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THE CITY OF ROLLING MEADOWS PRESENTS



On Kirchoff

FOOD TRUCKS & LIVE MUSIC

COMMUNITY EVENT SEASON IS HERE! 'Bites & Beats' on Kirchoff Debuts May 22nd

The new Bites & Beats event series combines tasty food truck fare and live musical entertainment in the comforting setting of the City's historic downtown corridor!

Monthly events* will take place on the grounds of Community Church of Rolling Meadows (2720 Kirchoff Road) on Wednesdays, May 22nd, June 26th, July 24th, August 28th, and September 25th. This latest addition to the City's community events calendar is an initiative of the Economic Development Committee.

Adult beverages will be available to purchase, courtesy of Rep's Place and Phoenix Flame (ages 21 and up).

Note: No outside food or beverages will be permitted.

MAY 22ND PERFORMERS

- **Northwest Concert Band**
(upbeat renditions of favorite tunes): 4:30 – 5:30 pm
- **Maracujaz**
(Brazilian, Latin, & American Jazz/Pop): 6:30 – 8:30 pm

JUNE 26TH PERFORMERS

- **Dave Rudolf**
(Calypso): 4:30 – 5:30 pm
- **Ur Mom**
(Folk, Funk, and Blues-inspired Rock N' Roll): 6:30 – 8:30 pm

MAY 18TH OPEN HOUSE TO SHOWCASE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS & SERVICES

The Public Works Department Open House on Saturday, May 18th, is a chance for residents to learn more about Department operations and explore the remarkable variety of services it provides to the community.

Drop by the Department's 3900 Berdnick Street facility anytime between 11:00 am – 2:00 pm for:

- Water main repair demonstration (NEW FOR 2024!),
- Live presentations highlighting Department operations,
- Q&A sessions with Public Works employees,
- Touch-a-Truck,
- Free food and refreshments (while supplies last),
- Prizes and giveaways.

For more information, call Public Works at 847-963-0500.



JAYCEES HONOR MAYOR LARA SANOICA AT ANNUAL BANQUET

Mayor Lara Sanoica was recognized as a 2024 honoree of the Illinois Jaycees' "Outstanding Young Persons" Award program at an April 27th banquet in East Peoria, IL.



Lara Sanoica

The annual program recognizes young people throughout Illinois who excel in their chosen fields and demonstrate a "great commitment to their respective communities," according to a news release announcing the 2024 award recipients.

"I am grateful to the Illinois Jaycees for this opportunity to show all young people in Illinois that local government welcomes their involvement," Mayor Sanoica said. "I hope that members of my generation and the next generation see that they can volunteer on a committee or run for office at any age, that their voices matter, and that their communities will never be as vibrant without their unique contributions."

Other 2024 honorees were State Representative Nabeela Syed (D-51st) and Gabi Vargas, founder of Elgin-based Poiema Studio – a safe space for art, self-expression, community support, crisis support and community mental well-being.

"The Illinois Jaycees is proud to honor young active citizens for their accomplishments and contributions to their communities," explained Illinois Jaycees President Andi Whalen. "I am confident our honorees will inspire young people throughout the state."

More information on the Outstanding Young Persons Award program is available at www.illinoisjaycees.com/toyp-2024.

MAY 11TH 'FAMILY SERVICES DAY' TO FEATURE COMMUNITY RESOURCE FAIR, FREE COOKOUT

Celebrate Mother's Day and learn more about local and area social service resources on Saturday, May 11th, during the City's annual Family Services Day. This year's event will take place at the Rolling Meadows Neighborhood Resource Center (RMNRC), 2260 Algonquin Parkway, from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm.

Free Food & Entertainment

Guests will enjoy games, live entertainment, face painting, music, and complimentary hamburgers and hot dogs prepared by members of the Rolling Meadows Police Department.



Live performances are a hallmark of Family Services Day.

Attendees will also have the opportunity to engage with members of the City's Human Services Department and area nonprofit organizations – including Rolling Meadows Library, local schools, and Rolling Meadows Park District – to learn more about available services.



Learn about available resources from area non-profits.

"Family Services Day is a way to empower people with knowledge and information about community resources that can improve the lives of all residents," explained Human Services Director Natalia Nieves, PhD, LCPC. "Holding the event on Mother's Day weekend also gives us an excuse to celebrate all the mothers who make a difference in our community on a daily basis."

About Human Services

Rolling Meadows' Human Services Department was created to address community-wide demand for mental health support, crisis intervention, and provide access to other resources that improve quality of life for residents of all ages and backgrounds.

To learn more, call 847-870-8695 or send an email to socialworkrm@cityrm.org.

MAY 18TH 'HI, BARBIE!' PROGRAM TO HIGHLIGHT HISTORY OF WORLD-FAMOUS FASHION DOLL

The Rolling Meadows Historical Society is pleased to welcome acclaimed author and historian Leslie Goddard for "Hi, Barbie!" – a look back at the history of one of the world's most iconic toy lines first introduced by Mattel in 1959.



The program, which also features a "show and tell" for collectors and a special Barbie photo op

for attendees, will take place Saturday, May 18th, 1:00 – 3:00 pm, at the Rolling Meadows Senior Center (3705 Pheasant Drive).

Tickets are \$10 if purchased in advance or \$15 at the door. Send name and payment (cash or check) to:

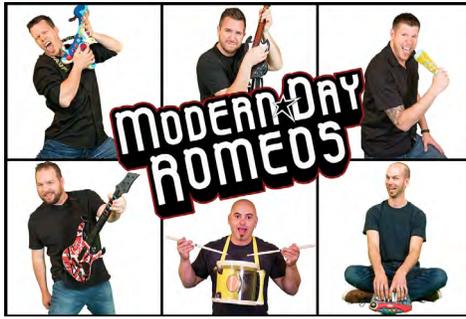
Rolling Meadows Historical Society
3100 Central Road
Rolling Meadows, IL 60008

For more information, call 847-577-7086 or 847-254-8520.

COMMUNITY BLOCK PARTY RETURNS JUNE 7TH

One of the northwest suburbs' biggest block parties returns with family-friendly activities, music, food, and fun. The action takes place on Central Road (between Barker Avenue and Jay Lane).

This year's Block Party will feature live performances by **Mr. Myers** and **Modern Day Romeos**.



RAVINIA-STYLE FRIDAY'S ROCK! CONCERT SERIES RESUMES JUNE 21ST

Grab a blanket or lawn chairs, pack a picnic dinner or sample fare from onsite food trucks, and enjoy FREE concerts in Kimball Hill Park all summer long! June's performance roster will feature **Class of '68** as the opening act,

followed by headliners **Nerdvana**.

For the latest information and event updates, visit www.cityrm.org/669/Community-Events and follow Rolling Meadows on Facebook.

PUBLIC WORKS WEBPAGE, FACEBOOK PROVIDE UPDATES ON AREA CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Rolling Meadows' Public Works Department makes it easy for residents to stay informed about the status of local road, bike path, and underground utility construction projects:

- Visit the Department's **Construction Projects page** (www.cityrm.org/643/Construction-Projects). Scroll down and click the "Notify Me" link to sign up for email or text updates, or sim-

ply click on each project listed on the left side of the page.

- Follow **Public Works on Facebook** (www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064304214544).

For more information on Public Works operations and services, visit www.cityrm.org/301/Public-Works.

4TH OF JULY PARADE REGISTRATION FORM IS ONLINE

Rolling Meadows 2024 Independence Day Parade offers a "star-spangled" opportunity for businesses, community groups, schools, and other local organizations to build amazing floats and specialty vehicles, or decorate bikes, trikes, wagons, strollers, and more.



Don't miss out! Online application forms are available at www.cityrm.org. Submit completed applications by Friday, June 21st, to reserve a place in this year's event.

The parade will begin at Rolling Meadows High School at 11:30 a.m. Participants will head west on Central Road to Owl Drive, proceed north on Owl to Kirchoff Road, and turn east on Kirchoff before ending at the Rolling Meadows Shopping Center.

For more information, contact Dave Whitney at dcwhitney103@gmail.com or 847-528-6542.

HEADLINING ACTS TAKE THE STAGE IN ROLLING MEADOWS!

Modern Day Romeos (June 7th)

For over 20 years, Modern Day Romeos has maintained its position as a top drawing party band. Its members come from different musical backgrounds but, together, create one of the most fun, unique, and high-energy shows. Setlists feature Motown classics, classic rock treasures, metal anthems, 80's favorites, 90's gems, and the top hits of the 2000s.

Nerdvana (June 21st)

Nerdvana's memorable performance will keep audiences on their feet for hours while they experience the best hits of the 90's. These Nerds can also perform anything from the 60's, 70's, 80's & the latest Top 40 hits of today.

Local Business Spotlight

MEADOWS DOG HOUSE: PAMPERING PUPS SINCE 2010

Local canines and their owners: rejoice!



Meadows Dog House, which relocated to Rolling Meadows in 2023, has provided full-service doggy daycare, boarding, and spa services to four-legged family members for nearly 15 years.

Hours of Operation are 6:30 am – 6:30 pm (M – F) & 8:00 am – 3:00 pm (Sat). Services are available on a half- or full-day basis.

Meadows Dog House

2639 Kirchoff Road
Rolling Meadows, IL 60008
847-873-1937
www.meadowsdoghouse.com

MAY 2024

All meetings take place at City Hall, unless noted.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
WANT MORE NEWS? Check out Rolling Meadows' electronic newsletter, eNews, at www.cityrm.org .			1	2 Firefighters Pension Board, 8:30 am	3	4
5	6	7 Environmental Committee, 6:00 pm Planning & Zoning Commission, 7:00 pm	8 Library Board Meeting, 7:00 pm (3110 Martin Lane)	9 Adjudication Hearings 11:00 am (Red Light); 1:00 pm (Code); 2:00 pm (Parking)	10	11 RM Garden Club Plant & Craft Sale, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm (3000 Central Road) Family Services Day, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm (2260 Algonquin Parkway)
12 <i>MOTHER'S DAY</i>	13 Board of Fire & Police Commissioners, 8:30 am	14 City Council Meeting, 7:00 pm	15 <i>Seasonal outdoor water use restrictions begin (12:00 – 6:00 pm daily)</i>	16	17	18 Public Works Open House, 11:00 am – 2:00 pm (3900 Berdnick St)
19	20 <i>Water bills due</i>	21 Community Events Volunteer Meeting, 6:00 pm City Council Committee of the Whole, 7:00 pm	22 Bites & Beats on Kirchoff, 4:30 – 8:30 pm (2720 Kirchoff Rd)	23	24	25 Memorial Day Ceremonies Parade: 11:00 am Carillon observance: 11:30 am
26	27 <i>MEMORIAL DAY</i> City offices closed. Refuse & recycling collection delayed one day all week	28 Veterans Committee, 6:00 pm Capital Projects Committee, 6:30 pm City Council Meeting, 7:00 pm	29	30	31	

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VIEW UPCOMING MEETING AGENDAS Find agendas for upcoming City Council meetings, and minutes of past meetings, at www.cityrm.org/AgendaCenter .						1
2	3 Economic Development Committee, 6:00 pm	4 Environmental Committee, 6:00 pm Planning & Zoning Commission, 7:00 pm	5	6	7 Community Block Party, 5:30 – 9:30 pm, (Central Road, between Barker Ave & Jay Ln)	8
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Rolling Meadows has relied solely on Lake Michigan for its water supply since 1986.

ANNUAL WATER QUALITY REPORT TO BE POSTED ON CITY'S WEBSITE BY JUNE 30TH

The Public Works Department publishes an annual *Water Quality* newsletter to meet Federal Safe Drinking Water Act requirements and provide information about Rolling Meadows' water system to our customers. This year's report will be posted on the City's website by June 30th.

The Consumer Confidence Report (CCR), as it's known, provides basic facts regarding the City's water system, so that individuals have the information necessary to make water consumption decisions based on their personal health.

The annual report provides a general overview of water quality and water system operations. It details where the water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to regulating agency standards. Most of the information and statements contained in the report are required by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency for public knowledge.

Residents with questions about the City's water system may contact Mark Kilarski, Utilities Superintendent, at kilarskim@cityrm.org or 847-963-0500 ext. 7022.

CITY PARTNERS WITH ARLINGTON HEIGHTS ON WILKE ROAD UPGRADES

Motorists may want to avoid Wilke Road this summer, following commencement of long-planned upgrades to the high-traffic stretch

of roadway between Northwest Highway and Algonquin Road.

The project, a joint initiative between Rolling Meadows and the Village of Arlington Heights, includes milling and resurfacing, patching, bike path, traffic signal improvements, and ADA ramp improvements.

City and village officials procured over \$2 million in Federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) grant funding to cover the project's cost. Upgrades are tentatively scheduled for completion this fall.

Visit the City's Construction Updates page (www.cityrm.org/643/Construction-Projects) for more information.



Map of the Wilke Road construction zone, as seen online.

From the Veterans Committee BLUE STAR BANNER PROGRAM RECOGNIZES FAMILIES OF THOSE CURRENTLY SERVING IN U.S. MILITARY

Is someone in your immediate family currently serving in the U.S. Armed Forces?

The City's Veterans Committee, in partnership with American Legion Post 525 (Mount Prospect), would like to recognize all eligible families who live in Rolling Meadows by presenting them with Blue Star Banners.



The Blue Star Banner tradition dates to World War I. Banners hang in the windows of homes where a family member is serving our country in uniform.

Families will receive their banners during a complimentary luncheon ceremony hosted by Post 525 on Sunday, July 14th.

"The majority of Veterans Committee members are also members of Post 525, and we view this as a welcome opportunity to honor Rolling Meadows families with loved ones serving in defense of our freedom," explained Committee member Jerry Inselberger.

"We hope all eligible families will take part in this program, which recognizes the sacrifices that are also made by those whose loved ones serve in harm's way."

To register for the Blue Star Banner ceremony, or for more information, contact Marcie Kane (mfkane6@gmail.com) or 847-704-0580). Please provide the name, branch of service, and rank of your family member.



Members of Rolling Meadows' Honor Guard lead a procession of public safety vehicles along Kirchoff Road during the City's Memorial Day Parade.

REMEMBERING THE COST OF FREEDOM May 25th Memorial Day Ceremonies to Honor Those Who Gave 'Last Full Measure of Devotion'

Rolling Meadows' Memorial Day ceremonies on Saturday, May 25th, will salute the sacrifices of those who died in defense of the United States. Please join us in honoring the memories of our fallen heroes.

Memorial Day Parade (11:00 am)
Kirchoff Road (Ends at Carillon Tower)
A moving tribute to fallen heroes, this year's parade will feature generations of local veterans, a Civil War reenactment group, Medinah's Legion of Honor, Rolling Meadows High School Band, and more. Residents are invited to march in memory of a family service member.

Ceremonial Observance (11:30 am)
Carillon Tower/Veterans Monument
Following the parade, community members will honor the men and women who "gave their last full measure of devotion." The observance will feature a keynote presentation by Father Brian Simpson



Community members gather for the Carillon observance.

(Veterans Committee member) and a wreath-laying ceremony at the City's Veterans Monument.

Call for Veterans, Current Service Members, & Their Families
Active-duty military members, local veterans, and family members who would like to take part in this year's events are welcome to complete the parade application posted on the City's website (www.cityrm.org). Submit applications no later than Friday, May 17th.

VETERANS REGISTRY PROMOTES COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT WITH FORMER SERVICE MEMBERS

The Rolling Meadows Veterans Committee maintains a registry of resident veterans to ensure these former service members receive invitations to Rolling Meadows' annual Memorial Day ceremony, November Veterans Dinner, and other City events throughout the year.

Veterans who are not currently listed on the registry, and would like to add their names, may contact Lori Ciezak at ciezakl@cityrm.org.



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Monday – Friday



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