

**Village of Libertyville**  
Board of Trustees  
**Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission**  
118 W. Cook Avenue  
**April 3, 2012**  
**6:00 pm**  
**Agenda**

1. Approval of Minutes from February 7, 2012 Meeting
2. Field Improvements to the Butler Lake AAA Field
3. Athletic Republic Amended Lease
4. Lights/Energy Project at the Libertyville Sports Complex
5. EAB Update
6. Libertyville Golf Course Update and Driving Range Award
7. Upcoming and Recent Programming and Events
8. Hidden Talent MMA Event
9. Chicago Blackhawks Roadwatch TV Party
10. Marketing and Publicity
11. Other....What if
12. Adjournment

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## VILLAGE OF LIBERTYVILLE

Joint Meeting of the  
Parks and Recreation Committee  
Parks and Recreation Commission  
**Minutes: February 7, 2012**

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm on Tuesday, February 7, 2012 by Chairman Drew Cullum. Those in attendance included Parks and Recreation Committee members Chairman Drew Cullum, Trustee Todd Gaines and Trustee Rich Moras. Parks and Recreation Commission members included Lisa Matthew and John Fischl. Recreation and Sports Complex staff in attendance included Director Connie Kowal, Recreation Manager Julie Ludwig and Recreation Supervisor Gina Brown. Also in attendance included Mayor Terry Weppler and Village Administrator Kevin BOWENS.

### 1) **Minutes of the Parks and Recreation Committee**

Chairman Drew Cullum moved to approve the minutes from the January 3, 2012 meeting, seconded by Trustee Rich Moras. Motion approved.

### 2) **Sports Organization Presentations**

#### *Libertyville Girls Softball Association (LGSA)*

President Jay Mervis of Libertyville Girls Softball noted that there were 555 players that participated in the 2011 season. LGSA will be hosting a softball tournament in May 2012.

#### *Libertyville Little League (LLL), Libertyville Youth Baseball (LYB)*

President Bill Bennett presented on the LLL and Libertyville Youth Baseball season. Libertyville Little League participation for 2011 was 966 players. Libertyville Little League works closely with Libertyville Youth Baseball mission which is to develop fundamental baseball skills while participating in a higher level of competition and the program is for ages 8-14.

#### *Libertyville Boys Club Football (LBCF)*

Libertyville Boys Club Board Member F. Dave McInerney noted that there were 626 players that participated in the 2011 football season. With the support of the Libertyville Little League and Geary Electric, the main lighting system at Butler was upgraded. Additional improvements included the re-crowning and re-seeding of the upper and lower fields.

#### *Greater Libertyville Soccer Association (GLSA)*

Greater Libertyville Soccer Association Vice President of Operations and Support Tiffany Olson presented. GLSA is the largest recreational league in Illinois. In the spring 2011 session, 1,508 children participated in the recreational program. In the fall 2011, 1,490 children participated in the recreation program. Other programs include the Libertyville Competitive Program, Adult Leagues and Soccer Academy Classes. Organized Tournaments hosted by GLSA included Libertyville Cup and the Octoberfest Classic. All of GLSA competitive teams train indoors at the Libertyville Sports Complex.

### 3) **Use of Village Property: Dog Days of Summer 2012 Continued**

Bill Kaiser updated the Committee that St. Joseph School gave their approval for the event. Bill indicated he looks to incorporate a Friday evening event at Cook Park as well. The Parks and Recreation Committee will make a recommendation to the Village Board to approve the Dog Days of Summer event scheduled for Friday, July 6 at 5:00 p.m. to Sunday, July 8. Mr. Kaiser is making adjustments to his proposal that was discussed at the meeting. That information will be submitted to the Village Board for final approval.

### 4) **Use of Village Property: Animal Education & Rescue Vigil**

Director Kowal explained that Animal Education and Rescue (AEAR) submitted a request to use Cook Park on Saturday, April 14, 2012 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. to conduct a candlelight Memorial Vigil in honor of the Prevention of Animal Cruelty month. A similar event was held in Cook Park two years back. They have requested to tie orange ribbons to the trees within Cook Park from Saturday, April 14 to Monday, April 30. It was noted that the March of Dimes will tie purple ribbons until April 30<sup>th</sup> to the downtown trees but not the trees within Cook Park. The Parks and Recreation Committee will make a recommendation to the Village Board to approve the use of Cook Park for the Animal Education and Rescues Candle Vigil on Saturday, April 14, 2012 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and to tie orange ribbons on the Cook Park trees from Saturday, April 14 to Monday, April 30. The supplement will be submitted at the February 14<sup>th</sup> Village Board meeting.

**5) Use of Village Property: Goose is Loose**

Chairman Bob Zamor of the Libertyville Sunrise Rotary Club requested the extension of the beer tent area to extend into Cook Park parkway. It was suggested that the Beer tent being located on Church Street that the outside standing area for the beer tent be extended to the east on Church Street. Additionally the Sunrise Rotary Club will contact the surrounding Businesses and Religious establishments to gain their approval for the Goose is Loose event.

**6) Butler Lake Field Improvement**

Bill Bennett, President of the Libertyville Little League discussed the improvements to the Butler Lake AAA field. Improvements include a revised backstop location, partially below grade dugouts, revised fan seating area and base path dimensions, and the addition of an elevated scoring booth for the scoreboard controller with a new sound system. It was noted that Libertyville Little League has allocated funds to complete the improvements. The Parks and Recreation Committee will make a recommendation to the Village Board to approve the improvements to the Butler Lake AAA field.

**7) Athletic Republic Lease Agreement**

Director Kowal explained that Mr. Palmen of Athletic Republic has requested an amended lease for years 4 and 5 of his five year lease term at the Libertyville Sports Complex. Specifically the amended lease terms included a 1% increase in Year 4 (from the current Year 3 negotiated lease payments) and a 1% increase in Year 5 (from the negotiated Year 4 lease payment). Additionally the tenant waives his six (6) month termination notice. There will be a personal guarantee for the lease. The Parks and Recreation Committee will make a recommendation to the Village Board to approve the amended Palmen Ventures lease terms for Years 4 and 5.

**8) Hidden Talent MMA Rental**

Event promoter Darrell Romanos of Hidden Talent MMA was present to discuss the upcoming martial arts event at the Libertyville Sports Complex. The event is scheduled for Saturday, July 7, 2012. This is a straight rental for the Libertyville Sports Complex and Hidden Talent MMA will provide appropriate insurance for the event. Hidden Talent MMA will also provide the needed security for the event. Staff has met with the Police and Fire Department to review the event logistics. The Parks and Recreation Committee will make a recommendation to the Village Board to approve the Hidden Talent MMA event at the Libertyville Sports Complex for Saturday, July 7, 2012.

**9) Libertyville Golf Course-Course Trends Website**

Director Kowal discussed the opportunity for the Libertyville Golf Course to receive a free website from Course Trends. The service provides database gathering, customer and golfer friendly information on specials and special events at the Libertyville Golf Course. In exchange for the website, Course Trends to sell a limited number of tee-times online through their listing service. The Parks and Recreation Committee gave approval to continue with the website project.

**10) Other Updates/Followup**

- A) Lease/Rental Interest in the Miniature Golf Course:** More information will be presented in April.
- B) Libertyville Golf Course Update and Followup of January Meeting:** A correction was made to correct the misspelling from IMRA to IRMA.
- C) Bull Creek Beaver Dams:** Trustee Todd Gaines requested that the Parks Division contact the IDNR regarding the process for removing beavers.
- D) Libertyville Recreation and Sports Complex Events Schedule:** No further discussion.
- E) Marketing and Publicity:** No further discussion.
- F) EAB Update:** The Village has applied for the EAB Grant and will find out the approval the end of February.
- G) Winchester Road Widening:** Director Kowal noted to the Committee that in 2013 Winchester Road will be widen. There is a possibility of the parking configuration changing at the north Butler Lake Field parking lot with possibly one space being removed.

Motion to adjourn by Chairman Drew Cullum, seconded by Trustee Gaines. Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m. Respectfully submitted,



Recreation Supervisor, Village of Libertyville

Memorandum

To: Members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission

From: Connie Kowal, Director of Recreation and Sports Complex

Date: March 28, 2012

Subject: Field Improvements to the Butler Lake AAA Field

The Libertyville Little League presented to the Parks & Recreation Committee at the February meeting a request to make field improvements to their AAA field at Butler Lake Park. These requests were approved, pending the proper permits and other approvals needed through the Parks Department, Public Works Department and Building & Grounds Department and other agencies. Procedures, permits and approvals were gained and the Village Board approved said improvement project at their February 28, 2012 meeting. A ground breaking ceremony with Little League officials, Mayor Weppler and Director Kowal occurred on Saturday, March 10. The construction process is currently underway as they open their 2012 season the middle of April.

Memorandum

To: Members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission  
From: Connie Kowal, Director of Recreation and Sports Complex  
Date: March 28, 2012  
Subject: Athletic Republic Amended Lease

The Village Board approved at their March 13, 2012 meeting the amended lease for Athletic Republic and their Year 4 and Year 5 lease terms at the Sports Complex.

## Memorandum

To: Members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission

From: Connie Kowal, Director of Recreation and Sports Complex

Date: March 28, 2012

Subject: Lights/Energy Project at the Libertyville Sports Complex

Over the past several months, the Recreation & Sports Complex department, in combination with the Parks, Public Works and Building & Grounds Departments, have been fielding inquiries and recommendations as to improving the lighting quality at the Sports Complex, and doing so through energy efficient and clean energy bulbs and fixtures. During this process, in cooperation with the Mayors Caucus (a consortium of local villages in the area) and their liaison responsible for assisting in the quest for grants for said lighting projects, we were able to successfully accomplish the task of receiving Grant monies to cover the entire cost of the materials and labor enabling installation of new, cleaner, more energy efficient lights inside the Sports Complex. During the month of March, the installation began and this project should be successfully completed by the end of March. An official completion 'event ceremony' is planned for sometime in April.

## Memorandum

To: Members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission

From: Connie Kowal, Director of Recreation and Sports Complex

Date: March 28, 2012

Subject: EAB Update

Attached is a proposed action plan and timeline for the Emerald Ash Borer in 2012. Staff proposes to treat, remove and plant replacement trees with this plan. In order to give the trees a better chance for success, staff intends to prune and fertilize the treated trees. Based on this plan staff will endeavor to save a total of 500-600 of the most desirable Ash trees on the Village parkways and parks.

This program is in addition to the Grant program staff has planned. The Village has received a grant to plant 50 trees through a 50/50 tree replacement. Staff intends to perform the services of both programs concurrently to take advantage of efficiencies.

Staff is working on a ten year Emerald Ash Borer plan for consideration. This plan will be updated on a yearly basis. It is the intention of staff that the plan is flexible to work within the available budget and the ever changing EAB situation.

EAB Plan  
2012-13

1. PW staff will remove 200 diseased trees, (at least 50% dead) + 50 trees proposed for grant for a total of 250 trees. (in-house)
2. Contract removal of 250 stumps & restore parkways. (contract)
3. Treat 50 trees w/trunk injection Emamectin benzoate. (Tree-age) (contract)
4. Treat 500 trees w/root injection Imidicloprid. (2x rate Xytect) (contract)
5. Prune treated trees. (150 pruned contractually), (75 pruned in-house)
6. Fertilize 500 treated trees. (in-house)
7. Replant 200 trees using 50/50 program, replace 50 trees with grant and 50/50 program.

EAB Plan Costs  
2012-13

1. In-house no additional cost.	\$0.00	(in house)
2. 250 stumps and restoration 250 x \$90.00	\$22,500.00	(contract)
3. * Treat 50 trees 50 x \$210.00	\$10,500.00	(contract)
4. **Treat 500 trees 500 x \$31.50	\$15,750.00	(contract)
5. Prune 250 trees 150 x \$125.00	\$18,750.00	(contract)
Prune 75 treated trees	\$0.00	(in house)
6. Fertilize 500 trees 500 x \$5.00	\$2,500.00	(in house)
7. Plant 200 trees x \$150.00	\$30,000.00	(contract)
Plant 50 trees using grant	\$0.00	(contract)

**Total \$100,000.00**

Notes:

- \* Average tree size used is 20" DBH. Per recommendations
- \* Treatment of trees based on \$10.50 per DBH
- \*\* Average tree size used is 14" DBH. Per recommendations
- \*\* Treatment of trees base on \$2.25 per DBH



## Memorandum

To: Members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission

From: Connie Kowal, Director of Recreation and Sports Complex

Date: March 28, 2012

Subject: Libertyville Golf Course Update and Driving Range Award

Our Par 3 Nine Hole Libertyville Golf Course is set to open on Saturday, April 28. Pricing for 2012 will be \$10 for Libertyville residents (all ages) and \$13 for Non-Residents (all ages). Landscape Concepts will again be the outside source for maintenance of the course in 2012. See attached information about the Libertyville Golf Course, Golf Lessons and our Driving Range at the Sports Complex that was featured in our Spring/Summer Recreation & Sports Complex Registration Brochure that was mailed to residents on Friday, March 9. An "Open House" at the Golf Course to promote the 2012 golf season will be held on Saturday, April 7 from 10am-3pm. If early spring conditions continue, the Golf Course could be open earlier than April 28.

The Driving Range at the Libertyville Sports Complex was honored recently by the Daily Herald as Best Driving Range in Chicagoland in their 2012 "Readers' Choice Awards". Thousands of people voted in this annual on-line opinion poll of Daily Herald readers. Being selected the "Best of the Best" is a worthy achievement and excellent recognition of the efforts of many within the Department to make our Driving Range the best it can be.



## 2012 LIBERTYVILLE GOLF PROGRAMS

All clinics will be at the Driving Range at the Libertyville Sports Complex. The 5-7 year old clinics are 3 days. All the other clinics are 4 days with the 4th day of instruction at the Libertyville Golf Course at Riverside Park.  
Each clinic will feature excellent student/teacher ratio.

**Lead Instructor: Chris McConnell, PGA Teaching Professional:** 847-710-9012 or cmacgolf6@pga.com  
*About Chris:* Chris McConnell was recently the head golf professional at Lake Barrington Shores from 2007-2010 and was the Director of Instruction at Winnetka Golf Club from 2002-2005, where he coordinated the junior and adult programs. Chris has instructed adult and junior golfers for over 20 years and has worked with many top teaching professionals including Jack Nicklaus/Jim Flick and John Jacobs.

### JUNIOR GOLF CLINICS

Age	Level	Time	Dates	Details	R/NR	Code
5-7	All	4:00-4:30 pm	May 8-22	Tue GLC driving range	\$60/\$70	31872
5-7	All	10:00-10:30 am	Jun 12-14	Tue-Thu GLC driving range	\$60/\$70	31873
5-7	All	10:00-10:30 am	Jun 26-28	Tue-Thu GLC driving range	\$60/\$70	31874
5-7	All	10:00-10:30 am	Jul 17-19	Tue-Thu GLC driving range	\$60/\$70	31875
5-7	All	10:00-10:30 am	Aug 7-9	Tue-Thu GLC driving range	\$60/\$70	31876
8-10	All	4:00-4:45 pm	May 9-30	Wed GLC driving range	\$107/\$117	31877
8-10	All	11:00-11:45 am	June 12-15	Tue-Thu range, Fri golf course	\$107/\$117	31878
8-10	All	11:00-11:45 am	June 26-29	Tue-Thu range, Fri golf course	\$107/\$117	31879
8-10	All	11:00-11:45 am	July 17-20	Tue-Thu range, Fri golf course	\$107/\$117	31880
8-10	All	11:00-11:45 am	Aug 7-10	Tue-Thu range, Fri golf course	\$107/\$117	31881
11+	All	4:00-5:00 pm	May 10-31	Thu GLC driving range	\$157/\$167	31882
11+	All	10:00-11:00 am	June 19-22	Tue-Thu range, Fri golf course	\$157/\$167	31883
11+	All	10:00-11:00 am	July 10-13	Tue-Thu range, Fri golf course	\$157/\$167	31884
11+	All	10:00-11:00 am	Jul 31-Aug 3	Tue-Thu range, Fri golf course	\$157/\$167	31885

### ADULT CLINICS

18+	All	10:00-11:00 am	May 12-Jun 2	Sat, 4 weeks last day golf course	\$157/\$167	31886
18+	All	10:00-11:00 am	Jun 9-30	Sat, 4 weeks last day golf course	\$157/\$167	31887
18+	All	10:00-11:00 am	July 14-Aug 4	Sat, 4 weeks last day golf course	\$157/\$167	31888
18+	Int/Adv	1:00-2:00 pm	May 13-Jun 3	Sun, 4 weeks last day golf course	\$157/\$167	31889
18+	Int/Adv	1:00-2:00 pm	Jun 10-Jul 1	Sun, 4 weeks last day golf course	\$157/\$167	31890

### PARENT/ CHILD

Any	All	12:00-1:00 pm	Jun 9-30	Sat, 4 weeks last day golf course	\$240/\$250	31891
Any	All	12:00-1:00 pm	Jul 14-Aug 4	Sat, 4 weeks last day golf course	\$240/\$250	31892

**\*\*CMac Golf Academy and Travel Golf Coming Soon**



**Chris McConnell, PGA**  
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Series of 3 Half Hours for \$150.00

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Over 40 Different Grips in stock  
Most of the time 24 hr service, sometimes just an hour or 2.

**The Driving Range  
At the Libertyville Sports Complex**

One of the best golf driving ranges in Lake County, the Driving Range at the Libertyville Sports Complex is located at the corner of Peterson Road and Rt. 45, on the northwest side of Libertyville (847)367-1506.

Open everyday, all 12 months of the year, with the exception of some Holidays. Hours may vary due to special events and weather conditions.

Join our E-CLUB...it's Free

- ◆ Members receive our E-Newsletter with special events, Driving Range news, and discount offers, exclusive to our E-CLUBBERS
- ◆ Sign up at our Driving Range Clubhouse or go to [www.libertyville.com](http://www.libertyville.com) click Notify Me to register on-line

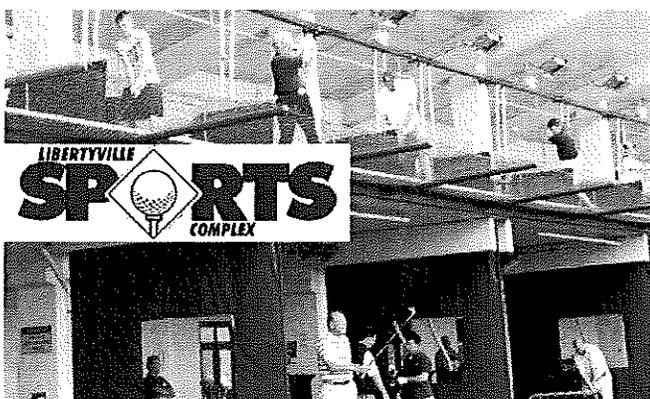
Our Driving Range features:

- ◆ 75 golf tee stations (matted and grass tees)
- ◆ 40 weather protected, double-decker tee stations with heaters and automated tees..and we have lights
- ◆ Full flight range, to see full flight of ball to Greens
- ◆ Range Card system (buy a Range Card and use how many balls you want, when you want (Range Cards in \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50, \$100 options)
- ◆ Putting Green and Chipping Green

Things Coming Up (Call for updates):

- ◆ "Green Jacket Week" April 2-8...specials and events
- ◆ "Major" events during the "4 Majors" during the year
- ◆ Mulligan Mondays & "Unlimited Balls" on special days
- ◆ Mother's Day (and week) & Father's Day (and week) specials and events
- ◆ Youth Summer Golf Camps
- ◆ "Lunch Bucket", "Early Bird" & "Night Owl" specials

\*\*Corporate Rates-Group Rates-Party Rates-Special Event Rates....Practice Times for High School & Middle School Teams.....Call for info



**The Libertyville Golf Course at Riverside Park**

Since 1978, Libertyville Golf Course is one of Lake County's favorite Nine Hole Par-3 golf courses. Scenic course located on Country Club Drive and Golf Road, one mile east of Golf Rd and Milwaukee Avenue on the southeast side of Libertyville

- ◆ (847)362-5733 Clubhouse during golf season
- ◆ (847)918-7275 to host a League or Charity Outing
- ◆ Email [ckowal@libertyville.com](mailto:ckowal@libertyville.com) or go on-line at [www.libertyville.com/golfcourse](http://www.libertyville.com/golfcourse) for info and updates.
- ◆ Golf season begins Sat, Apr 28 (*subject to weather*)

Leagues & Outings:

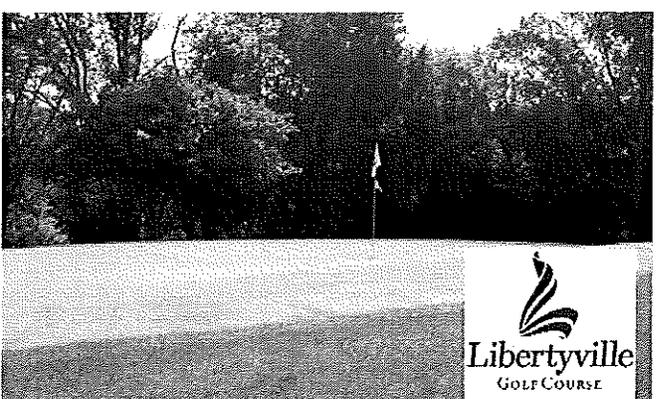
- ◆ Call (847)918-7275 to start or join a league
- ◆ The Riverside Ladies Tuesday Morning Golf League
- ◆ Men's Leagues, Senior Men's Leagues, After Work Leagues, Youth Leagues

Special Daily Promotions:

- Mon-Mulligan Monday**...play nine holes, play again same day for special rate
- Tue-Kids Day**... free bottle of water or Gatorade with paid greens fee
- Wed-End of the Day Special**...special rates after 5 pm
- Thu-Senior (55+) Day**...special rates at special times
- Fri-Ladies Day**...special rates during special times
- Sat & Sun-Family Time**...free water or Gatorade to each paid family member

Tournaments:

- One day events....dates subject to change...call (847)918-7275 for info and entry form.
- "Libertyville Open" Sat July 28**  
Men, Women, Youth, Senior Divisions...
- "Two-Clubs and a Putter Challenge" Sat Aug 11**  
Men, Women, Youth, Senior Divisions
- "Libertyville Senior (55+) Open" Sat Aug 18**  
Men and Women Divisions



Memorandum

To: Members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission  
From: Connie Kowal, Director of Recreation and Sports Complex  
Date: March 28, 2012  
Subject: Upcoming and Recent Programming Events

Attached are the events for the Libertyville Sports Complex and Recreation for March and April.

## Libertyville Recreation and Sports Complex Department Events

*March and April 2012*

### LSC Events

March 2	Rosbrough Team Meetings
March 2-4	Basketball tournament-Deerfield feeder & Play hard hoops
March 2	LHS Team Building Lacrosse Overnighter
March 13-18	Northern Illinois Girls Feeder Basketball -Annual tournament
March 12	College Preparatory High school (Lombard) field trip
March 13	GLSA Board Meeting
March 14	Networking luncheon
March 17	Team 50K event BB madness
March 18	YSSL Soccer scheduling meeting
March 18	United States Field Hockey Association training
March 18	Last day of youth soccer leagues
March 19	Kessel AAU Season begins
March 20	GLSA Spring Coaches Meet and Greet/Pick up info
March 21&24	GLSA Annual Referee Clinics
March 21-25	Kids Clothing and Toy Consignment Resale
March 24	Sports Complex 2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Free Throw championships
March 23-25	WAGS–Dog Show–agility
March 26-March 30	Spring Break Sports Galore Camps for Kids Soccer Camps
March 26	Wilmette Park District field trip
March 27	Warren Township Youth Group Outing
March 28	Child Place Lake Bluff Park Dist. BBYO – Group Outings
March 30-April 1	Home Improvement Show Case – Home Show Expo
April 1	IFN–Spring Market Festival
April 5	McHenry Middle School Outing
April 5	Chicago Blackhawks Roadwatch TV Party
April 7	Easter Basketball Boys Event
April 13	PTO Family Night – Longwood (Buffalo Grove)
April 14 & 15	Basketball Tournament – Hoops for the Game
April 14	GLMV Business to Consumer Expo
April 14/15	Relay for Life (overnight)
April 15	Mitzvah – Buffalo Grove United States Field Hockey training
April 20	Oak Grove Family Night (2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> grade)
April 20	Wilmette Park District – Group outing
April 20	Glenbrook South HS Outing
April 21-22	US Jr National Girls Basketball Tournament
April 28	Bat Mitzvah (Lake Zurich)
April 28/29	BB Tournament – Hoops for the Game

### Recreation (Seniors)

March 8 & 9	AARP Driving Course
March 12	Birthday Bash
March 13	Legal Advice

*Events Continued*

March 16	St. Patrick's Day Party and Lunch
March 20	Community Care Connection Mobile Unit
April 6 & 9	Closed for Easter
April 11	2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Dog Show and Lunch
April 13	Homestead Exemption Outreach
April 16	Birthday Bash
April 17	Foot Clinic
April 17	Community Care Connection Mobile Unit
April 18	Nutrition Program and Lunch
April 26	Hats & High Tea with Gerri Sponsored by Senior Council
April 27	Spring Fling Dance and Lunch

**Recreation (General)**

April 7	Lunch with the Bunny at Adler Lodge
April 14	Bike Resale Event at Adler Lodge

## Memorandum

To: Members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission

From: Connie Kowal, Director of Recreation and Sports Complex

Date: March 28, 2012

Subject: Hidden Talent MMA Event

The Libertyville Sports Complex was approached many months ago by a local Promoter (Darrell Romanos of Hidden Talent MMA, based in Round Lake) looking to rent our Sports Complex for the purposes of having a MMA (Mixed Martial Arts) event at our facility. Many months of discussions and fact finding have taken place, involving many Village of Libertyville departments (Fire, Police, Building & Grounds, Parks) working together to build a good game-plan with good logistics to produce a good environment for this event. The Promoter of this event will be following the needed procedures, protocol, and state sanctioning, etc needed to operate this event.

The Parks & Recreation Committee reviewed the possibility for this MMA event rental request as an Agenda item at their October 4, 2011 meeting. Approval was given to Staff to continue fact finding and report next steps which was done at subsequent Committee meetings in November, December and January 2012. At the February 7, 2012 Parks & Recreation Committee meeting, final details were presented to the Committee, including a question and answer session with Staff and the event Promoter. Approval was given to pursue a rental agreement in the best interests of the Village.

The number of admission tickets to be sold for this event will be capped at 1,000. The Libertyville Sports Complex will receive a rental fee (\$3,000) from the Promoter and the Sports Complex will also gain revenues from operating our Concessions at the event. A local Libertyville restaurant/catering company (TBD) will have the responsibility of selling alcohol (beer and wine) and will be responsible for the proper safeguards of serving alcohol, dram shop insurance and licenses required for the sale of alcohol and they will share in their net sales with the Sports Complex. There will be a variety of seating sections arranged to allow for the creation of a family section and a non-alcohol section as well.

Doors will open at 6:30pm and the event will start at 7:30pm with 10 scheduled bouts, with the event to conclude around 10:30-11:00pm. There will be no other activities, programs or events inside our facility during the event, but we will rent space inside our facility during the day until early afternoon to gain ancillary revenues. Our Softball Field will be in operation until 4:00pm. Our Driving Range, adjacent to the Sports Complex, will be in operation until 8:00pm.

At the Tuesday, March 27 meeting, the Village Board approved the Hidden Talent MMA Event.

Memorandum

To: Members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission

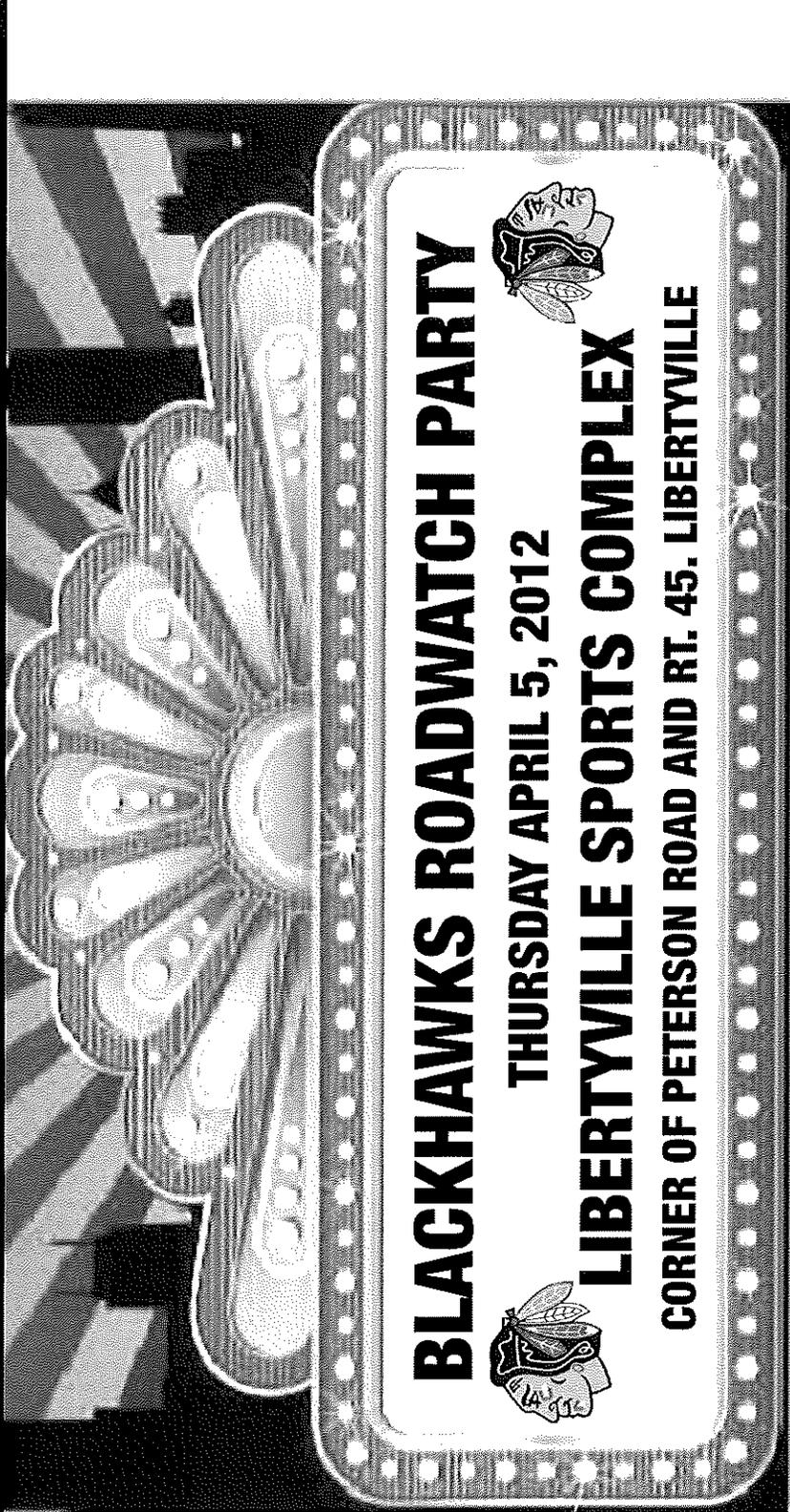
From: Connie Kowal, Director of Recreation and Sports Complex

Date: March 28, 2012

Subject: Chicago Blackhawks Roadwatch TV Party

The Chicago Blackhawks Roadwatch TV Party returns to the Libertyville Sports Complex on Thursday April 5 as fans can see the Blackhawks on TV as they play the Minnesota Wild on the road. Game time is 7:00pm, doors open at 5:45pm. See attached flyer. Like last year's successful event, the event is limited to 500 fans, advance reservations required, and the admission cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids under 18. Special Blackhawks-Sports Complex "Rally Towels" will be given to all fans, a Blackhawks 'ambassador' will make a special appearance, as will National Anthem singer Jim Cornelison, Hawks mascot TommyHawk, the Hawks Ice Crew Girls and emcee of the event will be broadcast legend Chet Coppock.

**LIBERTYVILLE**  
**SPORTS** INDOOR EVENTS CENTER  
**COMPLEX**



**BLACKHAWKS ROADWATCH PARTY**



**THURSDAY APRIL 5, 2012**

**LIBERTYVILLE SPORTS COMPLEX**

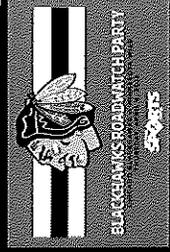
**CORNER OF PETERSON ROAD AND RT. 45. LIBERTYVILLE**



Blackhawks TV Roadwatch Party  
 Returns to the Libertyville Sports Complex  
 Thursday April 5, 2012  
 7:00pm faceoff • Doors open 5:45 pm

Watch the Chicago Blackhawks play on the road  
 against the Minnesota Wild  
 Advance Purchase Required.  
**\$10** For Adults, **\$5** for Kids under 18

**Big Screen TV and Celebrity Appearances**  
 by: National Anthem singer Jim Cornelison  
 • the Blackhawks Ice Crew Girls • Hawks mascot TommyHawk • special appearance by a Blackhawks superstar "ambassador" (to be announced soon)  
 • Free "Rally Towels" to first 500 fans  
 A family friendly event. • Concessions and Food available • Floor Hockey area for Kids • goal scoring "singing celebrations"



A Limited Number of Tickets Will Be Sold  
 To Order Call (847)918-7275

Memorandum

To: Members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission

From: Connie Kowal, Director of Recreation and Sports Complex

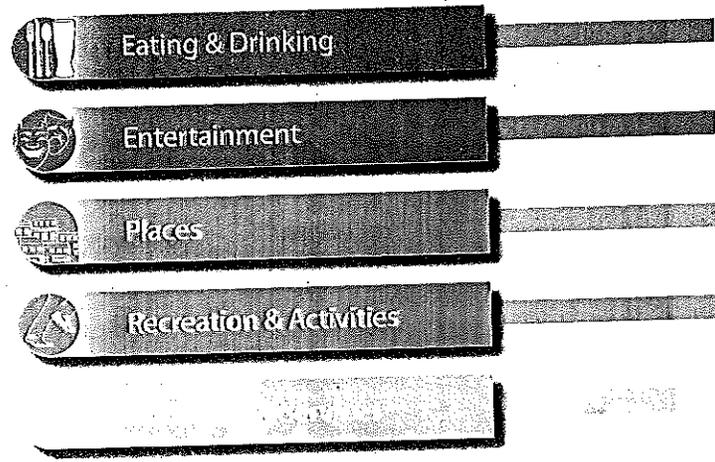
Date: March 28, 2012

Subject: Marketing and Publicity

Attached are various articles and pictures regarding the marketing of the Recreation and Sports Complex Department.

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# Recreation & Activities

## BEST DANCE SCHOOL/STUDIO

- Elite Academy of Dance, South Elgin ✧
- Center Stage Dance Studio, Bloomingdale
- Dixon Dance Academy, West Dundee
- McDonald Dance Academy, Arlington Heights ✧

## BEST DRIVING RANGE

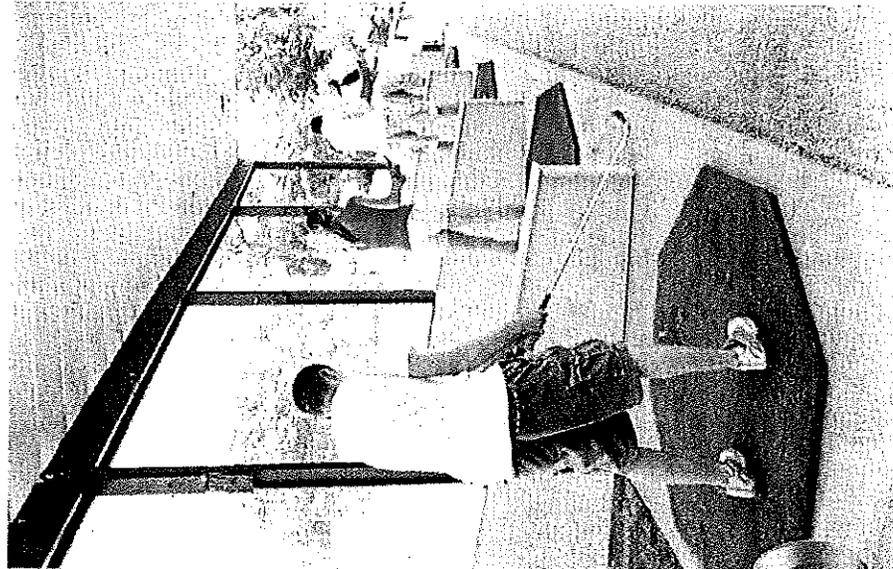
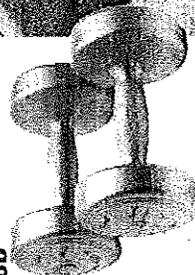
- Top Golf, Wood Dale
- Libertyville Sports Complex, Libertyville ✧
- Golf Center, Des Plaines ✧
- Golf Farm Family Fun Center, Wauconda

## BEST GOLF COURSE

- Steeple Chase Golf Club, Mundelein
- Stonewall Orchard Golf Club, Grayslake
- Mount Prospect Golf Club, Mount Prospect ✧
- Pine Meadow Golf Club, Mundelein

## BEST HEALTH & FITNESS CLUB

- Curves, multiple locations ✧
- Life Time Fitness, multiple locations
- Apex Fitness, Grayslake
- LA Fitness, multiple locations



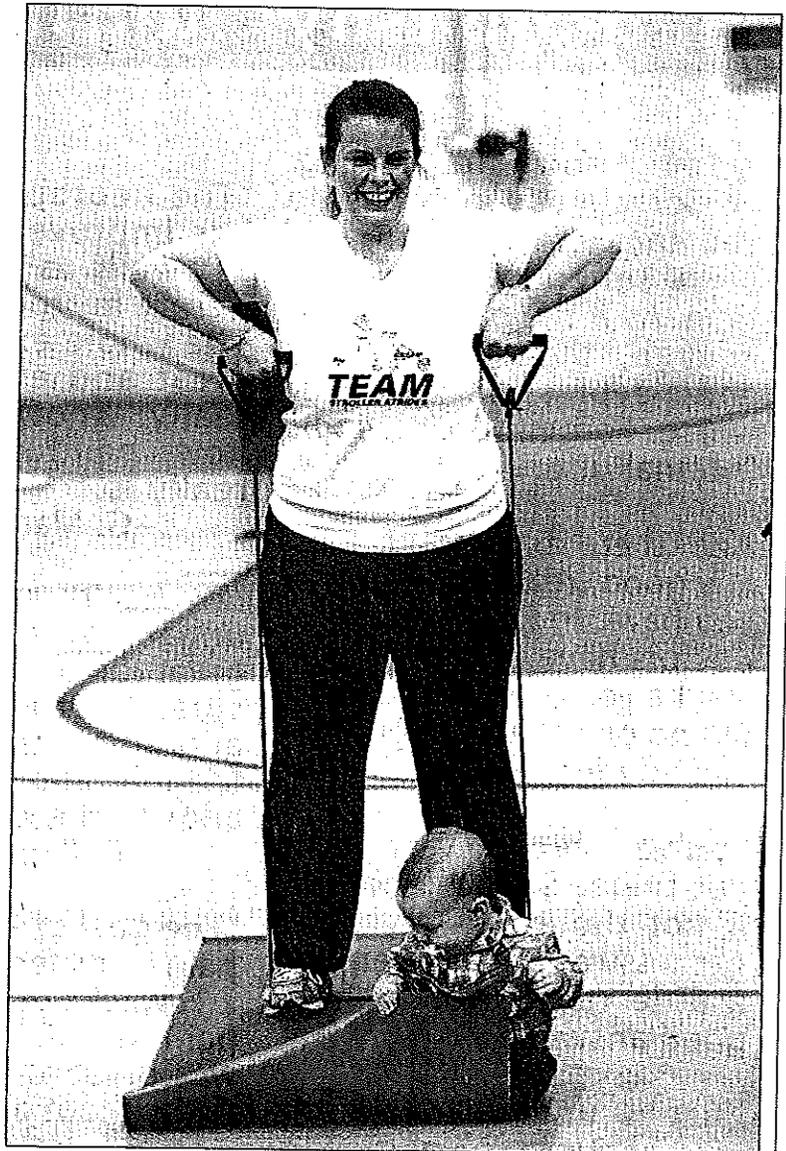


## Moms with muscle

The Stroller Strides class for moms, above, meets on Mondays and Thursdays at the Libertyville Sports Complex and Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays at Westfield Hawthorn Mall in Vernon Hills.

At right, Meri Mackey of Grayslake works out with 10-month-old son Tommy at the Libertyville Sports Complex Thursday.

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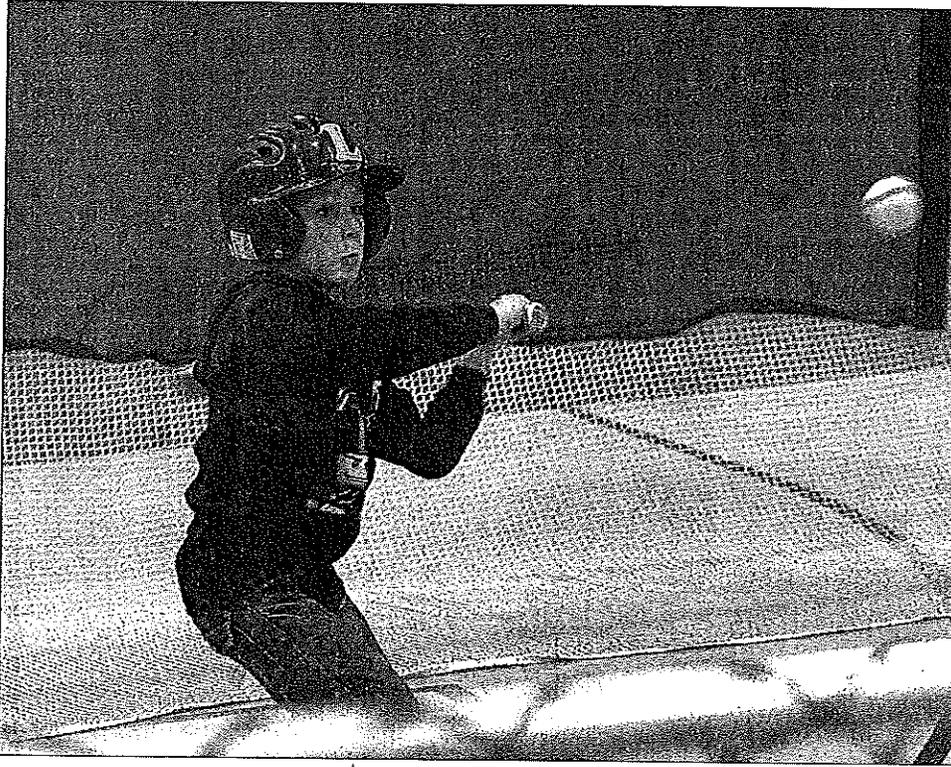
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## Review

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# In the swing

Matthew Wilson likes what he sees in the batting cages as Adler Park School hosted its Family Fun Night. See Page 5.

*Photo by Joe Cyganowski-For Sun-Times Media*

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**WATCH OUT BELOW**



Nicholas Olson comes down off the wall as Adler Park School hosted its Family Fun Night at the Libertyville Sports Complex on Saturday. The event included special games for kids, raffles and other activities. | JOE CYGANOWSKI-FOR SUN-TIMES MEDIA

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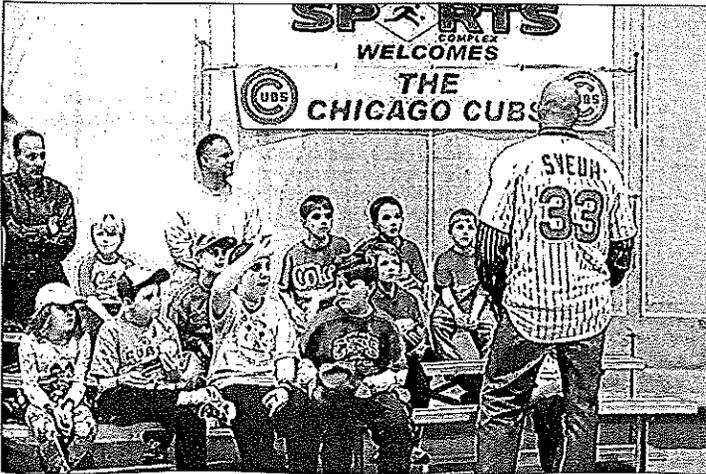
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## What's going on among local residents

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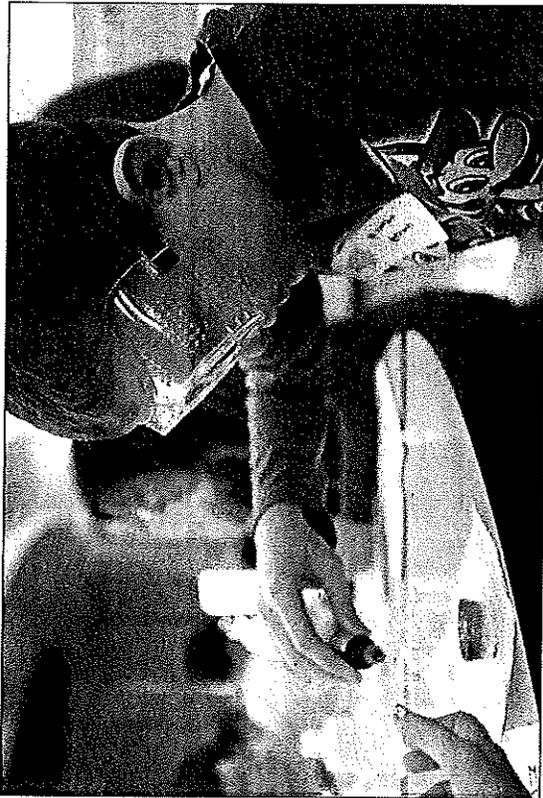


The Libertyville Sports Complex was a host site for the 2012 Chicago Cubs Caravan on Jan. 12. Youngsters enjoyed a talking baseball session with new Cubs Manager Dale Sveum.



Abbie Lucas, left, congratulates Ryan Rizzo after she was beaten in the Fremont Middle School spelling bee competition. Seventh-grader Ryan and sixth-grader Abbie battled through almost a dozen tie-breaking rounds until Ryan correctly spelled "ingratiate" and "vollition" to earn the championship.

**ALMOST THERE**



Brandon Brown, a fifth grader at Copeland Manor School in Libertyville, uses an indicator to test the pH level of a solution during the 6th and Chemistry program at the school on Feb. 9. (RYAN PAGEL/WOW-SUN-TIMES MEDIA)

# 5-year plan released for road referendum

BY JOHN ROSZKOWSKI  
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Libertyville has released a five-year plan for local roads that are slated to be improved if voters approve a \$20 million road referendum in the March 20 election.

The complete road plan is posted on the village's website at [www.libertyville.com](http://www.libertyville.com). The plan provides about \$4 million a year for improvements to local roads over a five-year period. If the referendum passes, construction would begin in 2013.

Libertyville Public Works Director John Henz emphasized the plan is a tentative list of roadways that would likely be improved if a referendum is adopted. The final list would be subject to change, he said.

"Over time, we may have roads that need more work so it (the plan) could potentially change but we wanted to give residents a general idea of what we're looking at right now," said Mayor Terry Weppeler.

During the first year of the five-year plan, some of the largest road projects include sections of Diamond Road, Sunnyside Avenue, Furlong Drive, Intertaken Lane and Ellis Avenue. In year two, some of the roads slated for improvement include sections of Virginia Avenue, Austin Avenue and Kristin Drive.

In the third year, Juniper Parkway, Riva Ridge Drive, St. William Drive and Brainard Avenue would be some of the largest road projects. In year four, major improvements are planned to Crane Boulevard, Cook Avenue, Dawes Street and Fourth Avenue. The largest projects in the final year of the program would be on Golf Road, Garfield Avenue and Greentree Parkway.

Henz said that most of the projects would involve resurfacing and lay, the more it will cost."

# Mini golf may return to local Sports Complex

BY JOHN ROSZKOWSKI  
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Miniature golf may be making a comeback at the Libertyville Sports Complex.

Chicago entrepreneur Ryan Tracy is looking at the possibility of leasing the former Family Entertainment Center at the corner of Route 45 and Peterson Road and reopening a mini-golf course there.

Tracy made a presentation of his plans during a recent Village Board Parks and Recreation Committee meeting. The committee and village staff are still considering the proposal and no decisions have been made at this point.

Conrad Kowal, director of recreation and the sports complex for Libertyville, said the village's long-range plans still are to sell the Family Entertainment Center, which includes the shuttered mini-golf and adjacent batting cages.

In the interim, however, the village is looking at potential lease opportunities for the property and Tracy's proposal is one of several being considered, Kowal said.

"We have no interest in running a mini-golf course. We do have interest in renting or leasing that property with the ultimate goal of selling the property," he said.

Kowal said the village has received some inquiries from other sports-related businesses who were interested in leasing the building at the mini-golf course, but Tracy's proposal would include the lease of both the building and the mini-golf course. "His interest is bringing back a miniature golf course that he could operate there," he said.

Libertyville closed the miniature golf course at the sports complex about three years ago after it failed to meet the village's revenue projections.

Tracy has been exploring several potential locations throughout the Chicagoland area to open a miniature golf course and has established a new business called Aloha Falls, LLC. When he found out a

mini-golf course once operated in Libertyville, he thought it would be a perfect fit.

"The idea of renovating a course is a lot more feasible than finding new property and building it from scratch," he said.

Tracy said his goal would be to reach a lease agreement with Libertyville, renovate and reopen the course with a Hawaiian theme in time for Memorial Day weekend. He said he would look at potentially leasing and reopening the batting cages at some point in the future.

While the previous village-owned mini-golf course failed to make a go, Tracy believes with renovations and a new marketing plan and theme it can be successful at that location.

"Miniature golf is a family sport," he said. "Everybody can play miniature golf. Libertyville is a pretty good place to do it because there are so many families and they're looking for entertaining activities to do."

Mayor Terry Weppeler said the miniature golf proposal is worth considering, as long as it is not run by the village, does not cost the taxpayers' money and has the potential to generate revenue for the village.

"If we can do it without village funding that's great but we can't spend taxpayer money on that type of business," he said. "Anything we can do to generate revenue on that property is fine with me."

Kowal said the village is still exploring the feasibility of reopening a miniature golf course that would be operated as a private business venture and determining what potential upgrades might be needed to bring the course up to current standards. He said any lease agreement would have to be a short-term arrangement that gives the village flexibility to sell the property in the future if the right opportunity arises.

"We certainly have interest in finding out more and seeing if this could be a rental or lease revenue stream for the village," he said.

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enrolled in Medicaid has risen 30 percent in the same period — forcing the state to pay more and sacrifice funding for schools and other programs.

In his budget address Wednesday, Quinn is expected to call for large cuts to Medicaid spending to help deal with the state's dismal finances. Medicaid, which costs the state \$15 billion, is one of Illinois' largest expenses.

Yet the prospect of cuts comes at a time when more and more suburban residents are using the program and when finding doctors in the suburbs who participate in the program already can be a formidable challenge.

The reason for the sharp suburban increase is the combination of a tough recession and

report on Medicaid at dailyherald.com.

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# New lights, big savings coming to Libertyville Sports Complex

BY MICK ZAWISLAK  
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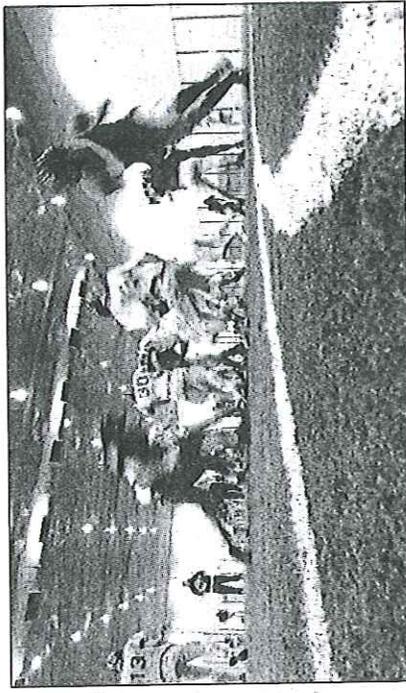
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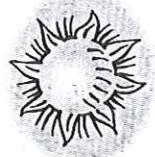
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# Lights: New fixtures will be installed in the spring

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through grants secured from the Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation and the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

"It basically costs us nothing to lower the cost," said John Spoden, community development director.

The village board this past week approved a contract of \$50,281 for materials to Century Electric Supply Company of Libertyville and for \$51,713 for installation to Jasco Electric Corporation of McHenry, the low bidders.

Libertyville is one of nine communities, including Fox River Grove, Island Lake and Lindenhurst in Lake County,

that shared in about \$1 million in grants for similar work. The communities worked with the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus, which handles the funds on behalf of the state agency.

The new program provides grants to municipalities for energy use upgrades, according to Michael Stanch, energy solutions manager for 360 Energy Group LLC.

"Most of the municipalities don't have the extra staff or time to do this," said Stanch, whose company analyzed various facilities as part of the grant program. "You're saving a lot of energy, helping the villages and also village residents because they're paying the bills."

Most communities don't have the available funds to

pursue such projects on their own, he added.

In Libertyville, the new fixtures will be installed sometime this spring. Visitors should notice much better light quality and more uniform distribution, Stanch said.

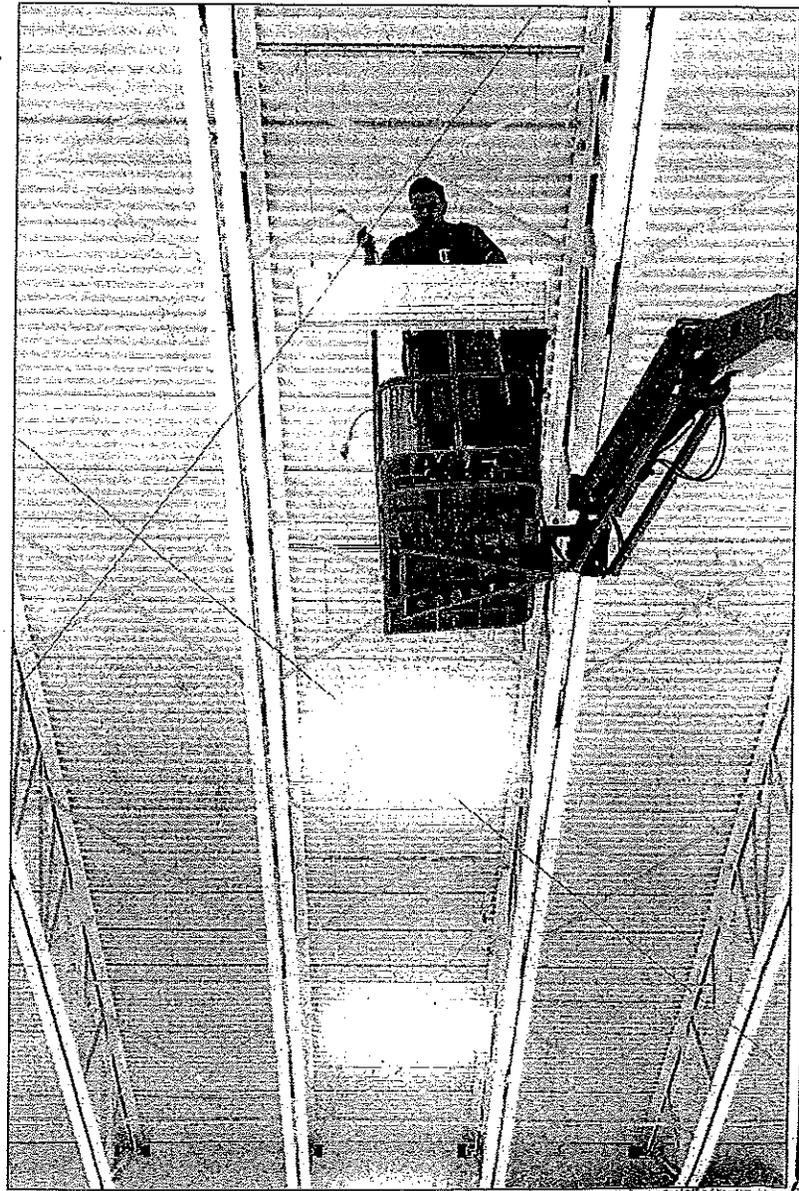
"The metal haloid fixtures are inherently inefficient," he said.

About \$705,000 of the total grant funding comes from the Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation, established as an independent entity by ComEd to promote energy efficiency. The foundation is funded by ComEd customers through a charge on monthly bills.

"Everybody pays into it but not everybody takes advantage of it," Stanch said.

# Don't look down!

**David Aranda of Jasco Electric in McHenry installs high-output fluorescent lights Wednesday at the Libertyville Sports Complex. The 385 energy-efficient lights are supplied by Libertyville's Century Electric Supply Co. through state grants.**



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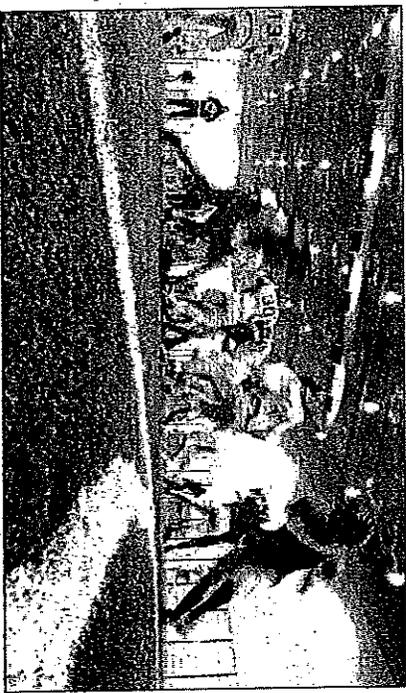
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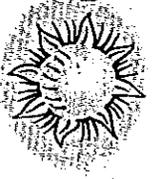
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## FAMILY FRIENDLY



The Easter Bunny will pose with kids for photos during Lunch with the Bunny April 7 at the Adler Lodge in Libertyville.

# Munch lunch with the Easter Bunny in Libertyville

BY MYRNA PETLICKI  
Contributor

A particularly friendly guest of honor will enchant children during Lunch with the Bunny, 11 a.m. to noon April 7 at Adler Lodge, 1640 N. Milwaukee Ave., Libertyville.

"The Easter Bunny will greet them at the door," said Julie Ludwig, recreation manager. "He will have lunch with them. The kids can bring him carrots and treats. One of the special things that the Easter Bunny does is he brings some eggs and gifts to share with the kids, so there's an Easter egg hunt after lunch."

While the Bunny munches on carrots, kids and parents will be eating sub sandwiches, chips, veggies, fruit and beverages at tables decorated with spring flowers. Grownups are encouraged to bring cameras because there will be time for the Bunny to pose with kids.

The cost is \$10 per person, \$2 for children younger than 2. Register early because the event fills up.

For details, call (847) 918-7275 or visit [libertyville.com](http://libertyville.com).

## Homeward bound

An orphan and her dog find a happy home in the uplifting musical "Annie," presented by the Improv Playhouse Showstop-

students, seniors and military.

For details, call (847) 968-4529 or visit [improvplayhouse.com](http://improvplayhouse.com).

## Safe and sound

Children of all ages and abilities will feel welcome at the Open Arms Storytime, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday at the Aspen Drive Library, 701 Aspen Dr., Vernon Hills. The drop-in event is designed to provide a comfortable environment for children with special needs.

For details, call (847) 362-2330, ext. 1171, or visit [cooklib.org](http://cooklib.org).

## Surf or turf?

A 16-year-old surfing champion, who learns a shocking family secret, sets off on an undersea adventure with her dolphin friend in "Barbie in a Mermaid Tale." The G-rated film will be shown from noon to 1 p.m. Saturday at the Fremont Public Library, 1170 N. Midlothian Road, Mundelein. Bring a picnic lunch but no popcorn. Kids younger than 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

For details, call (847) 566-8702 or visit [fremontlibrary.org](http://fremontlibrary.org).

## The gospel truth

Fifty singers and instrumentalists will perform at the College of Lake County's Gospel Choir Concert, 4 p.m. Sunday at the James Center for the Performing Arts



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Cubs 2nd baseman Danvin Barney (above) worked on fielding with youth, while Cubs pitcher Randy Wells (below) taught pitching techniques.

## Cubs players a hit with youth at Libertyville Sports Complex

*The Cubs Caravan made a stop recently at the Libertyville Sports complex. Cubs players (below) posed with attendees for a "team photo."*





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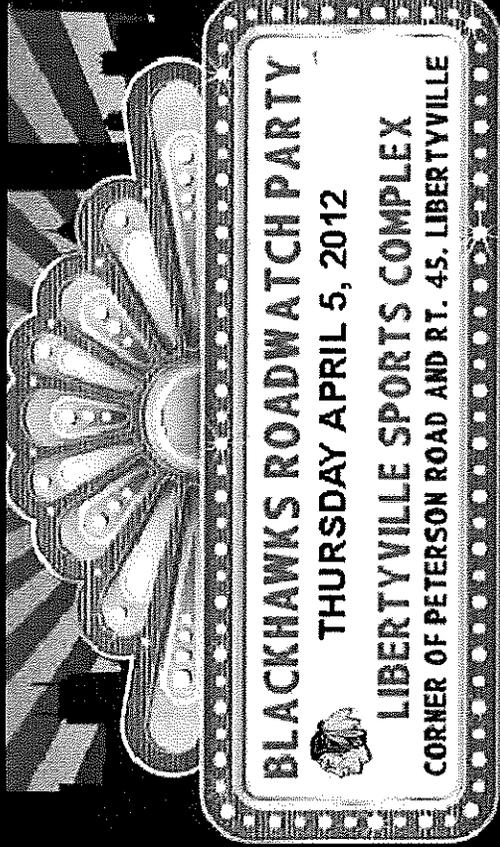
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##### Adult Men (30 and Over) Division

George Bell of Gurnee

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#### YOUTH DIVISION

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##### Youth Boys (5th/6th grade) Division

Michael Watt of Libertyville

##### Youth Boys (7th/8th grade) Division

Ethan Klatt of Libertyville

##### High School Boys Division

Anthony Monken of Libertyville

##### Youth Girls (3rd/4th grade) Division

Sara Leese of Libertyville

##### Youth Division Champions

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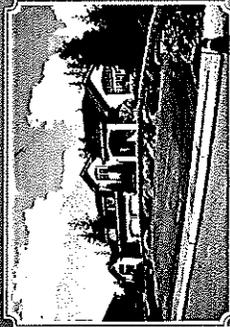
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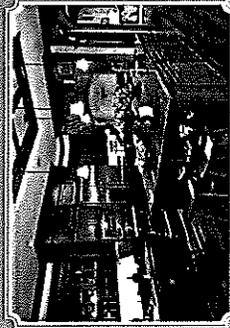
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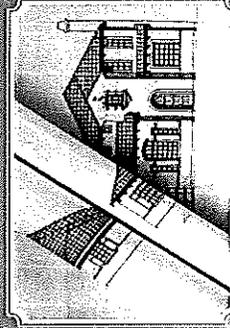
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# Mixed martial arts event coming to Libertyville Sports Complex in July?

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Another unique use is being considered for the Libertyville Sports Complex, as the village continues efforts to tout the facility as an entertainment venue.

During Tuesday's village board meeting, officials will consider a request from Hidden Talent MMA to host a mixed martial arts event July 7. Rental agreements for the facility requests typically don't reach the village board level unless they are large or unique, according to Connie Kowal, director of recreation and the Sports Complex.

"One of the things we're trying to do is say we have

the ability to host a variety of events," Kowal said. "First-time events, you try to have a total consensus from everyone."

The cage fighting event proposed by Darrell Romanos, founder of Round Lake-based Hidden Talent, would include 10 scheduled bouts in a tournament. Attendance would be capped at 1,000.

Romanos would pay \$3,000 in rent for the village-owned facility. The village also would run and receive fees from its concession, and a private restaurant/caterer would share in net sales from beer and wine.

The event was originally proposed last fall and has

undergone several months of planning, fact-finding and discussion among various departments.

"We wanted to make sure if this was a different event we could prepare for it," Kowal said.

After discussing the request at several meetings, the village board's parks and recreation committee, which is comprised of three trustees, last month recommended approval.

The agreement is for one event with the option of two more at the village's discretion.

Romanos on Monday said this would be the first public tournament for his organization.

"It's definitely something

new that could be brought into town and it could do good for both sides," he said. Private security and medical personnel will be on site.

As an example of the variety of uses, the Sports Complex in late 2009 hosted a Dirks Bentley concert that drew 4,000, held a dog show this past weekend and will host the Mundelein High School graduation ceremony May 13.

Hidden Talent's request is lumped with several items on the omnibus agenda portion of the meeting, which deals with matters considered routine.

The meeting begins at 8 p.m. at village hall, 118 W. Cook Ave.

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Memorandum

To: Members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission

From: Connie Kowal, Director of Recreation and Sports Complex

Date: March 28, 2012

Subject: Other....What if

- a) The Spring/Summer 2012 Recreation and Sports Complex Registration Brochure was mailed out to all Libertyville households on March 9. Libertyville residents had instant registration privileges. Non-resident registration was on March 20.
- b) The Advisory Commission input is desired regarding events, ideas and activities that are advantageous to build attractive and profitable programs for Staff to consider.