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SUMMER EDITION

Creating Jobs, Local Economic Development



In early 2017, Thornton Township sponsored a telephone survey among 503 township residents that measured among other things, their opinions regarding the most important issue facing themselves, their families and the township

Not surprisingly, nearly two-thirds responded that "jobs and the local economy" was by far the most critical issue that needed to be addressed.

Armed with those results, the township set to work exploring and executing programs designed to help create jobs and spur local economic development.

300 families moved from General Assistance to long-term jobs...

First, the township partnered with South Suburban College in helping unemployed residents to complete non-accredited certifications, that lead to immediate employment opportunities and, we also created a program to help township residents, without High School diplomas, to achieve their GED and advance their educational credentials to obtain full-time jobs.

I am pleased to report that these initiatives have helped more than 300 township family's move from General Assistance into quality, long-term jobs.

Summer jobs for High School students...

Carefully selected in collaboration with local high school counselors, Thornton Township this summer alone has employed 100 township teens to provide lawn maintenance services to more than 800 Thornton Township seniors no longer physically capable of performing weekly yard work. This program not only helps keep area youth off the streets, but helps bring seniors and young people of the community together.

Through our Youth and Family Services program, we have for years hired youth assistants who supervise programs, encourage other teens to develop outstanding characteristics as well as develop communication and compassion skills. Many of our teens have eventually been hired as full time township employees after graduation.

Township-sponsored Job Fair...

We have sponsored this fair for 23 years – bringing together township residents and companies seeking new employees under one roof. This past May, more than 700 people and 80 companies in the health care, manufacturing and non-profit industries participated.

Next month, my office is sponsoring a business/economic roundtable, to discuss in greater detail how we might expand, modify or adjust our current educational and job training initiatives - or adopt new programs – to help meet the evolving needs and employee engagement challenges Southland businesses will face.

Every 100 jobs created brings with it payroll dollars, increased demand for local goods and services and greater local investment which ripple throughout the community. To date, Thornton Township has helped place residents in more than 300 good-paying jobs.

But there is also a larger effect, that may not be as tangible as landing a quality job. It's the dignity and pride associated with it that changes lives. The knowledge that someone who may have lost a job, is now, again able to support his or her family and make an important contribution to his or her community.

Certainly more needs to be done and we need to proactively do all we can to continue helping families move from General Assistance to work.

We're proud of our success in meeting real needs of people and we're proud of meeting our responsibility to taxpayers by doing more with less.

Sincerely,

Frank M. Zuccarelli
Thornton Township Supervisor



Upcoming Board Meetings

- Tuesday September 11, 2018
- Tuesday September 25, 2018
- Tuesday October 9, 2018
- Tuesday October 23, 2018

Until further notice board meetings will be held at the ZAP building 16910 Westview in South Holland

The Township buildings will be closed:

- Labor Day – Monday September 3, 2018
- Columbus Day – Monday October 8, 2018

Office Locations

- **Thornton Township Town Hall**
900 East 162nd Street
South Holland, IL
708-596-6040
- **Senior/Youth and Family Services Center**
14323 Halsted
Riverdale, IL
708-596-6040 Ext. 3170
- **The Food Assistance Center**
15340 Page Avenue
Harvey, IL
708-596-6040 Ext. 3180
- **ZAP**
16910 Westview
South Holland, IL



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RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMER



We've had a truly fun & busy time this summer with all the Thornton Township Days in the Park and many other Community events. So many people have approached me with how thankful they are and would like to thank Frank M. Zuccarelli for the food, coats and toys that we give freely every year.

I really want to take this opportunity to emphasize the importance of registering to vote and voting. We need to let our voices be heard and voting is one way of accomplishing this and making a difference.

I'd also like to take this time to thank you for your continued support by volunteering, attendance at the Annual Town Hall Meeting and all our various other Township events. We are Blessed to provide times when senior citizens and the residents of Thornton Township can come out and have a great time with us.

Early voting runs from Monday, October 22nd thru Monday, November 5th, at South Suburban College. November 6th is Election Day. Please make note on your calendars of these very important dates. We will provide more information as we get closer to that time.

The Clerk's Office is open Monday thru Friday from 9:00am until 4:00pm, our phone number is (708) 596-6040 ext. 3118 or 3123. If you have any questions, or need further information, please feel free to contact my office.

If you have any questions on the services we provide, or if we may be of any service to you, please contact our office at **708 596-6040 ext. 3123 or 3118**. Blessings in all ways.

THORNTON TOWNSHIP ASSESSOR CASSANDRA HOLBERT AWARDED "2018 WOMAN OF THE YEAR"



Cassandra Holbert received the 2018 Woman of the Year Award from The Society of Mannequins. The Society of Mannequins hosted its 18th annual presentation luncheon at the Tuscany Falls Banquets and Events in Mokena, Illinois.

"It made me feel special. This award was given to so many other women who have made significant contributions to our communities. I'm honored to receive this award," said Holbert.

In 1990, while employed with the Cook County Assessor's Office, Holbert became

a Certified Illinois Property Assessing Officer (CIAO) and a member of the Illinois Property Assessment Institute. In 2013, Ms. Holbert was elected to the position of Assessor for Thornton Township. Holbert is currently the Assessor for Thornton Township. In this capacity, she represents 17 distinct municipalities with a population of over 168,000.

Her life began as a public servant in 1973 under Chicago Alderman Bennett M. Stewart of the 21st Ward. Stewart later became the Congressman of the 1st Congressional District in the State of Illinois.

Under the tutelage of Chicago Alderman Eugene Sawyer of the 6th Ward, Ms. Holbert demonstrated an enhanced degree

of leadership and organization by taking her skills, talents, and character traits with her into the Chicago Mayor's Office. Sawyer was selected as the 42nd Mayor of Chicago, Illinois after the sudden death of then Mayor Harold Washington - the first African American Mayor of the City of Chicago. Sawyer was the second African American to serve as Mayor of Chicago in 1987.

Holbert received recognition for youth mentoring from the late Alderman Bennett M. Stewart of the Chicago 21st Ward. Under the late Mayor Harold Washington, she was awarded the key to the City of Chicago for outstanding leadership and community involvement. Under the late

Mayor Eugene Sawyer, Holbert was also recognized for outstanding achievement in organizing block clubs and community organizations in the 6th Ward.

The Society of Mannequins is an Illinois not-for-profit organization which was formed 18 years ago to continue the vision of its parent organization, The Association of Mannequins. The Association of Mannequins established in 1939 by Ms. Emma Beck, was formed to bolster the spirit of Negro Women who aspired to be models. The Association of Mannequins was the first group of Negro models.



Lynette D. Stokes, Ed.D. Named South Suburban College President

"She is experienced, energetic and collaborative and places a high value on partnering with the community."

Asked to describe her purpose in life, Dr. Stokes offered a quote that has always served as an inspiration and guiding light throughout her life: "the purpose of life is not to be happy, but to be useful, honorable, compassionate and to have it make some difference that you have lived and lived well."

"That exemplifies who Lynette Stokes is, Zuccarelli continued. "She has been a youth advocate in the child welfare system - passionately involved with Ada S. McKinley Foster Care Services, an elementary school teacher and active in equal rights organizations."

"Her commitment to lifelong learning led her to return to school herself - earning both Master of Arts and Doctoral Degrees from Roosevelt University in Public Administration and Educational Leadership. Dr. Stokes has dedicated her

life and career to structuring and sustaining strong educational institutions and making a real difference in people's lives. Every Trustee on the Board and I are enthusiastic about working closely with Lynette to advance our mission and serve our community," Zuccarelli concluded.

In addition to her vast experience and accomplishments in higher education and child welfare, Dr. Stokes was the recipient of Roosevelt University's 'Most Outstanding Dissertation of the Year Award' in 2005, the "Kathy Osterman Award for Outstanding Public Service Supervision" and the 2014 Chicago Defender's "Women of Excellence Award." Dr. Stokes resides in South Holland with her family.

Stokes will succeed President Donald Manning, who led the college for the past six years and who announced his retirement last March. Manning assumed leadership of the college in 2012 - overseeing increased academic programming options and the transformational

revitalization of the college's Oak Forest Campus.

"I am confident that in Lynette Stokes, the Board of Trustees has chosen a person with the right approach to educational leadership and management and who will lead a renewed commitment to our mission," Manning said. "Lynette will advance a bright future for this important and critical institution serving the needs of the South suburbs in so many ways."

Chairman Zuccarelli thanked President Manning for his thirty-one years of exemplary service. "Don has been an indispensable part of our college family and I believe I can speak for all the Trustees and everyone at SSC in saying that we will miss Don's energy, expertise and dedication. The entire Board and I want to extend our best wishes to Don, as he and his wife Jill move on to this new chapter in their lives. Don, thank you so much for your work, your leadership and friendship."

The South Suburban College Board of Trustees voted unanimously to appoint Dr. Lynette D. Stokes, Ed.D., the incoming President of South Suburban College. Dr. Stokes will be the first woman President in SSC's history.

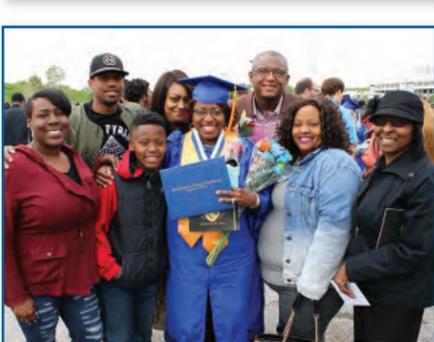
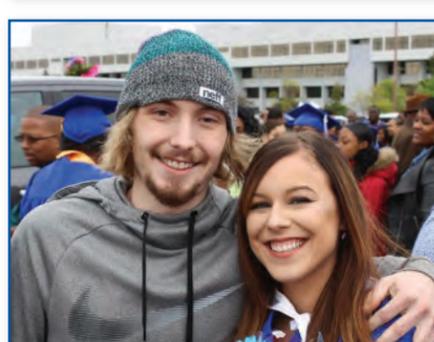
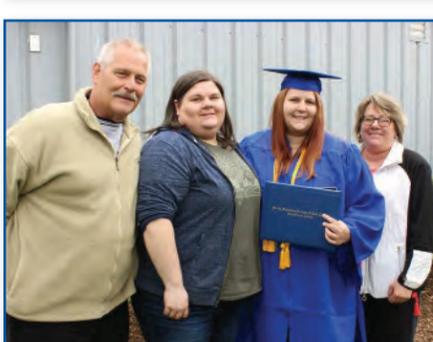
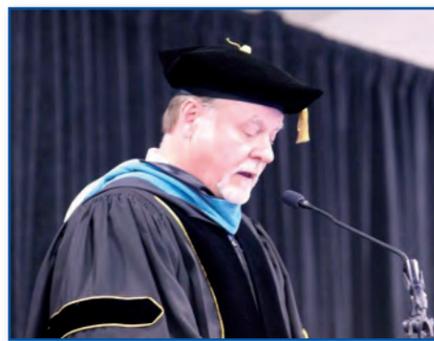
Stokes, currently serving as Vice President of Academic Services at SSC, will officially assume leadership of the college when the current President, Donald Manning, retires on October 1, 2018.

"The entire Board of Trustees and I believe that Lynette is exactly the kind of leader our college requires as we move forward," Chairman Frank Zuccarelli said.

South Suburban College Class Holds 90th Commencement Ceremony

South Suburban College hosted its 90th Commencement Ceremony on Sunday, May 20, 2018 in the SSC Fitness Center/Fieldhouse on the Main Campus. This year's Commencement Speaker was Marcus C. Evans, Jr., State Representative for the 33rd District, serving in his third term. Born on the South side of Chicago with limited financial resources, Evans grew up in a traditional family structure where he was taught three important ideals that would come to define his life's work: integrity, hard work

and community service. Marcus attended Morgan Park High School and Chicago State University, majoring in mathematics. This year South Suburban College awarded over 500 degrees and certificates to graduating students, in addition to many more transferring students who are finishing up their two years at SSC. Approximately 200 students walked at the ceremony.



1st ANNUAL

RIVERDALE COMMUNITY RIDE



Frank M. Zuccarelli, Supervisor and Thornton Township Board of Trustees sponsored the First Annual Riverdale Community Ride. The event was organized by Thornton Township Youth & Family Services Department -Summer Enrichment Program. Kids and adults rode through various township villages and towns on the seven mile bike trip.

"This was an incredible event that we encouraged everyone to come out and have a good time," said India Riley, program developer for the Thornton Township Youth & Family Services. "This is something that we are looking to expand in future years. We like the idea of bringing people together to walk, bike, run, and just enjoy our community in Thornton Township."



Thornton Township Hosts 2nd Annual Basketball Tournament



Police and teenagers from various different communities will team up together in the second annual Taste of Thornton Township Basketball Tournament. The one-day tournament, which takes place on Friday, August 24th, features teenagers and police officers playing on the same team for the pride of their town or village and focusing on working with each other. Lansing Police Department and teens won the tournament last year. Typically, communities have police officers and kids playing against each other in a basketball tournament; however, Thornton Township officials decided the alternative made more sense.

"Last year was an incredible success and people really understood that kids and police officers should be playing together instead of opposite team," said Frank M. Zuccarelli, Thornton Township supervisor. "We felt like it brought the community together even more and those are the kinds of programs that we support in Thornton Township. This year we are looking to make it even bigger."

The five-on-five basketball tournament, which will once again take place at South Suburban College, is an extension of the Faith, Dignity and Respect Initiative. The program's goal is helping communities along with police officers and teenagers working together.

"When teenagers are able to see police officers out of the uniform and have meaningful interactions with them that carry a lot of weight when they eventually see them in uniform," said Ernst Lamothe Jr. Thornton Township communication manager, who oversees the basketball tournament. "Every police officer we talked with last year saw the tournament as an important way to interact and reach teenagers and that gave us the feedback we needed to have the tournament again. They really saw it as a unifying event."

The basketball tournament will be the opening act to the 17th annual Taste of Thornton Township.

A Reminder to All Thornton Township Residents

In hopes of better serving our residents, Thornton Township will undergo building improvements to our **South Holland Campus, 333 E. 162nd St.** However, all of our services will remain operational.

Assessor, Clerk & Administration
900 E 162nd St. South Holland

General Assistance
900 E 162nd St. South Holland and
Thornton Township Food Assistance 15340 Page, Harvey
*For more information on General Assistance,
Clerk and Assessor Office please call 708-596-6040*

Senior Services
Senior Youth & Family Services 14323 Halsted, Riverdale
and Thornton Recreation Center 701 Highland, Thornton
For more information, call 708-596-6040, 708-269-0747 or 312-636-7290.



SAVE THE DATE Hispanic Heritage Celebration

Saturday, September 29th, 2018
10:00 am at the Township Senior Center in Calumet City.

For more information call 708-596-6040 ext. 2011

Thornton Township Presents It's 17th Annual TASTE of Thornton Township Celebration

Thornton Township will host its 17th Annual Taste of Thornton Township Celebration, in a new location on the campus of South Suburban College, 15800 S. State St. in South Holland.

The event features a one-day family atmosphere where more than 1,500 people attend. The headliner will be Lakeside and some of the opening acts include our very own Trysh Granberry, who was an America's Got Talent contestant, the Chicago Boyz Acrobats, Visions of Santana and Past Life.

"The Taste is one of our largest events and brings people throughout Thornton Township in one place to enjoy great live music, food and family entertainment," said Frank M. Zuccarelli, Thornton Township supervisor.

In addition to a variety of food vendors and a large selection of crafts, the township will be giving away free book bags with school supplies, free back to school haircuts for kids, a petting zoo and Bingo. An antique Classic Car show sponsored by Napleton River Oaks Car Dealership will take place that day from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

"This event has something for everyone of all ages," said Tui M. Muse, chairman of the taste. "We continue to make the Taste one of the largest and best events in the

southland. I think people will be excited about all the new features we have brought in this year."

A variety of food will be offered including Ribs, hot dogs, hamburgers, catfish, jerk chicken, turkey legs, Italian sausage and beef, nachos, cheesecake, snow cones, Italian ice, specialty teas, and more said Delia Medina, event planner for Thornton Township.

"This event is for the community to come together and enjoy food, entertainment, family and friends," said Joyce Washington, Thornton Township trustee. We appreciate our great community. This year's Taste of Thornton Township will have a variety of entertainment for attendees from as far as Chicago, Indiana, and local residents."

"We have been hosting the Taste for 17 years and it will be even larger than before." said Delia Medina, event planner for Thornton Township. "There are a lot of free activities for the kids – face painting, carnival rides, games, back to school haircuts, and book bags with school supplies."

Thank you to our Taste sponsors – MB Financial Bank, SD205, Gift of Hope, Nicor Gas, Excel Printing & Mailing, Ma' Dear Home Services, Inc. & Burger King.

2018 JOB FAIR RECAP

More than 80 companies participated in the annual Thornton Township and South Suburban College job fair. The free event was held in the South Suburban College Fitness Center, 15800 South State Street in South Holland.

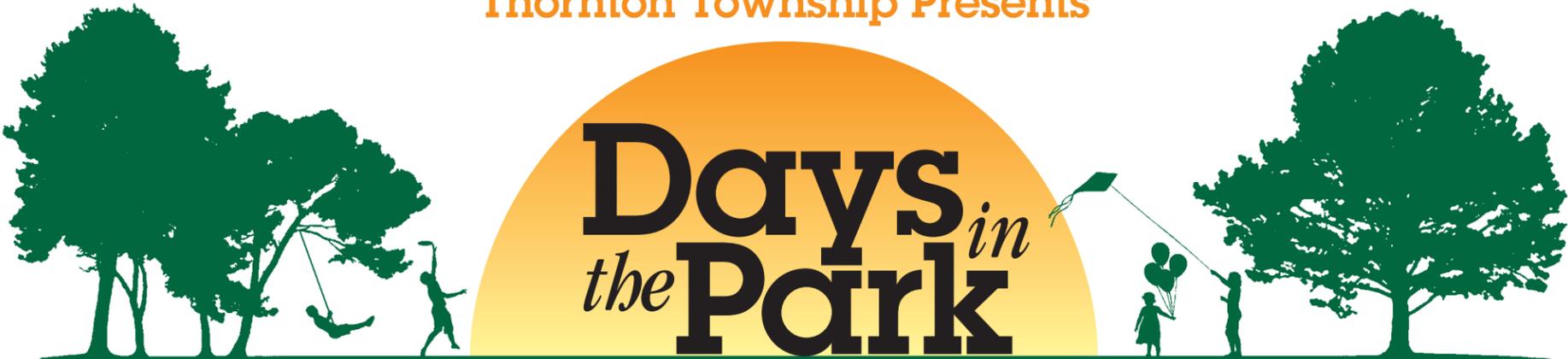
"We wanted to give the southland community the kind of job fair where they would find a new career or improve their quality of life with a new job," said Frank M. Zuccarelli, Thornton Township Supervisor. "We are incredibly proud about our

successful job fair where companies in health care, nonprofits, manufacturing, education and other industries came seeking qualified employee. Economic development will always be one of the most important focuses of Thornton Township because we know that it elevates life for so many people." The Job Fair was also co-sponsored by the Village of Lansing, Village of South Holland, Village of Burnham, Village of Riverdale and the City of Calumet City.



Thornton Township Presents

Days *in* the Park



Holding her 16-month daughter, Lanna, and dancing to the live music Loren Willard was soaking up the entire event. Between all the activities and options around her, she couldn't believe her choices as a first time attendee of the Thornton Township Days in the Park in Lan Oak Park, 180th and Arcadia.

"I really do absolutely love everything about this event," said Willard, of Lansing, who attended with her mother, Pat, and her nephew Cameron, 4. "There was something for everyone whether you were a kid, an adult, a senior or disabled. It was just a great time for all of us to enjoy each other's company and realize that we have so many things in common that we should all get along much better."

Thornton Township hosts a different picnic at least once a week in all 17 municipalities throughout the summer. The event was the brainchild of Thornton Township Supervisor Frank M. Zuccarelli who saw an opportunity that was needed.

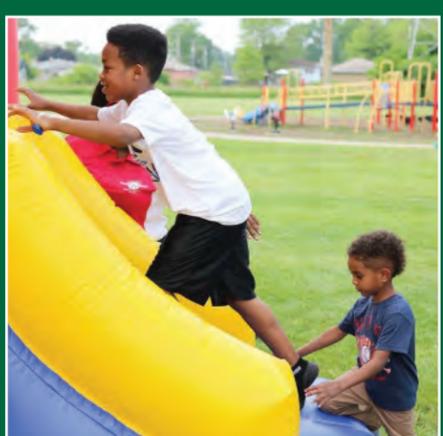
"We started this event more than a decade ago because we saw a need to bring people together. Our lives can be so busy that we don't take a moment to just sit down and talk to our neighbors as much as we used to. We believe by bringing people into their neighborhood park to sit, talk and eat it would begin to bring back that greater sense of community," said Zuccarelli.

All Days in the Park include free food, live music and family-friendly activities.

"Days in the Park allows residents to come together as a community and enjoy each other's company. It is also an opportunity to just celebrate some of the beautiful parks that we have within Thornton Township," said India Riley, who helps coordinate the event.

The Days in the Park run May through August.

"People get excited when we bring the event to their specific community. It's just a wonderful opportunity to fellowship, get to know people you didn't know before, get together with friends or just reacquaint with someone that you haven't seen in some time," said Larry Lawrence, who helps coordinates and host every Days in the Park.



World's Largest Steppers' Family Day Cook-Out & Bar-B-Que

Thornton Township once again hosted its annual World's Largest Steppers' Family Cook Out and BBQ. The seventh annual event took place at the Green Lake Forest Preserve, 159th and Torrence in Calumet City. It is continuously one of the biggest and greatest events in the south suburbs.

"In Thornton Township, we want to create as many events as possible that bring people together," said Frank M. Zuccarelli. "There are so many times that we talk about the things that divide us but we have so much in common. You find that out when you come together and interact with each other."



SENIOR SERVICES

Calendar of Events

Thornton, 701 Highland Ave • Riverdale, 14323 South Halsted

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>Senior Exercise 9:30-10:30 am <i>(Thornton)</i></p> <p>Line Dance Class 10:45-12 noon <i>(Thornton)</i></p>	<p>Bidwhist 11:30-3:00 pm <i>(Riverdale)</i></p> <p>Pinochle Club 12:00-3:00 pm <i>(Thornton)</i></p> <p>Senior Exercise 9:30-10:30 am <i>(Riverdale)</i></p>	<p>Smiling Seniors 1:00-3:00 pm <i>(Thornton)</i> <i>1st. Wednesday of every month</i></p> <p>Senior Exercise 9:30-10:30 am <i>(Riverdale)</i></p>	<p>Senior Exercise 9:30-10:30 am <i>(Riverdale)</i></p> <p>Bunco Club 1:00-3:30 pm <i>(Thornton)</i></p> <p>Movie* 1:00 pm <i>(Riverdale)</i></p> <p>Sr. Counseling & Support Group 1:00-3:00 pm <i>(Riverdale)</i></p>	<p>Senior Exercise 9:30-10:30 am <i>(Riverdale)</i></p> <p>Advanced Line Dancing Class 10:45-12 noon <i>(Riverdale)</i></p>



For more information call: (708) 596-6040

\$3.00 Pinochle • \$3.00 Bunco • \$1.50 Senior Luncheon

Blood Pressure Done Daily

Senior Luncheon Sites

Senior Citizens, 60 years & older, Must have a Thornton Township I.D. *Indicates Movie Day for Township Residents 60+

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
<p>Ascension Church 15234 Myrtle Harvey, IL</p> <p>Village of Thornton Recreation Center 701 Highland Avenue Thornton, IL</p> <p>American Legion Hall 17034 Park Avenue Hazel Crest, IL</p> <p>Eisenhower Center 2250 178th Street Lansing, IL</p> <p>Gloria Taylor 15335 Broadway Harvey, IL (2nd Tuesday of each month)</p>	<p>Dolton Park Field House 721 Engle Street Dolton, IL</p> <p>Riverdale Senior Center 14323 Halsted Riverdale, IL</p> <p>Freedom Village 935 Maple Homewood, IL</p> <p>Village of Thornton Recreation Center 701 Highland Avenue Thornton, IL</p>	<p>Village of Thornton Recreation Center 701 Highland Avenue Thornton, IL</p> <p>Downey Park Stewart & Jeffrey Avenue Calumet City, IL</p> <p>Riverdale Senior Center 14323 Halsted * Riverdale, IL</p> <p>Burnham Village Hall 13925 Entre Burnham, IL</p>



Senior_{RX}



Blood Pressure Screenings

Daily 10:00 am - 3:00 pm
Thornton Township Hall
Calumet City Senior Center
and Riverdale Senior Center



Cholesterol and Glucose Testing

Monday through Friday
9:00 am - 3:45 pm
Thornton Township Hall

Two hour fasting is required and results are given within three minutes. There is a nominal fee to help cover the cost of materials.



Senior Health Insurance Program (S.H.I.P.)

This free program is sponsored by the Illinois Department of Insurance and provides counseling to seniors. This public service is designed to help answer questions, and organize and assist in the filing of insurance papers to Medicare and supplemental insurance companies. The service also provides assistance in comparisons of supplemental insurance plans and affordable Med D drug plans. Now serving you at three (3) locations.



Senior_{TRANSPORTATION}

The Thornton Township Senior Transportation Program operates a curb-to-curb service for township seniors age 60 and older. Our service complies with all American With Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements.

Service is available from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday – Friday to any point within the township and designated medical facilities only.

Appointments are made on a first call, first serve basis. Medical appointments are given priority status. Residents are asked to call the township dispatch office with any changes to your appointment.

Suggested donation for each one-way ride is \$1.00. An Exact Fare Only Policy is also in place to avoid the bus drivers from having to handle money on the busses.



To schedule a ride, call
708-339-9980



For further information on the program, call
708-596-6040, Ext. 4011

Senior Transportation Schedule

The following is a list of the only major medical facilities outside the township that riders may be transported to.

- **DaVita Comprehensive Renal Service**, 222 Douglas, Hammond
- **Governors Highway Clinic**, 17901 Governors Highway, Homewood
- **South Suburban Hospital**, 17800 Kedzie, Hazel Crest
- **MetroSouth Medical Center**, 12935 South Gregory, Blue Island
- **St. Margaret Mercy Healthcare Center**, (North) 5500 Hohman Avenue, Hammond
- **Hammond Clinic**, 7905 Calumet Avenue, Munster
- **Community Hospital**, 901 MacArthur Blvd., Munster

Shopping is also provided to the following locations on these specified days:

- **Monday:** Halsted Street Shopping Area (Homewood)
- **Tuesday:** Jewel, Walt's & Aldi's (South Holland), Ultra Food & Walmart (Lansing) 2:00 pm Return
- **Wednesday:** River Oaks, East & West (Calumet City) 2:00 pm Return
- **Thursday:** Super Walmart & The Landings (Lansing)
- **Friday:** Food 4 Less (Dolton), Almar Plaza (Dolton), and Pete's Fresh Market (Calumet City)

All township bus drivers have CDL (Commercial Drivers Licenses) and must comply with all IDOT (Illinois Department of Transportation) regulations and guidelines.

*Funds (in whole/part) for this program were provided through an award from the Suburban Area Agency on Aging under Title III of the Older Americans Act, as administered through the Illinois Department on Aging and Federal Administration on Aging. Thornton Township does not discriminate in admission to programs or activities or treatment of employment in programs or activities in compliance with the Illinois Human Rights



55/Alive Mature Driving Course

This is a 2-day instruction course that refines existing safe, defensive driving techniques.

55/Alive teaches preventive measures to use when driving that saves lives. Upon completion, a certificate is provided that will entitle participants to receive a car insurance premium discount.

This course is currently offered at the Senior Center in Calumet City.

For upcoming dates call:
708-596-6040, 3190

\$15 for AARP members
\$20 for non-members



Income Tax Service

Thornton Township, in conjunction with A.A.R.P., assists persons 65 years of age and older with federal and state income tax preparation. This service is provided every Friday beginning on the first Friday of February through the end of the tax season in April.



Senior Committee on Aging

This committee meets monthly to advise the township of the needs and concerns of their senior community.

They also serve as volunteer coordinators for luncheons and special township events. A list of members is available at either the Township Hall or Senior Center.



Exercise Class

This class provides light to moderate aerobic workouts to aid seniors in maintaining health and fitness.

A certified instructor currently conducts this class

Monday

Senior Center
Thornton

9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday Thursday and Friday

class is scheduled at the
Senior Center in Riverdale

9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

SENIOR SERVICES

**Senior Luncheon Program**

Thornton Township senior citizens, 60 years of age and older, are entitled to attend one luncheon per week at your designated town luncheon site. There are currently thirteen luncheon facility sites located throughout the township. There is a nominal fee charged per meal. The luncheon program is designed to provide a place to meet new friends in a social setting, eat a nourishing meal and to keep you informed of current information affecting seniors. Proof of residency and age are required when you sign up. For information call **708-596-6040, Ext. 3170 or 3190.**

Tuesday

- Harvey: Ascension Church, 15234 Myrtle
- Lansing #1: Eisenhower Center, 2550 178th Street
- Lansing #2: Thornton Township Senior Center, 1420 Huntington Drive
- Hazel Crest, American Legion Hall, 17034 Park Avenue

Wednesday

- Dolton: Park Fieldhouse, 721 Engle Street
- Riverdale: Thornton Township Senior / Youth & Family Center, 14323 S. Halsted
- Homewood: Freedom Village, 935 Maple

Thursday

- Calumet City #1: Thornton Township Senior Center, 1420 Huntington Drive
- Calumet City #2: Downey Park, Stewart Ave & Jeffery Ave
- Burnham: Village Hall, 13925 Entre Ave

Lunch & Movie Days are open to all senior Township residents. Call **(708) 596-6040, ext. 3170** for movie dates and listings.

Wednesday Lunch & Movie Day Location:

- Thornton Township Senior Center, 1420 Huntington Drive, Calumet City

Thursday Lunch & Movie Day Location:

- Thornton Township Senior/Youth & Family Services Center, 14323 Halsted, Riverdale

**Pinochle Club**

Every Tuesday 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm
Calumet City Senior Center

Bunco Club

Every Thursday 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm
Calumet City Senior Center
Pinochle & Bunco: \$3 per person

Bingo

1st Wednesday Every Month
1:00 pm to 3:00 pm
Calumet City Senior Center
\$5 per person

Bid Whist Club

FREE Every Tuesday
9:00 am to 3:00 pm
Riverdale: Thornton Township Senior/Youth & Family Center

**Senior Trips**

A variety of one day trips are sponsored each month from February through November to theaters, professional sporting events, Museums, or Casinos. Due to the popularity of these trips, seniors are requested to reserve tickets in advance.

**Information and Referral Program**

Senior citizens can obtain forms and receive current information regarding Medicare forms, Social Security forms, legal services, housing, Illinois Living Will Act forms, and Illinois Statutory Short forms such as durable power of attorney for health care and property.

Other information affecting local seniors will also be disseminated as the information becomes available. Now serving you at three (3) locations.

**Benefit Access Application (BAA)**

Formerly Circuit Breaker

A program providing assistance with license plates and bus fares for qualifying seniors and persons with disabilities. Assistance in preparing your claim is available beginning annually in mid-February. Call for information or to make an appointment.
708-596-6040, Ext. 3170, 3190 or 2000.

Now serving you in three (3) locations.

**State of Illinois Identification Card**

Twice a year, Thornton Township in conjunction with the Secretary of State's Office, offers seniors 65 years of age and older an opportunity to get their I.D. card at the township. Call for information and requirements.
(708)-596-6040, Ext. 3170 or 3190.



A Reminder to All Thornton Township Seniors About Upcoming Events

**Our Thornton Township Senior Center
located at 1420 Huntington Drive, Calumet City, IL
is currently under renovation.**

**The Center is currently scheduled
to reopen in the fall of 2018.**

**Look for future announcements about the reopening
and event and party schedules.**

**For more information call
(708) 596-6040, EXT. 3190**

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2nd Annual

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AUGUST 24
FREE ADMISSION

TWICE AS MANY TEAMS • DOUBLE ELIMINATION
FRIDAY 8/24 TIP OFF AT 5:30PM

South Suburban College Gymnasium | 15800 State St.

- TEENS AND POLICE PLAY ON THE SAME TEAM FOR THE PRIDE OF THEIR TOWN
- FIND OUT WHICH TOWN OR VILLAGE HAS THE BEST BASKETBALL SQUAD

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THORNTON TOWNSHIP TASTE TOURNEY
FRANK M. ZUCCARELLI SUPERVISOR

Saturday August 25th 9AM-6PM
South Suburban College
SOUTH HOLLAND, IL
Presented by Human Relations Commission

LOCAL FOOD VENDORS, CRAFTS, BINGO, LIVE MUSIC AND PERFORMANCES, CLASSIC CAR SHOW, PETTING ZOO, FREE KIDS RIDES, SPECIAL VISITS FROM ELMD, MICKEY MINNIE AND MORE!

FEATURING
LAKESIDE WITH MARK WOODS JR.

FREE MUSIC STAGE FEATURING

- THORNTON TOWNSHIP YOUTH MEXICAN FOLKLORE DANCERS
- LINE DANCING
- CHICAGO BOYZ ACROBATS
- OUR VERY OWN TRYSH GRANBERRY FROM "AMERICA'S GOT TALENT"
- VISIONS OF SANTANA
- MICHAEL JACKSON, JAMES BROWN AND TINA TURNER IMPERSONATORS
- PAST LIFE

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Napleton
River Oaks Chrysler Dodge Jeep RAM

Carnival Live Music *Petting Zoo Food Vendors*

Saturday, August 25
at South Suburban College
15800 STATE STREET
SOUTH HOLLAND, IL 60473
1pm to 5pm

\$20 Registration 12pm to 3pm

For more information, contact: Jorge Navarrete at (708) 985-3168

Prices include Best of Show, Supervisor's Choice, and Multiple Classes



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With this app you can:
Get the latest news, View pictures, Get GPS directions to our locations, Watch videos, Receive push notifications and more...

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