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Jim Moustis, Frankfort Township Supervisor



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Nov. 11 is Veterans Day, the holiday honoring the service of everyone who has ever served in the United States military.

It's a very important occasion in Frankfort Township, a time to think about sacrifice and the difficult job of keeping this country free.

It's also a day to celebrate, and you can do that close to home.

Frankfort Mayor Jim Holland will join the stu-

dents of Hickory Creek Middle School, 22150 116th Ave., Frankfort, for a Veterans Day celebration at 7 p.m. on Nov. 11. The mayor will introduce the patriotic selections chosen by the school's Tiger Band.

The William Martin VFW Post 725, 19852 S. Wolf Road, Mokena, will have a solemn celebration of Veterans Day at 11 a.m. on Nov. 11. The group will walk across the street to Pioneer Cemetery to remember

the veterans who have passed away.

Or simply visit the Veterans Memorial in the front of the Frankfort Township Building.



Frankfort Township Officials

Supervisor:
James Moustis
Trustees:
Bruce Ebert
Nick George
Greg Griffin
Dave Smith

Assessor:
Joe Kral
Highway Commissioner:
Bill Carlson
Clerk:
Nella Piccolin
Collector:
Patrick Markham

Township Board meets:
7 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Mondays
Board Workshop meets:
Follows the meeting on the 2nd Monday
Planning Commission meets:
7 p.m. on the 1st Monday

WILL COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE'S CRUISE THE CREEK BRINGS BICYCLISTS TO THE FRANKFORT TOWNSHIP BUILDING



L to R: First photo — Frankfort Township Supervisor Jim Moustis meets a group of riders during the Oct. 2 ride. **Second photo** — Alex Rodriguez, 11, and father Ron Rodriguez rode with Bruce Adams, Alex’s grandfather. **Third photo** — A group of riders takes a water break on the patio of the Frankfort Township Building. **Fourth photo** — John and Debbie Scherer of Mokena cruised on a bike built for two!

NICOR WANTS TO HELP YOU

Do you dread your gas bill from NICOR?

There’s something that can be done about that. The company’s Energy Efficiency Program can help you save money with their assistance and free tips.

A Helpful Kit

If you would like to use less natural gas and water, request the free kit featuring a Earth massage shower head and special aerators for your

kitchen and bathroom sinks. To request a kit, find your NICOR account number on your gas bill and then call (888) 733-0195 or go to NicorGasRebates.com/kits.

Get Credit for Home Remodeling

If you have updated your home with an energy efficient heating system, water heater or thermostat, you might be eligible for a cash rebate.

To find out more about the program, call (877) 886-4239 or visit NicorGasRebates.com/home.

Something to Try

NICOR also has these tips for using less energy:

* Lower your water heater’s temperature to 120 degrees. You can save as much as 5 percent on your heating cost for every 10 degree decrease.

* Preheat your oven only when a recipe specifically calls for it. Preheating can be unnecessary and a waste of energy.

* Clean or replace your furnace filters as recommended by the manufacturer.

* Baking and broiling with glass or ceramic pans allows you to decrease your oven’s temperature by 25 degrees and save more energy.

BY THE WAY, DON'T FORGET ...

That We Are So Proud

Frankfort Township Collector Patrick Markham recently became a program support assistant for Edward Hines Jr. Veterans Hospital in Maywood.

Markham, a Marine Corps veteran, began his new post in September. While in the position, he'll provide administrative support for the counselors who work with homeless veterans. As a

township official, he's a vital link and resource to services offered by the Veterans Administration.

"They are doing tremendous things for today's veterans," Markham said, noting that health care and help with legal matters are just a few of the services offered by the VA.

And he's justifiably proud of his new role in the community.

"I served the country. Now I serve those who

serve," Markham said.

Thank you, sir!

The Fallen Leaves

Yes, it's that time of year again, the time when you get to know your rake really well.

But you don't have to worry about bagging the leaves if you live in Frankfort Township. Highway Commissioner Bill Carlson will have his crew pick them up for you. And they'll do it for free.

Just rake your leaves to the curb. It doesn't matter how big the pile grows.

If your property is lined by a drainage ditch, please make sure that the leaves are piled along the actual edge of the street.

Please don't add any twigs, branches, limbs or landscape waste to the pile, however.

Leaf pick up will continue until the first snowfall.

SIMPLY THE BEST



Congratulations to Chuck Gulli, the man with the wonderful voice!

He won the first place prize during the contest at the township's end-of-summer barbeque and karaoke night for seniors.

Although there were many talented singers, Chuck earned the most votes from the audience.

"He won hands down," said Jodi Gallagher-Dilling, senior activity director.

Chuck recently had a hip replacement, and it was the first time that he and wife Mickey had attended one of the popular events for seniors often held at the township.

"The people are just wonderful," Mickey said.

IS YOUR COSTUME READY?



YOU'RE INVITED TO A HALLOWEEN PARTY!

Hello, candy corn!

It's almost Halloween!

And that means the Frankfort Township seniors are getting ready to party. And when it comes to having a great time, they know how to do it up right.

This year's bash is being held at CD and Me, 23320 S. LaGrange Road in Frankfort Town-

ship. Tickets are \$20, and the price includes a delicious dinner served by Hog Wild and an exciting show by Dave Fleming, a magician who can juggle like nobody's business.

You'll want to come in costume, of course. Last year's party — pictured in the photos above — featured a nun who was very, very strict, an actual Elvis

sighting, a dashing pirate and many other crazy characters.

So start digging in your closet. This year there is a Disney theme.

Are you a little Goofy? Or is Mickey more your style? Either way, there will be prizes for the best costumes, and plenty of raffles too.

The township's parties are so popular that

some seniors invite their friends to attend. Remember, everyone is welcome!

But buying a ticket in advance is very important. After all, the party is very popular.

To make your reservations, contact Jodi Gallagher-Dilling, senior activities director. She'll make sure you have a ticket. Call her at (815) 806-2766.