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NOVEMBER & DECEMBER 2020

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Olympia Fields Welcomes Bebo's and Fisherman's Island

Bebo's Chicago Style Chicken 3248 Vollmer Road

Bebo's, a new chicken and fish fast casual restaurant, will open soon in Butterfield Plaza at 3248 Vollmer Road. Owners Victor and Dana Cooksey, Chicago-southside natives who also own the Crazy Hog BBQ, boast an entrepreneurial spirit and a love for serving the community.

"We want to be a catalyst for growth and we want others to be catalysts too," Cooksey shared. "We're both RC Olympians. We've been here, we buy here and we live here. Olympia Fields is part of who we are."

Fisherman's Island Seafood Market 2520 Lincoln Highway

Fisherman's Island Seafood Market, a popular seafood emporium with locations in Oak Forest, Lansing, three locations in Chicago and Merrillville, Indiana will open a new location in Olympia Fields. The Olympia Fields location will be an anchor for Olympia Corners at 2520 Lincoln Highway.

Owner Mahmad Abughoush opened his first restaurant in 2011. Known for fresh, healthy shrimp and snow crab, offerings can be purchased raw or cooked to order.



"I chose Olympia Fields because of the Village's vision for the future," said Abughoush, "and because the leadership is committed to helping our business thrive and flourish."



Clean Up Day Is A Tremendous Success

Olympia Fields is a beautiful place to live. With open space, green areas and nature all around, residents can enjoy the beauty and peacefulness the Village provides.

The Gloria J. Taylor Foundation in Olympia Fields hosted a Cleanup Day as part of the National Cleanup Month in September.

On Saturday, September 26, more than 40 young people, along with many other residents, came together

to do community service. We are grateful to everyone who participated for their commitment to our youth and a bright future. Most of all, thank you to the youth who joined in taking care of Olympia Fields, protecting the environment and preserving the beauty of our home.



Picking up where the last generation left off starts by caring about and taking an active role right where you live. Our future depends on our youth.

All You Need To Know About Snow Removal

The Village strives to have all Village-owned streets and public parking areas plowed and salted within 10 hours after a snowstorm has stopped. Completion times are extended with larger snowfalls.

Street crews apply highway deicer salt when snow accumulation is under 1.5 inches, at which point, plowing begins.

Busier streets are plowed first, followed by secondary streets, then cul-de-sacs and dead-ends. Not all streets within the Village are the responsibility of the Village to plow. For instance, Western Avenue, Governors Highway and Lincoln Highway are State-controlled; and Vollmer Road and Crawford Avenue are County-controlled.

Register Your Dog

It's time to register your dog. All dogs must be registered and licensed by January 15, 2021.

Proof of a rabies vaccination and payment of a \$10 fee are required.



Sign Up for Village News & Alerts

Sign up for CodeRED and NotifyMe and receive emergency notifications and the Village e-newsletter!

The Olympia Fields Public Safety Committee is requesting residents and business owners to sign up immediately for CodeRED and NotifyMe to ensure everyone receives emergency notifications, including amber alerts, water main breaks, street closures and more. Messages will be sent via text, email or phone. Subscribers will also receive e-newsletters from the Village with news, stories and events.

The Village has compiled a database of phone numbers from the Village's 911 data and other public records, and residents can sign up on their own. It is especially important to sign up if you have an unlisted number, use your mobile phone or VoIP as a primary number or have changed your number or address in the past year.

To sign up, visit the Village website under "Connect With Us": olympia-fields.com/9/Connect-With-Us



The Village's Beautification Committee recognizes homeowners for keeping Olympia Fields beautiful with two programs:

Holiday Award Program

Each Homeowners Association (HOA) selects up to six homes that demonstrate curb appeal, creativity, originality and coordination of decor to the home. The top three homes/ winners will have signs in their yards and be acknowledged at a Board Meeting.

December 4th - Holiday Recognition letters will be sent to HOA Presidents

December 11th - Nominations are due from HOA Presidents

December 17th - Judging will take place. Be sure to have your lights on by 6:00 PM

Home Improvement Recognition Program

To nominate a neighbor for a landscape or structural improvement:

- Go to the Village website: olympia-fields.com
- Under Government, select Beautification Committee and several forms will be available to you
- Select the "Home Improvement Recognition Form"
- Complete the form online and click on the send button located at the top of the form

Utility Payments Just Got Easier

The Village is launching a new billing and payment service with added features: an online portal, AutoPay, paperless billing, email reminders, pay-by-phone and pay-by-text.

To check your balance and pay your utility bill over the phone, call 844-956-1378. A \$0.95 fee is applied to phone payments. The system is available 24/7, even when Village Hall is closed.

To sign up, visit olympia-fields.com/31/Live-Visit

The Newsletter Is Moving Online

This print newsletter, which comes with water bills, will be discontinued in January 2021, meaning this is the last one you will receive.

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CALENDAR

NOVEMBER MEETINGS ARE CANCELED DUE TO COVID-19

Effective Friday, November 13th, Village Hall and the Public Works Building will be closed until Monday, December 7th in an effort to protect the public and our employees from inadvertent exposure to coronavirus and to help mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

We remind residents that all Village departments remain available via telephone or email and ask for your understanding. We will continue to perform essential functions, including police protection and water/sewer services, while practicing social distancing. Other non-essential functions will operate on a modified basis.

Residents are encouraged to reach us by calling the main phone number, 708-503-8000, between

9am and 3pm daily. Payments can be made online or by using the drop box located south of the main entrance at Village Hall.

The Village will continue to monitor and assess protocols and adjust as needed. We will continue to communicate via the Village's website, emails or text messages. If you have not done so, please signed up to receive alert notifications on the Village website at olympia-fields.com/9/Connect-With-Us

DECEMBER

Meetings at Village Hall are scheduled to resume on Monday, December 7th.

Community Relations Commission
December 7, 2020, 7:00 PM

Planning and Zoning Commission
December 15, 2020, 7:00 PM

Board of Trustees Meeting,
December 14, 2020, 7:00 PM

Public Works Committee
December 16, 2020, 6:00 PM

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