

FLOSSMOOR NEWS

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LET'S PLAY BALL, FLOSSMOOR!

Flossmoor Baseball and Softball's Opening Day was April 21. Come out to the park and watch some games this spring...It's FREE fun!

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village meetings

Village Board Meeting
1st & 3rd Mondays of the Month at 7:30 p.m.

Plan Commission Meeting
3rd Thursday of the Month at 7:30 p.m.

Zoning Board of Appeals
4th Tuesday of the Month at 7:30 p.m.

Public Art Commission Meeting
2nd Monday of the Month at 7:00 p.m.

Community Relations Commission Meeting
4th Tuesday of the Month at 7:00 p.m.

Green Commission Meeting
3rd Tuesday of the Month at 7:00 p.m.



Find us on social media! Look for updates, photos, videos and good conversation on Facebook and Instagram! We truly appreciate all the residents, business owners and visitors who have supported us and joined the conversation!

calendar

flossmoor.org

May 5

Recyclepalooza – Parker Junior High Parking Lot from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. It is so easy being green! Gather your goods and swing on over! Visit www.flossmoor.org for a list of accepted items.

May 5

Park Pride - 8:30 am to 11 a.m. - Join in the fun as volunteers come together to beautify their parks for summer! Call the park district at 957-0300 to become a Park Captain today!

May 13

Mother's Day Brunch at Wiley's Grill at Coyote Run. Call 957-8774 for a reservation.

May 20

Touch a Truck Day at Lions Club Pool Park Day – 2:00 to 4:30 p.m. From semis to squads, get up close with some awesome trucks. Quiet time is from 2 to 2:30 p.m. for children who love the trucks, but not the lights and sirens.

May 28

Village Hall closed in observance of Memorial Day



made in flossmoor...

Flossmoor kids are cool being kind. More than 50 students from H-F visited Western Avenue School on March 16 to spread kindness on their own day off from school. Flossmoor residents Josie Bachus and Lexie VanVoorhees organized the event.

Did you know?

You can arrange a tour of H-F High School. Do you have friends considering moving their family to Flossmoor? What better way to convince them than show them everything H-F has to offer! Call Jodi Bryant at 708-335-5550 for more information.

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Thank You for Supporting Your Village

I hope that you and your family are enjoying the spring season in Flossmoor. Many many thanks to our terrific Flossmoor residents who came out and voted in the March primary election. The voter turnout was 36% which was one of the highest in many past Flossmoor elections.

Many additional thanks to those who voted in favor of the Flossmoor non-home rule sales tax referendum. Almost two out of every three voters supported the referendum which resulted in a win for our wonderful community. The additional revenue will be used to support the general operations of the Village as well as supporting village infrastructure needs such as street and sidewalk repairs.

Maintaining the financial stability of the Village is one of the main goals of the Flossmoor 2017 Strategic Plan that was passed by the Village Board last year and the successful passage of the sales tax referendum will go a long way towards achieving this extremely important strategic plan goal.

Another important part of the Flossmoor Strategic Plan in maintaining the financial stability of the village is to continue with our ongoing economic development efforts to bring new businesses to the community. Towards that end, we welcome the opening of Buona Beef and Starbucks in Flossmoor that are located in southwest Flossmoor business corridor. If you have not had an opportunity to visit these new businesses in Flossmoor, please do so as the continuing viability and success of all of our excellent businesses in the village depends on our patronage. If we want our business community to remain in Flossmoor, we must shop local. Stay tuned for additional businesses that will be coming to Flossmoor in the near future!

As we look forward to the summer season in Flossmoor, there are many fun events to be enjoyed by residents. We are excited to announce that this year, Dogs On Parade is coming to Flossmoor from June to September thanks to the South Suburban Humane Society. This is a unique fundraiser to benefit a terrific community partner and to promote businesses in Flossmoor. Local businesses will be displaying life-size dogs all around the downtown and business areas of the community and will be unveiled on June 15th. The dog statues will then be auctioned off at Flossmoor Fest on September 8th with proceeds going toward the care of homeless pets in our community. Be on the lookout for this exciting event!

Our annual Independence Day Parade kicks off at 10 a.m. on July 4th and Movies In Our Parks returns at dusk on Friday, July 20th at Irwin Park in Homewood and on Friday, August 17th at Flossmoor Park. On Tuesday, August 7th Flossmoor joins communities across the nation for National Night Out from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Flossmoor Village Hall Parking Lot for an event promoting our police department where there will be refreshments and activities for all ages. Come join us for this community-building event.

As always, thank you for your passion for our village. You and your family are what make Flossmoor welcoming, beautiful, and connected.

Cordially,

Paul S. Braun
Mayor



Mayor Paul Braun

NEWS TO USE!



Future Leaders in Planning

Do you know a high school student who wants to help make the Chicago region a better place? If so, encourage them to apply for CMAP's Future Leaders in Planning (FLIP) 2018 program. The week-long summer program will teach students the basics of urban planning and give them hands-on experience fixing problems the Chicago region faces now and in the future.

FLIP is a FREE program where teens learn about the issues that shape our region and think of solutions with other students from Cook, DuPage, Kane, Kendall, Lake, McHenry, and Will counties. Participants meet and interact with selected regional leaders who make key planning decisions in our communities.

Applications must be submitted online, postmarked, or emailed by Monday, May 7, 2018. To apply, students must:

- Be in high school during the 2018-19 school year
- Reside in one of the seven counties in the northeastern Illinois.
- Possess a desire to learn more about our region and communities.

Visit www.cmap.illinois.gov. CMAP is a state agency that provides guidance for regional development and progress.

Sign Up for House Watch Before Vacation

Leaving town for a vacation? The Flossmoor Police Department will periodically conduct security checks of the residents, ensuring all exterior doors are locked and there has been no apparent damage or entry into the home. Although this is not a guarantee that your home will not be damaged or burglarized, it gives you some added protection. Make arrangements with a family member or neighbor to check on your home. Complete and return the House Watch Application on the Village's website.

DIY Neighborhood Cleanup

If you're interested in putting together a group of volunteers to clean up litter in your neighborhood, the Village offers Neighborhood Cleanup Kits for checkout, including safety vests, trash pickup wands, gloves and trash bags. We ask residents to confine cleanup efforts to neighborhood side streets, sidewalks and parks. When the cleanup is complete, garbage bags can be deposited in the dumpster behind Village Hall. This volunteer opportunity is open to adults and children age 12 and up (accompanied by an adult) and is a great opportunity to earn community service hours.

Requests should be submitted a minimum of 2 weeks in advance and are subject to supply availability. Sign up at www.flossmoor.org or email Laura Brennan-Levy at lbrennan-levy@flossmoor.org. Upon approval, your cleanup kit will be available for pickup at Village Hall on Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m and 5 p.m.

Host a Block Party!

We will drop off barricades for you to close your street for the afternoon AND we'll send a Fire or Police Department vehicle to your party. Download the application at www.flossmoor.org. Here are some of our favorite block party ideas:

- Ice Cream Social — Start the party in the late afternoon and set up a sundae bar.
- Potluck Party — Odd addresses bring appetizers, even addresses bring desserts.
- Pizza Party — Guests bring pizzas from local parlors. Have a "Best Local Pizza" contest.
- Block Yard Sale & Swap — Kick off by having a neighbor swap before opening sales to others.
- Holiday Themes — Pick a holiday to celebrate with your neighbors. Flossmoor residents have used a block party format for Oktoberfest parties, holiday light stringing and even a St. Patrick's Day Parade.
- Neighborhood Cook-Off — Organize a chili competition, baked goods contest or other challenge.

See How Their Garden Grows

Save the date for the 8th Annual Southland Community Garden Walk on Sunday, June 24 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The garden walk is presented by the NCJW South Cook Section and proceeds benefit Aunt Martha's and Respond Now. Buy your advance tickets for \$20 at Art 4 Soul or Ebel's Ace Hardware. Tickets are available the day of the Garden Walk at Goldberg Park for \$25. Join the Bouquet of Sponsors. All sponsors will be listed on the NCJW website and given a garden sign in one of the beautiful gardens to highlight your business, underscore a special occasion, show your family's support or honor the memory of a loved one. Show your support and sponsor the Garden Walk! Please contact Gloria Lippert at: 708-798-5771 and 708-829-7776 or southlandcommunitygardenwalk1@gmail.com. For further information visit www.ncjwsouthcook.org.

Take Steps Now to Be Prepared for Flooding

Prepare for possible spring flooding now before it sneaks up on you. Be prepared for a flood or other emergency by building or restocking your emergency preparedness kit with a three-day supply of food and water, flashlight, batteries and first aid supplies.

Consider buying flood insurance. Homeowners and renters insurance do not typically cover flood damage. Because Flossmoor participates in the National Flood Insurance Program, you can protect your home and its contents by purchasing a flood insurance policy. Renters can also buy contents insurance even if the owner does not insure the structure. There is a three-day waiting period before the policy becomes effective. To find out more, contact any licensed insurance agent or broker – the same person who sells home and auto policies.

Check Regularly for Water Leaks

Few things are worse than an unexpectedly high water bill. Taking a simple proactive step can help you detect and fix a leak before it costs you money. Once a month, read your water meter before and after you leave home. If your meter is in a convenient location, the best way to determine if you have a leak is to see if your water meter changes when you're not using any water. Turn off all faucets. Write down the reading on your meter or take a picture with your phone. Check it when you come home a few hours later. If the number changes while you're gone, you likely have a leak.

Regularly check indoor and outdoor faucets too! The cost of forgetting an outdoor faucet can be steep. Remember to turn off your hose and check it for leaks. If your indoor faucets are leaking, watching a video on YouTube might help you do the repair work yourself.



Water Bills

Water bills are mailed quarterly. A third of the community is billed each month. Keep these dates in mind so you know when to expect your bill. If you're worried your bill hasn't arrived, call Village Hall and we'll provide you with your balance.

- Account Number Begins With "01": Bill is mailed on the 25th of January, April, July and October.
- Account Number Begins With "02": Bill is mailed the 25th of February, May, August and November
- Account Number Begins With "03": Bill is mailed the 25th of March, June, September and December.

Bills are due 28 days after the mailing date and are subject to increasing late fees if not paid.

Flossmoor Connect

Flossmoor Connect allows residents to report issues directly to the village via our website or by mobile app. Your request will immediately be forwarded to the appropriate department within the village for follow-up. The SeeClick-Fix iOS app that the Village uses for Flossmoor Connect has recently been redesigned.

Download the app today!

WHAT'S HAPPENIN' FLOSSMOOR?

So Much to Do In and Around Town

Flossmoor Service League Presents 63rd Annual HouseWalk

The Flossmoor Service League presents its 63rd Annual HouseWalk on Sunday May 20th, from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. Enjoy touring four lovely homes in our community plus the Homewood Science Center. This year's luncheon will be held at La Voute Bistro from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The delicious buffet lunch will feature a dessert bar in the historic bank vault, located just off the dining room. Local boutiques UpsaDaisy (18100 Martin Ave., Homewood), Loulou Belle (2049 Ridge Rd., Homewood), and Art 4 Soul (18135 Harwood Ave., Homewood) will be donating 15% of their sales on the day of the HouseWalk to the Flossmoor Service League. HouseWalk tickets and lunch tickets are \$25.

Tickets are available for sale in early May, at UpsaDaisy Boutique (18100 Martin Ave., Homewood), Bakewell Bakery (1050 Sterling Ave., Flossmoor), and Art 4 Soul (18135 Harwood Ave., Homewood) or their website: www.flossmoorserviceleague.org.

Flossmoor Service League is a volunteer organization located in south suburban Flossmoor whose mission is to assist others in need, particularly in helping to provide basic human services through not-for-profit organizations based in the south suburbs of Chicago. For over sixty years, Flossmoor Service League has been dedicated to community improvement through fundraising and distribution of funds and services to local charitable organizations.

KIDS@COLLEGE is All About STEAM this Summer

Are you looking for fun activities to keep your kids busy this summer? Let learning and fun continue year round at Prairie State College (PSC). The Kids@College Summer Program at PSC is designed to enhance the problem solving skills of children ages 5 through 10. Participants will use fun, hands-on, iSTEAM based activities that encourage creativity in the areas of inventions, science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics.

The program will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Thursday, from June 25 through Aug. 9, at the college's Matteson Area Center, located at 4821 Southwick Drive in Matteson. There will be no programming during the week of July 2.

Kids@College at PSC offers six weeks of fun-filled learning opportunities including an engaging curriculum taught by certified teachers. Each week is tailored to intrigue students and provide them with a chance to explore, build and learn. Half- and full- day options are available. Cost per child for full day is \$138 a week, half day is \$75 a week, and a 6-week, full-day deal is offered for \$725. Payment plan options and before and after care are available.

For more information about the Kids@College program, visit prairiestate.edu/kids, call (708) 709-3750 or email psceducation@prairiestate.edu.



Solar Wind Concert & Dedication

All are welcome to the H-F Mall Auditorium, Saturday, May 12 from 7:30-9:00 p.m. for the Solar Wind Concert, honoring Eugene Parker, retired NASA scientist. Once criticized for his 1958 theory on "solar wind," Parker, a distinguished University of Chicago professor emeritus and resident of Flossmoor, recently learned that because of that work, conducted nearly 60 years ago, his name will be on the first probe to explore the outer corona of the sun. The six decades that have passed since Parker wrote the seminal paper on the solar wind, spurred by his observation that a comet's tail always points away from the sun, have been filled with other important work in the field of physics, but it is his recognition by NASA that is now attracting the attention of the public.

Enjoy musical performances by Viking Orchestra, Symphonic Band & Viking Choir, plus dramatic readings by H-F theatre students. The evening includes the dedication of this year's 3D Art class project.



Player's Camp a Huge Hit — The Boys are Back for a Fifth Year

Player's Baseball Camp is designed for youth baseball players looking to refine skills, hang out with friends, and get a taste of what high school instruction is like. All skills levels are encouraged to attend, and every player will get an equal opportunity to improve.

The camp's co-founders, Isaac Cutrara and Patrick Sheehan, have fond memories of spending countless hours at the Flossmoor baseball fields. Both played baseball all four years at H-F and began to miss the game once they started college.

"We've always been in the community and love baseball, so instead of umpiring as we had been doing, we decided to start a baseball camp," Isaac said.

Patrick currently coaches football for the University of Wisconsin in Platteville and was an all-conference Wide

Receiver. Isaac studies Finance at the University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minnesota. Isaac's brother, Sam, coaches the 15U Flossmoor Brewers and is a sophomore at University of Wisconsin Madison. He is the camp's hitting instructor.

Now in its fifth year, the Player's Baseball Camp enrolled more than 60 kids in 2017. The camp works with age groups 7 to 10 and 11 to 14. Ninety minutes sessions are held five days a week for three weeks at the Flossmoor ballparks and the H-F Varsity baseball field. The cost is \$175 for the 12 days, or \$15 for one day. Camps begin on June 11-15, 18-22, and 25-26. Participants may attend all 12 days or pay per day and there is no deadline for signup.

For more information, visit the camp's website at: www.facebook.com/Plyrs2k16, email Isaac at isaac5896@gmail.com, or call 708-382-0996.

Save the Date for a Fall Art Commission Fundraiser!

Support Flossmoor's public art on October 13 at Wiley's Grill. Local artists will be invited to showcase their talents this fall in a shadow box-themed fundraiser for the Village's public art collection. The final products will be auctioned off at the event to benefit the Village's sculpture collection, which consists of eight permanent sculpture and four rotating pieces.

The Flossmoor public art program was established in 1998 through private donations and an Illinois FIRST grant. Since that time, the Flossmoor Village Board and the Flossmoor Public Art Commission have maintained their vision of making Flossmoor home to a permanent and rotating selection of sculpture. Find more at artflossmoor.com.

OTOCAST App

Counting your steps for wellness? Add a little culture to your walk with a walking tour of Flossmoor's extensive sculpture collection. Download the Otocast app for a map and hear from the sculptors themselves. Bonus: if you want to explore, the Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park at Governors State University uses the same app. Culture right around the corner!

IT'S EASY BEING GREEN

Malfeo Family Leads the Way in Sustainable Living

PHOTO BY THOMAS PHOTOGRAPHIC SERVICES.



Carrie Malfeo has a creative side — with experience in fashion merchandising and floral design — and that's probably why she makes living a sustainable lifestyle so appealing to everyone. As a member of the Village's Green Commission, Carrie can be found leading activities, such as a Martin Luther King Day of Service Green Commission Activity, and handing out green tips at Flossmoor Fest. She practices what she preaches. With little tweaks to their daily practices, Carrie, her husband Gene and their two daughters Shallon and Lucia, both students at Homewood-Flossmoor High School, are making their home more 'green'. April was Earth Month but the Malfeo family keeps the celebration going all year long. Here are some of Carrie's top tips for a more sustainable lifestyle.

Re-use as much as possible.

Reduce your reliance on disposable items at home or school. Zero-waste lunches are a concept that Carrie introduced to her family when her daughters were students at Western Avenue School. Items like reusable lunch bags, glass or metal containers and reusable water bottle can make a big impact on reducing school lunch waste.

Reusable shopping bags are becoming the norm for groceries, but there's no reason not to carry that bag habit over to other retail shopping too! And if dry cleaning is part of your routine, consider reusing those bags for garbage by tying a knot at the end.

Vintage and second-hand furniture is in!

Very few pieces of furniture in the Malfeo home are new. Carrie has a home full of vintage and second-hand furniture that she had found at estate sales and second-hand stores. She recommends Salvation Army and the I-80 flea market to save money and the earth.

Try your green thumb.

Growing your own vegetables can be a good way to connect your family to the earth. This spring, you can try growing lettuce and other greens, which are easy to grow in the ground or containers, before the weather gets too warm. After the threat of frost has passed in late spring, consider tomatoes or peppers. The Malfeo family has three rain barrels, which allow them to water their organic garden nearly all summer without any supplemental water from the hose. They also save organic kitchen scraps for a compost pile to avoid using chemical fertilizer.

Interested in starting a garden?

The Green Commission is starting a new seed library at Flossmoor Public Library. Users can take seeds for heirloom plants at the beginning of the planting season and then harvest seeds at the end of the growing season to pass along for the next year. Stay tuned to the Village website for more information. In the meantime, to learn more about a seed library, visit www.youneedaseed.net, which features a seed library in west suburban Downers Grove.



school spotlight

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Flossmoor Hills School on a Roll with Reading

The books that students bring home from school may be aimed at young readers, but that's not stopping reading from being a family affair for Flossmoor Hills school. The school completed its second annual Our School, Our Story book, a month-long program during which the entire school reads one book. This year's book is *Wayside School is Falling Down*, a 1989 novel by Louis Sachar. The program kicked off in March with Family Literacy Night, when more than 400 parents, guardians and students came together to read and play games.

The Our School, Our Story program is part of the approach of promoting literacy and an expanded vocabulary to support student achievement. Under the direction of principal Pat McCraven and assistant principal Haley Marti, the school is focusing on student achievement, parental involvement and accepting and celebrating students from all backgrounds.

Literacy and vocabulary are wrapped up into every activity and classroom – from kindergarten students working on teams to act out the definition of new words to 5th graders reading school announcements. The hard work by Ms. McCraven and her staff is paying off – with students at Flossmoor Hills soaring above the state average for readiness in language arts and math and showing an improvement every year.

“At the elementary school level especially, literacy is a critical focus for us and the Our School, Our Story initiative has paid dividends for the students and families at Flossmoor Hills and at other schools throughout District 161,” said Superintendent Dana Smith. “Activities like this are a

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wonderful way to build a strong school culture that is focused on learning together and having fun at the same time. I am so proud of our students, parents, and staff for making these valuable learning experiences possible!”

Ms. McCraven is retiring at the end of this school year, ending a 34-year career spent entirely in service to Flossmoor School District 161 as a speech language pathologist, special education administrator and principal. Ms. Marti has been with School District 161 for ten years, as an assistant principal, instructional coach and teacher.

The school has a slew of events to combine academics AND fun for the remainder of this year, including a mother-son event in April and the annual Brag Night. On Brag Night, students have the opportunity to present their achievements to their families. From test scores to family involvement and school culture, it is clear there is a lot to be proud of at Flossmoor Hills.

people & places



Filkins Promoted to Sergeant

On March 5, 2018, Tim Filkins officially became the Flossmoor Police Department's newest sergeant. Sergeant Filkins joined the Flossmoor Police Department in April 2013 and has served as a field training officer, public information officer and shift leader. He holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice and is currently enrolled in a master's program at Governors State University. In November 2017, Sergeant Filkins was instrumental in ending a series of bank robberies committed in the south suburbs when he apprehended the suspect during a traffic stop.

"It is with great honor that I congratulate Sergeant Filkins on truly earning his advancement in rank," said Chief Mike Pulec. "The rank of sergeant holds a critical role as a first line supervisor in the police department. True leadership begins well before a call for service is received. He acts as a mentor, leader, trainer, and I have complete faith he will continue to excel in his commitment to this department and the Village of Flossmoor."

Is This in Your Future?

Have you ever considered serving your community as a member of the Flossmoor Police Department? The department will be conducting a testing and interview process this summer to establish an eligibility list, as required by state law. Creating the eligibility list is the first step to hiring a new officer as candidates for police officer positions can only come from the list. Being on the eligibility list does not guarantee a candidate will be hired. An eligibility list is valid for two years. Police officer candidates must be at least 21 years of age and not older than 35 per state statute. There are several steps to the testing process:

1. The testing process is announced and applications are made available at the police department. Applications must be picked up in person and dropped off in person so that an individual's identity can be verified.
2. The written test is held.
3. Applicants that pass the written test are invited for oral interviews with the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners.
4. Based on the test and oral interviews, candidates are ranked on the newly created eligibility list.

Any person wishing to take the police officer test must have a valid POWER card on the date of the test. P.O.W.E.R. stands for Police Officer Wellness Evaluation Report. The POWER test is a physical fitness evaluation administered by a third party consisting of four tests: sit and reach, a sit-up test, bench press and 1 ½ mile run. Locally, the test is offered at Joliet Junior College. If you want to test for the Flossmoor Police Department, you should look into the POWER test soon. Stay tuned to the Village website and social media for testing announcements.

Coffee with a Cop

The Flossmoor Police Department partnered with the new Starbucks on Vollmer Road for a Coffee with a Cop event on April 14 – providing an opportunity for residents to meet our police officers in a friendly setting AND visit the brand new store for a free cup of joe.



Coffee with a Cop is a national movement that aims to build trust between the public and police by providing an opportunity to meet lo-

cal officers and learn more about the work they do, in a relaxed, friendly setting. The Flossmoor Police Department participates in a number of activities each year to get out into the community or in schools, including a National Night Out Event, Citizen Police Academy, block parties, DARE, the annual job fair at HF High School, Trunk or Treat and Touch a Truck with the park district. While residents are welcome to contact Chief Pulec or talk to officers any day, a special event like Coffee with a Cop sets aside time for conversation.

Here's the Beef!

Italian beef is a family tradition at Buona Beef, but there's more to Buona than just sandwiches. The menu is filled with food that will make everyone in your family happy. From salads to panini to pizza, there's something for every eater – even low carb and gluten free. But the traditional beef fan shouldn't despair; despite the expanded menu, you can still get a beef deeped in the signature gravy.

And whether you're a north side or south side baseball fan, Buona can accommodate you too: Try a Rizzo (beef with cheese and red gravy) or the Hurt (dunked in gravy with hot giardiniera).

Buona Beef opened in February in Flossmoor near Meijer at the corner of Crawford Avenue and Vollmer Road. If you can't make time to eat in,

there are other options, too: online ordering at Buona.com, a drive thru, and delivery through Door Dash. Consider them for your next fundraiser too: Buona offers benefit nights, when they donate 20% of all sales, in-kind donations and even frozen beef sales.



New Additions and Old Classics on Flossmoor's Food Scene

Buona Beef and Starbucks are the most recent additions to Flossmoor's food scene, but certainly not the only options. Consider these other options if you're looking to eat local.

Flossmoor Commons

Gourmet Pizza (3331 Vollmer) is an old favorite, known for its thin crust pizza. Try Gourmet Pizza from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Saturday.

Kingsberry Waffle House (3345 Vollmer) is open for your early morning pancake and waffle fix. Stop in from 6 a.m. to 3 p.m. seven days a week. Check out their website for coupons!

Subway (3322 Vollmer) makes healthy eating easy, from breakfast through dinner. They're open 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. seven days a week.

Siam Thai (3311 Vollmer) relocated to Flossmoor after decades of business in Matteson near Lincoln Mall. They offer \$7.95 lunch specials starting at 11:30 a.m. Monday through Saturday.

Lou Malnati's (3315 Vollmer) is classic Chicago deep dish pizza. This store is open for takeout and delivery.

Captain Hooks (corner of Crawford and Flossmoor Road) is open late for quick bites, chicken and fish. It's open until 11 p.m. and midnight on weekends.

Coyote Run Golf Course

Wiley's Grill at Coyote Run Golf Course (800 Kedzie) is open from 11 a.m. to 8 or 8:30 p.m. every day during the spring, summer and fall (and weekends in the winter). You don't need to be a golfer to eat there! Stop and eat on the patio on nice days - or keep an eye on their website for their special events.

Downtown Flossmoor

Flossmoor Station (1035 Sterling) put Chicago craft brewing on the map! Their beers compliment an expansive menu and you can join their Mug Club for access to specials and discounts. May 18 is Pre-Dark Lord Day, when crowds line up outside the brewery for the tapping of the Wooden Hell barrel aged

barleywine. Visit woodenhell2.brownpapertickets.com to get in.

Bistro on Sterling (1040 Sterling) continues the traditions of the iconic Fresh Starts, but added new menu items and options for kids. They offer daily specials. Stop in to watch a game at the expanded bar or join their wine club. For \$20 a month, you'll get a great bottle. Enjoy it with your meal and you won't pay a corkage fee.

Bakewell Bakery (1050 Sterling) makes baked goods that are impossible to resist! Stop in for a cup of tea or coffee and enjoy the Scone of the Day. Bakewell is open Tuesday through Saturday and on Sundays for high tea with appointment.

Pop'N By (2550 Central) is the place to get the H-F Mix of caramel and cheese popcorn – or an array of other flavors. Stop in to try seasonal flavors. They're now offering gallon-sized buckets so you can share with friends!

Village of Flossmoor

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RECYCLEPALOOZA! 2018



Join us once again for this community-wide event! It is SO easy being green in Flossmoor. Clean out your closets, garage, attic, basement and cuboards. Gather up your goods and plan to Recyclepalooza on Saturday, May 5 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the parking lot of Parker Junior High School. Have these things around your house? We'll take them!

- TVs (\$20 per set)
- Electronics
- Metals*
- Ink/Laser Jets
- Bikes
- Eyeglasses
- Clothes (gently used)
- Sporting Goods
- American Flags
- Plastic Bags/Wrap
- Hotel Shampoos & Soaps (new)
- Small Household Items
- Crayons & Markers
- #6 Plastic, Polystyrene & Styrofoam (dry & clean)

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