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WINTER 2015-2016

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NILES SISTER CITIES ASSOCIATION *Making culture possible here*

The Niles Sister Cities Association has a long, rich history that dates back to the first Sister City relationship forged with Pisa, Italy in 1991 and continued with Nafplion, Greece in 1994; Leixlip, Ireland in 1999; and Limanowa, Poland in 2005. During this period of cultural outreach and intergovernmental relationship, Niles Sister Cities has organized student and police exchanges, work programs and cultural community events that help to build long lasting relationships benefiting the cultural fabric of all involved. In 2016, the Niles Sister Cities Association will be celebrating the 25th anniversary of their first Sister City, Pisa, Italy.

The leadership of the Niles Sister Cities program held a membership drive and a student exchange with Pisa, Italy this November. Both ventures were very successful. The membership drive generated 35 memberships, while the student exchange allowed for ten Italian students to visit Notre Dame College Prep and Maine South High School, as well as tour the Leaning Tower of Niles and Chicagoland area.

A Taste of Sister Cities event is planned for March 19, 2016 at the Niles Family Fitness Center. The event will feature cuisine from around the world with special entertainment that represents Niles' four Sister Cities. More information regarding the event and how you can volunteer will be available closer to the event date.

If you are interested in supporting or joining the Niles Sister Cities Association, please visit www.vniles.com/sistercities for an application and learn how Sister Cities plans to reconnect with the rich history that helped to make this community so great.

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Greetings Niles Residents and Business Owners:



Over the past two and a half months, senior staff, the Trustees and I have been busy working to make Niles into the best Village it can possibly be. The key to running a successful municipal government is delivering outstanding service to residents and business owners. In order to deliver the high level of service our residents have come to expect, Village staff, buildings, equipment and infrastructure must be 100% efficient. Still, taxes must be kept low and expenses to deliver services even lower. Though this sounds simple in theory, the reality is very challenging.

An example of this challenge is the current water cost increase. Our Village, like any other business, relies on other entities for many labor and non-personnel required costs. The cost of water from Chicago has greatly increased, the cost of replacing our water delivery pipes is high and our labor costs have gone up per our labor contracts. Thus, water charges have increased to the Niles homeowner and business owner. However, we are searching for a solution, and have spent countless hours looking to secure more affordable water to save money for our taxpayers. Hopefully, we will succeed and water costs will not increase and could even possibly go down in the future.

The Village of Niles has the greatest and least-costly services of any local government. This is because of our terrific employees who take pride in our community and because of a commitment by this Administration to provide senior and family services as well as teen and fitness centers. To provide this array of services at the least cost to the resident, we rely on sales tax, which many non-residents pay. So as long as our stores are thriving, property tax in Niles will be lower than any comparable community.

In conclusion, it is my job to help keep the stores occupied and residential housing in demand. Thriving stores provide for a lower property tax, while keeping great services. In-demand housing ensures for rising home equity. The extent that we meet those goals is a measure of building community in Niles. Have a great Christmas holiday. I hope that you enjoyed the Holly Jolly Market and Christmas Tree Lighting. Remember: Shop Niles and encourage your friends to do the same.

Mayor Andrew Przybylo

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

Current volunteer opportunities include:

- 2016 Bike Niles Event
- 2016 Niles Fourth of July Parade
- 2016 Rain Garden/ Bioswale Volunteer Day
- HEROES Program (pg. 9)

Visit www.vniles.com/volunteer to sign up for current opportunities or to be notified when new opportunities become available.



SIGN UP FOR THE NILES E-NEWSLETTER AND ALERTS

The Village is excited to announce our new e-newsletter and emergency email alert system. Residents can sign up for event and news updates and/or the emergency alert system. Residents who sign up for emergency alerts will be notified via email when emergencies arise. This includes all types of emergencies such as storms, heat and cold alerts, and any other situation important for residents at risk. To sign up to receive Village event and news updates via the Niles e-newsletter or to sign up for the emergency alerts, visit www.vniles.com/StayConnected.

COMED SMART METER INSTALLATION IN NILES

As of mid-November, ComEd installed smart meters in approximately 35% of Niles homes. ComEd will notify the remaining homeowners via email and a phone call when their smart meters will be installed.

Smart meters will provide residents with benefits including new tools to better manage their electricity consumption and programs such as Peak Time Savings, which will reward customers for reducing their energy use during peak usage times. Smart meters provide customers direct, 24/7 access to information on their individual energy consumption.

Be Prepared This Winter!

Cold temperatures, heavy snow, and treacherous ice are all risks of the impending winter season.

Severe winter weather can be dangerous and even life-threatening for people who don't take the proper precautions. Preparedness begins with knowing your risks, making a communications plan with your family and having an emergency supply kit with essentials such as water, food, flashlights and medications. **Also, please remember to check on elderly neighbors during winter storms.**

Warming Centers are available for extreme weather during business hours at the Niles Senior Center and Niles Fitness Center. For help after hours, use the non-emergency police line at 847-588-6500 (the Village crisis team will be immediately contacted to assist). Always call 911 for emergencies.

To sign up for emergency alerts visit www.vniles.com/StayConnected.



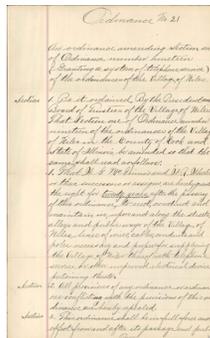
NILES HOLLY JOLLY MARKET AND TREE LIGHTING

Thank you to the residents who joined together on November 28 for the 2015 Niles Holly Jolly Market and Christmas Tree Lighting. Your attendance at these events makes all the staff planning and hard work worthwhile. We also thank our sponsors: Promoter level \$500 sponsors include Binny's Beverage Depot, Jerry's Fruit & Garden Center, Inc., Smoke & Vape, Harlem Milwaukee Currency Exchange, Groot Recycling and Waste Services and Kolpak & Lerner.

Find pictures from this year's Holly Jolly Market on our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/VillageOfNiles.

THE VILLAGE GOES DIGITAL

Proper document management is essential for keeping an open, transparent government. Village of Niles Document Management Coordinator, Katy Darr, is working on digitizing all of the Village's essential documents in the hopes of providing residents easy, searchable access to documents in the future. So far the Village has scanned over 15 cu. ft. of documents. Katy has uncovered documents from the Village's earliest days including the Village's first hand-written phone ordinance (pictured to the left), and documents regarding wooden sidewalks along Milwaukee Avenue. She has also uncovered many old photos and scrapbooks from the early 1950s and 1960s. There are still hundreds of cubic feet left to scan and much more Village history to be discovered!



Promoting Employee Excellence through Recognition (PEER) Award

Congratulations to our PEER Award recipients. These Village employees have demonstrated keen qualities, provided exceptional leadership, performed an outstanding act, or found an innovative solution that saves the Village money.

Award Recipients

August:	Mike Grochocki Finance Department
September:	James Griesenauer Police Department
October:	Katy Darr General Government Department



POLICE NEWS

Ph: 847-588-6500

New Police Patch

As part of the Village of Niles rebranding, the Police Department has redesigned their Police shoulder patch. The number "165" will remain on the patch as a tribute to Niles Police Officer Steven Zourkas, who died in the line of duty in 2005.

File a Police Report Online

The Niles Police Department has an online police report filing system. Simply go to www.nilspd.com and click the icon File a Police Report. You can file reports for Burglary to Vehicle, Criminal Damage to Property, Criminal Defacement, Identity Theft, Lost Property, Non-Highway Motor Vehicle Accidents, Lost Property, Trespass and Trespass to Vehicles. You can also submit a Vacation Watch, Premise Alert Notification, Bicycle Registration and Public Hazard notification.

Tobacco Enforcement

The Niles Police Department, in partnership with the Illinois Liquor Commission, will be conducting Tobacco Enforcement Checks on local retailers who sell tobacco products. The goal of the Tobacco Enforcement Program is to reduce the availability of tobacco to teens in the Village of Niles. Youth Agents who are specially trained and under the legal age to purchase tobacco products will be working with the Niles Police Department. If a retailer sells to a Youth Agent they will be cited under local ordinance. In the event that a local retailer has multiple violations, the potential for a suspension of their tobacco license can occur.



FIRE NEWS

Ph: 847-588-6800

Donate to Toys-for-Tots

The Niles Fire Department, along with the Village of Niles, is participating in the 12th annual U.S. Marine Corps/Village of Niles

Toys-for-Tots toy drive. Toys-for-Tots is a charitable program run by the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve that provides toys to children in need during the holiday season.

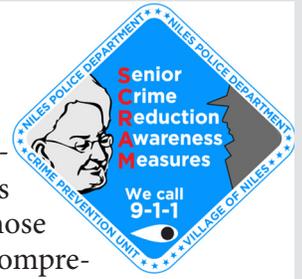
Started in 1947, Toys-for-Tots embodies the true spirit of the holiday season. Over the last 68 years, the Marine Toys-for-Tots Program has distributed over 370 million toys to over 173 million less fortunate children.

Following the U.S. Marine Corp guidelines, all toys must be new and unwrapped. Donations will be accepted during regular business hours thru Friday, December 18.



SCRAM

The Senior Crime Reduction Awareness Measures (SCRAM) program for those over 55 years of age is a comprehensive crime prevention program designed to raise awareness and reduce the potential for crimes that impact seniors. The program is held monthly at the Niles Senior Center. If you would like to arrange a presentation for your organization or group at another location, please contact Sgt. Robert Tornabene at 847-588-6505 or via email at rgt@vniles.com. See the Community Calendar on pg. 10 or vniles.com for SCRAM topics and dates.



Citizen Police Academy Graduation

On November 18, 24 members of the community (pictured below) completed their 10 weeks of training in the Niles Police Department Citizen Police Academy. The graduates learned about department structure, hiring, officer training, criminal investigations, criminal law, patrol procedures, volunteer programs, and school resource programs.



Toy Drop-off Locations

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| Niles Fire Dept.
8360 Dempster
6611 Jarvis | Niles Public Library
6960 Oakton St. |
| Niles Village Hall
1000 Civic Center Dr. | Parkway Bank
7601 Milwaukee Ave. |
| Niles Teen Center
373 Golf Mill Center | Niles Public Services Dept.
6849 W. Touhy Ave. |
| Niles Police Dept.
7000 Touhy Ave. | Niles Chamber of Commerce
8060 Oakton St. # 101 |
| Niles Senior Center
999 Civic Center Dr. | |



SENIOR CENTER

Ph: 847-588-8420

Introducing the New Senior Center Logo!

The logo above was selected as the new Niles Senior Center logo by staff and members of the Niles Senior Center who cast their vote. The tree represents the wisdom of the seniors and the center's deep roots in the community. The different colored leaves represent the unique flair of our Senior Center and our members.

Free Tax Assistance

Beginning January 18, 2016, appointments can be scheduled for individuals with simple returns by calling the Tax Hot Line, 847-588-8440, between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Appointments begin in February and run through Tuesday, April 12.

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide helps low and moderate income taxpayers, with special attention to those 60 and older. Volunteers are trained to assist in filing tax forms and certain schedules, including Form 1040. Taxpayers with complex returns, or in instances where the counselor does not have adequate training or knowledge, will be advised to seek paid tax assistance. Under the Volunteer Protection Act, AARP Foundation Tax-Aide volunteers must stay in the scope of the program and do those returns for which they have received training.

Membership for Non-Residents is now OPEN!

Become a Niles Senior Center member and take advantage of the diverse programming while joining a vibrant group of people staying active in the community. The Center offers affordable annual memberships at only \$35 for individuals and \$45 for couples.

Members enjoy discounts on all activities in addition to receiving the Bi-Monthly Program Guide. Not only does your membership serve as a passport to many exciting events, it also helps support and sustain the Center and ensures that it remains a vital part of the community for many years to come. Come join today!



Check out our page for programs and events at vniles.com



TEEN CENTER

Ph: 847-588-6900

Introducing the New Teen Center Logo!



FAMILY SERVICES

Ph: 847-588-8460

Accepting Personal Hygiene and Food Donations

Family Services is accepting personal hygiene donations such as toothbrushes, shampoo, body wash, deodorant, etc., and food pantry donations such as fresh fruits, vegetables, juices, etc.

Family Services Holiday Assistance

The holidays can be a very stressful or lonely time for many individuals. Niles Family Services (NFS) is always available to provide help and support. NFS is inviting families in need to participate in our holiday gift giving outreach. If you are interested in holiday assistance, contact Niles Family Services for more information at 847-588-8460.

What Have We Been Up To?

Niles Family Services continues to promote preventative measures at local events including the Niles Family Resource and Wellness Fair, the Harvest Hustle and the Light's On Afterschool event. NFS also sponsored the Good Food Project, which provided 250 apples for an apple-tasting demonstration.



Valentine's Day Dance

Middle school students: Come to the Niles Family Fitness Center gym for music and dancing by Pro-Mix Audio and Lighting. There will be no entry after 8:00 p.m. and if you leave the dance, you may not re-enter. No shoes allowed in the gym. No backpacks, purses or hats!! Not responsible for lost or stolen property. Open to 6th through 8th grades only (or any current Teen Center member.)

Date: Saturday, February 13

Time: 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Cost: \$10 per person (includes 4 tickets for drinks and snacks)

Location: Niles Family Fitness Center

BEST PRACTICES IN ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

The Village of Niles encourages residents use sustainable and environmental best practices.



Be the Change You Wish To See in the World

The Danger of Vehicle Leaks

According to the EPA, used oil from one oil change has the power to contaminate 1,000,000 gallons of water. Just one pint of oil pollutes an area the size of a football field. On top of that, all vehicle fluids are toxic. Some even smell sweet, which can attract animals or children. Just one teaspoon is deadly.

What Can I Do to Prevent Motor Oil Pollution?

- Repair vehicle leaks immediately
- Consider annual maintenance and check-ups for your car
- Recycle motor oil and other vehicle fluids

The best places to recycle motor oil and filters are service stations or auto shops. SWANCC lists three places who offer this service in the Village of Niles:

Niles Marathon Service 7300 Waukegan Rd (847) 647-8186 Accepts car batteries only	Oil Express 8430 W Dempster St (847) 827-0500 Accepts oil and antifreeze
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O'Reilly Auto Parts
797 Civic Center Dr
(847) 470-1317
Accepts oil, oil filters and car batteries

For more information about vehicle fluid pollution, please visit www.swancc.org or www.epa.gov.



Recycling Drop-Off Locations

Residents can bring items to Village facilities to ensure they are properly recycled or reused.

Niles Senior Center accepts: fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs), glasses, expired or unused medications and ink cartridges

Public Services accepts: fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs) and batteries

Village Hall accepts: batteries

Congratulations to 2015 Green Business Award Winner BBJ Rentals, Inc.

BBJ Rentals, Inc. at 6125 West Howard Street in Niles incorporates an impressive multitude of environmentally friendly initiatives. BBJ Rentals, Inc. showed their efforts in reducing water consumption, conserving energy, pollution prevention, and utilizing recycled materials.



Winterizing Your Home

Winterizing can save money and benefit the environment by reducing the amount of energy used to heat a home. Here are a few helpful tips to reduce energy consumption in your home this winter:

- Place a rolled bath towel along the bottom of drafty doors or windows.
- Cover windows with window insulation kits or by caulking and weather-stripping where there are air leaks.
- Lower Thermostats – While you're out of the home or sleeping, try lowering your thermostat by a few degrees. Every degree reduced during the heating season will reduce heating bills 1% to 3%.
- Change Furnace Filters – Dirty air filters will increase energy consumption by reducing proper airflow.
- Run Fans on Reverse – Hot air, which rises, will be forced down and circulated throughout the home.

Save the Date!

An e-recycling event will take place at Niles Public Services (6849 W. Touhy Ave.)

January 9 from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (weather permitting)

This Groot-hosted event is for residents only. Acceptable materials are on pg. 7

PUBLIC SERVICES

SNOW AND ICE PROCEDURES

New Snow Route Software Makes Plowing More Efficient!

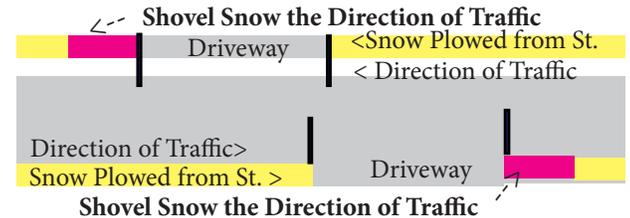
Snow plowing and ice control are top priorities during the winter season. This year, the Public Services Department will be using specialized routing software, which will help determine the most efficient routes to increase the efficiency of the snow plowing crews.



In Niles, we take pride in our snow plow operations and believe that prior planning and preparation result in safe streets plowed from curb to curb. **Remember to place garbage and recycling containers on the house side of the curb (not in the street).** This allows plow drivers to plow the streets curb to curb. It also keeps everyone safer by not forcing the drivers to weave around the containers.

Things to Keep In Mind

- Salt trucks are dispatched at the start of the storm. Plows are dispatched to the routes later when the accumulation of snow on the roads is beyond the capacity of the salt trucks.
- One thing you can do to reduce the amount of snow that is plowed in front of your driveway is to place as much of the snow as possible to the right side of your drive, as you face the street. This reduces the chance of snow previously removed from the driveway being pushed back onto your drive (see image to right).
- There are 251 lane miles of streets in Niles. These streets are owned by the State of Illinois, Cook County and the Village. The Village is responsible for the 115 lane miles of Village streets as well as a number of the main highways in town through an agreement with the State. Notable exceptions include Greenwood Ave., which is maintained by Cook County, and Golf Rd., Caldwell Ave., and sections of Touhy Ave., which are maintained by the State.
- Approximately 28 pieces of equipment are used for snow and ice control, but the actual number may vary due to the length of the storm which will impact personnel availability and other factors, such as mechanical failure.



For more information on Niles snow plow procedures and to learn the priority order in which streets are plowed in Niles, please visit www.vniles.com/snow.

E-Waste Materials Are Defined as Follows:

- Computers & Monitors
- Cable Receivers
- Video Game Consoles
- Fax Machines
- Electronic Mice
- Small Scale Servers
- Converter Boxes
- DVR Recorders
- Electronic Keyboards
- Digital Music Players
- Satellite Receivers
- Printers
- Scanners
- VCRs
- Televisions
- DVD Players



Permanent Drop-Off
Location at
1151 N. River Road, Glenview
Open Saturdays
9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Holiday Light Recycling Program

The Village of Niles Public Services Department and Family Fitness Center are accepting holiday lights for recycling. Holiday string lighting and extension cords can be dropped off from Nov. 2– Feb. 29, Monday thru Friday during business hours.

Christmas Tree Pickup

Christmas trees will be picked up by Groot during regular garbage day pick-up. Please place trees on the curb any time before or after the holidays.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



Dine-In Niles

Thank you for choosing Niles and supporting our local businesses. To show our appreciation, several of our local restaurants invite you to Dine-In Niles. In the Chamber Guide arriving in December there will be an attached card which will allow you to receive a 10% discount at participating restaurants (some restrictions apply). The participating restaurants are listed on our website, www.vniles.com, under our Dine-In page. Please check our website often as additional participating restaurants may be added throughout the year. This program is valid from December 2015 through November 2016. We hope that you will utilize this program and enjoy an entire year of savings!

RIDE THE HOLLY TROLLEY

The Village of Niles will once again be partnering with PACE to provide the Holly Trolley, a holiday inspired free bus. Kids of all ages will enjoy riding in the specially decorated Holly Trolley. As always, the Niles Bus is free and will continue its regular routes. The free bus system, started in 1973, has served over 9,000,000 riders. The free bus system operates weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and weekends 11:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. 359 days a year. The Holiday Bus will rotate between current routes until Christmas. For a Holly Trolley bus schedule please visit www.vniles.com.



Leaf Dumping

Niles leaf pickup is free FOR RESIDENTS. If you see any landscaping contractor illegally dumping leaves on our streets, please take a picture of the violator and violation when it occurs if possible or call the Police Department non-emergency at (847) 588-6500 or the Community Development Department at (847) 588-8060 to report the violation.

Express Permitting



The Community Development Department offers express permits to help residents complete smaller projects quickly. Residents or their contractors can come to Village Hall with all the required information and be able to obtain a permit from the Community Development Department. Please visit www.vniles.com to obtain information on required documents for various projects that will be part of the express permit process. For further questions feel free to contact the Community Development Department at 847-588-8060.

Crime Free Housing

Village of Niles Police Department

The Crime Free Housing class is required for any residential rental property in the Village. All owners and landlords are required to attend and complete this course as well as utilize a crime free lease addendum. Landlords and property owners or managers only need to attend one of these courses.

- December 1, 2015 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (4 hours)
- January 5, 2016 5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. (4 hours)
- February 9, 2016 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (4 hours)
- February 27, 2016 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (4 hours)
- March 11, 2016 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (4 hours)



Neighborhood HEROES

(Help, Encourage, Reach Out to Everyone & Share)

Give back to your community by volunteering to shovel snow for senior and/or disabled neighbors and friends who are unable to do the work on their own. This program is very important to the Village's goal of building a strong community and strong neighborhoods.

The newly adopted Village of Niles Neighborhood HEROES Program connects senior residents with volunteers who are willing to provide snow shoveling services. Niles businesses and organizations are also encouraged to volunteer by "adopting" a neighbor in need.

Individuals requesting assistance, as well as volunteers, are encouraged to sign up now at the www.vniles.com/volunteer. Volunteers are needed for the entire 2015-16 snow season.

By registering for the program, residents will be matched with a volunteer in their area (if available). The volunteer will be responsible for contacting the resident and scheduling a time to shovel and notifying the resident if the time should change.

Be a hero to your neighbor. Volunteer.

COMMUNITY EVENTS AND REMINDERS

Casino Cabaret Luncheon

Friday, January 8

11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Let's get out of our comfort clothes and get dressed up for our Casino Cabaret Luncheon! Enjoy a delicious lunch while being entertained by George Holmes, who does tributes to Sinatra, Presley and Pavarotti. Nonno Pino in Edison Park will be catering the event. In addition to food and live music, participate in Poker, Blackjack, Roulette, Horse Racing, Computer Slots, and Bingo. Every guest will be given some "fun money" to play with so everyone can participate.

The big winners can win a handful of lottery tickets!

Meet at Niles Human Services (999 Civic Center Drive). Fee involved.

Afternoon with the Stars

featuring Antonio Duca and Wesley Dziedzic

Monday, January 18

Lunch at 12:00 p.m. Performance 12:30 p.m.

Join us for a community concert starring vocalist Antonio Duca and pianist Wesley Dziedzic. This teenaged musical duo puts an energetic spin on the most popular songs of Frank Sinatra and other legendary crooners. Because this is a federal holiday with many individuals off of school and work, we encourage you to extend an invitation to your friends and family to attend this fantastic event!

999 Civic Center Drive. Fee involved.

Black History Month Community Movie Presentation: The Princess and the Frog

Thursday, February 25 Lunch at 12:00 p.m. Performance 12:30 p.m.

Come join us for the animated film that introduced Disney's first African-American princess to the world.

999 Civic Center Drive. Fee involved.

NILES FAMILY FITNESS CENTER

Looking for the Perfect Holiday Gift?



Give the gift of fitness! All new annual adult members signing up in December will receive a

free month of membership. Membership includes use of the heated indoor pool with a waterslide that your kids are sure to love, an indoor track, clean locker room facilities, child care options, discounts on programming, and all the equipment residents need to stay in shape over the holidays.

Get a better look at what we have to offer by watching our new "Niles Family Fitness Center video" at www.vniles.com/ntv.

NILES HISTORICAL & CULTURAL CENTER

Don't forget to check out the Niles Historical and Cultural Center this holiday.



The center is open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. for tours. Visit us at 8970 Milwaukee Ave. or call (847) 390-0160.

Afternoon with the Stars

featuring Mark Dvork

Saturday, January 23

Lunch at 12:00 p.m. Performance 1:00 p.m. Join us as we continue our successful evening program on a Saturday afternoon. Mark Dvork, a nationally renowned folk singer with numerous albums, will be here to perform popular folk songs from Americana.

999 Civic Center Drive. Fee involved.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

DECEMBER

Festival of Trees

November 16 - December 12
Golf Mill Mall
www.golfmill.com/events.html



Photos with Santa

November 21 - December 24
Golf Mill Mall
www.golfmill.com/events.html

Musica Lumina Concert

Tuesday, December 1
7:00 p.m.
St. John Brebeuf Church

Free Developmental Screenings

Wednesday, December 2
9:00 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.
East Maine School District 63
Melzer School
For any child residing in District 63

Battle of the Books

Wednesday, December 2
5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m..
Niles Public Library
847-663-1234

Breakfast with Santa

Saturday, December 5
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Golf Mill Mall
www.golfmill.com/events.html



Holiday Open House

Sunday, December 6
2:00 p.m.
Niles Public Library
847-663-1234

Sounds of the Season

December 7 -11
Golf Mill Mall
www.golfmill.com/events.html

St. John Brebeuf Catholic Women's Club Christmas Buffet

Tuesday, December 8
6:00 p.m.
St. John Brebeuf Ministry Center
847-663-0071

Financing a College Degree

Thursday, December 10
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Niles Public Library
847-663-1234

Breakfast with Santa

Saturday, December 12
8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m.
Howard Leisure Center
www.niles-parks.org

Santa Skate

Sunday, December 20
2:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Iceland
www.niles-parks.org



Village Facilities Closed for Christmas

Friday, December 25

New Year's Eve Skate

Thursday, December 31
12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Iceland
www.niles-parks.org

JANUARY

Village Facilities Closed for New Year's Day

Friday, January 1

AARP - Driver Safety Class

January 4 & 6
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Niles Senior Center

Casino Cabaret Luncheon

Friday, January 8
11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Niles Senior Center

E-Recycling Event

Saturday, January 9
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Niles Public Services
weather permitting



Afternoon Tea at Drake Hotel

Wednesday, January 13
Depart at 12:45 p.m.
Niles Senior Center

SCRAM- Internet Safety

Wednesday, January 13
11:00 a.m.
Niles Senior Center

Musica Lumina Concert

Sunday, January 17
3:00 p.m.
St. John Brebeuf Church

Afternoon with the Stars

Monday, January 18
12:00 p.m.
999 Civic Center Drive



Preschool and Daycare Fair

Wednesday, January 20
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Niles Public Library
847-663-1234

Holiday Garbage Delays

Collections will be delayed one day on Friday, December 25 for Christmas and on Friday, January 1 for New Years. Collections will begin as normal the week following the holiday.

SJB Speaker Series
Thursday, January 21
7:00 p.m.
St. John Brebeuf Church

Afternoon with the Stars
Saturday, January 23
12:00 p.m.
999 Civic Center Drive

Kids Club Event
Saturday, January 23
TBD
Golf Mill Mall
www.golfmill.com/events.html

Lego Day!
Saturday, January 30
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Niles Public Library
847-663-1234



Paint & Wine Party
Saturday, January 30
1:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Niles Senior Center

SJB Speaker Series
Sunday, January 31
7:00 p.m.
St. John Brebeuf Church

FEBRUARY

After Hour Floor Power
Thursday, February 4
3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Niles Senior Center

SCRAM- Internet Safety
Wednesday, February 10
11:00 a.m.
Niles Senior Center



Valentine's Day Maker Crafts
Wednesday, February 10
7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Niles Public Library
847-663-1234

A Message from the Village Clerk Welcome to Paperless Online Voter Application (POVA)

You can now register to vote or change your voter information online by going to www.cookcountyclerk.com/register tovote.

Persons who register to vote using POVA must:

- be a U.S. citizen.
- be at least 18 years of age by the next November General Election.
- have an Illinois driver's license or Illinois identification card.

POVA is available from now until the close of registration – 28 days before an election. (For the March 15, 2016 Presidential Primary Election, registration closes on February 16.)

You may also register to vote at Village Hall during regular business hours. If you have any questions, call the Village Clerk's office at 847-588-8003.



Marlene Victorine
Niles Village Clerk

Little Ladies Winter Dance
Friday, February 12
8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m.
Howard Leisure Center
www.niles-parks.org

**Teen Center
Valentine's Day Dance**
Saturday, February 13
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Niles Family Fitness Center
for middle school students

**Village Facilities Closed for
President's Day**
Monday, February 15



**Chicago Auto Show and
Lunch at Sabatino's**
Tuesday, February 16
Check-in at 8:30 a.m.
Niles Senior Center

SJB Speaker Series
Thursday, February 18
7:00 p.m.
St. John Brebeuf Church

Practice ACT
Saturday, February 20
9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Niles Public Library
847-663-1234

Musica Lumina Concert
Sunday, February 21
3:00 p.m.
St. John Brebeuf Church

**The Year in Movies:
A Recap of 2015's Films
and Oscar Preview**
Tuesday, February 23
7:30 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
Niles Public Library
847-663-1234

Financial Planning
Sunday, February 28
2:00 p.m.
Niles Historical Society

**Black History Month Com-
munity Movie Presentation:
The Princess and the Frog**
Thursday, February 25
12:00 p.m.
999 Civic Center Drive

Early Voting Begins
February 29
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Village Hall

Check out the Niles website community calendar and the Village Facebook page for more information on events, contests and classes.

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NILES SENIOR CENTER



“There is nothing better than the Senior Center to me,” says Evelyn, a 38-year resident of Niles. The Senior Center helps residents like Evelyn stay active through different programming and classes. The Senior Center also provides money-saving assistance. One resident, who needed help contacting a pharmaceutical company, realized a savings of \$2,300 a year on prescription medications. The Senior Center has helped other residents save an average of \$373 a year by helping them switch Medicare D plans.

NILES FAMILY FITNESS CENTER



Loann is a mother of three, with her youngest being a set of twins with cerebral palsy. Staying at home to care for her children was very stressful and tiring. Noticing the negative impact on her health, she decided to make a change for herself.

Loann turned to the Niles Family Fitness Center and started to run. She has now completed a 15k and a half marathon, and does strength training at the Fitness Center, which gives her the strength to carry her quadriplegic son when he needs to be moved. Her family also loves to visit the Fitness Center to enjoy the children’s classes and the pool. Since joining, Loann is happy and has more energy, which she feels helps her be a better mother to her children.



NILES FAMILY SERVICES

Santusa found out about Niles Family Services about 4 years ago when she was struggling and had lost

her home. Niles Family Services provided support through her difficult times and helped her to get back on her feet.

“Niles Family Services has been very supportive in my recovery and healing, not only in being able to speak to someone regularly but also through the food pantry,” she said. “I am grateful for everything you all have done for me and my family.”

HOW HAVE NILES HUMAN SERVICES HELPED YOU?

Read firsthand how these departments have touched the lives of Niles residents. If you have had a similar experience with a Niles Human Services department, please share your story on our Facebook page at facebook.com/VillageOfNiles.



NILES TEEN CENTER

The Niles Teen Center has had a tremendous influence on Aneta’s life and has shaped who she is today. The Teen Center helped her build the skills she needs to excel in her academics and the confidence to become a leader among her peers. After being a long-time member, Aneta has now taken on a very positive role in the community by volunteering at local events and becoming a role model to younger members. She attributes her success to the Niles Teen Center and encourages other teens to join.



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