



**Happy and
Healthy
New Year to all!**

The Village Board and entire staff wish you and your family the very best for the New Year in 2026!

Your Village Board:

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**Village Hall and
Recreation Center:**

Village Hall - 708-867-7200
Recreation Center - 708-667-7092

Recreation Center Hours:

Monday-Friday 9:00am-1:00pm
and 3:00pm-7:00pm
Saturday 9:00am-Noon
Closed Sunday & Holidays

**The Village Hall and
Recreation Center
are closed on**

**Jan 19 for Martin Luther King
and
Feb 16 for Presidents' Day**

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Your Village Board continues on keeping our community up to date with a number of improvement projects planned for this year. Here is our list of future improvements.

Street & Alley Resurfacing Projects

The following projects are scheduled or planned using Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) funds:

- Leland Avenue – Resurfacing with new curbs and select sidewalk spot repairs, from Harlem Avenue to Oketo Avenue
- New England / Newcastle Alley – Repaving (4500 block)
- Newland / New England Alley – Repaving (4400 block)
- Forest Preserve Drive / Norwood Court Alleys – Repaving (6800 block)
- Narragansett Avenue Alley – Repaving (4400 block)
- Montrose Avenue – Resurfacing from Newcastle Avenue to New England Avenue (6800 block)
- 4300 block of Sayre and 4200 Newland since half of the street is split between Norridge and Harwood Heights.

Water Main Projects (SRF / IEPA Funding)

Foster Avenue & Forest Preserve Drive Water Main Project

This project is currently in the initial stage which is under review by the Illinois EPA (IEPA) for approval. We anticipate receiving an update on approval status later this month. This project would be funded through the IEPA State Revolving Fund (SRF) financing.

Grant & Funding Updates

Carl Cassata Senior Lane Project

The grant application has been submitted to DCEO. The application is in good standing at this time; however, a funding decision timeline has not yet been provided. Carl Cassata would be resurfaced from Oak Park To New England.

Montrose Avenue STP Funding

Funding is being pursued for Montrose Avenue from Sayre Avenue to Forest Preserve Drive. Additional updates will be shared as information becomes available.

Play Bingo and support scholarships for RHS students.

The Ridgewood Foundation hosts monthly Bingo games (Sept - May). The proceeds are used to fund annual scholarships to students for their continuation of education at a community college, university, professional or trade schools.

Doors open at 5:00 pm; first game at 6:00 pm



The poster features a green background with a white central area. At the top left, the word "BINGO" is written in large, colorful, bubbly letters. To its right is the Ridgewood Foundation logo, which includes a stylized green tree and the text "RIDGEWOOD FOUNDATION Invest in Our Future". Below the logo, the text "SAVE THE DATES!" is written in bold, black, sans-serif font. Underneath this, a list of dates is provided: September 13, 2025; October 11, 2025; November 8, 2025*; December 13, 2025; January 10, 2026; February 14, 2026; March 14, 2026*; April 11, 2026; and May 9, 2026. To the left of the dates, a green starburst contains the text "\$25 for 15 Games" and "Two \$500 Coverall". At the bottom of the poster, the address "7500 Montrose Ave. Norridge, IL 60706" is listed, along with the text "Doors open at 5pm | First game is called at 6pm" and "Concessions, Raffle Prizes & 50/50!". A small lightning bolt icon is at the bottom right. At the very bottom, it says "*Salvation Army Nights".

Happy Valentine's Day

Saturday, February 14th

Community Events...

Valentine's Day Craft Night for Teens and Adults February 4 at 6:00 pm in the Recreation Center

Join us for a fun evening with hands on creativity. NO experience necessary - just an evening of laughs and a great time to bond with with one another. Cost is \$10 and includes all materials. Call the Village at 708-867-7200 to RSVP by January 28th to give us an exact count.

Kids Cooking Class with Chef Niko Friday, March 20th (Ages 5-13)

Cost \$45 Space is limited with one attending adult at no charge. Pre-registration is required by calling the Village Hall. More information and details to come.

Parent/Tot Classes

Small Stars Sports (Ages 2-5) Wednesdays 10-10:45am
@ Recreation Center \$12/resident; \$15 non-resident monthly

Crafty Kids (Ages 2-5) Thursdays 10-10:45am
@ Recreation Center \$12/resident; \$15 non-resident monthly

Parking Passes

Parking Passes for Resident-Only Street Parking are now available at the Village Hall for a cost of \$5.00 each. Limit 2.

Christmas Decoration Winners

Congratulations and thank you for your artistic decor.

	West Side	East Side
1st Place	7500 blk Strong	4400 blk Newcastle
2nd Place	7500 blk Winnemac 7600 blk Ainslie	6600 blk Montrose 4700 blk New England
3rd Place	5000 blk of Odell 5000 blk Oriole & Oketo	4700 blk of Sayre

Pets

As more pet owners are walking their dogs, please keep pets on a leash when walking them. Ordinance states leashes to be no longer than 6'. Respect your neighbors by picking up after your pets placing their feces in your own trash container! Also, keep pets safe from the frigid weather.