

## Pleasant Dale Park District Adult Programing Guide

# AGELESS ADVENTURES

## FALL 2026

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Welcome to the Fall Edition of Ageless Adventures! As the leaves begin to change and cooler days arrive, we're excited to bring you a season full of opportunities to stay active, connected, and inspired. From social gatherings and day trips to creative workshops and fitness programs, there's something for everyone to enjoy this fall. Don't miss our Senior Hayride & Cider Social on September 18th! Enjoy a scenic ride through the park, cider, donuts, bingo, and a first look at our community scarecrow displays.

Take a trip to the Paramount Theatre for Mean Girls in September or A Christmas Carol in December, and join us for exciting outings like A Taste of France & Fire and the Christkindlmarket Aurora.

Looking to learn something new? Explore creative and culinary programs including Pasta Perfection, Harvest Charcuterie & Entertaining Workshop, Chunky Knit Blanket Workshop, Plant Therapy, and more.

Be sure to join our favorite recurring programs such as Bingo & Lunch, Thread Craft Drop-In, Senior Movie Fridays, and Reader's Nook Book Club. Whether you're reconnecting with old friends or making new ones, these programs offer great opportunities for fun and fellowship.

We look forward to sharing a season filled with adventure, creativity, laughter, and lasting memories. We can't wait to see you this fall!

*Sarah Carr, CPRP*  
Recreation Supervisor





## Forever Young Seniors Membership

Annual Membership for the Forever Young Seniors group is paid annually and is valid from September 2026 to August 2027. Resident+ and Non-Resident+ memberships offer a discount on trips. A quarterly newsletter, Ageless Adventures, outlines the upcoming activities at the Park District. Copies are available at the front desk.

**\$10 Lunches Only Dues**

**\$20 Annual Fee for Residents**

**\$25 Annual Fee for Non-Residents**

## BINGO & Lunch

Join us for catered lunch and dessert from a local restaurant and BINGO! Beverages and coffee are also provided. Registration for each lunch is required by the Tuesday before each lunch. Members of Forever Young will receive a weekly phone call to RSVP for Bingo & Lunch!

**Location: Walker Recreation Center**

| Date  | Time         | Fee                            | Lunch                        |
|-------|--------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 9/2   | 11:30-2:00pm | \$10 Lunch, \$1 per BINGO Card | Pulled Pork and Mac N Cheese |
| 9/9   | 11:30-2:00pm | \$10 Lunch, \$1 per BINGO Card | Portillo's Italian Beef      |
| 9/23  | 11:30-2:00pm | \$10 Lunch, \$1 per BINGO Card | Fried Chicken                |
| 9/30  | 11:30-2:00pm | \$10 Lunch, \$1 per BINGO Card | Zazzo's Pizza                |
| 10/7  | 11:30-2:00pm | \$10 Lunch, \$1 per BINGO Card | Soups and Salads             |
| 10/21 | 11:30-2:00pm | \$10 Lunch, \$1 per BINGO Card | Chinese from Great Wall      |
| 10/28 | 11:30-2:00pm | \$10 Lunch, \$1 per BINGO Card | Spring Forest Cheeseburgers  |
| 11/4  | 11:30-2:00pm | \$10 Lunch, \$1 per BINGO Card | Sloppy Joes                  |
| 11/11 | 11:30-2:00pm | \$10 Lunch, \$1 per BINGO Card | Chinese from Great Wall      |
| 12/9  | 11:30-2:00pm | \$10 Lunch, \$1 per BINGO Card | Pasta and Meatballs          |
| 12/16 | 11:30-2:00pm | \$10 Lunch, \$1 per BINGO Card | Zazzo's Pizza                |

## Foundation Lunch & BINGO

Join us for lunch and BINGO with the Pleasant Dale Parks Foundation. Lunch will be FREE and Bingo is \$1 per card for the first 5 games and \$0.50 per card for the cover all game. Lunch is TBD Please register online if you are attending or call the front desk. Registration is due a week before.

**Location: Walker Recreation Center**

| Date  | Time         | Fee                                  |
|-------|--------------|--------------------------------------|
| 10/14 | 11:30-2:00pm | Lunch is FREE, Bingo is \$1 per card |





## Thread Craft Drop In

Join us for a relaxing and social morning of thread crafting! Whether you're into knitting, crocheting, embroidery, or simply enjoy working with your hands, this drop-in session is the perfect way to start your day. Bring your current project and enjoy some creative time with friends before our Bingo & Lunch Program begins. All skill levels welcome! This is a FREE PROGRAM!

Basic tools and yarn will be available for those interested in learning how to crochet or knit.

**Location: Walker Park Recreation Center**

| Dates | Time          | Dates | Time          |
|-------|---------------|-------|---------------|
| 9/2   | 10:00-11:30am | 10/28 | 10:00-11:30am |
| 9/9   | 10:00-11:30am | 11/4  | 10:00-11:30am |
| 9/23  | 10:00-11:30am | 11/11 | 10:00-11:30am |
| 10/7  | 10:00-11:30am | 12/9  | 10:00-11:30am |
| 10/21 | 10:00-11:30am | 12/16 | 10:00-11:30am |

## Reader's Nook Book Club

Join us each month for a relaxed dive into great fiction! Whether you're a longtime book lover or just looking for a new way to enjoy stories, our club is a welcoming place to meet people and share your thoughts. Each month, we read a new fiction pick and chat about everything from characters to plot twists. It's all about good books, good company, and great conversation. Open to ages 18+.

Miss a meeting? No problem-check our social media for the book of the month or call the Rec Center!

**Location: Walker Recreation Center**

**Fee: Free**

| Date  | Time        | Book |
|-------|-------------|------|
| 9/17  | 5:00-6:00pm | TBD  |
| 10/15 | 5:00-6:00pm | TBD  |
| 11/19 | 5:00-6:00pm | TBD  |
| 12/17 | 5:00-6:00pm | TBD  |



# THANK YOU!

We want to extend our heartfelt thank you to the Pleasant Dale Parks Foundation and the work that they do to continue to support the Pleasant Dale Park District, especially our senior programs.

Check them out at [www.pleasantdalefoundation.org](http://www.pleasantdalefoundation.org)



## Senior Movie Fridays

Start your month off with a fun and relaxing morning at the movies! Join us on the first Friday of each month for Senior Movie Fridays—a special gathering where seniors can enjoy a feature film in a friendly, comfortable setting. We'll provide the popcorn and water to enjoy while you watch.

Whether you love timeless classics, lighthearted comedies, or heartwarming stories, this is a great way to connect with others and enjoy a morning out.

This is a FREE PROGRAM!

| Date | Time          | Movie                 |
|------|---------------|-----------------------|
| 9/4  | 10:00-12:00pm | A League of Their Own |
| 10/2 | 10:00-12:00pm | Sister Act            |
| 11/6 | 10:00-12:00pm | Sound of Music        |
| 12/4 | 10:00-12:00pm | White Christmas       |
| 1/8  | 10:00-12:00pm | Miracle               |



## Senior Hayride & Cider Social

Join us for a special autumn afternoon just for seniors! Take a scenic hayride through the park and be among the first to preview and vote for your favorite community-made scarecrows ahead of the Family Fall Festival. After the ride, gather at the gazebo to enjoy music, cider, donuts and a few games of bingo while catching up with friends and neighbors. This is a FREE PROGRAM register by 9/14 to join the fun!

| Date | Time        | Fee  |
|------|-------------|------|
| 9/18 | 12:30-2:00P | FREE |



## Thanksgiving BINGO & Lunch

Let's come together and share a delicious Thanksgiving meal! Spring Forest Deli will be catering our Thanksgiving Feast. The luncheon will consist of roasted turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, vegetable, cranberries, and dessert. After the feast, we will play Thanksgiving bingo. Registration includes lunch & bingo.

| Date  | Time        | Fee                           |
|-------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| 11/18 | 11:30-1:30P | \$25 Member   \$32 Non-Member |





## Plant Therapy

Plant Therapy workshops are designed to reconnect you with nature through creativity, mindfulness, and a touch of dirt. We also talk about the benefits of plants for our mental health. Each session offers a chance to unwind, learn about plant care, and craft your own living creation to take home. Whether you're a seasoned plant lover or just discovering your green thumb, our workshops invite you to slow down, and experience the simple joy of growing something to build your self confidence every day (All supplies and materials are included!).

**Location:** Pleasant Dale Park District, 7425 Wolf Rd Burr Ridge

| Date  | Time         | Fee                               |
|-------|--------------|-----------------------------------|
| 10/19 | 10:00-11:00A | \$38 Resident   \$47 Non-Resident |

## Day Trips

### A Taste of France & Fire

Join us for a delightful day of flavor and artistry! We'll begin at Taste of Paris, where you can enjoy authentic French cuisine (lunch on your own). Afterward, we'll head to Patterson Glass for a fascinating glassblowing demonstration, followed by time to shop their unique gallery (shopping on your own). Don't miss this perfect blend of French flavors and fiery creativity! Cost includes transportation and tour. Lunch and shopping are on your own.

**Register by 10/2/26**

| Date  | Time         | Fee                            |
|-------|--------------|--------------------------------|
| 10/16 | 10:00-5:30pm | \$40 Members/ \$50 Non Members |



## Christkindlmarket Aurora

Inspired by the Christkindlmarket in Nuremberg, Germany, the Christkindlmarket Aurora brings a cherished German and European tradition to Aurora. There are hand-blown ornaments, classic German goods, wooden handicrafts and so much more! You will absolutely have to sample the assortment of sweet and savory goods offered. Enjoy sausages, potato pancakes, Strudel and more, washed down with traditional hot spiced wine or German beer. Fee includes transportation only - shopping and food is on your own.

**Register by 12/4/26**

| Date  | Time        | Fee                            |
|-------|-------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/11 | 11:00-4:00P | \$12 Members   \$17 Non Member |



# Paramount Theater

## Mean Girls

Based on the iconic Tina Fey film, Mean Girls is a hilarious musical that follows Cady Heron, a sweet and smart new girl who moves from Africa to suburban Illinois. At North Shore High, she gets caught up with The Plastics, the school's most popular clique led by Regina George. As Cady navigates the challenges of fitting in, she discovers that popularity has its price and that revenge can get ugly.

With big laughs, catchy pop-rock songs, and a relatable message, this show is a must-see for anyone who's ever tried to find their place. Gather your friends, wear pink (on Wednesdays, of course), and enjoy the musical that shows even the fiercest frenemies can find redemption.

Trip will include performance, transportation, lunch, and gratuities. The lunch is Caesar Salad, Chicken Marsala, Wild Rice, vegetables and cannoli for dessert. If you have a dietary restriction, please let Sarah know when registering.

**Register by 8/24/26**

| Date | Time         | Fee                             |
|------|--------------|---------------------------------|
| 9/16 | 11:30-5:30pm | \$97 Members   \$107 Non Member |

## A Christmas Carol

Rediscover the holiday spirit with A Christmas Carol, a timeless story that warms hearts and shows the true meaning of Christmas. Ebenezer Scrooge, a lonely and bitter man, is visited on Christmas Eve by three ghosts who help him reflect on his past, present, and future. He learns to find joy, kindness, and the importance of giving.

Filled with humor, hope, and memorable characters, we've adapted A Christmas Carol for the Paramount stage as a holiday family tradition. Whether it's your first time seeing Scrooge's change or you're revisiting this classic story, the live music and heartfelt message will leave you feeling hopeful and festive. Trip will include performance, transportation, lunch, and gratuities. The lunch is to be determined.

**Register by 11/9/26**

| Date | Time         | Fee                             |
|------|--------------|---------------------------------|
| 12/2 | 11:30-5:30pm | \$97 Members   \$107 Non Member |



## Cooking with Maria

### Pasta Perfection

There's nothing quite like fresh, homemade pasta. In this hands-on class, you'll learn how to mix, knead, roll, and shape pasta from scratch before pairing it with a creamy lemon garlic Parmesan sauce and a fresh Italian chopped salad. Along the way, you'll pick up practical techniques and kitchen tips to help you confidently recreate this classic meal at home. Whether you're looking to sharpen your cooking skills or simply enjoy a fun evening in the kitchen, this class is the perfect recipe for a delicious night out.

**Location:** Pleasant Dale Park District, 7425 Wolf Rd Burr Ridge

| Date | Time       | Fee                                |
|------|------------|------------------------------------|
| 9/11 | 6:00-7:30P | \$52 Residents   \$57 Non Resident |

### Create Your Own Pizza Masterpiece

Take pizza night to the next level! In this hands-on workshop, you'll learn the fundamentals of making homemade pizza from scratch, from preparing and shaping the dough to choosing flavorful toppings that create the perfect artisan-style pie. Complete your meal with a homemade Italian pasta salad while discovering tips for flavor pairings, homemade dressing, and effortless entertaining. You'll leave inspired to turn your next pizza night into a homemade tradition.

**Location:** Burr Ridge Park District, 15W400 Harvester Dr

| Date | Time       | Fee                            |
|------|------------|--------------------------------|
| 10/8 | 6:00-7:30P | \$52 Members   \$57 Non Member |

### Harvest Charcuterie & Entertaining Workshop

Elevate your holiday entertaining with a beautifully crafted charcuterie board! In this hands-on workshop, you'll learn how to design and build a stunning harvest-inspired spread using artisan cheeses, cured meats, seasonal fruits, and sweet and savory pairings. Along the way, you'll explore styling techniques, flavor balancing, and presentation tips to help you confidently create impressive boards for any occasion. Each participant will receive a beautiful wood charcuterie board to build on during class and take home, making it easy to recreate and share your own entertaining masterpiece again and again. You'll leave with your finished creation, fresh inspiration, and new ideas to make every gathering feel a little more special.

**Location:** Willowbrook CRC, 825 Midway Dr Willowbrook

| Date | Time       | Fee                                |
|------|------------|------------------------------------|
| 11/4 | 6:00-7:30P | \$85 Residents   \$90 Non Resident |

### Air Fryer: Entertaining Made Simple

Make holiday entertaining easier, faster, and a whole lot more delicious! In this hands-on class, you'll discover how the air fryer can help you create impressive holiday appetizers and a festive dessert with minimal effort and maximum flavor. Together, you'll prepare Spinach Artichoke Pinwheels, Cranberry Brie Puffs, and Cinnamon Sugar Apple Hand Pies while learning practical air fryer techniques, timing tips, and make-ahead strategies designed for stress-free hosting. From quick party bites to sweet seasonal treats, you'll leave with new ideas to simplify your holiday menu without sacrificing taste or presentation.

**Location:** Willowbrook CRC, 825 Midway Dr Willowbrook

| Date | Time       | Fee                            |
|------|------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/8 | 6:00-7:30P | \$52 Members   \$57 Non Member |



## Adult Programs

### Delicious Delights Cake Decorating

Discover the art of cake decorating in this fun, hands-on class! Perfect for beginners, you'll learn professional techniques used by real bakers, including how to smoothly frost a cake, pipe decorative borders, and create beautiful finishing touches. Step-by-step guidance will help you build confidence while decorating your own cake from start to finish. All decorating tools and supplies are provided, so just bring your creativity. Best of all, you'll leave with a fully decorated cake to show off and share. Whether you love baking or simply want to try something new, this class is a sweet and rewarding experience.

**Location:** Pleasant Dale Park District, 7425 Wolf Rd Burr Ridge

| Date  | Time       | Fee                                 |
|-------|------------|-------------------------------------|
| 10/14 | 6:00-8:00P | \$91 Residents   \$112 Non Resident |
| 11/18 | 6:00-8:00P | \$91 Residents   \$112 Non Resident |

### Beginner Guitar Group Lessons

This guitar class is set up for beginning students and will teach them how to play and jam with their peers. Emphasis is placed on having fun while learning. Along with guitar playing essentials, students will learn guitar skills through playing classic pop songs. Essential guitar skills and basic note reading are taught in a fun, supportive setting that allows students to develop at their own pace.

Note: instruments not provided.

**Location:** Pleasant Dale Park District, 7425 Wolf Rd Burr Ridge

| Date        | Time       | Fee                              |
|-------------|------------|----------------------------------|
| 9/15-10/20  | 7:00-8:00P | \$146 Members   \$190 Non Member |
| 10/27-12/15 | 7:00-8:00P | \$146 Members   \$190 Non Member |

### Plant Therapy

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**Location:** Pleasant Dale Park District, 7425 Wolf Rd Burr Ridge

| Date | Time       | Fee                                |
|------|------------|------------------------------------|
| 9/24 | 6:00-7:00P | \$38 Residents   \$47 Non Resident |



## Chunky Knit Blanket Workshop

Cozy up and get creative! In this hands-on workshop, participants will learn the art of finger knitting and create their very own soft, chunky blanket—no needles required! This beginner-friendly activity is perfect for all skill levels and offers a relaxing, social atmosphere where everyone can unwind, chat, and craft something beautiful and functional.

Participants will choose from a selection of colors which is chosen at registration and be guided step-by-step through the process of creating a full-sized blanket using just their hands and chunky yarn. By the end of the session, everyone will leave with a completed throw or a great start on one—and the skills to keep creating at home.

All materials included. No prior knitting experience needed.

**Location: Pleasant Dale Park District, 7425 Wolf Rd Burr Ridge**

| Date  | Time       | Fee                                |
|-------|------------|------------------------------------|
| 11/12 | 5:30-7:30P | \$65 Residents   \$85 Non Resident |

## Serve in Style

Create your own beautiful serving platter perfect for cheeses, snacks, and entertaining. No experience is required—this class will guide you through simple, fun techniques and design ideas to make a piece that's both functional and stylish. A relaxed, creative evening for adults to unwind and paint something they'll actually use.

**Location: Willowbrook CRC, 825 Midway Dr Willowbrook**

| Date | Time       | Fee                               |
|------|------------|-----------------------------------|
| 10/8 | 6:00-8:00P | \$40 Resident   \$45 Non Resident |

## Let's Talk Houseplants

Discover the secrets to healthy, happy houseplants! A University of Illinois Master Gardener will share simple tips for selecting and caring for indoor plants, helping you create a thriving green space at home. Learn what your plants need to stay strong year round and gain confidence in your indoor gardening skills. Then, enjoy a hands-on propagation activity and take home a new plant to grow and enjoy.

**Location: Willowbrook CRC, 825 Midway Dr Willowbrook**

| Date  | Time       | Fee                                |
|-------|------------|------------------------------------|
| 11/15 | 1:00-2:30P | \$25 Residents   \$30 Non Resident |

## Once Upon a Vase

Join us for a cozy Book Club-inspired painting night! Guests will design ceramic book vases using book cover transfers, silkscreens, and hand-painted details. Bring inspiration from your favorite book cover or choose from provided designs, and add meaningful touches like quotes or literary motifs. No experience needed—just creativity and a love for books and cozy vibes.

**Location: Willowbrook CRC, 825 Midway Dr Willowbrook**

| Date  | Time       | Fee                               |
|-------|------------|-----------------------------------|
| 11/17 | 6:00-8:00P | \$40 Resident   \$45 Non Resident |



# Adult Athletics

## Doris Marks - Instructor

Doris earned her bachelor's degree in Physical Education from Western Illinois University. With a wealth of experience as a seasoned coach and fitness instructor, she has been a dedicated member of Sokol United, inspiring others to achieve their health and fitness goals.

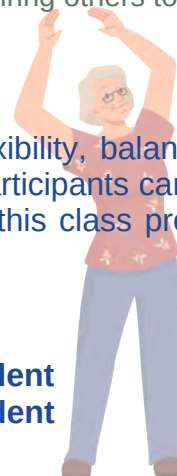
### Lets Keep Moving

This gentle senior fitness class focuses on minimal-impact movements to improve flexibility, balance and overall mobility. Using light stretching, seated exercises and slow controlled motions. Participants can move at their own pace in a safe and supportive environment. Perfect for all fitness levels, this class promotes wellness without strain on the joints.

**Instructor: Doris Marks**

| Day     | Dates        | Time          | Fee                               |
|---------|--------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|
| Tuesday | 9/22-10/27   | 11:00-11:50am | \$42 Resident / \$55 Non-Resident |
| Tuesday | 11/10-12/15* | 11:00-11:50am | \$35 Resident / \$46 Non-Resident |

\*No Class 11/24



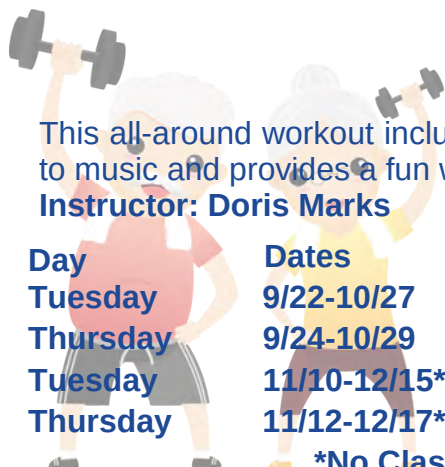
### Active Adult Fitness Class

This all-around workout includes exercises, moderate-impact aerobics, and weight training. The class is set to music and provides a fun way for adults to increase endurance, mobility, and strength.

**Instructor: Doris Marks**

| Day      | Dates        | Time          | Fee                               |
|----------|--------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|
| Tuesday  | 9/22-10/27   | 10:00-10:50am | \$42 Resident / \$55 Non-Resident |
| Thursday | 9/24-10/29   | 10:00-10:50am | \$42 Resident / \$55 Non-Resident |
| Tuesday  | 11/10-12/15* | 10:00-10:50am | \$35 Resident / \$46 Non-Resident |
| Thursday | 11/12-12/17* | 10:00-10:50am | \$35 Resident / \$46 Non-Resident |

\*No Class 11/24 & 11/26



The Walker Park Recreation Center Gym will be undergoing renovations starting August 10th. The gym will be closed for all programming until renovations are completed. Check back for updates!



## Pickleball Classes



### Beginner Pickleball

This class is for those who have never played pickleball before or who have very limited experience with the sport. It will focus on pickleball basics such as forehand and backhand shots, serving, and court positioning. Players will also learn scoring and the rules of the game through drills and playing time. The slower pace of this class will give players the opportunity to develop the skills needed to play this fun and energetic game. All equipment will be provided.

**Instructor: SportsKids**

| Location     | Dates     | Time       | Fee                                 |
|--------------|-----------|------------|-------------------------------------|
| Tennis Court | 9/9-10/14 | 6:00-7:00P | \$111 Resident / \$145 Non-Resident |

### Advanced Beginner Pickleball

This class is for advancing beginners who have some experience and want to move at a faster pace to improve their basic shots and strategy. Players will participate in challenging drills to work on consistency in forehand and backhand shots, serving, volleying, dinks and lobs. Through matches played each week, players will get the chance to take their game to the next level by learning how to play smarter, not harder. All equipment will be provided.

**Instructor: SportsKids**

| Location     | Dates     | Time       | Fee                                 |
|--------------|-----------|------------|-------------------------------------|
| Tennis Court | 9/9-10/14 | 7:00-8:00P | \$111 Resident / \$145 Non-Resident |

### Open Gym Pickleball

On Mondays and Wednesdays, the gym will be open for pickleball pick-up games, practice, and learning the game. There will be three courts open for pickleball in the rec center gym. Nets will be set up, and there will be extra balls and paddles available if needed.

The sign up for each court will be in gym on the whiteboard for all three courts. It will be first come first serve.

| Date        | Time           | Fee                                                                                                   |
|-------------|----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 10/5-12/16* | 9:00 - 11:30am | Single Session<br>\$5 Resident/ \$7 Non-resident<br>10 Punch Pass<br>\$45 Resident/ \$63 Non-resident |

\*No Open Pickleball on 10/12, 11/23 & 11/25





## Fall Special Events for All Ages

### Family Fall Fest

Celebrate the season at our annual Family Fall Fest, an afternoon and evening of autumn fun for all ages!

From 2:00–7:00pm, enjoy delicious food vendors, beer, apple cider, and s'mores around the fire pits. Take a hayride, vote for your favorite scarecrow, play games, bounce on the inflatables, mine for gold, and enjoy music from our live DJ. There will be plenty of activities to keep the whole family entertained!

New this year—stay for the concert! Keep the fun going as HORIZON takes the stage from 7:00–9:00pm. Enjoy live music under the fall sky while grabbing dinner or a snack from our food trucks and beverages available throughout the evening. Make sure to bring your blankets and lawn chairs for the concert. Spend the whole day with us. It's the perfect way to celebrate everything we love about autumn!

**Wristband includes unlimited games & inflatables - some height & weight restrictions may apply**

| Dates | Time       | Wristband Pricing                    |
|-------|------------|--------------------------------------|
| 9/19  | 2:00-9:00P | \$5 before 9/11<br>\$10 at the event |

### Fall Craft & Vendor Show

Discover unique, handcrafted treasures and support local artisans and vendors. Handcrafted Goods: From jewelry and home décor to seasonal items and one-of-a-kind art pieces, there's something for everyone! Local Vendors: Shop from a variety of local vendors offering specialty items and unique gifts. Food & Refreshments: Snacks and beverages available for purchase. Bring your family and friends for a fun-filled day supporting local talent and small businesses. We look forward to seeing you there! Follow us on Facebook and Instagram @pleasantdalepd for event updates and sneak peeks!

Interested in participating as a vendor? Visit our website for an application [www.pdparks.org](http://www.pdparks.org)

| Dates | Time        | Fee            |
|-------|-------------|----------------|
| 10/17 | 10:00-3:00P | Free Admission |

### Santa's Merry Tree Lighting

Join us as we kick off the holiday season at Santa's Merry Tree Lighting! Gather your family, friends, and neighbors for a magical event filled with holiday cheer at the Pleasant Dale Park District.

Watch as Santa makes his grand arrival before helping light our big Christmas tree along with all the beautifully decorated community trees. Following the tree lighting, families are invited inside to visit Santa, take photos, and receive a special holiday treat for each child.

Warm up with a cup of hot chocolate and take home a cookie decorating kit (while supplies last). With festive music, holiday lights, and plenty of seasonal cheer, this special event is sure to become a favorite holiday tradition.

Can't make it by 5:30pm for Santa's arrival? No worries! This is a come-and-go event, and Santa will be available for visits until 8:00pm. Please note that the line to see Santa will close at approximately 7:45pm to ensure every child in line has an opportunity to visit.

Bundle up and celebrate the beginning of the holiday season with us—we look forward to creating magical memories with your family!

| Dates | Time       |
|-------|------------|
| 12/2  | 5:30-8:00P |



# Flagg Creek Heritage Society

## FC Heritage Museum

The Flagg Creek Museum was established in 1978 and is located at Pleasant Dale Park. It houses an eclectic collection of artifacts and records relating to our community's history. The museum can be opened upon request. Groups are welcome. For more information, call the Vial House at 708-246-1046 or Alice Latham at 708-929-1092. Please leave a message and your call will be returned.

**Location:** Walker Park, 7425 S Wolf Rd, Burr Ridge

**Fee:** Free

**Days**

Most Mondays

First Sunday of each month

**Times**

10:00-1:00pm

2:00-4:00pm

April through October

## The Robert Vial House

The Robert Vial House was built in 1856, replacing the family's original log cabin which had been built in 1834. The house was moved to its present location at Pleasant Dale Park just north of the museum. It has been furnished with period antiques to reflect the 19th Century lifestyle of a middle class farming family. The Vial House can be opened upon request. Groups are welcome. For more information, call the Vial House at 708-246-1046 or Alice Latham at 708-929-1092. Please leave a message and your call will be returned.

**Location:** 7379 S Wolf Rd, Burr Ridge

**Fee:** Free

**Days**

Most Thursdays

First Sunday of each month

**Times**

10:00-12:30pm

2:00-4:00pm

April through October



# Special Exhibits and Presentations

## Tiedtville and Santa Fe Speedway

Come in and see this expanded exhibit. Learn about the small unincorporated town called Tiedtville, which started out as a tavern, dance pavilion, and horse track, and expanded into a town with a grocery store, a post office, a butcher shop, a bowling alley, a barbershop, and its own jail! Summer cottages were also available so you could escape the big city.

In 1953, the town was torn down and turned into a very popular auto and motorcycle racetrack. Many photos of the town, racetrack, drivers, and events will be on display.

**Location:** Flagg Creek Heritage Museum, 7425 S Wolf Rd, Burr Ridge

## Hidden Gems Road Show

Join author Pat Camalliere for a fascinating journey through our own backyard as she uncovers the hidden history and little-known places along the Des Plaines River.

**Location:** Rec Center, 7425 S Wolf Rd, Burr Ridge

**9/21/26 7:00P Free**

## Remembering Route 66

In this nostalgia-packed lecture, historian Leslie Goddard, Ph.D, explores the history of Route 66 - the iconic road that linked Chicago to Los Angeles. Learn why this road remains so indelibly associated with the lore of the American road trip.

**Location:** Rec Center, 7425 S Wolf Rd, Burr Ridge

**11/23/26 7:00P Free**

## Victorian Christmas

Join us for this popular annual event. The Vial House will be decked out in true Victorian style and refreshments will be on hand to enjoy. Come and take family photos in front of our beautiful Christmas tree.

**Location:** Robert Vial House 7379 S Wolf Rd, Burr Ridge

**12/6/26 2:00-4:00P Free**

## Special Military Exhibit

In honor of our nation's 250th anniversary, the Robert Vial House is proud to present a special military exhibit. Explore a curated selection of fascinating and historic items from our collection, each with its own story to tell.

We invite you to stop by, discover, and reflect on the rich history that has shaped our country.

**Location:** Robert Vial House 7379 S Wolf Rd, Burr Ridge

**For more information or questions**

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## SEPTEMBER

- 2 Bingo & Lunch
- 2 Thread Craft Drop In
- 4 Movie Friday
- 9 Bingo & Lunch
- 9 Thread Craft Drop In
- 11 Pasta Perfection
- 15 Guitar Group Lesson Begin
- 16 Mean Girls at Paramount
- 17 Book Club
- 18 Senior Hayride & Cider Social
- 19 Family Fall Fest
- 21 Hidden Gems Road Show
- 23 Bingo & Lunch
- 23 Thread Craft Drop In
- 24 Plant Therapy Evening Class
- 30 Bingo & Lunch
- 30 Thread Craft Drop In

## OCTOBER

- 2 Movie Friday
- 7 Bingo & Lunch
- 7 Thread Craft Drop In
- 9 Create Your Own Pizza
- 14 Foundation Bingo & Lunch
- 14 Delicious Delights Cake Decor
- 15 Book Club
- 16 A Taste of France & Fire
- 19 Plant Therapy Daytime Class
- 21 Bingo & Lunch
- 21 Thread Craft Drop In
- 27 Guitar Group Lesson Begin
- 28 Bingo & Lunch
- 28 Thread Craft Drop In

## NOVEMBER

- 4 Bingo & Lunch
- 4 Thread Craft Drop In
- 4 Harvest Charcuterie & Entertaining
- 6 Movie Friday
- 11 Bingo & Lunch
- 11 Thread Craft Drop In
- 12 Chunky Knit Blanket Workshop
- 15 Let's Talk Houseplants
- 17 Once Upon a Vase
- 18 Thanksgiving Luncheon & BINGO
- 18 Delicious Delights Cake Decor
- 19 Book Club
- 23 Remembering Route 66

## DECEMBER

- 2 A Christmas Carol at Paramount
- 2 Santa's Merry Tree Lighting
- 4 Movie Friday
- 6 Victorian Christmas
- 8 Air Fryer
- 9 Bingo & Lunch
- 9 Thread Craft Drop In
- 11 Christkindlmarket Aurora
- 16 Bingo & Lunch
- 16 Thread Craft Drop In
- 17 Book Club

For more information about any programs or for help with registering, please contact us!  
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