

# AILS

Connecting Communities: Frankfort, Frankfort Square, Mokena, Orland Park and Tinley Park



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# Jim Moustis, Frankfort Township Supervisor

The warmer months are approaching and one of Frankfort Township provided services is Mosquito Abatement.

Frankfort Township continues to provide additional resources for the abatement program in the unincorporated areas of the township. We do this in an effort to minimize the threat of mosquito borne diseases that potentially affect public health by scheduled spraying in the summer months, weather permitting and as needed.

Mosquitoes love standing, still water. To them, it is a mosquito nursery. Mosquitoes can hatch in a week or less.

Mosquitoes go through four stages in Respectfully, their life cycle: egg, larvae, pupa and Jim Moustis adult. All but the last stage occur in Frankfort Township Supervisor water.

The number 1 thing you can do to reduce mosquitoes is to eliminate standing water. Without water, mosquitoes can't reproduce.

Be sure to treat any of these breeding grounds in your yard; frequently change the water in birdbaths and baby pools, be sure to remove standing water in empty tires, gutters, grill covers, trash cans, and flower pots. Keep these areas attended. It has been said that mosquitoes can breed in as little as a half inch of water.

For more information visit Clarke Mosquito's website: www.clarke.com or call 800-593-1628.

# **Frankfort Township Elected Officials**

Supervisor James Moustis **Trustees** Nick George Greg Griffin **David Smith** Laura Miroballi Assessor Joseph Kral

**Highway Commissioner** Bill Carlson Clerk Nella Piccolin Collector Gayla Smith

#### **Township Board Meetings:**

7 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month. Check meeting schedule under Meetings

**Board Workshop meets:** First meeting of the month at 6:30 pm.

By: Dave Smith, Trustee



Senior Upcoming Trips/Events

2019



#### **March 2019**

20th Farm & Fleet Lunch, Kohl's

#### **April 2019**

3rd Drury Lane: Mamma Mia and Lunch

7<sup>th</sup> Merichka's and Pilcher Park Greenhouse

17<sup>th</sup> Woodfield Mall

April 29th—May 2nd: Noah's Ark Encounter & Creation Museum, Cincinnati Tour

#### May 2019

8<sup>th</sup> Aurora Outlet Mall, Lunch at Hardens

22<sup>nd</sup> Starved Rock Lunch, Trolley tour to Westclox Museum and Star Union Spirits

29<sup>rd</sup> Four Winds Casino, Michigan City, IN

#### **June 2019**

5<sup>th</sup> Chicago Bus Tour, Murder, Mayhem and The Mob (includes lunch)

13<sup>th</sup> Murder Mystery in the Jacob Henry Mansion

June 16-20: Amishlands, Lancaster, PA

26<sup>th</sup> Brookfield Zoo

#### **July 2019**

10<sup>th</sup> Route 66 Tour Bus

17<sup>th</sup> Michigan City Outlet

21<sup>st</sup> Bloomington, IL Flea Market Sunday

24<sup>th</sup> Mystery Trip

31<sup>st</sup> Movie and Lunch

#### August 2019

7<sup>th</sup> Aurora Outlet Mall

14<sup>th</sup> CD&ME Country Hoedown with Bernie Glim

August 16-18: Woodstock's Rock Roll Hall of Fame 50 Year Reunion, Cleveland, OH

21st Will County Fair, Peotone, IL

28<sup>th</sup> Movie and Lunch

October 15-22: Irish Splendor European Trip

October 29-November 1: The Lovable Spirits of Louisville

By: Dave Smith, Trustee

What a brutal winter we have had. I never thought spring would arrive. Frankfort Township does its best to keep you active with weekly events. I hope you are able to sign up for some trips and enjoy the activities we have planned for you.

On May 22, 2019, we will be going to Starved Rock for a new tour they are offering. We will have lunch first at the lodge then depart on their trolley to the Westclox Museum in Peru. After we tour the museum, we will go next door to the Star Union Spirits Distillery where you will see how they make their spirits and sample an infused dessert and selected special drink of the day. This day trip is one you won't want to miss.

June has a lot to offer. Starting off on June 5, 2019, we will go on a chartered bus and tour down-town Chicago for a Murder, Mayhem and Mob Tour, hosted by Clarence Goodman. We will finish up with an enjoyable lunch downtown.

On June 13, 2019, join us for a Murder Mystery Luncheon at the Jacob Henry Mansion. Always a sellout.

June 16 - 20, 2019 we are headed to Lancaster PA with White Star Tours, the number one selling tour to the Amishlands. We will spend four days and three nights in Lancaster County. We will see the performance of Jesus at the Millennium Theatre.

On June 26, 2019 spend a day at Brookfield Zoo with us. We will see the dolphin show, go on a tram ride and eat lunch at the zoo. Be a kid again.

July 10, 2019, we will be going on a Rt. 66 day trip on a charted bus. Learn the history of Rt. 66 and enjoy lunch at Bernardi's in Pontiac. Stop at a few landmarks and have the opportunity to take photos at some historic places. We will have some time for shopping and visiting the museums in Pontiac.

Sunday July 21, 2019, we will be going to Bloomington for their Flea market. Over 700 vendors. Put on your walking shoes.

Frankfort Township's senior mystery trip will be on July 24, 2019.

August 14, 2019 we will be headed for a Hoedown at CD&ME with Bernie Glim performing. It's sure to be a good time with a 5:00 pm start, food will be served.

By: Dave Smith, Trustee

On August 16-18, 2019 join us for a Woodstock Tour 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Two nights, three days in Cleveland, OH. Experience the Age of Aquarius and Man's First Steps on the Moon. We will visit the Rock 'n' Roll Hall of Fame. Ending the three day trip with a luncheon river boat cruise on the Nautica Queen before heading home.

Don't forget to sign up for the Will County Fair in Peotone. We will be going as a group on August 21, 2019.

October 15-22, 2019 we will be going on our first overseas adventure to Ireland. Airfare, meals and daily tours are included. Enjoy scenic, coastal tours of Dingle peninsula, tour the Cabra Castle, kiss the Blarney Stone and much more.

Last trip of 2019 will be The Loveable Spirits of Louisville. October 29 - November 1, 2019 for four days, three nights. Halloween thrills include the Phantom's Masquerade, a stroll through 5,000 carved Jack-O-Lanterns, the Headless Horseman at haunted Churchill Downs plus a visit to the Louisville Slugger Museum.

For more information on these trips, please look on our website Frankforttownship.com under the Senior tab or calendar or contact Jodi Dilling at 815-806-2766



# By: Dave Smith, Trustee

Seniors visit the veterans at Manteno Veterans' Home









Crafts







**Chef Tom** 

















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# Spring/Summer 2019

# **Seniors** ~ **Out & About By: Dave Smith, Trustee**



Taking a ride on the Miss New York Ferry sightseeing Liberty Island and Statue of Liberty.







Touring the 911 Freedom Tower

# Frankfort Township Seniors visit the Big Apple







Beautiful New York City skyline.

# Brookland Bridge







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#### FRANKFORT TOWNSHIP SENIOR DINNER OUTINGS

# NIGHT OUT AT TOKYO STEAKHOUSE







FUN AT AURELIOS ~ A SENIOR FAVORITE















#### Frankfort Township Highway Dept.

By: Bill Carlson, Highway Commissioner

Frankfort Township Road District is located at 9434 W. LaPorte Road in Mokena. We have a relatively small staff and 60 plus centerline miles of road within our jurisdiction, which consists of unincorporated areas and a large and ever-growing population of 55,000 to serve. We provide street, sidewalk, curb and bridge repairs, snow removal and winter road salting.



Office hours are Monday – Friday, 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM. You can reach us by phone at 708-479-9673 or by email at <a href="mailto:fttd@comcast.net">fttd@comcast.net</a>.

#### **BRANCH PICK UP BEGINS MAY 6, 2019**

Branch pick up season begins on the first Monday of May and runs through the last Monday of September. The branch pickup program is strictly for trimming and pruning of trees and shrubs. Only that type of debris will be picked up. Branches must be out by 7:00 am on Monday. Branches have to be placed on the ground at the roadside edge with the cut ends facing toward the street. Bundling of branches in not necessary, please put thorny debris in a separate pile. The following is a list of debris that will not be picked up and that requires you to contact a tree service or your garbage company for these types of removals:

\*\*\*Whole tree removals from private property (including branches, trunks, stumps and root balls)

\*\*\*Complete landscape removals and clearing of lots

\*\*\*Ash tree removals from private property

\*\*\*Any wood from fencing, decks, or home renovations.

#### **REGROUND WOOD CHIPS**

As a result of our branch pick up, wood chips are available to residents free of charge. The wood chips are not the quality that you would be getting from a landscaping company and may contain leaves and small branches in them. Small and large loads may be requested for deliveries.

#### **PERMIT FEES**

Please call the Frankfort Township Road District office at 708-479-9673 to determine whether a permit is needed for your home improvements, which include:

\* Driveway Replacement \* New Garage Construction \* Home Additions

\* Deck and Shed Installations \* Pool Installations

Respectfully,

Bill Carlson Frankfort Township Highway Commissioner



#### **Message from the Clerk**

By: Nella Piccolin, Frankfort Township Clerk

As always, on a personal note, I am very proud of our Frankfort Township's Nurses Closet. This is the Township's medical equipment lending program that provides donated medical equipment to Frankfort Township residents.

The Frankfort Townships Nurses' Closet would not be possible without the generosity of all who contribute items. To donate medical equipment, please call 815-469-4907.



Vote April 2, 2019 ~ Consolidated Election

Early Voting at Frankfort Township M-F 8:30 am—4:00 pm 3/18—3/29



POLLING PLACE

April 2, 2019 Consolidated Election 11000 W. Lincoln Hwy. Frankfort, IL 60423

I have been elected to serve Frankfort Township and as your employee, I continually strive to be as accessible as possible.

Please feel free to contact me with any concerns or suggestions on how we can better serve you and your family.

Thank you once again! It is my privilege to serve you.

Nella Piccolin Frankfort Township Clerk 815-469-4907 / 815-469-4996 Dial-A-Ride Service: "For Rides Within The Township"

By: George Tolsky, Transportation Manager





Frankfort Township is honored to serve the community by providing transportation to individuals with an extremely diverse range of needs.

Numerous people rely on us daily to transport them to doctor visits, grocery shopping, senior activities at the Township building and many other destinations.

We regard our community as our extended family, something which we gratifyingly translate into one very pleasant travel experience.



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#### Spring/Summer 2019

# Frankfort Township Food Pantry

By: Nick George, Trustee

We are happy the snow has ended and spring is here! Time for spring cleaning. Our volunteers are always here to help no matter what needs to be cleaned. We are very grateful for our volunteers.

Beginning in 2019, the State Of Illinois is required to inspect food pantries. This January, an inspector from Will County was very impressed with our cleanliness and organization, she said our food pantry was one of the best she's been to. We are proud of that recognition.

Currently, we have 340 (approx. 768 individuals) families that shop on a monthly basis in our pantry. Clients are also eligible to stop in on a weekly basis for milk, meats and refrigerated items.

Parkview Church in Orland is hosting a food drive on Sunday, April 28th. There is a generous amount of food collected. On Saturday, May 11, the National Association of Letter Carriers is hosting their annual food drive to benefit Frankfort Township Food Pantry. Notices will be mailed with instructions to leave your donation by your mailbox on May 11th. Frankfort letter carriers pick these donations up and bring to our pantry to be sorted, date checked and put on our pantry shelves.

We are very grateful for the extraordinary generosity from the residents, businesses and volunteers in our community. We could not do this without them.

If you, or someone you know that lives in Frankfort Township and is needing food assistance, please call Jeannine, Food Pantry Director direct at 815-806-2761. Hours of operation are M-F 8am-4pm.

Jeannine Hetfleisch

Frankfort Township Food Pantry Coordinator











#### **Electronic Recycling by Will County Green at Frankfort Township**

Frankfort Township has been added to the list of sites in Will County as a drop off location for electronic recycling. These items can be harmful to the environment and by recycling, they are being routed to the appropriate protocol.

You can now drop off accepted items here at the Frankfort Township building every second and fourth Tuesday of the month from 5 pm—7 pm.

Must be a Frankfort Township resident and have an ID. Visit WillCountyGreen.com for the list of items accepted.

There average pounds collected monthly is 4,412, and a total of 88,230 pounds collected in 2018.



#### FRANKFORT TOWNSHIP CHARITIES

MISSION: Providing for the needs of those less fortunate through the generosity of our community.

Frankfort Township Charities was established in July, 2014 and organized exclusively for charitable and benevolent purposes of helping those families in need in Frankfort Township.

Frankfort Township Charities is a recognized 501C3 and will actively seek to raise funds and monetary donations to provide food assistance, household cleaning supplies, personal hygiene products, school supplies, and assist with rent, and utilities.

If you would like to make a contribution, or have an interest in participating with the Frankfort Township Charities, the board meetings are open to the public. Contact 815-469-4907 for further information.

### Frankfort Township Assessor

By: Joe Kral

#### Greetings Everyone,

By the time you read this we should, hopefully, be well on our way to a wonderful spring and gorgeous summer. I hope everyone enjoys as much barbeque and

sunshine as they can this year.

Here's a few dates to mark down as we work our way through the next few months:

May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 from 10am-2pm. Will County Day at the Township. This is the day when the excellent staff at the Will County Supervisor of Assessments will be on-hand to assist people in filling out Veterans Exemptions, Senior Freeze Exemptions and General Senior Exemptions.

In addition, our Soft Appeal process runs through June 14<sup>th</sup>. If you feel you are being unfairly assessed or that we have your house valued too high, please see our website <a href="www.FrankfortAssessor.com">www.FrankfortAssessor.com</a> or call (815) 464-3180 for more information. This precedes the official appeal season that runs from August 7<sup>th</sup> to September 9<sup>th</sup>. More information on that process is available at <a href="www.willcountysoa.com">www.willcountysoa.com</a>.

Above all, I want to wish you and your family a happy spring and summer and remind you that our office door is always open and that we are here to serve you, the Frankfort Township resident.

All the best,

Joe



# **Frankfort Township Event Centre**

By: Laura Miroballi, Trustee

#### FRANKFORT TOWNSHIP



# ~ Any Occasion ~

- ♦ Wedding
- Baby/ Wedding Showers
- ♦ Graduation

Family Reunion

- Meetings
- ♦ Anniversary
- ♦ Holiday
- ♦ Birthday
- ♦ Engagement



# **EVENT CENTRE**

~ Inside ~







~ Outside ~

Looking for a venue for your upcoming event?



Call 815-469-4907 to schedule a showing and book your event.





