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



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Jim Moustis, Frankfort Township Supervisor

Summer is over and Fall for many, is their favorite time of the year with the holidays just around the corner. With the arrival of fall, I would like to encourage you to take advantage of the bike trails and walking paths that are located all through the Township. With the cool weather upon us, be sure you check your carbon monoxide detectors to be sure they are operating properly to prevent carbon monoxide poisoning. If you do not have one in your home, be sure to have one installed.

The Frankfort Township Food Pantry has been stocked with food and goods thanks to all who donate. Because of these kindnesses, fewer people will go without.

We are grateful for the many volunteers who help our clients. They are always busy in the food pantry, assisting, organizing, and cleaning. They do it all selflessly. I want to wish everyone a safe, healthy and happy holiday season, a time to be with family and friends and give thanks for the blessings we have received. I also want to give a special thanks to those serving in the military, and to their families for the sacrifices they have made. I sincerely hope you all enjoy a prosperous year in 2020.

Respectfully,
 Jim Moustis
 Frankfort Township Supervisor

Frankfort Township Elected Officials

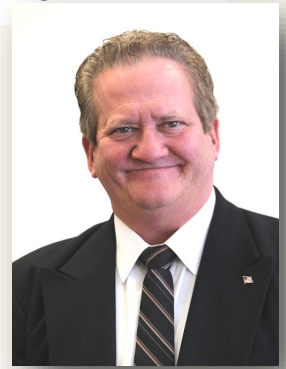
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| <p>Supervisor
James Moustis</p> <p>Trustees
Nick George
Greg Griffin
David Smith
Laura Miroballi</p> | <p>Assessor
Joseph Kral</p> <p>Highway Commissioner
Bill Carlson</p> <p>Clerk
Nella Piccolin</p> <p>Collector
Gayla Smith</p> | |
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Township Board Meetings:
 7 p.m. on the 2nd Monday of the month. Check meeting schedule under Meetings tab.

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

Seniors ~ Out & About

By: Dave Smith, Trustee



This year flew by. I cannot believe it is fall already, with Christmas just around the corner.

This December, we will restart our Sunday dinner series. Once a month we try a new restaurant and enjoy a day out dining and enjoying each others company. It is always a lot of fun.

Starting on December 15th, a combo theatre production at Curtain Call Theatre In Mokena, where we will see the play Arsenic and Old Lace. After the play, we will go to the Rising Sun in Mokena for dinner. The owner Irene always puts a wonderful spread out for us.

When you come to the Christmas party at CD&ME on December 18th, you can pick up the new list of upcoming events for January thru April. Our Christmas party will be Holiday Magic with magician Bill Cook. The food will be catered by Gatto's. The festivities will begin at 5:00 pm and tickets are \$25.00.

In May, 2020 we will be going to the Smoky Mountains of Tennessee for 5 nights 6 days. Included in this trips agenda, and will tour the Biltmore Estate in Asheville, attend four shows and enjoy a day at Dollywood. Also included is five breakfast meals and five dinner meals. The cost for this trip is \$850.00 per person for double room occupancy, and \$1,050 for a single room occupancy.

Please check our website for further information at Frankforttownship.com, look under the Senior Events tab and browse our upcoming events. We hope you enjoy these activities.

Thank You,

Jodi Gallagher Dilling
Senior Activity Director
Frankfort Township
815-806-2766



~ 2020 Senior Trip ~

6 days, 5 nights Trip to Smoky Mountains of Tennessee May 17—22, 2019

Frankfort Township is planning a full agenda for this trip including County Tonite Theatre, Smoky Mountain Opry, Charlie Bob Morning Show, and Hatfields McCoys Feud.

Seniors ~ Out & About

By: Dave Smith, Trustee

Contact Information for found or lost pets:

Unincorporated Frankfort ~ Will County Animal Control ~ 815-468-5633

Village of Frankfort ~ Frankfort Police Department ~ 815-469-9435

FRANKFORT TOWNSHIP SENIOR

Upcoming Events

DECEMBER, 2019

Starved Rock Kenny & Dolly Christmas Show with Lunch

December 11, 2019

Curtain Call Arsenic and Lace Dinner at Rising Sun

December 15, 2019

CD&ME Annual Christmas Party ~ Magic of Christmas with Gatto's Catering

December 18, 2019

Seniors ~ Out & About
By: Dave Smith, Trustee

50 YEAR WOODSTOCK TOUR

Cleveland, Ohio



STARVED ROCK

Utica, Illinois



MYSTERY TRIP

Sanfilippo Museum



COOKING CLASS

Frankfort Township Community Room



SUNDAY DINNER SERIES

Aurelio's ~ Frankfort



Frankfort Township Highway Dept.
By: Bill Carlson, Highway Commissioner



To Our Residents:

Branch pickup for the season has now ended as of September 30, 2019. The new season will begin Monday, May 4, 2020. We are now in the process of getting our trucks ready for leaf pick up season. The leaf pick up program is a fall program that starts approximately in mid-October and ends with the first measurable snow.

Please rake your leaves into piles to the road edge, NOT into the ditch. Leaves put into bags or any other type of container WILL NOT be picked up.

There is NO spring/summer pick up of leaves. You, as the homeowner, will be responsible for leaf disposal at this time of year.

Call in for branch pick up and leaf pick up is not required.

Removing snow efficiently from the Township's streets is a huge task. To increase our effectiveness in this task, the Township has implemented and added to its 2019 ordinance, Ordinance No. 19-0801, that is intended to both maximize our efforts and enhance the efficiency of our Snow Removal Team. Whenever there is a snowfall which causes an accumulation of snow to a depth of two (2") inches or more, and until such time as snow removal operations are completed, it shall be unlawful for any person to park a vehicle or permit a vehicle owned by that person to be parked on the attached listed township streets.

Whenever a vehicle is parked in violation of this section, said vehicle shall be subject to being ticketed and/or towed to an off-street location or to any other portion of a street within the limits of the township where such vehicle will no longer impede the snow removal operation. The owner of said vehicle will be liable for all fines, tickets, towing and storage fees.

The residents of Frankfort Township are asked to be patient and recognize that during the winter months there may be some minor inconveniences. Snow removal procedures have been applied to ensure a safe and expedient flow of traffic and to increase the efficiency of the Township's Snow Removal Team. We ask for everyone's cooperation to help keep our streets safe.

SNOW PARKING BAN STREETS		
Ash Ave.	Hawthorne Ave	Redwood Ln.
Beechnut Dr.	Hickory St.	Rosewood Ln.
Birch Ave.	Magnolia Ave.	Sycamore St.
Catulpa St.	Oak St.	Walnut St.
Crabapple Ln.	Pine Ave.	9400 Willow West to Lagrange
Elm Ave.	Poplar St.	

Message from the Clerk

By: Nella Piccolin, Frankfort Township Clerk



Hello and thank you for visiting the official website of the Frankfort Township Clerk. I am a member of the committee charged with organizing a comprehensive action plan for Frankfort Township to have a full and complete count in the 2020 Census. The census is conducted every 10 years by the U.S. Census Bureau, a nonpartisan government agency. The 2020 Census counts every person living in the United States and five U.S. territories.

By April 1, 2020, households will receive an invitation to participate in the 2020 Census and will have three ways to respond: online, by phone, or by mail.

What in it for me?

Did you know that U.S. Census Bureau data helps communities respond to natural disasters and secure funding for hospitals and fire departments? Explore and to find out more.

Learn more at :<https://2020census.gov>

The U.S. Census Bureau is recruiting thousands of people for temporary jobs

These positions provide the perfect opportunity to earn some extra income while helping your community. The results of the 2020 Census will help determine each state’s representation in Congress, as well as how certain funds are spent for schools, hospitals, roads, and more. This is your chance to play a part in history and help ensure that everyone in your community is counted!

For More Information and Job qualifications

Learn more at <https://2020census.gov/en/jobs>

I have been elected to serve Frankfort Township and as your elected 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 any time.

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

Nella Piccolin
Frankfort Township Clerk
815-469-4907 / 815-469-4996



Early Voting for General Primary Election
11000 W. Lincoln Hwy.
Frankfort, IL 60423
March 9, 2019—March 13, 2019
Monday-Friday Hours: 8:30 am-4:00 pm

March 17, 2019
General Primary Election
Frankfort Township
11000 W. Lincoln Hwy.
Frankfort, IL 60423

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.

You must register before you can schedule a ride. To make a reservation, call 24 hours in advance to PACE at 815-806-2767, M-F 7am—1pm. All rides are within Frankfort Township and the hours of operation are M-F 8am—3:30pm. You must live in Frankfort Township to use this service.

The Frankfort Township boundaries are; to the North-183rd Street, to the East-Harlem Avenue, to the South-Steger Road, to the West-Townline Road/Scheer Road.

For more information please call 815-806-2765.

Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

The low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is designed to assist Will County low-income eligible households pay for winter energy services.

LIHEAP meets at the Frankfort Township on the second Friday of the month from October, 2019 thru May, 2020 from 9am—11:30 am.

The LIHEAP program also includes an Emergency Furnace component that will repair or replace non-operational heating systems for income-eligible homeowner-occupied residents.

To learn more call Will County Center for Community Concerns at 815-722-0722.

Frankfort Township Food Pantry

By: Nick George, Trustee

Summers at Frankfort Township Food Pantry usually generate fewer donations than fall. We would like to remind the community that donations are accepted all year long.

Currently, the Food Pantry has 298 families (approximately 802 individuals) that shop on a monthly basis in our pantry. Clients are also eligible to stop in weekly to pick up short dated milk, frozen meats and refrigerated items.

We have a couple of big food drives happening this fall. The Frankfort Boy Scouts – Troop 270 and Pack 270 are hosted a food drive on October 27, 2019. They collected the food and delivered it to the food pantry where we had our wonderful volunteers help sort it out.

The Frankfort Square Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts and Mokena Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts (including Girl Scouts also), will had their ‘Scouting for Food’ food drive for Frankfort Township Food Pantry on November 10, 2019. They utilized the Lincoln-Way North Field House to sort through all the food and box it up and deliver it to our pantry. Again, our wonderful volunteers worked the whole week to go through everything and stock our shelves.

St. Mary’s Church in Mokena will hosted their annual food drive on November 24, 2019. This is also a large food drive for us. Once again, volunteers were here at the pantry helping to sort through all the food.

These three large food drives will keep our pantry pretty well stocked through the winter. We are always grateful for the continued support from the residents and businesses in our community.

In addition to assisting families with food, the St. Mary’s Knights of Columbus hosts an annual “Coats for Kids” event. We received 27 brand new boys and girls jackets to be given to our families with children. Our families really appreciate these jackets.

If you need assistance with food or know someone that does and they live in Frankfort Township, please call Jeannine, the Food Pantry Director, at 815-806-2761 to set up an appointment. The Pantry is open Monday-Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Jeannine Hetfleisch
Frankfort Township Food Pantry Coordinator



“I cannot thank you enough for the food I am able to get here. It has made a “huge” difference in my being able to meet my obligations, as well as having nutritious and plentiful food. Thanks”

~Grateful Shopper

“Because of the food I receive from the pantry, I am able to stretch my limited resources to cover other bills.”

~Happy Shopper

Electronic Recycling by Will County Green at Frankfort Township

Electronic Recycling

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.

Electronic items have been recognized as the fastest growing segment of the waste stream since the 1990s by the US-EPA.

You can now drop off accepted

items here at the Frankfort Township building every **second** and **fourth** Tuesday of the month from 5pm-7pm. (Closed on holidays).

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

There average pounds collected at Frankfort Township monthly is 4,412 pounds 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.

Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to Frankfort Township Charities whenever you shop on AmazonSmile ~ <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/46-2232580>.

Frankfort Township Assessor**By: Joe Kral**

Greetings All,

As I write this, the days are getting shorter and the leaves are starting to change color; a tell-tale sign that fall is upon us. For most, fall means cooler weather, pumpkin spice, and football. For some, it is a time to start preparing for the holidays. One of those fall tasks I suggest is to take a look at your salmon colored Quadrennial Assessment Revision Notice that was mailed out on August 2nd. Primarily, is my house assessed correctly? Fortunately, my staff and I have created several opportunities for you to get involved in the process and to feel confident that you are being assessed correctly.

The first step is to make sure you are receiving all the exemptions you are entitled to receive. There are a number of exemptions available for which you may qualify for. These include: exemptions for seniors, veterans, and people with a disability. You can view the forms and qualifications on Frankfortassessor.com or check with our office to see if you qualify.

The second step is to make sure we have the details of your property correct. Do we have the square footage correct? Do we have the style of house correct? This data is very important in assigning value to your property. You can check whether we have this information correct on this website. If what we have is not correct, please contact us so we can schedule a re-measurement of your property.

The final step is to file a “soft-appeal” with our office. This is the step in the process that makes myself and our staff most proud. In keeping with my commitment to open and transparent government, my staff and I created a no-nonsense way to serve the public and further my goal of “Fair and Equitable Assessments.” In short, it is a program that we developed “in-house” that allows you, the tax-payer, to appeal your assessment without having to file a formal appeal with Will County. In fact, our office has won an award for the program. The Township Officials of Illinois have awarded us the “Mighty Message Award” in the “Mass Communications” category. While we enjoy the recognition of the program, what makes me and my staff even more proud is helping you understand the assessment process and encouraging your participation.

The “Soft-appeal” window is currently closed but will re-open the end of February 2020 thru mid-June and you will find the necessary forms on our website. Once you have filled out the forms and collected the necessary data, you are welcome to contact the office and schedule an appointment with me. We can sit down and discuss your assessment and try to reach a decision that both of us can agree upon. However, it is not necessary to schedule an appointment to have your “soft-appeal” reviewed to file. My staff reviews each and every appeal whether the resident has met with me or not.

In closing, I sincerely wish you all health and good fortune in the coming year. I hope that as the weather cools, you are able to take a minute to review your assessment and are able to involve yourself in the process. As always, if you have questions or concerns, don’t hesitate to reach out and contact my office.

All the best,

Joe



OFFICE OF THE ASSESSOR
FRANKFORT TOWNSHIP
 Joseph N. Kral, Assessor

Frankfort Township Event Centre
By: Laura Miroballi, Trustee



Thank you to everyone for another successful summer at the Frankfort Township Event Centre! Just because the warm weather is coming to an end, doesn't mean your events have to.

Our indoor facility is made up of three spacious rooms that can accommodate party sizes up to 188 people. Our venue is perfect for your next family holiday event, birthday party, bridal/baby shower, anniversary party, company luncheon or holiday party that you are planning.

Contact the Frankfort Township to schedule a private showing and to discuss how the Event Centre can work for you!

