

City passes IGA with Villa Park for St. Charles Road bridge repair

Park District, IDOT also part of agreement

By Dee Longfellow
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The Public Works and Buildings (PWB) Committee of the Elmhurst City Council met on Tuesday, May 28, to discuss Elmhurst's participation in an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Village of Villa Park and the Elmhurst Park District, related to the St. Charles Road Bridge Rehabilitation Project.

Located just west of Illinois Route 83 in the Pick Subdivision and leading into Villa Park, the four-lane St. Charles Road Bridge was constructed in 1979. As part of that construction, the state of Illinois, Villa Park, and the City of Elmhurst entered into an agreement that described the jurisdiction of the bridge as well as maintenance responsibilities.

The bridge is currently scheduled to have the bridge deck and substructure replaced beginning in the summer/fall of 2019. According to the PWB report, those portions have met their useful life, and need to be replaced for the safety of public motorists.

Villa Park has taken the lead on the design of the bridge improvements and has already secured state and federal funding for 80 percent of the engineering and construction costs. Villa Park has asked the City of Elmhurst to cover a proportionate share of the remaining local match (20 percent of total project cost) for both engineering and construction.

The proportionate share, based upon the limits of the construction project, would be 52 percent for Villa Park and 48 percent for Elmhurst,

which equates to a potential financial responsibility of \$78,800 for the City, based upon estimated costs.

In addition, while the state currently has jurisdiction over the bridge, Villa Park carries on the day-to-day maintenance responsibilities of the structure. Therefore, Villa Park has asked that the City of Elmhurst consider funding a 50-percent share of these maintenance responsibilities because both municipal boundaries align at the structure.

The City of Elmhurst said it felt the funding and maintenance requests by Villa Park were fair and equitable, and a new IGA has been drafted to reflect the proposed changes to the funding and maintenance responsibilities between the two municipalities.

The new IGA also includes the Elmhurst Park District by reference, as the Salt Creek Greenway Trail resides under the bridge, and within the IDOT jurisdiction.

All three entities—IDOT, the Elmhurst Park District and the Village of Villa Park—reviewed the IGA and found it acceptable.

At its meeting on Monday, June 3, the Elmhurst City Council voted to approve the recommendation to enter into the IGA with the Village of Villa Park and the Elmhurst Park District.

In the interest of the project staying on the current construction schedule, it was recommended that the City Council suspend the rules to pass the recommendation at the same meeting. Later in the meeting, the Elmhurst City Council elected to approve and authorize the execution of the IGA.



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Villa Park Lions present scholarships

Villa Park Lions Club President Sid Bergh recently presented 2019 Willowbrook High School graduate Claryce Dooley with a \$250 scholarship. Dooley will attend Elmhurst College. She plans to pursue a career as a speech pathologist. Dylan Mejia-Ruiz (not pictured), who is another member of Willowbrook's Class of 2019, also received a \$250 scholarship from the Villa Park Lions Club.



CHRIS FOX PHOTOS Villa Park Review

A new fountain along the path

The Villa Park Parks and Recreation Department recently replaced the drinking fountain near the Illinois Prairie Path and Ardmore Avenue. The new fountain features a bottle filler and a dog fountain.

Villa Park news briefs

Lauren M. Kiefer

Memorial 5K set for Saturday

The 13th annual Lauren M. Kiefer 5K Family Run/Walk will begin at 9 a.m. on Saturday, June 15. The run/walk starts and ends outside of Willowbrook High School, 1250 S. Ardmore Ave. Registration is \$25 per participant. Children 12 and under can participate for free with a paid adult. A child waiver form must be completed. All proceeds from the event benefit the Lauren M. Kiefer Memorial Foundation, which provides funds to local families and groups. The foundation also provides scholarships to Willowbrook students. Registration for the run/walk can be completed online. To register online, or to download a registration form, visit rememberlaur.com/events. Race day registration—\$25 cash—will also be available, starting at 7:30 a.m.

Summer meals for children available at Willowbrook through June 28

District 88 is providing free meals to children at Willowbrook High School through June 28. The district began providing the free meals this week as part of the Seamless Summer Option (SSO) for food service.

Meals are being served Monday through Friday from 9:20 to 9:50 a.m. Participants should enter the school through Door No. 1.

Each year, the U.S. Department of Agriculture partners with local organizations like District 88 to provide free meals to children when school is out for the summer. The program is available for children through the age of 18.

For more information about the Summer Seamless Option at Willowbrook, call 630-530-3972.

Summerfest 2019 set for Friday and Saturday

Attractions for children offered on Saturday, until 8 p.m.

The Villa Park Summerfest Commission will present Summerfest 2019 on Friday, June 14, and Saturday, June 15. The festival will take place at Ardmore Avenue and Park Boulevard, just south of the Illinois Prairie Path.

The festival will run from 6 to 11 p.m. on Friday, and from 11 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. on Saturday. Friday's attractions include a car show, a bags tournament, food, beer and live music. The Villa Park Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the beer tent.

The live entertainment on Friday includes Hip Pocket (6 to 8 p.m.) and Good Clean Fun (8:30 to 11 p.m.). The performing acts on Saturday include Minors of Rock (1:50 to 2:50 p.m.), Serendipity (4:30 to 6 p.m.), Money Beats Soul (6:30 to 8 p.m.) and CK and the Gray (8:30 to 10:30 p.m.).

Summerfest's attractions for children will take place on Saturday only, until 8 p.m.

Waves and Mariners both open the season with wins

Lombard will face Villa Park this Saturday at Jefferson Pool

The Lombard Waves opened the 2019 DuPage Swim and Dive Conference season with a 393-259 victory over Bloomingdale in a June 5 meet at Paradise Bay Water Park.

Lombard improved to 2-0 with Saturday's 410-165 win at Wood Dale.

The Waves are competing in the conference's Red Division this year. Addison, Bloomingdale and Roselle join Lombard in the Red Division. The Villa Park Mariners

are competing in the conference's Blue Division in 2019. Hanover Park, Glendale Heights and Wood Dale are also in the Blue Division this year.

The Mariners began their season with a June 5 meet at Wood Dale. They beat the Water Rats by nearly the identical score of Saturday's Lombard-Wood Dale meet. Villa Park beat the Water Rats 410-164. Three days later, Woodridge defeated Villa Park in Saturday's meet at

Jefferson Pool.

Lombard and Villa Park will square off in this Saturday's meet at Jefferson Pool. The Waves and Mariners are both scheduled to swim 10 regular-season meets. Both teams will end the regular season with home events on July 13. The conference's 'B' and 'A' meets will take place over the following two weekends, with the 'B' meets on July 20 and the 'A' meets on July 27.



The Lombard Waves began their season with last week's 393-259 win over the Bloomingdale Barracudas at Paradise Bay Water Park. Lombard's Luke Schwieters won three individual events and swam on a pair of winning relay teams in the 13-14 boys level. He is pictured after his first-place effort in the 50-yard freestyle race.



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Elissa Haake won two individual events and swam on one winning relay team in the 15-18 girls level. She is shown at the start of her victory in the 50-yard freestyle. The Waves improved their record to 2-0 with Saturday's win at Wood Dale. Lombard will face the Villa Park Mariners in this Saturday's meet at Jefferson Pool.



Shown during her win in the 100-yard individual medley, Kaylee Brown earned two individual wins and competed on two winning relay teams in the 9-10 girls division.

Lombard Waves individual champions June 5 vs. Bloomingdale

The Lombard Waves opened the 2019 DuPage Swim and Dive Conference season with last week's home meet against Bloomingdale at Paradise Bay Water Park. The Waves defeated Bloomingdale 393-259 in the overall team standings. Lombard's individual winners in the meet were:

8-and-under girls

Neda Unguraitis	25-yard freestyle	18.64
Allie Walden	25-yard backstroke	29.44

8-and-under boys

Connor Wedel	25-yard freestyle	23.79
	25-yard breaststroke	29.02
Maximilian Pollak	50-yard freestyle	54.04
Marco Garavito	25-yard butterfly	30.37
Gus Jevne	25-yard backstroke	23.71

9-10 girls

Emmy Gzamouranis	50-yard freestyle	44.88
	100-yard freestyle	1:48.03
Kaylee Brown	100-yard individual medley	1:26.85
	50-yard butterfly	39.74
Georgia Bryan	50-yard backstroke	47.07
Lilly Carver	50-yard breaststroke	54.17

9-10 boys

Benjamin Bates	50-yard backstroke	57.46
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11-12 boys

Dylan Schwantner	50-yard freestyle	35.67
	100-yard freestyle	1:18.02
Cameron Decker	50-yard backstroke	45.35
Joey Rozycki	50-yard breaststroke	51.46

13-14 girls

Lillian Vish	50-yard freestyle	30.23
Esabella Lee	50-yard butterfly	31.66

13-14 boys

Luke Schwieters	50-yard freestyle	26.19
	100-yard freestyle	57.41
	50-yard backstroke	33.72
William Forsberg	50-yard butterfly	36.21
Nathan Rohde	50-yard breaststroke	37.65

15-18 girls

Elissa Haake	50-yard freestyle	25.83
	100-yard freestyle	58.40
Lydia Gruenwald	100-yard individual medley	1:12.28
Mairead Van Santen	50-yard butterfly	32.39
Grace Schwieters	50-yard backstroke	32.24
Ashley Bylsma	50-yard breaststroke	41.55

15-18 boys

Kyle Haake	50-yard freestyle	24.24
	50-yard breaststroke	34.03
Nate Slagter	100-yard freestyle	1:00.69
	50-yard backstroke	36.63
Matthew Bacon	50-yard butterfly	30.34

Lombard Waves relay champions • June 8 vs. Wood Dale

The Lombard Waves improved their 2019 record to 2-0 with Saturday's 410-165 victory at Wood Dale. Lombard's victorious relay teams in the meet were:

8-and-under boys

100-yard freestyle relay	2:28.53
Marco Garavito, Jaxon Marin-Bunting, Cooper Wedel, Connor Wedel	

9-10 girls

200-yard medley relay	3:27.65
Georgia Bryan, Madeline Cook, Marija Cheeks, Emmy Gzamouranis	
200-yard freestyle relay	2:52.57
Alyssa Bylsma, Emmy Gzamouranis, Georgia Bryan, Madeline Cook	

9-10 boys

200-yard freestyle relay	3:19.59
Mason McKenna, Jan Karasiewicz, Max Kraft, Antonio Marin-Bunting	

11-12 girls

200-yard medley relay	2:57.20
Maddie Wells, Mackenzie Baker, Bina Sadiku, Avery Schwarz	
200-yard freestyle relay	2:33.87
Adalyn Bylsma, Caroline Marchewka, Avery Schwarz, Maddie Wells	

11-12 boys

200-yard medley relay	2:56.55
Dylan Schwantner, Charlie Schwarz, Hank Schendel, Joey Rozycki	
200-yard freestyle relay	2:28.44
Dylan Schwantner, Joey Rozycki, Hank Schendel, Charlie Schwarz	

13-14 girls

200-yard medley relay	2:24.16
Lillian Vish, Dahlia Leighton, Kaitlyn Griffith, Lauren Jones	
200-yard freestyle relay	2:01.81
Dahlia Leighton, Zoe Kraft, Claudia Schwantner, Lauren Jones	

13-14 boys

200-yard medley relay	2:27.38
William Forsberg, Nathan Rohde, Samuel Ebihara, Joshua Petkus	
200-yard freestyle relay	2:09.26
Nathan Rohde, Joshua Petkus, Samuel Ebihara, Luke Schwieters	

15-18 girls

200-yard medley relay	2:14.85
Lydia Gruenwald, Mairead Van Santen, Grace Dynako, Elissa Haake	
200-yard freestyle relay	1:55.66
Mairead Van Santen, Grace Dynako, Lydia Gruenwald, Elissa Haake	



A meeting of former Bears

Several current and former Chicago Bears made appearances at the Bears100 Celebration Weekend in Rosemont. Glenbard East athletic director D'Wayne Bates (right), who played three seasons with the Bears (1999-2001), is pictured at the event with William "The Refrigerator" Perry, a member of the Super Bowl XX championship team. Bates and Perry both grew up in Aiken, South Carolina. The upcoming 2019 season will mark the 100th season in the history of the Chicago Bears franchise.

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Willowbrook Athletic Booster Club holds golf outing on Aug. 17

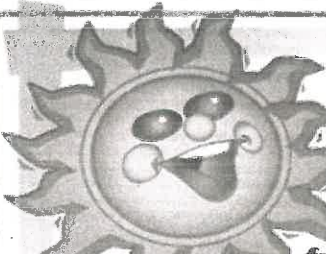
The Willowbrook Athletic Booster Club will hold its annual golf outing on Saturday, Aug. 17, at Western Acres Golf Course, 2400 W. Butterfield Road, Lombard. All members of the Willowbrook community are invited to attend.

The outing will begin with a shotgun start at 3 p.m. Participants should arrive by 2 p.m. to ensure a timely start. The cost of \$75 per person includes nine holes of golf, a cart, dinner and drinks (soda, water and draft beer).

Proceeds from the event help to support Willowbrook High School athletic teams and fund scholarship awards for college-bound seniors.

Contests and raffles will take place throughout the day. Golf-related contests include: longest drive, closest to the pin, low score, high score and longest putt.

Space is limited to 18 foursomes. Register online at <https://www.dupage88.net/site/page/983>. For more information, contact Judy Degnan at jb6degs@att.net.



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Villa Park Mariners individual champions July 5 vs. Wood Dale

The Villa Park Mariners began their 2019 DuPage Swim and Dive Conference season with a 410-164 win at Wood Dale on June 5. Villa Park's individual champions were:

8-and-under girls		
Colleen Pienkos	25-yard freestyle	29.63
	50-yard freestyle	1:15.47
Brooke Turner	25-yard butterfly	36.58
	25-yard breaststroke	39.98

8-and-under boys		
Ryan Mueller	25-yard freestyle	23.39
	50-yard freestyle	56.66
	25-yard butterfly	41.62
	25-yard backstroke	29.44
Caleb Vaughan	25-yard breaststroke	46.67

9-10 girls		
Ella Yates	100-yard individual medley	1:37.61
	50-yard backstroke	46.78
Francesca Monteleone	100-yard freestyle	1:52.56
Olivia Daly	50-yard butterfly	59.95

9-10 boys		
Nino Pesola	50-yard freestyle	46.18
	50-yard backstroke	59.60
Ian Mueller	100-yard individual medley	1:29.31
	50-yard butterfly	41.51
Finnley Morgan	100-yard freestyle	1:38.58
	50-yard breaststroke	59.58

11-12 girls		
Audrey Morgan	50-yard freestyle	28.77
	100-yard freestyle	1:09.51
Lauren Barager	100-yard individual medley	1:18.25
	50-yard butterfly	37.59

11-12 boys		
Jake Koterba	100-yard individual medley	1:28.85
	100-yard freestyle	1:13.01
Tyler Thomas	50-yard freestyle	50.49
Aiden Aristuk	50-yard backstroke	1:06.21

13-14 girls		
Rosa Vega	50-yard freestyle	35.72
Annabelle Thompson	100-yard freestyle	1:14.62
Grace Roscoe	50-yard breaststroke	44.90

13-14 boys		
Connor McGinnis	50-yard freestyle	36.08
James Burns	100-yard freestyle	1:10.91

15-18 girls		
DeAnna Tate	50-yard freestyle	30.02
	100-yard freestyle	1:06.67
Carolyn Burns	100-yard individual medley	1:17.06
	50-yard breaststroke	41.76
Caitlin Brennan	50-yard butterfly	37.73
Kaitlyn Fox	50-yard backstroke	38.77

15-18 boys		
Jack Burns	100-yard freestyle	52.86
Sean Pienkos	50-yard breaststroke	36.78

State lawmakers get pay raises starting July 1

By Jerry Nowicki
CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

Illinois lawmakers will get their first pay raises since 2008 after the House chose not to concur with a Senate action that would have prevented the salary increases.

Lawmakers earn base salaries of \$67,836, a rate which would rise by more than \$1,600 July 1 once statutory cost of living increases are applied. They also receive per diem reimbursements and some receive added pay ranging from \$10,326 to \$27,477 per year for committee chair and leadership positions.

Since 1990, Illinois law allowed lawmakers a cost of living increase of about 2.4 percent each year, but in the past decade it has become routine for each chamber to adopt language prohibiting those increases from taking effect.

Language that would have stayed the raises this year was not included in budget implementation legislation as it has been in years past. Senate Republicans questioned the absence of the language when the budget bills passed late May 31 into June 1, and that chamber rushed to pass a measure preventing the increases.

That measure, House Bill 837, passed unanimously and went to the House, where sponsorship was

transferred to Rep. Thaddeus Jones, a Calumet City Democrat. He filed a non-concur motion, and the House never took the final vote that would have prevented the pay increases.

Some House Republicans, such as David McSweeney of Barrington Hills and Tim Butler of Springfield, used their social media feeds to argue against the raises and encourage Gov. J.B. Pritzker to use an amendatory veto to add language blocking pay raises.

"Illinois citizens are sick and tired of secret insider budget deals that enrich Springfield politicians at the expense of taxpayers," McSweeney, who voted against all of the budget bills, said.

But Pritzker told Chicago media he would sign the budget as is—even without the added language to prevent pay increases—echoing comments he made upon the Legislature's adjournment June 2.

"This is a complete legislative process to make sure that we got a balanced budget. That's the process that we went through, both sides of the aisle, both chambers, this is the budget that we've got," he said.

Only 23 lawmakers combined in the House and Senate voted against the budget implementation bill, Senate Bill 1814, which lacked the legislator pay freeze language.

Cullerton advocates for infrastructure approval

State Sen. Tom Cullerton (D-Villa Park) joined the Illinois Senate to pass a massive \$45 billion state infrastructure plan to repair roads, bridges and parks across DuPage County.

Cullerton, a senior ranking member on the Senate's Transportation Committee, fought to ensure the needs of the 23rd State Senate District were met in the bipartisan approach to updating the state's infrastructure.

"On Sunday (June 2) we passed a jobs plan that will put people to work while ensuring that our community's needs are met," Cullerton said. "Our parks, fire departments and senior centers are in dire need of updates to promote public security."

This is the first comprehensive infrastructure program to pass the

General Assembly in over 10 years. Cullerton's hope is that this will bring key buildings, roads and parks to the standards of the 21st Century.

Projects close to Cullerton's heart are completing the vital repairs needed for the Ray Graham Home and renovations to the Villa Park Center for Easterseals.

"Easterseals and Ray Graham do outstanding work for our communities," Cullerton said. "These necessary improvements will allow them to provide even better service and care to the people of Illinois."

The infrastructure construction plan passed the Senate and House with bipartisan support and now heads to the governor's desk for his approval.

Editor's note: This was submitted by the office of Sen. Tom Cullerton.



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A TLC tea party

Mothers of students attending TLC Montessori, 30 N. Park Ave., Lombard, were guests of honor May 8 as they enjoyed time with their children at the school during a Mother's Day tea party. Featured during the event were snacks, a craft and a story time.

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State-level recognition

The District 88 Board of Education recently recognized nearly 50 students from its two schools—Willowbrook and Addison Trail—for their state-level achievements during the winter season of the 2018-19 school year. The students honored at the recent board meeting included Willowbrook students Emma Cismesia (left) and Emma Staunton (right). The Illinois Music Education Association (ILMEA) named both students as All-State Musicians in the Honors Chorus category. Cismesia and Staunton earned All-District honors after auditioning in the fall. As All-State Musicians, they were invited to perform during the ILMEA Conference, which took place in January at the Peoria Civic Center. Both students just completed their junior year at Willowbrook.

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