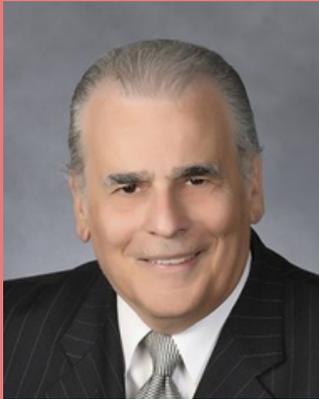


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Pictured above is a rendering of the new park equipment that will be installed at Lee Street Park.



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Dear Resident:

We are thrilled to be able to show you a glimpse of what the upcoming community improvements will look like! Pictured above is the new park equipment that will be installed at Lee Street Park as well as you will find other renderings and plans throughout this newsletter.

Many other infrastructure and overall community improvements have been completed this year and will continue on into 2024. We continue to perform sanitary sewer upgrades throughout the township, as well as make improvements to park accessibility and playground equipment. In addition, we have additional park space being constructed throughout the township to improve recreational access for residents.

While our park spaces improve our quality of life, we have additional changes to improve safety, as well as revitalization of the Mannheim Road Corridor.

We hope to see you at our upcoming Annual Tree Lighting event at Westdale Park on November 17th or at one of the many other upcoming events, such as our Senior Breakfast with Santa or Lunch with Santa for the kids! Check out our NEW website for more information on upcoming events and township updates!

Sincerely,

Rocco D. Biscaglio, Township Supervisor



Clerk's Corner – Jamie Losurdo

The Township is full of events this winter! Visit our new website to register for these events or for more information.

Please join us on:

- **November 14th** – Senior Craft Day
- **November 17th** – Annual Tree Lighting (no registration needed)
- **November 22nd** – Thanksgiving Dinner
- **December 1st** – Senior Breakfast with Santa
- **December 9th** – Lunch with Santa
- **Beginning in January 2024** – FREE Income Tax Filing for Seniors through Triton College R.S.V.P .



Support Leyden Families!

We appreciate all the residents who continue to donate to our Leyden Township Needy Fund Holiday Program by collecting toys and contributing through monetary donations. These donations support families throughout Leyden Township. If you would like to donate, please feel free to drop off donations at the Town Hall.

Elections Update

A friendly reminder from the last issue that there are no upcoming elections in Cook County this fall. Our next election is the Presidential Primary Election on March 19, 2024, followed by the Presidential General Election on November 5, 2024. Enjoy the holiday season. I hope to see you at many of our events.



Assessor's Office – Al J. Biancalana C.I.A.O.

The Township Assessor's office is here to assist you with all your property tax needs. From applying for your exemptions and certificate of errors to appealing your assessment to the Assessor's office and the Board of Review.

The Cook County Assessor's office issues the following exemptions:

- **Homeowner Exemption**
- **Senior Exemption**
- **Senior Freeze**
- **Persons with Disabilities**
- **Veterans with Disabilities**



To ensure you are receiving the exemptions you are entitled to contact:

Mary Trzebny: (847) 451-5182 or Bina Conte: (847) 451-5183

Senior and Disabled Services

Please call Jamie at: (847) 451 - 5119 for information or to register.

LEYDEN TOWNSHIP

SENIOR

Breakfast
With **SANTA**

DECEMBER 1st, 2023

breakfast-entertainment-prizes

STARTING at 10:00 AM

Carl Fiorito Senior Center
2601 N. Mannheim
Franklin Park, IL 60131

Weekly Activities

Knitting Club

Tuesdays

12:00pm - 2:00pm

Carl Fiorito Senior Center

Senior Exercise

Tuesdays and Thursdays

9:00am - 10:00am

Community Center

Movie Day

Thursdays

12:00pm

Carl Fiorito Senior Center

Senior Line Dancing

Wednesdays and Fridays

10:00am - 1:00pm

Carl Fiorito Senior Center

Community News and Updates



Township Supervisor Biscaglio Awarded

The West Central Municipal Conference honored Township Supervisor, Rocco D. Biscaglio, with the Patrick R. Higgins Lifetime Achievement Award. Supervisor Biscaglio was presented with the award at their annual dinner meeting on Friday, September 29, at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center in Rosemont.



Northlake Area Kiwanis Donation to Food Pantry

On September 14, the Northlake Area Kiwanis Club made a donation to the Leyden Food Pantry of \$250 in food and \$250 in cash for a total of \$500. The Leyden Food Pantry assisted over 370 households (1,046 individuals) in our community last year. The Food Pantry depends on contributions from the community to run the program and needs your support year-round.



A Day of Giving at Leyden

Thursday, October 19th, we co-hosted our annual Blood Drive with State Representative Brad Stephens. Many of our residents and staff took time out of their day to donate. Additionally, we had a few donate their red platelets. We'd like to thank the wonderful staff from Vitalent who spent the day at the Senior Center taking care of our donors.

COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION PROJECTS

We are excited to share our community improvement and revitalization projects completed this year or currently underway, highlighting what you can expect in 2024!

The water main project along Scott Street between Armitage Avenue and Medill Avenue is complete. This consisted of the installation of 2,448 lineal feet of new 8" diameter ductile iron water main, fire hydrants, and valve vaults, the updated lining of 611 lineal feet of 15" sanitary sewer, as well as the updated lining of 1,953 lineal feet of 27" sanitary sewer, and restoration of any disturbed surfaces.

CURRENTLY UNDERWAY

Parker Avenue Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation

Sanitary sewer rehabilitation in the Marconi Subdivision neighborhood. This includes the updated lining of 960 lineal feet of 12" sanitary sewer, 2,136 lineal feet of 18" sanitary sewer, and sealing and adjusting 20 sanitary manholes.

Fairfield and Palmer

Improvements will be made to the vacant right-of-way between Palmer Avenue and Lyndale Avenue, making it a passive park with amenities, including 2,934 square feet of concrete sidewalk, Cornhole bags game area, 16' hexagonal gazebo, park benches, drinking fountain, site lighting, and landscaping. Included in this work are roadway pavement modifications to connect the residential roadway portions of the neighborhood and disconnect the residential portion of Palmer Avenue from the commercial portion of Palmer Avenue near Mannheim Road.

Armitage Traffic Diversion

This project will divert truck traffic from residential streets and improve safety.

COMING SOON IN 2024!

Lee Park Improvements

Improvements will include the construction of a new playground with new playground equipment, parking adjacent to the roadway, handicap accessibility to the park and playground, picnic tables, and shade canopies.

NEW Park at 2424 Landen

Includes sidewalk and pavement repairs for handicap accessibility, parking lot striping, basketball hoop installation, Cornhole bags game, and a 12' x 12' pavilion with picnic table.



The new park equipment that will be installed at Lee Street Park,

Lido Property

This recently acquired property on Mannheim Rd. is scheduled to be demolished by the end of the year. We will be collaborating with a planning company to develop an overall plan for this property and the Mannheim Road Corridor.

Westdale Park Improvements

Improvements will include the replacement of the playground with new playground equipment and an accessible safety surface, SplashPad play area, new benches, and baseball field improvements, including new backstop fencing and dugout canopies.

Barry and Wolf Intersection

Lane channelization and pavement modifications to better define the roadway, including improved shoulders, signage, emphasis on "NO TRUCKS" signage into the residential neighborhood, and drainage improvements on the south side of Barry Avenue.

Water Main Replacement on George Street

Between Fullerton Avenue and the north end of George Street, there will be the installation of 1,950 lineal feet of new 8" diameter ductile iron water main, fire hydrants, and valve vaults, lining of 1,870 lineal feet of 18" sanitary sewer, pavement and lawn restoration.

Visit Our
NEW WEBSITE



LEYDENTOWNSHIP.COM



Community News and Updates



2024 Township Calendars

Copies of our 2024 Township Calendars will be available in our Town Hall lobby early December 2023.



Bringing Government to You

Leyden Township has been working with Federal, State and Cook County Legislators on hosting satellite office hours in the town hall. By hosting these satellite offices we are providing our residents with an opportunity to meet with legislators or their team members. This also gives our residents time to address any concerns they may have and learn about additional resources available to them.

Leyden Township will be CLOSED in Observance of Holidays on the following dates:

2023

Veterans Day

Friday, November 10th

Thanksgiving

Thursday, November 23th

Friday, November 24th

Christmas Day

Monday, December 25th

2024

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Monday, January 15th

Lincoln's Birthday

Monday, February 12th

President's Day

Monday, February 19th



COOK COUNTY COMMISSIONER
FRANK J. AGUILAR

LEYDEN TOWNSHIP SATELLITE OFFICE

December 6
1:00PM - 5:00PM

2501 N. MANNHEIM ROAD
FRANKLIN PARK, IL 60131



CONTACT US
708-447-5461



Leyden Township
2501 N. Mannheim Road
Franklin Park, IL 60131
p. (847) 455 - 8616

Regular Hours:
Monday - Friday
8:00am - 5:00pm

For more information,
please visit our website at:
www.LeydenTownship.com



Have a Safe and Happy Holiday Season!