



# TOWNSHIP

## *News for all Residents*

241 CANTERBURY LANE • BOLINGBROOK, IL 60440-2834 • OPEN 8:30AM - 4:30PM • SUMMER VOL 9



**GARY MARSCHKE**  
*Supervisor*

### FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

The Food Pantry project is proceeding. We have submitted drawings and plans to the Bolingbrook Zoning and Planning Commission. A public hearing was scheduled for June but is now rescheduled for August 16th at 7 PM in the Village Board Room. Additional information was needed such as a traffic study and security plan before the hearing. To recap, the location is the corner of Canterbury Ln and Lily Cache. This is less than a block away from the Township complex and Levy Center.

In the meantime, we have received additional financial aid for the project.

Thru the efforts of **Jackie Traynere**, our Will County Board Member and **Jennifer Bertino Tarrant** our Will County Executive, we received a \$500,000 grant for storm water runoff at the pantry. This will enable us to put in underground tanks to accommodate runoff.

Also, our State Senator, **Rachel Ventura** has been working to help the township food pantry. She has arranged for a state grant of \$500,000 to help with the paving of the food pantry parking lot.

These are in addition to the 3 million dollar federal grant arranged by Congressman **Bill Foster**.

We greatly appreciate the help our elected officials have provided to make this project a reality. As we mentioned before, the project will be "revenue neutral". The township levy will not be increased to pay for the construction of the food pantry.

We are in the process of hiring a firm to be the "Construction Manager" for the project. They will be putting out the actual bid packages for the various trades working on the construction.

We are hoping to have the bids go out this fall with actual construction to commence in March or April 2024 weather permitting.

In the meantime, I'd like to thank the Northern Illinois Food Bank for a \$101,000 grant to the Food Pantry. This will be used to purchase a new truck for food pickups at local supermarkets and deliveries to senior apartment complexes.

If you would like to see the plans and drawings for the Food Pantry, go to our website **[www.dupagetownship.com](http://www.dupagetownship.com)**.

Gary Marschke  
*DuPage Township Supervisor*

**UPCOMING TOWNSHIP  
2023 MEETING DATES**

**July 18th**

**August 15th**

**September 19th**

# HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT THE LEVY CENTER IN DUPAGE TOWNSHIP?

The Levy Center in Bolingbrook has been a diamond-in-the-raw for Active Seniors 55+, who want to enhance their life and stay active. This Levy Center in DuPage Township takes great pride in providing Seniors with recreational and educational activities that encourage interaction, socialization, good health, independence, self-esteem, and the courage to learn.

The Levy Center offers all Seniors many free activities such as exercise classes, line dancing, many parties, Lunch and Learn classes, bingo, and several card games. They have taken field trips to Drury Lane, Paramount, Sox Games, Kane County Cougars, and to monthly Lunch Bunch restaurants. There are many clubs of interest including Ceramics, Crochet, Pinochle, Senior Club, Men's Club, and Machine Embroidery. They have enjoyed \$5.00 haircuts, free facials. At tax time, no worries, the Levy Center offers Seniors AARP Tax Agents to help Seniors get their taxes done free of charge. Need something shredded, the Levy Center offers a daily shredding machine where Seniors can shred their important documents.

The Levy Center in DuPage Township is also involved in the "Lending Closet." This involves taking in gently used items such as wheelchairs, walkers, shower chairs, crutches to lend to those seniors who are unfortunate and in need of these items.

So, if you haven't visited the Levy Center yet, what are you waiting for? We invite you to come and join us, get active and make new friends. Cost is Free. Call for details 630-759-3411.

See you soon.

*Linda Youngs*

Levy Center Director

# Save the Date

**FRIENDS OF THE LEVY CENTER**  
**BINGO NIGHT FUNDRAISER**

**Thursday, October 26, 2023**  
**Levy Center**  
**251 Canterbury Lane**  
**Bolingbrook, IL**

**Come out and support**  
**The Friends of the Levy Center**

**Doors Open: 5:00 PM**  
**Gametime: 6:30 PM**





# *Honoring* **MEMORIAL DAY**



Memorial Day was honored on May 29 at DuPage Township's historic cemeteries.

The Boardman Cemetery on Paxson Drive in Bolingbrook dates to 1831, when Captain Harry Boardman set out an acre of his farm as a community burial ground. Among those interred at Boardman are veterans and residents dating back to the American Civil War.

Similarly, Alexander Cemetery, adjacent to Murphy Park in Romeoville, was established in 1845 when James Alexander buried his daughter at the site. It too hosts the final resting place of historic war veterans and their families.

For learn more about DuPage Township's cemeteries and their history, visit [www.dupagetownship.com/cemetery](http://www.dupagetownship.com/cemetery).



*Memorial wreaths were placed at Alexander Cemetery in Romeoville.*



*DuPage Township officials visited Boardman Cemetery in Bolingbrook in honor of Memorial Day.*



*Boardman Cemetery in Bolingbrook honored Memorial Day with a flag-raising ceremony.*





FROM THE  
*CLERK'S CORNER*

**DID YOU KNOW.....**

The DuPage Township Clerk is responsible for all the records in the township. In that role, the Clerk takes minutes of the board and executive meetings, resolutions, and ordinances. The Clerk also administers oath of office, takes affidavits, and administers oaths to absentee voters and anyone wishing to register to vote. The Clerk oversees the annual meeting until a moderator is voted in, administers the oath of office then takes the minutes of the meeting. The Clerk is required to attest to any payout of funds that the township supervisor issues from the township treasure. The Clerk is also a notary and can register residents to vote. In my absence, we have a very capable staff who can also assist with these tasks and many other items. Our staff is second to none. Our fabulous staff is ready and willing to assist you.

Check out our website for a complete list of services: <https://dupagetownship.com>. Please call the township office at (630) 759-1317 with any questions or to make an appointment.

Stay safe and enjoy the summer!

*Barbara Ann Parker*

DuPage Township Clerk



STATE SENATOR  
**RACHEL VENTURA**

JOIN STATE SENATOR **RACHEL VENTURA** FOR A  
**TOWN HALL**

DISCUSSION ON THE STATE BUDGET AND LOCAL ISSUES.  
SENATOR VENTURA AND STAFF WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ANSWER  
ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS.

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 19**

1:00 P.M.

**LEVY CENTER**

251 CANTERBURY LN.,  
BOLINGBROOK, IL 60440

**COFFEE AND DONUTS  
WILL BE PROVIDED!**

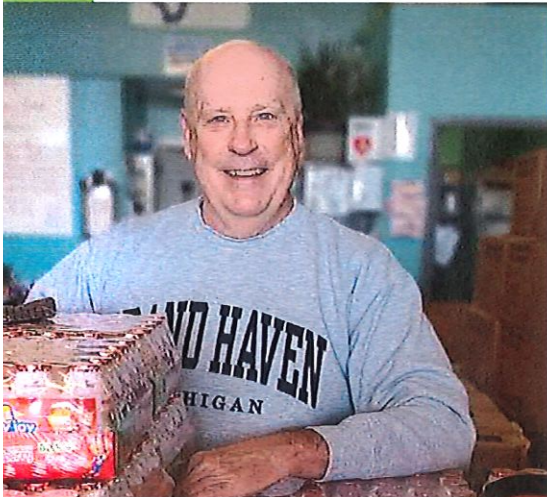
FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE REACH OUT TO SENATOR VENTURA'S DISTRICT OFFICE AT  
**(331) 290-0443** OR VISIT **WWW.SENATORVENTURA.COM**.



# Meet the Township Food Pantry Volunteers



Zully was a client of the pantry which marked the start of her time as a volunteer seven years ago.



Mike is a retired teacher at Romeoville High School and has been volunteering at the pantry for thirteen years.



Maria has been a volunteer for over ten years and continues to spend one day a week helping at the pantry

**Are you interested in serving your community?  
Join our team as a volunteer! Call Dave Locke,  
Food Pantry Manager at 815-886-7986**





# BIG NEWS!



**IS NOW A COMMUNITY PARTNER WITH-**



**RESIDENTS CAN NOW APPLY FOR:**



**Supplemental  
Nutrition  
Assistance  
Program**

**(Sometimes referred to as "food stamps")**

**AT EITHER:**

**DuPage Township  
Administration Office  
241 Canterbury Ln.  
Bolingbrook, IL  
630-759-1317**

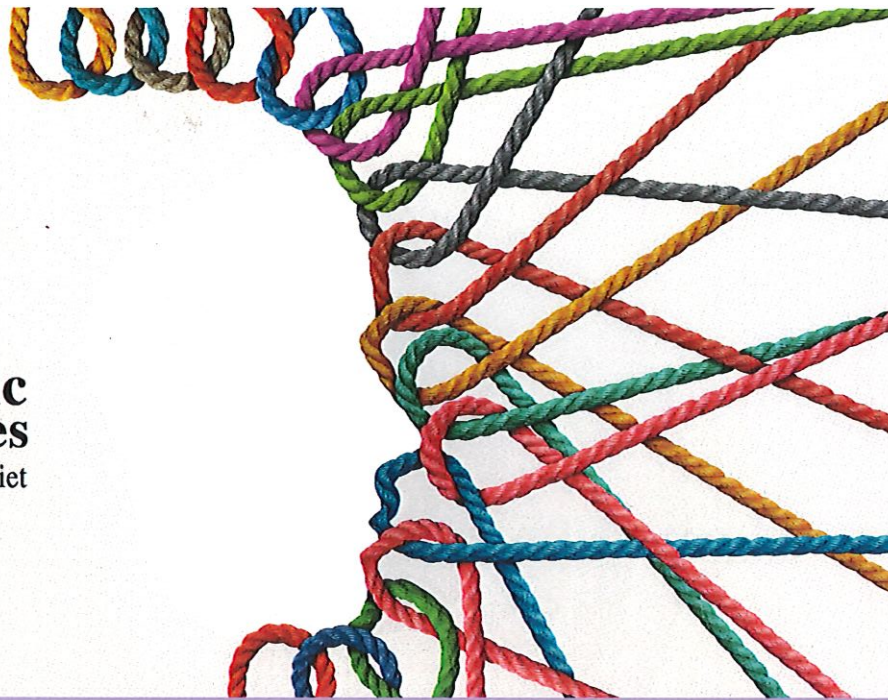
**DuPage Township  
Food Pantry  
719 Parkwood Ave.  
Romeoville, IL  
815-886-7986**

**TO APPLY CONTACT EITHER TOWNSHIP  
LOCATION FOR AN APPOINTMENT**





**catholic  
charities**  
Diocese of Joliet



# Attention: DuPage Township Residents (ages 60+ and 18-59 with disabilities)

**Meet with Catholic Charities'  
Aging and Disability Services Network  
Wednesdays from 8:30am-4:00pm  
241 Canterbury Lane, Bolingbrook**

We can provide information and assistance with:

- Benefit Access Applications
- Medicaid/SNAP
- Community Care Program
- Housing
- Transportation
- Financial Assistance
- Options Counseling
- Other resources and programs

**To make an appointment,  
call Jo Prempeh (815) 933- 7791 ext. 9908**

**Walk ins are welcome.**

We are a faith-based organization providing service to people in need and calling others of good will to do the same.







Along with General and Emergency Assistance, the township partners with the salvation army to administer their programs that can help folks when LIHEAP is not available.

*Junto con el programa de asistencia general y asistencia de emergencia, el township, con el Ejército de Salvación, administra sus programas para ayudar la gente cuando LIHEAP no esta disponible.*

Salvation Army Service Extension	Help to Others H2O	Nicor Assistance Programing
Help with delinquent rent and utilities	One time grant of up to \$200 for past due IL American Water bills.	Help with past due Nicor bills
<i>Extensión del Ejército de Salvación</i>	<i>Help to Others (H2O) "Ayuda a Otros"</i>	<i>Programas de Asistencia de Nicor</i>
<i>Ayuda con la renta o servicios publicos</i>	<i>Ayuda hasta \$200 para la fracturas de IL American Water</i>	<i>Ayuda con fracturas de Nicor</i>

For more information about these programs, contact Vicente Fernandez, General Assistance Administrator at 630-759-1317 or email at [GA@dupagetownship.com](mailto:GA@dupagetownship.com)

## Self Serve Paper Shredding

PAPER SHREDDING IS AVAILABLE FOR RESIDENTS AT THE LEVY SENIOR CENTER,  
251 CANTERBURY LN. IN BOLINGBROOK,  
MON.-FRI. FROM 8:30AM-4:30PM. USE OF THE PAPER SHREDDER IS ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS. FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 630-759-3411





This service is available to anyone, no need to be a senior to use the shredder.





# Wraparound Services

DuPage Township serves as an outreach location for many organizations and agencies in the area. Below is a monthly schedule of organizations and agencies that use the township as an outreach location:

<p>Every Monday: 9am-3pm</p>	 <p><b>Will County Center for Community Concerns</b> <small>Providing Hope Through Self-Sufficiency</small></p>	<p>The Will County Center for Community Concerns provides utility assistance, LIHEAP and other housing and utility services.</p>
<p>Every Tuesday and Thursday: 8:30am-4:30pm</p>		<p>The Will County Recorder of Deeds keeps records of various real estate related documents such as property deeds and liens. The county recorder also can record DD-214 paperwork for veterans.</p>
<p>Every Wednesday: 8:30am-4:30pm</p>	 <p><b>catholic charities</b> <small>Diocese of Joliet</small></p>	<p>A Catholic Charities caseworker comes once a week to offer aging and disability services for those over the age of 60 or for those with a disability.</p>
<p>Every 2nd Thursday of the month: 10am-2pm</p>	 <p><b>Choose VA</b> <small>Choose Hines</small></p>	<p>The Hines VA outreach coordinator helps veterans with services regarding VA medical benefits and other veteran specific services. Veterans must bring a copy of their DD-214 to enroll in services.</p>



*Necesita ayuda con sus facturas de energía? El próximo año del programa de LIHEAP empieza*

**El 1 de octubre 2023**

*Estarán tomando solicitudes en el township cada lunes empezando el 2 de octubre de 2023*



Need help with your home energy bills? The next LIHEAP program year starts

**October 1st, 2023**

Applications available at the township **every Monday** starting, October 2nd, 2023

LIHEAP is administered locally by the Will County Center for Community Concerns and questions regarding program requirements can be found on their website: [wccc.net/utility-assistance](http://wccc.net/utility-assistance)





# Discovering Township History



Recently, the township has found a number of historical documents pertaining to the township. Some of the documents date back all the way to the 1860's! The township, in collaboration and partnership with Fountaindale Library and the Bolingbrook Historical Preservation Commission, is attempting to preserve, document and display a number of artifacts pertaining to the early days of the township, which include areas of Bolingbrook and Romeoville. Some of the documents include election rolls, voter affidavits, bounty claims (for wildlife) and supervisor vouchers among other things.

At the township's April 16th board meeting, the board approved a Deed of Gift to donate to the Bolingbrook Historical Preservation Commission to catalog, preserve and digitize these documents. The Fountaindale Library will work to upload all the documents online for the public to see. The library already has a number of township documents online from a previous donation. To access those documents go to: <https://archive.org/search?query=DuPage+Township>

Here are some examples of documents that were found:

**Annual Town Meeting**

Notice Is Hereby Given

To the citizens, legal voters of the Town of \_\_\_\_\_

In the County of Will, and State of Illinois, that the ANNUAL TOWN MEETING for said Town will be held at the \_\_\_\_\_ in said Town, on **Tuesday, the \_\_\_\_\_ Day of April Next**, being the first Tuesday in said Month, for the purposes following, viz:

**FIRST**—To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

**SECOND**—To elect One Supervisor (who shall be ex-officio Overseer of the Poor), \_\_\_\_\_ Assistant Supervisors, One Town Clerk, One Assessor, One Collector, One Commissioner of Highways, \_\_\_\_\_ Justice of the Peace, \_\_\_\_\_ Constable, One Trustee of Schools, and as many Pound Masters as the Electors may determine.

**THIRD**—To \_\_\_\_\_

And to act upon any additional subjects which may, in pursuance of law, come before said meeting, when convened.

Which meeting will be called to order at seven o'clock in the forenoon, and kept open until five o'clock in the afternoon.

Given under my hand, at this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ A. D. 18 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Town Clerk.

A blank notice for the annual town meeting that would take place in April, as it is still done today.



C-102 AFFIDAVIT TO CLAIM FOR BOUNTY.—JAMES REPUBLICAN PATENT COMPANY

STATE OF ILLINOIS, }  
Will County, } ss. Before the Clerk of the said Town.

Town of DuPage

I, Harry J. Lubbich of the Town of DuPage in the County of Will, State of Illinois, being first duly sworn, on oath depose and say that I \* killed took—  
Seventeen crows—Eleven ground hogs.  
(Here state numbers)

crows (Here state whether bounty is claimed for Crows, Coy's Eggs, or Ground Hogs)  
within the limits of the said Town, present Seventeen heads eleven scalps  
(Here state heads of said Crows, scalps of said Ground Hogs, or eggs, as the case may be)

and make application for bounty at 20 cents for each crow head 25 cents ground hog.  
(Here state Crow or Groundhog killed or dove Egg taken)

Subscribed and sworn to this Eleventh day of July A. D. 1918

Before me Irving Davis  
Clerk of Town of DuPage Illinois.

\*Erase as facts require.

An old affidavit for bounty to exterminate certain wildlife in the area

AFFIDAVIT OF PERSON NOT REGISTERED.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, }  
COUNTY OF WILL. } ss.

I, Beroy Williams do solemnly swear \_\_\_\_\_ that I am an inhabitant of this town and that I am entitled to vote therein at this election, and that I reside at in the town of DuPage

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 7th day of November A. D. 1876

Mrs. H. Smith B. Williams  
JURY ENTRUSTED WITH THE

An affidavit of someone who lived in the township but was not registered to vote but had a right to still vote by attesting they lived in town.



**FREE ENTRY**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2ND**  
**10 AM TO 2 PM**

**DuPage TOWNSHIP**  
 241 CANTERBURY LANE  
 BOLINGBROOK, IL 60440

**JOIN US FOR OUR 2023**  
**TOOLS FOR SCHOOL**

USE LINK BELOW OR QR CODE TO SIGN UP  
[HTTPS://FORMS.OFFICE.COM/R/IWA4EBSADM](https://forms.office.com/R/IWA4EBSADM)

**Tools for School registration form**

**LAST DAY TO REGISTER: FRIDAY, JULY 21, 2023**  
**FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY**  
**SCHOOL SUPPLIES, FOOD STALLS,**  
**LIBRARY CARDS, HAIRCUTS.**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 630-759-1317**



*Summer  
 Fun  
 at  
 Summer  
 Bridge*

Frozen treats, water slides, and fun with friends are arguably the best parts of summer. School is out and it's time for adventure! But due to the busy schedule of the family, some kids don't get to experience the fun of summer.

Thankfully, the DuPage Township was able to relaunch Summer Bridge camp this year! Located at Bulldog Park, Summer Bridge provides a safe environment for local youth grades 1-8 to have a great time during the day.

Phenomenal job by Co-Directors Aidan Shea & Gabby Zaczek!

**H<sub>2</sub>O**  
 Heart Haven Outreach

**1-TO-1 AND SMALL GROUP MENTORING**

Positive relationship with an adult who genuinely cares and can provide personal support in dealing with life's pressures.

**POWERED BY:**



"Instead of using anger or impulsively lashing out at people, I've learned to be more patient and more thoughtful".

- 10th Grade High School Student

"H2O has helped make creating friendships easier and taught me that I can be who I want to be and that people will accept me".

- 8th Grade Middle School Student



**SIGN UP FOR FREE TODAY**  
**CALL H2O: 630.226.8403**  
**VISIT: WWW.HEARTHAVENOUTREACH.ORG**





241 CANTERBURY LANE  
BOLINGBROOK, IL 60440-2834

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## *The falling leaves drift by the window The autumn leaves of red and gold*

When he sang "Autumn Leaves," Nat King Cole brought those words to life, reminding us how summer dissolves into fall as part of nature's seasonal cycle. We look at the coming months as the end of a season. School begins again in late August, baseball season winds down, and by September the weather gradually grows cooler. We realize that fall is beginning as summer draws to a close.

As we enter the third quarter of our year, it's important to remember that the earth has its own clock. It takes one trip around the sun to complete a year, and because the earth is tilted as it moves, we get more sunlight or less sunlight depending on what point we're on in our orbit. That's why days are longer in the summer and shorter in the winter.

Fall begins on the autumnal equinox, the date on which the length of day's light and night's darkness are equal. This year it happens on September 23. Two Latin words *aequus* (equal) and *nox* (night) are combined to form "equinox," indicating the equal length of day and night.

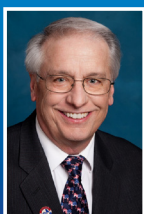
DuPage Township follows the seasons. The wax and wane of the hours in the day drive the schedule of events. Whether it's the exercise programs for Seniors, youth programs, bingo nights, scheduled tours, or any of the myriad of options offered through the township and the Sarah and Joseph Levy Senior Center, the daytime hours and the nighttime hours are filled with opportunities for education, entertainment, and fellowship.

To find out which events are coming up each month, check out the Calendar and Services pages at [www.dupagetownship.com](http://www.dupagetownship.com), or call the DuPage Township office at 630-759-3412 or the Levy Center at 630-759-3411. There's a spot for you in the wide range of activities available through your township.

Take a look at the leaves that fell from the trees beginning in September and you won't need to know ancient Latin to understand why we call it "fall." Since we spend our time cleaning up after the trees, maybe we should call the season "rake" or "sweep" instead.

Tom Braxton  
Trustee

### Our Elected Officials



THOMAS BRAXTON  
Trustee



TERRI RANSOM  
Trustee



DEBI SAVAGE  
Trustee



REEM TOWNSEND  
Trustee



KENNETH HARRIS  
Assessor



MONTY JACKSON  
Collector



BARBARA PARKER  
Clerk