winners were the Franiuk residence on 74th Court and the Zacarias residence on Elmgrove Drive. The winners for decorating their block were the 2100 block of 75th Court on the southside and for the fifth year in a row, the 7800-7900 block of Elmgrove on the northside.

Winners of the contest received a gift certificate to one of our local restaurants. Congratulations and thanks to everyone who participated this year!



Electric vehicle charging now available!

Five new public charging stations have been installed

The Village of Elmwood Park is excited to inform you there are five new electric vehicle charging stations at three locations right here in our community. The charging stations are operated by EVmatch.

Electric car owners can download the EVmatch mobile app to conveniently reserve and pay for charging sessions. Once the app is downloaded, users can create an EVmatch account, input vehicle information, purchase charging credit and enable push notifications. Visit [EVmatch.com](https://www.evmatch.com) for more information.

The five new electric vehicle charging stations are in three different locations:

- 1 EV charger at the west side of Village Hall at 11 Conti Parkway
- 2 EV chargers at the Fire Station at 7 Conti Parkway
- 2 EV chargers at 7200 Fullerton Avenue parking lot

If you have any questions, you can reach out to EVmatch at support@evmatch.com or chat with EVmatch in the app.



Police Beat

Crime prevention tips from Elmwood Park Police



While Elmwood Park is one of the safest communities in the area, no one is completely immune from crime. Some of the easiest crimes to prevent are motor vehicle theft and thefts from motor vehicles.

To reduce the risk of becoming a victim, we urge residents to remove any valuables from your vehicle, including garage door remotes, house keys and key fobs. Always remember to lock your doors.

Additionally, please read over the following tips to keep your home safe.

- Increase Visibility - Criminals do not like to be seen! Keep shrubs trimmed no taller than 3 feet and trees no lower than 7 feet. Use lighting at night to illuminate your home's exterior.
- Surveillance Cameras - Installing surveillance cameras has never been easier or more affordable. Surveillance video helps police investigate crimes and arrest criminals. The Village of Elmwood Park will reimburse residents 50% up to \$100 of the camera cost. (See Camera Program at www.elmwoodpark.org).
- Security Systems - Along with surveillance cameras, a security system adds a layer of protection to your home. Many systems offer burglar and fire protection alarms.
- Timers - A home that looks occupied is less likely to be targeted for crime. Use home automation and timers to make it appear someone is home even when you're out.
- Going on Vacation - Ask a trusted neighbor to watch your home, pick up mail or packages, or park their vehicle in your driveway. Residents can also sign up for our Vacation Watch Program (call (708) 453-2137).



A BIG thanks to St. Celestine's 4th grade students



During the holiday season St. Celestine's School 4th Grade students made ornaments for our Police Department. The kids enjoyed hot cocoa, treats and a visit from Santa while watching *Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer*.

Thank you to the staff and students from St. Celestine's School, Niki Wilk-Mahon from The Barre Cafe, Dunkin' Donuts and Ted Gruber for making the day a success.

Code Corner



Winter in Elmwood Park

Winter is officially here and with the season comes bad weather. Please remember to keep all your sidewalks clear of snow and ice. Additionally, during this time year, keep in mind that the lids of the garbage containers need to be closed and garbage must not be on the ground which attracts rodents. If you are disposing of any bulk furniture and/or appliances, such as a couch, dresser, or stove, please do not put the items in the alley until the night before or day of your garbage pick-up. If you are disposing a mattress, the mattress must be completely wrapped in plastic prior to it being put out for trash collection.



Landlords must supply sufficient heat for tenants

Colder weather is here and all landlords are reminded of the requirement to supply heat to tenants from September 14 through June 1, as required by the Village Property Maintenance Code, Section 602.3. Please call Code Administration at (708) 452-3920 for more information.

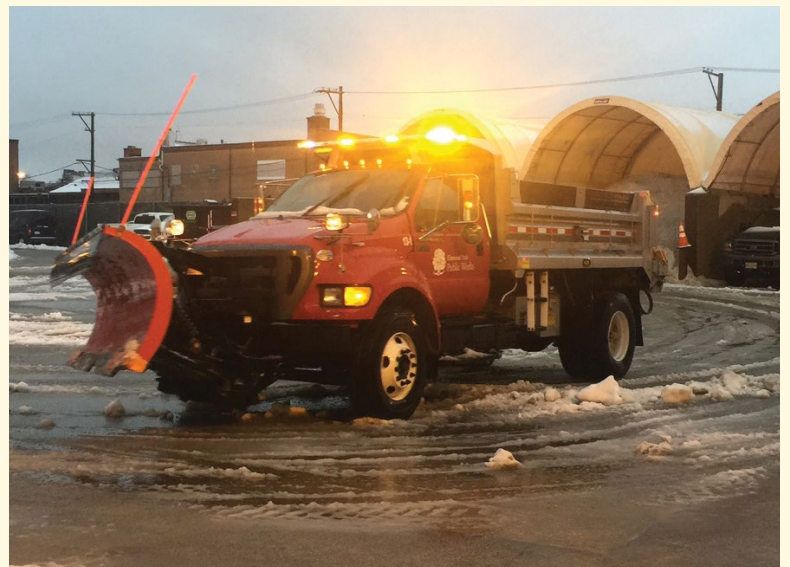
A message from your Public Works Department

Winter is here and your Public Works Department has a few simple reminders so everyone can enjoy a safe winter season.

Winter storms can bring with them extreme cold temperatures, high winds, freezing rain and lots of snow, all of which can make our roads and sidewalks hazardous to navigate. That is why it is important to everyone at the Public Works Department that we all work together to keep you, your family, your home and the Village safe.

- Please be aware of all snow parking restrictions after a storm. These restrictions are to allow snowplow trucks to safely plow and salt the streets. This is important not only for the mobility of emergency vehicles but residents and visitors to our community.
- Please try to clear sidewalks quickly after a storm. Icy patches may need to be salted and please be mindful of neighbors that may need help.
- We will be out battling every snow or ice event as quickly, safely and efficiently as possible, but storms are unpredictable. Please give yourself extra time to get to work or school.
- As the cold temperatures come in, it causes the ground to freeze. Unfortunately, sometimes this causes water main breaks. We will do our best to get them fixed as soon as possible with no interruptions to your water services in most cases.
- Please register for Village of Elmwood Park calls to get up to date information on any winter parking restrictions.

Please be safe and if you have questions, don't hesitate to contact us at (708) 452-3945.



Curbside snow removal



The Village is again preparing for a snowy winter by implementing its curbside snow removal plan this season. The program is designed to speed the process of clearing Elmwood Park streets after a snowfall of two inches or greater.

"The curbside snow removal plan has proven a tried and true method for clearing streets for residents in a fast and efficient manner," Public Works Director Peter Guenther. "Hopefully we won't have to implement it too often this winter, but we'll be ready if we do."

If there is a snowfall of two inches or more and the center lanes of residents' streets have been plowed, residents will then be notified of the curbside snow removal plan via Blackboard Connect, which sends out automated phone calls, emails and text alerts.

If curbside snow removal is set to begin on an ODD-numbered date, no parking would be allowed on the side of streets with ODD-numbered addresses between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm that day. The following day, no parking would be allowed on the side of streets with even-numbered addresses.

EXAMPLE: The Village notifies residents that Curbside Snow Removal is set to begin on December 20. No parking would be allowed on the even-numbered side of the streets that day between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm. On December 21, vehicles would not be permitted to park on the odd-numbered side of the streets.

Parking restrictions on curbside snow removal days apply to all Village streets, with the exception of Harlem, Belmont, Grand and North Avenues.

Failure to comply with these restrictions could result in cars being towed at the owner's expense along with a fine of \$50. Residents can call the snow removal hotline number at (708) 395-4040.

The Fire Wire... News and updates from the Fire Department

Help keep fire hydrants clear of snow!

The Elmwood Park Fire Department reminds homeowners to avoid piling snow around fire hydrants. In the few minutes it takes firefighters to dig out a snow-covered hydrant, a structure fire could double in size.



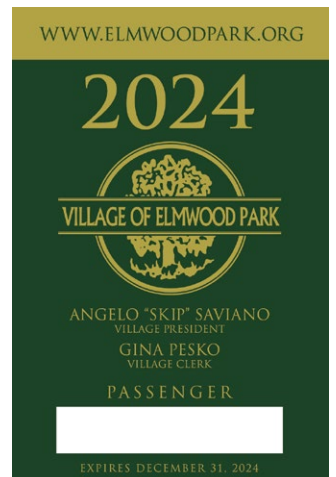
Firefighters need snow cleared at least three feet around a hydrant with a snow-cleared path from the hydrant to the street. Anyone observing a hydrant covered with snow should call the Fire Department at (708) 453-2600 so workers can be sent to clear it.

Past due!

2024 Vehicle stickers required

The Elmwood Park Police Department would like to remind residents that their vehicles must now display 2024 vehicle stickers. The deadline was January 31. Vehicles not displaying the new stickers are at risk of being ticketed and fined.

You may still purchase your stickers at Village Hall, 11 Conti Parkway, during normal business hours. However, late purchases are subject to a late fee. Online payments are not available for late purchases.



Fun for all at Infinity and Beyond Academy

Tumbling, Trampoline and Gymnastics



The Infinity and Beyond gymnastics travel team completed their first competition of the 2023 - 24 season on December 5 at the Aurora Disney Invitational where level four competitors came in third place all around.

Teams are busy preparing for more challenges throughout the region. Good luck to all of our competitors!

Children in the recreational classes for ages 1-18 years old have been busy having fun and building memories. Children in

the gymnastics, cheerleading and tumbling, trampoline classes began their winter session on January 8. Preparations are now underway for the Annual Showcase competition which will be held in May.

If you'd like to sign your child up, go to parks.elmwoodpark.org.



Clerk's Corner

Get out and vote!

Don't hurry, vote early

In preparation for the Presidential Primary Election March 19, 2024, Elmwood Park Village Hall will again host early voting. Village Hall will be open March 4 to March 18 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Hours on Sunday, March 10 and Sunday, March 17 will be from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm. Election Day voting on March 19 will be conducted at your local precinct polling place from 6:00 am to 7:00 pm.

New residents may register to vote during Early Voting, Election Day at your polling place, or online until March 3, 2024, on the State Board of Elections website <https://ova.elections.il.gov/>.

To register, you must be a United States Citizen and must be 17 years old on or before the date of the primary election.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Village Clerk Gina Pesko at (708) 452-3911.



Warming centers

The Village has designated two areas as warming centers to provide a safe and comfortable environment for the elderly, very young and those residents who are medically compromised during inclement weather.

The primary warming center is the Public Safety Building at 7420 Fullerton Avenue.

The secondary warming center is the Parks and Recreation Building located at 2 Conti Parkway.

If you need additional information, contact Village Hall at (708) 452-3900.



Senior Club meetings

Join us for friendship, fun and food at our monthly senior club meetings. Our meetings are held at noon and cost \$7.00. Lunch is included. For more information, please contact Tina Senior Coordinator (708) 452-3962 or email cgordon@elmwoodpark.org.



Upcoming meetings

Monday, February 26 – Cantata Adult Life Services presentation

Monday, March 18 – Victory Gardens presentation

Get help with snow removal

Elmwood Park seniors can get help with snow removal through the Village of Elmwood Park. The Village maintains a list of high school students interested in shoveling snow which is available on request. Call Senior Coordinator Tina Gordon at (708) 261-1154 or the Village Hall at (708) 452-7300 to request names and contact information of students or more information about the program.



Rates start at \$10 for a normal snowfall of 3 inches or less. Corner lots start at \$15. This includes sidewalks around the house and stairs. Driveways and garages are **not** included. Any additional work is negotiable.

Elmwood Park Senior Snow Voucher Program

The Snow Voucher Program provides assistance to Elmwood Park senior citizens and residents with disabilities living in single family homes.

After a snow fall of 6 inches or more, participants will receive an automated call from the Village of Elmwood Park that the snowfall is eligible for voucher use. Residents contact a student who will shovel snow. A voucher is given to the student for reimbursement through the program.

For more information about the snow voucher program call (708) 452-3962 or (708) 261-1154.



Trips & excursions



Seniors are welcome to invite (adult) friends and family members, including those who don't reside in Elmwood Park, to join them on trips and excursions hosted by the Village of Elmwood Park. Call Senior Coordinator Tina Gordon at (708) 452-3962 or email cgordon@elmwoodpark.org to make reservations today!

Island Resort and Casino, Harris, MI

Wednesday – Friday, Feb 28 – Mar 1

Cost: \$240/person, \$185/dbl, \$170/triple

Departure/return: 8:00 am, Feb 28/5:30 pm, Mar 1



Island Resort & Casino, Harris, MI

Wednesday – Friday, June 19 – 21

Cost: \$275/person, \$220/dbl, \$185/triple

Departure/return: 8:00 am, Jun 19/5:30 pm, Jun 21



Island Resort and Casino, Harris, MI

Wednesday – Friday, Oct 30 – Nov 1

Cost: \$275/person, \$220/dbl, \$185/triple

Departure/return: 8:00 am, Feb 28/5:30 pm, Mar 1



Josie's Room Meet and Greet

Activities for adults over 50 at the Josette LaFrambois Center

Mature adults aged 50 and older are invited to the LaFrambois Center for a Meet & Greet! Enjoy a light lunch, see old friends and meet new people on Opening Day, Tuesday, March 12 from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Future activities may include game days, arts and crafts projects and educational programs, such as knitting and crochet lessons.

Call Tina at (708) 261-1154 by March 8 to reserve your spot! The LaFrambois Center is located at 11 Conti Parkway.



Have you noticed some changes around the library? The biggest one might be our new logo – pictured at left – but we've had a busy winter! The study rooms in Adult Services are finally back in working condition, and we've got even more changes planned to bring more offerings to our community. Plus, keep an eye out for our new website coming soon.

Winter is still here but there are plenty of fun ways to stay warm at the library! Celebrate Lunar New Year, Valentine's Day and Easter with fun programs, crafts and more.



Lunar New Year celebration

February 10, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm



Celebrate the Lunar New Year with us! This year is the Year of the Dragon, which in the Chinese zodiac represents power, success, honor and luck. We'll have a party for the whole family during the day, a DIY kit for adults to take home and a story time for children in the morning.

新年快乐! | **Happy New Year!**

New digital services

Explore the library from the comfort of your home! **SWAN Libraries +** is the new mobile app for the SWAN system. You can search the catalog, place holds and monitor your account from the app.

Did you know that you can read or listen to books, or even watch movies and TV without coming to the library to get them? Use the **Libby** app for eBooks and Audiobooks, or try **Kanopy** for Movies and TV! Just download the app to your phone and sign in with your Elmwood Park Library card and PIN number!



Featured programs & events

Some programs and events may require registration. See our website for more information and to register for programs.

Soundbath Meditation (February 3, 1:00 – 2:00 pm, Adults)

Drop-In Gaming (February 5, 6:00 – 8:00 pm, MidKids & Teens)

Paint & Sip Night (February 5, 6:30 – 8:00 pm, Adults)

NEW! Lunar New Year Party (February 10, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm, All Ages)

NEW! How to Digitize Photos and Documents (February 12, 2:00 – 4:30 pm, Adults)



NEW! PC Building Class (February 13, 15, 20 and 22, 4:30 – 5:30 pm, Teens)



NEW! Valentine's Day Storytime (February 14, 11:30 am – 12:00 pm, Ages 2 – 5)

Coffee with Staff (March 2, 9:00 – 10:30 am, All Ages)

Saturday Storytime (March 16, 10:30 – 11:00 am, Kids)

Writers' Circle (March 19, 7:00 – 8:00 pm, Ages 16+)

NEW! Pysanka Workshop: Making Easter Eggs (March 23, 1:00 – 3:00 pm)



NEW! Poetry Club (March 27, 7:00 – 8:00 pm)



NEW! Tales with Teddy (March 28, 4:30 – 5:30 pm, Kids)

NEW! Dungeons & Dragons Club for Adults (March 30, 12:00 – 4:00 pm, Ages 16+)

Want to stay up to date with our programs and events? Visit our website at elmwoodparklibrary.org, or stop by the library to pick up a copy of our six-month program calendar and monthly brochures!

Get more library in your life!

Follow us on social media! EPPL is on Facebook, Instagram and TikTok. Find us @elmwoodparklib for the most current updates and fun photos from our programs!

Scan the QR code to visit our website or online calendar, sign up for the eNewsletter, find us on social media and more!



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ELMWOOD PARK

RESTAURANT WEEK

Get ready to pull up a chair and dig in, because Elmwood Park's Annual Restaurant Week is just around the corner! Food lovers will again have the opportunity to sample Elmwood Park's tastiest epicurean delights while taking advantage of special offers, discounts and prix fixe menus at nearly 20 restaurants that showcase the diverse dining offerings that can be found in the Village. **Dine-In Elmwood Park 2024 kicks off on February 16 and runs through February 25.**

"Dine-In Elmwood Park is our winter food festival showcasing great dining destinations for the Chicago region," said Village President Angelo "Skip" Saviano. "We take food seriously in Elmwood Park and we want everyone to come see what makes dining so special here."

Following on the heels of Chicago's restaurant week, Saviano said Dine-In Elmwood Park is a great opportunity to sample delicious food without having to fight crowds of people trekking into the city. Dine-In Elmwood Park always includes restaurants and deals that work for every budget.

"We're inviting everyone to come and taste what we're cooking up in Elmwood Park," said Village Trustee Angelo Lollino. "We've got some incredible food icons in Elmwood Park, from Russell's Barbeque to Inari Sushi and everything in between."

Attendees can find details on menus and deals at elmwoodpark.org.

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| ARMAND'S PIZZERIA 7650 W. NORTH AVENUE LUNCH SPECIAL 11 AM - 4 PM \$7.00 PIZZA SPECIAL (CHEESE, SAUSAGE, PEPPERONI) CHOICE OF SOUP OR SALAD & DRINK DINNER SPECIAL 4 PM - 8:30 PM \$9.00 SANDWICH SPECIAL CHOICE OF BEEF, SAUSAGE OR MEATBALL SANDWICH, CHOICE OF SOUP OR SALAD, CHIPS & DRINK | BLUE FIRE RESTAURANT 7440 W. NORTH AVENUE 3 COURSE DINNER FOR TWO W/ WINE PAIRING - \$60 APPETIZER: FRIED CALAMARI OR BRUSCHETTA CHOICE OF MAIN COURSE MAIN: BEEF MEDALLIONS, GRILLED SALMON OR ROASTED VEGGIES DESSERT: CHEESECAKE OR TIRAMISU ANYTIME PROMOTION! TAKE 10% OFF ANY MENU ITEM | Café Cubano Chicago's most authentic Cuban food 7426 W. NORTH AVENUE LUNCH SPECIAL \$15 CHOICE OF ANY SANDWICH SERVED WITH CUBAN RICE DINNER SPECIAL \$20 GRILLED STEAK DINNER |
| JIM and PETE'S ITALIAN 7806 W. NORTH AVENUE \$10 GIFT CARD WITH \$50 MINIMUM DINE-IN PURCHASE. <small>MUST MENTION OFFER TO RECEIVE FRIENDLY GIFT CARD. SOME RESTRICTIONS APPLY. NOT VALID WITH OTHER DISCOUNTS OR OFFERS. OFFER VALID UNTIL FEBRUARY 25, 2024. CARD VALID ONLY FOR RESIDENTS OF VILLAGES. NOT VALID FOR CATERING ORDERS.</small> | TAVERN 18 W. CONTI PARKWAY 20% OFF DINE IN ONLY DINNER SPECIAL - \$20 Culver's 7542 W. GRAND AVENUE \$2 OFF ANY VALUE BASKET OR DINNER \$1 OFF ANY ENTREE SALAD MUST MENTION RESTAURANT WEEK PROMOTION | DONNY G'S 7308 W. NORTH AVENUE LUNCH SPECIAL - \$15 DINNER SPECIAL - \$20 APPETIZER: SAUSAGE AND PEPPERS OR BRUSCHETTA SOUP OR SALAD ENTREE: CHOICE OF ONE RABBIT (CHEESE OR MEAT IN MARINARA OR VODKA) CHICKEN PARMESAN, OR WHITE FISH W/ SPINACH IN A LEMON BUTTER SAUCE SERVED WITH ONE GLASS OF RED OR WHITE HOUSE WINE - AND A SCOOP OF GELATO |
| GRINGO & BLONDIE 7514 W. NORTH AVENUE 15% OFF ANY STARTER 2 TACOS OF YOUR CHOICE W/ RICE & BEANS \$10 \$3 OFF ANY BURRITO OR CEMITA 15% OFF ANY KIDS MEAL 1/2 OFF FLAN DESSERT 1/2 OFF HORCHATA, HORCHATA SHAKE OR AGUA FRESCA \$8 CLASSIC MARGARITA \$10 FROZEN MARGARITA | ELMWOOD PARK RESTAURANT WEEK FEBRUARY 16TH - 25TH VISIT ELMWOODPARK.ORG/RESTAURANTWEEK FOR MENU UPDATES | MASSA MASSA CAFÉ ITALIANO 7434 W. NORTH AVENUE PASTA OF CHOICE W/ 1/2 HOUSE SALAD - \$20 CLASSICO PANZEROTTI W/ CHOICE OF PEPSI - \$10 PANINI OF CHOICE WITH 5 PIECE POLENTA FRY - \$18 (EXCLUDES PRIMO & RIBETTE) EGGPLANT CLASSIC WITH SMALL SOUP - \$20 ANY 16 OZ FAVORITE LATTES - \$4 FRIED DOUGH WITH SMALL GELATO \$13.75 AFFOGATO (GELATO + ESPRESSO DRINK) \$6.75 |
| 新星 NEW STAR RESTAURANT 7444 W. NORTH AVENUE SUSHI ROLL DINNER SPECIAL BUY ONE ROLL GET ONE OF EQUAL OR LESSER VALUE FREE | RED BOTTLE 7438 W. NORTH AVENUE \$15 COMBOS BURGER + A BEER, PIZZA + A GLASS OF WINE OR CHEESE OR MEAT BOARD + A GLASS OF WINE HAPPY HOUR: MONDAY-THURSDAY 5-7 PM 30% OFF ANY ALCOHOL (WINE, BEER, WHISKEY) | Russell's BARBEQUE 1621 N. THATCHER AVENUE \$2 OFF FULL SLAB OF TENDER MEATY BABY BACK RIBS INCLUDES 1 HOT AND COLD SIDE \$2 OFF 1/2 SLAB OF RIBS AND 1/2 CHICKEN COMBO INCLUDES 1 HOT AND 1 COLD SIDE |
| SPIZZICO 7446 W. NORTH AVENUE LUNCH SPECIALS SELECTED SANDWICHES, FRIES & DRINK \$10.06 1/2 ORDER SELECTED SALADS WITH BREADSTICK & DRINK \$8.96 SELECTED PASTA MARINARA OR MEAT SAUCE W/ SIDE SALAD & DRINK \$11.19 | THE SPORTZ NOOK 7841 W. GRAND AVENUE MUSSELS IN A WINE & GARLIC SAUCE SPAGHETTI & MEATBALLS \$12 | TACOS 2 GO 7530 W. GRAND AVENUE TACOS 2 GO TACOS 2 GO TACO SALAD 14" DEEP FRIED FLOUR TORTILLA CHOICE OF PROTEIN, LETTUCE, TOMATO, PICO DE GALLO, BLACK BEANS, RICE, CHEESE, GUAC & SOUR CREAM. INCLUDES A FREE JARRITO OF MEDIUM HORCHATA \$12.50 TACOS 2 GO BOWL SERVED WITH STEAMED WHITE RICE OR MEXICAN FRIED RICE, CHOICE OF PROTEIN, BLACK BEAN, LETTUCE, PICO DE GALLO, CHEESE, GUAC & SOUR CREAM. INCLUDES A FREE JARRITO OF MEDIUM HORCHATA \$12.50 |
| THE GREAT AMERICAN BAGEL 7230 W. NORTH AVENUE SUITE 200 BREAKFAST ANYTIME WITH THE PURCHASE OF ANY BREAKFAST SANDWICH, GET A FREE SMALL COFFEE BUY 3, GET 3 FREE BAGELS SPECIALTY SANDWICHES: BUY ONE, GET CHIPS & SMALL DRINK ON US SOUP OR CHILI: BUY ONE, GET ONE 50% OFF (SUPER OR SPECIALTY BAGELS ADDITIONAL CHARGE ON ALL SPECIALS) | TONY D'S 7725 W. BELMONT AVE BUY ONE APPETIZER, GET ONE FOR FREE 1/2 OFF ALL TONY D'S BURGERS \$1 WINGS MINIMUM OF 6 1/2 OFF DEEP FRIED OREOS | UNION TAP 7707 WESTWOOD DRIVE YOUR CHOICE OF CUP OF SOUP OR CHILI WITH ANY BURGER, SANDWICH OR PIZZA AND A SLICE OF CHEESECAKE W/ SAUCE \$18 |

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