

Village of Mokena, Illinois Newsletter

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Slurpee, Anyone?

Forget the sales pitch from the cashier at the local 7-Eleven.

There's plenty of soft, melting, flavored ice all around, and you don't have to pay nary a penny for it.

Here's hoping you've been able to trudge, slide, and wade your way successfully through this past week's variety pack of weather.

And as we move into the weekend, don't get us wrong...it may be free, but we certainly don't recommend indulging in Mother Nature's version of the famous 7-Eleven treat.

Thanks for joining us for another edition of Mokena e-News.

Sewer Talk

It's not glamorous, but it's got to be done.

Certainly that's the case when it comes to maintaining all aspects of your community's sewer system, and your Mokena Village Board recognized that need when it awarded a contract February 12 to National Power Rodding Corporation of Chicago to carry out the Village's annual sanitary sewer manhole rehabilitation program.

Focused primarily in the Grasmere and Marilyn Estates subdivisions this year, the program includes cover replacement, chemical grouting, curtain grouting, internal chimney sealing, and other miscellaneous repair tasks for approximately 71 sanitary sewer manholes.

National Power Rodding outbid six other competitors for the work. Their bid in the total amount of \$49,010 came in 32% under the program's \$72,000 budget.

Are You Registered to Vote?

It's not too late.

Although the March 20 General Primary Election is just around the corner, you still have time to register to vote.

If you are not currently a registered Will County voter, now is the time to take action. Tuesday, February 20, is the last day you can register to vote in person or by mail, and Sunday, March 4, is the final day you can sign up online.

Unsure if you're registered? Simply [click here](#) or call the Will County Clerk's Office at (815) 740-4620.

Registering to vote is easy. You can do so by mail (find the form [here](#)), online (click the link [here](#)), or stop by the Mokena Village Hall, 11004 Carpenter Street, between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday, February 19, or Tuesday, February 20.

When registering in person, two (2) forms of identification are required--

- One must show your current name and address
- Only one may be a piece of mail postmarked within the past 30 days
- Acceptable forms of identification include the following:
 - State-issued driver's license
 - Other State-issued identification card
 - Utility bill
 - Checkbook
 - Library card
 - Credit card
 - Birth certificate
 - Social Security card
 - Employee identification card
 - Student identification card
 - Insurance card

For additional information about registering to vote, voter services, or the upcoming General Primary Election, visit the Will County Clerk's website at www.thewillcountyclerk.com.

Money For Something

Unlike a select few in the music business, most of us don't get money for nothing.

For that reason, the Mokena Mayors Charitable Foundation is again awarding three \$1,000 scholarships this summer in honor of former Mayor Ron Grotovsky and former Trustees Gary Chase and Jane McGinn.

Are you a Mokena resident? Are you or your child planning to attend college later this year? That scholarship money may be closer than you think.

To qualify for one of the \$1,000 awards, applicants must live within the corporate limits of the Village, be enrolled or enrolling for the Fall, 2018 semester at an accredited two or four-year institution, and have a minimum GPA of 3.0.

Scholarship fact sheets and applications may be picked up at the Mokena Village Hall, 11004 Carpenter Street, or downloaded from the Village's website by clicking on the link below.

Application deadline is Friday, June 15.

Winners will be notified in July.

For additional information, contact the Village at (708) 479-3900.

[Mokena Mayors Charitable Foundation Scholarship Application](#)

When the Snow Flies: How You Can Make a Difference

If last weekend taught us anything, it's that coping successfully with Big Snow takes a team effort.

While your Mokena Public Works crews remain equipped to deliver the best possible job on Mokena's streets for you throughout the remainder of this winter, you too have a part to play in your community's response to the white stuff. Following are a few simple ways you can contribute positively during the next big event:

- Before the snow falls, remove vehicles from the street so plows may clear snow quickly and efficiently.
- After the snow falls, clear the white stuff from around fire hydrants. In the event of a nearby fire, ready access to this water source is essential. You can also help out by clearing sidewalks for students walking to and from school and removing snow for seniors and others that may be unable to remove it on their own. Finally, simply be aware of children playing in the snow. Heavy accumulations create temptations and potential traps for kids, along with increased safety risks for all of us.

Your partnership during trying times is fundamental in keeping Mokena a shining example of the type of quality, caring community others aspire to. Thank you!