



# Mayor Yukich's Blog

THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 2016

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HOMERFEST

The Homer Community Fest will take place from June 23-26 this year. **Volunteers are needed!** Please visit [homerfest.com](http://homerfest.com) to register to volunteer or contact Homer Fest Co-Chair Linsey Sowa at (708) 301-0522 or [l.sowa@homertownship.com](mailto:l.sowa@homertownship.com). All volunteers get a free Homer Fest t-shirt and this is a great opportunity for our younger residents to get their community service hours.



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## NAMING HERITAGE PARK

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The Village Trustees and I are happy to announce the name of our newest Village park- ***Heritage Park***. The decision comes after months of discussing name suggestions that were submitted by students from Homer Junior High and Oak Prairie Junior High, members of the Village's Parks and Recreation Committee and residents of Homer Glen. Thank you to all those who participated in the process of naming our park. 'Heritage Park' was submitted to the Village by an anonymous resident along with the following explanation:



*The name for our new Park and Village Center seems to be fairly evident. When you look up the definition of the word Heritage, it reads, "Property that is or may be inherited; property that descends to an heir; something transmitted by or acquired from a predecessor: a legacy, an inheritance, a tradition". "Features belonging to the culture of a particular society, such as traditions that were created in the past and still have historical importance". "Something that is reserved and preserved for a particular group as a way of life that gives us a sense of history and heritage- the richness of our diverse cultural heritage". This will be a place that we will create as being considered important to our history, culture, and people and emulates our way of life that will descend to future generations. It will be an unspoiled, natural environment that reflects the honor, pride and courage- from the first settlers in this area- the farmers, volunteer firemen, members of our military, to the volunteers that recognized several years ago that our area needed to become incorporated and to that end, began working on volunteer committees to make it happen. Heritage Park will be a place that consists of all the qualities and traditions that have continued over the years and will continue to grow for generations. And so, the name Heritage Park will denote a vital, vibrant, valued space set up to preserve our town's proud heritage that will be reserved for generations as a way of life- "Community and Nature in Harmony".*

## STREET CLOSURES PLANNED FOR HOMER COMMUNITY PARADE

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As you know, the annual Homer Community Parade will take place on Saturday, June 25. Please be advised of the following street closures occurring throughout the Village effective 9 a.m.:

- 151<sup>st</sup> Street from Bell Road west to Parker Road.
- Parker Road will be closed from 143<sup>rd</sup> Street south to Maverick with limited access from 159<sup>th</sup> Street north to Maverick.
- 151<sup>st</sup> Street will have limited access from Creme Rd. east to Arboretum Drive (local traffic only)

All roads will re-open after the parade at approximately 1:00 p.m. There will be barricades at Cricketwood, Sweetwater Dr., Oakwood Dr., and Parker Rd. from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Parker Rd. will remain closed between Briarwood on the north and Cricketwood Dr. on the south until all parade traffic is cleared. Please call Homer Township at 708-301-0522 with questions or concerns.

## ‘NO SOLICITORS’ DECALS NOW AVAILABLE FOR RESIDENTS

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If you wish to prohibit solicitors from knocking on your door or ringing your doorbell at your home, the Village of Homer Glen is offering ‘NO SOLICITORS’ decals free of charge to residents.

Please visit the Village Hall, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., to pick up your decal.

Please call Village Hall at 708-301-0632 with any questions.

## HERITAGE PARK CLOSED JUNE 22 - 24

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Heritage Park will be closed June 22 – 24 for the Magic Skies Firework Show that will take place on Thursday, June 23. Normal park hours will resume on Saturday, June 25. For more information about the fireworks show, please visit [www.homerfest.com](http://www.homerfest.com).

## VILLAGE HALL RENOVATION UPDATE

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If you would like to stay informed on the progress of the renovation work, please visit the **Village website**, where updates will be posted periodically.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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### LOCKPORT DROP OFF CENTER IS NOW OPEN

Lockport Public Works opened for electronic recycling on May 10. Will County residents can drop off items on **Tuesday and Friday only from 6 am – 11 am**. Two TV’s per vehicle will be allowed. The drop off center is located at 17115 Prime Blvd (East of I-55) in Lockport. Front door service is available through A-Team Recyclers for \$60 per TV. They can be reached at (815) 630-4308 for more information.

### MEGA PASSES ON SALE NOW FOR THE HOMER COMMUNITY FEST

The Homer Community Fest will take place from **June 23-26** this year. Mega Passes are now on sale! The Mega Pass is good for “all you can ride” for all 4 days of the Fest from open to close. The passes cost \$65 at the fest or only \$55 if purchased prior to the Fest. They can be purchased at Homer Township Highway Department, 14400 W 151<sup>st</sup> Street , through June 22<sup>nd</sup>.

## UPCOMING EVENTS CONTINUED...

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### LEMONT CLASSIC CAR CLUB'S CRUISE NIGHT

The Lemont Classic Car Club will be hosting Sunday Cruise Nites throughout the summer. You can find them **every Sunday from 4 – 7 pm** in the Big R parking lot at the corner of 159<sup>th</sup> Street and Bell Road. You can find more information about the Lemont Classic Car Club [here](#).