



# VILLAGE of MONEE



5130 W Court St, Monee, IL 60449 | 708-534-8301

[www.villageofmonee.org](http://www.villageofmonee.org)

*There's No Place Like Monee...*



## VILLAGE OF MONEE FALL FEST

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 thru SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12**



**LIVE MUSIC • CARNIVAL  
FIREWORKS**



## Important Phone Numbers

**Police Department** ..... 708-534-8308  
5357 W. Main Street, Monee

**Monee Township** ..... 708-534-6020  
26121 Egyptian Trail, Monee

**Monee Township Assessor** ..... 708-534-6023  
46 Town Center Road, University Park

**Monee Post Office** ..... 708-534-8057  
5410 W. Main Street, Monee

**Peotone Library** (including Monee).... 708-258-3436  
515 N. First Street, Peotone

**Crete-Monee 201-U**  
School District Administration ..... 708-367-8300  
[www.cm201u.org](http://www.cm201u.org)

**Will County Court** Questions ..... 815-727-8592

**Will County Land Use** ..... 815-727-8631

**Will County Health Department** ..... 708-534-5777

**J.U.L.I.E.** (811 before you dig) ..... 800-892-0123

**Allied Waste/Republic Services** ..... 708-385-8252

**Comcast** ..... 800-581-3734

**AT&T** ..... 888-887-5328

**Will County Animal Control** ..... 815-462-5633

### Water, Sewer & Garbage Billing Information

Water, sewer and garbage bills are sent out bi-monthly: January, March, May, July, September and November. The amount shown on your bill is due before the late date shown on the bill. The \$30.00 penalty amount is due on or after the late day shown on the bill. (No discount is given for filling swimming pools).

### After Hours Payment Depository

There is a depository box, adjacent to the main doors of the Monee Village Hall, 5130 W. Court St. This depository may be used for payment of water bills and park program fees.

### PSN: Payment Service Network, Inc. (Online Transactions)

Your online payments can be made by either electronic fund transfer (EFT) from your bank account as well as from your credit or debit card. (A transaction fee may apply). For more information, please call the Village Hall or go to the Village website at [www.VillageOfMonee.org](http://www.VillageOfMonee.org) and click on Bill Payment online.

### UPS Drop Box

The Village of Monee has a UPS Drop box in the outer driveway at Village Hall, 5130 W. Court St. Take advantage of this convenient way to ship your letters and packages. Get many necessary supplies right in the box. Various pick up times.

### Typographical Errors

Our staff has made every effort to prepare this newsletter as accurately as possible, however, errors can occur. Circumstances may require that adjustments be made to programs, fees, schedules, etc. All typographical and printing errors are subject to corrections.



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**Fax: 708-534-0694**

**[www.VillageofMonee.org](http://www.VillageofMonee.org)**

Population of Monee: 5,148

**Mayor:** Dr. Therese Bogs

**Village Clerk:** Doneshia Smith-Codjoe

**Village Deputy Clerk:** Michelle Powell

**Village Treasurer:** Norbert Snow

### Village Trustees

Heidi Gonzalez

Doug Horne

Anthony Raczek

Elizabeth Rakis

Scott Youdris

### Village Hall Hours

Monday-Friday 9:00am – 5:00 pm

### Police Department

**5357 W. Main St. Monee, IL 60449**

**Phone: 708-534-8308**

**Fax: 708-534-3321**

**Chief of Police:** Scott Koerner

**Village Board Meetings** typically meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month at 6:30pm at the Monee Village Hall (5130 W. Court St.).

Board meetings are open to the public and can be viewed on YouTube by going through our website.  
[www.VillageofMonee.org](http://www.VillageofMonee.org)

September 11

September 25

October 19

October 23

November 13

November 27 \*

December 11

December 25 \*

\* Meeting dates may change or be cancelled due to Holidays

## 2021 Holiday Closures

Labor Day September 6th

Veteran's Day November 11th

Thanksgiving Day November 28th & 29th

Christmas Eve December 24th

Christmas Day December 25th

Christmas Observance December 27th

# POLICE DEPARTMENT

## Chief's Corner



Chief Scott Koerner

Every week MPD takes between four and eight reports for fraud or identity theft. Think about that number for a minute. Most of those revolve around unemployment fraud. We are a community of 5300. Chicago has nearly three million residents. In one year, we could estimate Monee taking 200 or more reports for unemployment fraud. The law of averages says that the City of Chicago would more than likely take 120,000 reports for unemployment fraud. The entire metropolitan area of 9.5 million people could conceivably report almost 400,000 cases of unemployment fraud in one year. You get the idea. These are not actual numbers. These are based on the fact that Monee takes almost 200 such reports annually. The point is fraud and identity theft are completely out of control.

Your personal information is the bad guys key to free money in your name. Once identity thieves have your information, they can clean out your bank account, run up charges on your credit cards, open new utility accounts, even get medical treatment on your health insurance. An identity thief can file a tax refund in your name and get your refund. In some extreme cases, a thief might even give your name to the police during an arrest. We talked about unemployment fraud numbers. The attempt to receive benefits in your name, is one of hundreds, if not thousands of scams out there. They want your Social Security number, your Credit Card information, your personal account information and anything they can get their hands on. Phony government sites, that look like the Driver's License Bureau, IRS, etc., have become prevalent. Make sure you check the internet address and don't send your personal identifying information to anyone or any site that you are not 100% sure of. Government sites are normally short and exact in their addressing and end in .gov, or .org. Pay attention. A lock or https:// means you have safely connected to a .gov site. If they tell you that you lost something or you need to update information, check it twice. And, don't give anybody any information over the phone if they called you. Never. Ever. Period. If it doesn't feel right.... It probably isn't right. Whether it's a phone call or an email or a letter, always verify if you're not sure. Call your local police, they can help!

Monitor. Know where your accounts are and how much money is associated with them. Whether its credit or savings, it can be susceptible. Do you have an alert system set up on your accounts that will text or email you with any activity? Does your bank or credit card offer a 'credit monitoring program'? Most do...Sign up TODAY. Even if you are protective of your SSN or your personal information, you need to keep an eye on your credit. You may not get scammed, but a data breach at the headquarters of your local hardware store could mean your credit card and email information has already made its way to the dark web. From there, it can be obtained by almost anybody with some computer knowledge and a desire to steal.

Unfortunately, the Internet makes this a global problem. In many cases, it is even promoted by foreign governments. It is very difficult for a local PD to have the resources needed to combat this crime. We do make arrests. Most often, when a person's credit card information is stolen and then used locally. At the Federal level, the FBI and its counterparts have thwarted several criminal organizations who have stolen hundreds of millions of dollars worldwide. Law Enforcement is well aware of the magnitude of fraud and its ties to worldwide organized crime. We will persist in our mission. YOU need to help us. Help us by taking care of yourself, being diligent in protecting your identity and monitoring your assets and your personal information. For more information on fraud and identity theft, check the websites for the FBI, the Department of Justice, the Illinois Department of Employment Security and the Illinois Attorney General. They all have informative recommendations for protecting yourself.....

*Be Safe, Be Smart and Be Careful!!*

### Remember . . .

When you are purchasing online, always do so with caution and diligence. The Police parking lot is under video surveillance at all times and is a secure location for you to utilize when meeting with someone you have never met before.

**Call for details if needed.  
708-534-8308**



### Need to get rid of those old medications?

MPD will take your old meds at the station.  
The drop box is located in the Police Department lobby.

**Be responsible!! Properly dispose!!**



# PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

## Water Main Flushing: Coming to a fire hydrant near you October 2021!



Fall is here once again, and with it comes our annual fall water main flushing. Our process will be much the same as it has been in recent years, flushing water mains throughout the Village, and should take about 3-4 weeks to complete. One thing that will be different, however, is that we may schedule additional flushes as needed throughout the months. These additional flushes will likely be isolated to specific areas, and will not be system-wide. This is being done as part of an ongoing effort to improve water quality. While we take a great deal of pride in the quality of the water we deliver to our residents, we will never take anything for granted and will always strive to provide the best possible water quality.

As we all know, flushing water mains can be an inconvenience for residents, but it is an essential maintenance procedure, the benefits of which are twofold. First, sediment resulting from natural mineral content can cause degraded water quality, and flushing is the most economical method by which to remove that sediment. Secondly, flushing water mains serves as a "stress test" for our distribution system, allowing us to identify and repair problems that arise from increased flows.

As we move forward, a few important things to remember are:

- Water mains will be flushed beginning the week of October 11, 2021. Operations will commence at 7am daily, and will normally end at 3pm. Flushing may, however, continue to as late as 7pm as circumstances warrant.
- Water main flushing will continue every weekday until we have flushed our entire distribution system. We estimate that the entire process will take 3-4 weeks to complete.

- We will begin flushing at the nearest point to our water source, which is our 50,000 gallon elevated water tank on South Chestnut Road. From there we will fan out to the east, south, and north all the way to the far reaches of our system. At that point we will return to the tank on Chestnut, fan out to the west, and repeat the process.

- Depending on a number of factors, a water main may take a matter of minutes to run clear, and sometimes can be a matter of hours. Mains are flushed continuously until the water runs clear, therefore it is difficult to establish an accurate timeline not only for completion, but for informing residents of exactly when their area will be flushed. Please keep in mind that the attached schedule is an estimate, and exact dates and times are subject to change as conditions warrant.

- **PLEASE WATCH FOR SIGNS IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD.** Areas scheduled for flushing will have signs posted at least 24 hours in advance to inform residents.

- During and after flushing, if you encounter discolored water, please open a cold water tap and let the water run for 5 minutes. If the water does not run clear after 5 minutes, shut the water off, wait 30-45 minutes and repeat. Do not run water constantly for hours, as this is wasteful and ineffective.

- If possible, avoid running hot water taps while the water is discolored. This will help keep sediment from settling in your water heater.

- To avoid staining, do not wash clothes when flushing is occurring in your area, or any time water is discolored.

Any questions regarding water main flushing can be directed to the Village of Monee Public Works Department at 708-534-8306.

## Yard Waste Service & Branch Pickups – Schedule 2021

### Republic Yard Waste Service is coming to an end on November 30th.

Yard waste can be placed on in either brown kraft paper bags or in your own containers marked with yard waste stickers which can be obtained at no-charge by calling customer service at 708-385-8252 or at the Village Hall.

The containers cannot exceed 35 gallons in size, or 40 pounds in weight. Please Note: Tree branches in excess of two inches in diameter will not be removed. Tree branches must be bundled in a maximum 2 feet in diameter and 4 feet in length and should weigh no more than 40 pounds.

Yard waste in plastic bags is not acceptable.



### Branch Pick Up is coming to an end on November 17th.

Please have your branches curb side ready for pick up prior to the dates posted below. All dates are weather permitting.

Please note: We do not chip root balls or dirt. Please have these items disposed of properly. We also will not chip trees that have been contracted out for removal.

The Public Works Department understands severe weather events can take place that warrant clean ups.

The remaining dates:

**September 15th-16th**

**October 13th-14th**

**November 17th-18th** (last branch pick up)

For more information, please visit: [www.villageofmonee.org](http://www.villageofmonee.org)

# PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

## Winter Tips to Help Our Community Work Together

The winter snow can offer ample opportunities for recreational activities but many of us see it as a tiresome chore that rarely comes at a convenient time. This is further complicated by the Village's commitment to keeping the streets as clear and safe as possible. With a little insight and useful tips you can minimize the frustrations and stay warm (or enjoying the recreational aspects of winter).



- Keep our children safe; Please keep in mind plow drivers often cannot see children on the plow hills. We know they look fun but they can cause serious injuries or even a fatality. Educating our children where to safely play in snow is best. Also keep in mind our children walk to bus stops and even to school. Please help shovel our sidewalk and bus corners.
- Helping shoveling our neighbor's sidewalks increases our safety for all residents, from the elderly to our children.
- Avoid walking on the streets. With the snowy conditions, vehicles and especially plows have inherently limited visibility and pedestrians in the street are just encouraging needless hazards.
- Avoid placing your garbage cans in the street when plows are out.
- Avoid placing your snow to the west side of your driveway will minimize potential drifting in your drive, since the wind typically out of the west.
- Do not shovel snow onto the street. Actually clearing the snow along the curb up the street will reduce the snow being pushed by the plow and minimize the amount deposited at end of your driveway.
- Your mail carrier will also appreciate if keep your mailbox accessible

## Snow and Your Mailbox

Regrettably, in extreme winter conditions, mailboxes can be damaged during snow removal because they are installed close to the road in the highway right-of-way as a courtesy to the US Postal Service. In most cases, damage to mailboxes is a result of the force of snow coming off a plow's blade. This scenario is dependent on weather conditions, amount of snowfall, and the weight of snow. At times, the Village or private contractor's plow will accidentally hit and damage a mailbox. This is an unfortunate consequence of snow removal with heavy equipment in challenging weather conditions

How can you determine how your mailbox was damaged? Typically, if a mailbox is pushed over and has no impact marks, it was probably knocked over by the weight of snow coming off a plow's blade. If the mailbox or post shows evidence of an impact, it may have been struck by a Town or private contractor plow blade or a passing vehicle. The angle at which a mailbox has fallen also helps to determine the source of damage.

If a mailbox is damaged from snow coming off a plow blade, the Village will not replace the mailbox. In case of an emergency, we have a limited amount of temp mail boxes you can use until your mail box can be fixed. If your mail box is down, please contact the public works department at 708-534-8306.

Taking time to prepare your mailbox for winter now can prevent serious headaches later. If your mailbox moves when shaken, it could be knocked over by snow thrown off the road by a passing snowplow. Residents should prepare mailboxes for winter by tightening screws and ensuring the post and receptacle are secure enough to endure large amounts of thrown snow. If a private contractor plows your driveway, we recommend that you learn their policies regarding damage to your (or your neighbor's) property caused by their operators or equipment.



*This is your Fall Fest Monee - Come out and enjoy it!*

FREE ADMISSION • FREE PARKING



# VILLAGE OF MONEE FALL FEST

**Sept. 10-12**

Firemen's Park  
5130 W. Court St.  
(708) 534-8302  
[villageofmonee.org](http://villageofmonee.org)

LIVE MUSIC, CARNIVAL, FOOD VENDORS, FIREWORKS, CRAFT & BUSINESS BOOTHS,  
BEER GARDEN, VILLAGE-WIDE GARAGE SALES, AND MORE!

**FRIDAY** 5:00-11:00pm

- 8:00am-5:00pm** Garage Sales
- 5:00pm-9:00pm** Craft & Business Show
- 5:00pm-11:00pm** Carnival
- 5:00pm-7:00pm** Funhouse
- 8:00pm-11:00pm** Nawty

Beer Tent LAST CALL 10:30pm

**SATURDAY** 11:30am-11:00pm

- 8:00am-5:00pm** Garage Sales
- 11:30am** Parade
- 1:00pm-11:00pm** Carnival
- 1:00pm-5:00pm** Unlimited Wrist Bands \$25
- 1:00pm-9:00pm** Craft & Business Show
- 1:00pm-3:30pm** Glover Washington Band
- 2:00pm-5:00pm** Car Show,  
registration begins at 1pm
- 6:15pm-8:15pm** The Bama Lamas
- 8:30pm-9:00pm** First Responders Tribute - Bagpipes
- 9:00pm-9:30pm** Fireworks
- 9:30pm-11:00pm** The Moods Band  
(Motown / R&B / Soul /  
Old School / Dance / Disco)

Beer Tent LAST CALL 10:30pm



## COMMUNITY GARAGE SALES

Fri. Sept. 6 & Sat. Sept. 7 • 8am-5pm

Register your sale (\$5) online or at Village Hall.  
Residents who register their sales by Friday,  
August 30th will be part of a community  
map available the week of Fall Fest  
online or at Village Hall.

# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The Village of Monee Parks & Recreation Department is looking for volunteers to be part of our upcoming Fall Fest Celebration. We cannot do it without you! We are looking for youth and adults willing to help with the parade, pick up trash, sell tickets, check IDs, etc. If you are interested to volunteer at Fall Fest, please let us know at [dkroll@villageofmonee.org](mailto:dkroll@villageofmonee.org) or call us at 708-534-8302. Thank you.

## SUNDAY 8:00am-7:00pm

- 9:00am-10:45am** MAC Pancake Breakfast
- 11:00am-Noon** MAC Service under tent
- 12:00pm-2:00pm** Special Needs Rides, registration begins at 11:30am
- 1:00pm-7:00pm** Carnival
- 1:00pm-5:00pm** Unlimited Wrist Bands \$25
- 1:00pm-6:00pm** Craft & Business Show
- 3:00pm-6:00pm** The Rhythm Makers Orchestra

Beer Tent LAST CALL 10:30pm

## ARTS & CRAFTS BOOTHS

Arts & Craft Vendors Wanted!

\$40 for all three days!

Call 708-534-8302 for more information.  
FOOD, VENDORS, AND MUCH MORE!



Unlimited rides Saturday & Sunday  
open to close: \$50 per person.

MEGA PASS must be purchased before Fall Fest from Monee Village Hall.  
Passes are on sale now until Sept. 5 at noon.

**Unlimited Ride Special**  
Purchase this special pass at the carnival for unlimited rides Saturday, 1:00pm-5:00pm, or Sunday, 1:00pm-5:00pm.  
**\$25 per person**

**Special Needs Rides**  
Sunday beginning at Noon  
(Call for more information)



**Alpine Amusement & Carnival**

# COMMUNITY

## Peotone Public Library District

Serving the communities of Green Garden, Peotone, Wilton Center and parts of Monee and Will Townships.



515 N. First Street, Peotone  
708-258-3436  
[www.peotonelibrary.org](http://www.peotonelibrary.org)

Mon-Thurs 9:30am - 8:00pm  
Friday 9:30am - 5:00pm  
Saturday 9:30am - 3:00pm

You probably know we have . . .



But did you know that with your Library Card you have access to . . . and more!



Don't have time to come in and get a card? You can register for a Digital Card on our website under the Resources tab.



Providing Personal Life-long Learning and Discovery

## Dial-a-Ride

Monee Township has entered into an agreement with Will County Will Ride, through PACE Bus Company, for Transportation services.



This will service senior residents 60 years of age or over for medical visits and disabled residents for medical visits, vocational/educational training and shopping one day a week for seniors and disabled.

Once you are registered, contact Pace Dial A Ride, 1-800- 244-4410, for reservations. There is a \$2 fee per ride within the Township and \$4 per ride outside the Township, which will be collected at the time of service by the PACE Bus. All riders must NOW register and have a Dial-A-Ride ID. Contact the Monee Township for more information on registration, 708-534-6020.

No transportation service on major holidays: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Lincoln's Birthday, President's Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving, the day after Thanksgiving and Christmas Day.



Welcome  
New Baby!

Stop by Parks and Recreation Department for a special "Monee's Newest Resident" bib.

## Village of Monee Curb Appeal Contest

**Winner 1st Place 4783 Iris**

**5611 Sutton Pl, Unit A**

**5201 Wingfoot**



### Pet Supply Drive

Drop off location: 5218 W. Court Street Monee IL, 60449

**Help our community  
support animals in need!**

Monee's Park department will be collecting donations  
for local shelters and families!

**Pet items we are in need of:**  
Crates/cages, leashes, blankets, towels,  
beds, food and toys!

Regular business hours for the park building are  
9am-5pm, Monday through Friday.

There is donation bin outside for drop off after hours.

For more information or questions you can email  
[DKroll@villageofmonee.org](mailto:DKroll@villageofmonee.org) or [Achin@villageofmonee.org](mailto:Achin@villageofmonee.org)



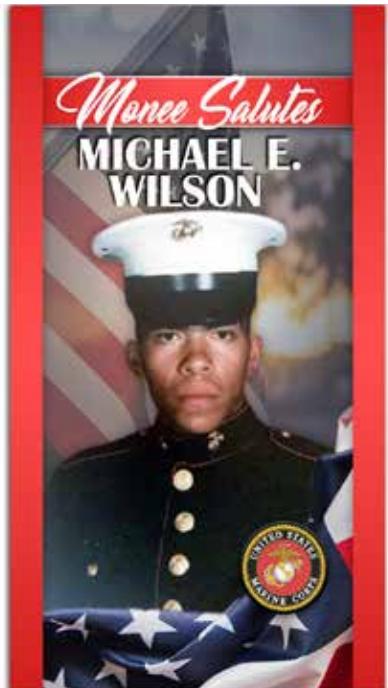
# COMMUNITY



## HOMETOWN HEROES

### MILITARY BANNERS

#### A SALUTE TO OUR LOCAL HEROES



SAMPLE BANNER

The Village of Monee is proud to honor Hometown Heroes who have served or are currently serving our country in the U.S. Military. This Hometown Heroes program will serve as a small token of our gratitude.

For more information, contact the Village Hall or visit our website at [www.VillageofMonee.org](http://www.VillageofMonee.org)

To apply for a banner, fill out the application available at the Village Hall or on the Village of Monee website.

## Monee Alliance of Churches Church Directory/Information

### Family of Faith

fofc.org  
Church: 6645 West Steger Road  
708-235-1901  
Sundays: 9:30am  
Pastor David Feddes  
(dfeddes@msn.com)

### Living Creek Christian Church

[www.livingcreek.org](http://www.livingcreek.org)  
Ministry Center & Office:  
4820 W. Court St.  
708-672-6515  
Current Worship Venue: Rich South  
High School Auditorium (Richton  
Park)  
Sundays 8:30am & 10am  
Pastor Randy Roberts (Senior  
Minister)  
(rroberts@livingcreek.org)  
Pastor Josh Rutledge  
(Minister of Youth/Worship)  
(jrutledge@livingcreek.org)  
Mickey Grubermann (Children's  
Director)  
(mgrubermann@livingcreek.org)

### Monee Free Methodist Church

[www.moneefree.com](http://www.moneefree.com)  
Church: 25528 S. Willow Creek Ln.  
708-534-5683  
Sundays: 10:30am  
Pastor Kevin DeVries (Lead Pastor)  
(kdevries@moneefree.com)  
Pastor Bethany Abbott  
(Associate Pastor of Family Ministry)  
(babott@moneefree.com)

### New Hope Christian Community Church

[Newhopechristiancommunitychurch.org](http://Newhopechristiancommunitychurch.org)  
Church: 4700 W. Court St.  
708-235-0995  
Sundays: 11:00am  
Sunday School - 9:45am  
James Hunt (Senior Pastor)  
(revjameshunt@att.net)  
Joe Johnson (Associate Pastor)  
(pastorjoe79@gmail.com)  
Debra Jackson (Executive Assistant):  
newhopeoffice2007@att.net

### Second Place Church

[secondplacechurch.org](http://secondplacechurch.org)  
Church: 6370 West Emerald Pkwy.  
708-587-0033  
Saturdays: 5pm  
Sundays: 10am  
Pastor Joe Dascenzo  
(joe@secondplacechurch.com)  
Dave Short  
(dave@secondplacechurch.com)  
More info  
(info@secondplacechurch.com)

### St. Boniface Catholic Church

[stbonifacemonee.org](http://stbonifacemonee.org)  
Church: 5304 W. Main St.  
708-534-9682  
Saturdays: 5:30pm  
Sundays: 9am  
Father Roger Kutzner  
(stboniface@sbcglobal.net)

### St. George Coptic Orthodox Church

[www.stgeorgechicago.org](http://www.stgeorgechicago.org)  
Church: 4601 W. Pauling Rd.  
708-534-6003  
Sundays: 8:30am  
Father Samuel Azmy  
(frsamuel@yahoo.com)

### St. Paul's United Church of Christ

[stpaulsmonee.org](http://stpaulsmonee.org)  
Church: 5323 W. Margaret St.  
708-534-8471  
Sundays: 10:30am (Sept-May);  
9:30am (summer)  
[sharon.goldenstpaulsmonee@gmail.com](mailto:sharon.goldenstpaulsmonee@gmail.com)

### Trinity Christian Church

[trinitymonee.org](http://trinitymonee.org)  
Church: 26900 S. Will Center Rd.  
708-534-9084  
Sunday: (SS - 9:30am)  
Worship - 10:30am  
Pastor Joe Pudjak  
(trinitymoneepastor@gmail.com)

# COMMUNITY | EDUCATION



Crete-Monee School District 201-U  
*Unity Starts With "U"*

## Crete-Monee School District 201-U

Crete Monee School District 201-U is a pre-kindergarten through 12th grade unit school district. It serves approximately 5,000 students. The district has (4) K-5 elementary schools, a K-8 Magnet School, a middle school serving 6th, 7th and 8th grade students, and a four-year high school.

District 201-U serves a geographic area of 80 square miles and is located 32 miles south of the Chicago metropolitan area. The east boundary borders on the State of Indiana. The Crete-Monee School District includes the villages of Crete, Monee, University Park, and the Will County portion of Park Forest.



## Prairie State College

202 South Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, IL 60411

Prairie State College is a two-year community college based in Chicago Heights, Illinois, and the only college operated by Illinois Community College District 515. Prairie State College will offer rigorous academic programs, meet the needs of the local workforce, cultivate the values of sustainability, and demonstrate an awareness of its responsibilities in a global society.

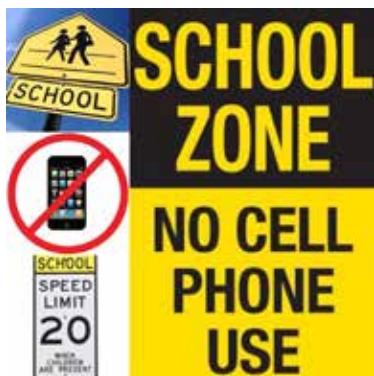
As a publicly supported, comprehensive community college of Illinois governed by a local Board of Trustees and mandated to promote and provide educational opportunities to meet the particular educational needs of its district residents.



## Governors State University

1 University Pkwy, University Park, 60484

Governors State University is a public university located in University Park, Will County, Illinois, United States. The 750 acres campus is located 30 miles south of Chicago, Illinois. GSU was founded in 1969. GSU is a comprehensive public university with a broad curriculum, offering degree programs at the undergraduate, master's, and doctoral levels. GSU has four colleges: The College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Business and Public Administration, the College of Education, and the College of Health and Human Services.



**It's that time of the year!!  
Your kids will be heading  
to school this week . . .  
and so will we!! . . .**

# PARKS & REC PROGRAMS

## Stuffed Animal Workshop

Children can come and stuff their own stuffed animal. Variety of stuffed animals available. Supplies are limited, don't delay to register.



**Day/Date:** Wed., Nov. 10 or  
Wed., Dec. 8

**Time:** 5:00pm-5:30pm

**Location:** Firemen's Park Building

**Ages:** 5-12 years old

**Cost:** \$5 each stuffed animal

## Taekwondo

Taekwondo is an ancient Martial Art offering a variety of benefits for all ages and physical abilities, including improved concentration, coordination, balance and self-esteem.

**Day:** Tuesdays, 8 week sessions

**Time:** 4:45pm-5:30pm

**Location:** Firemen's Park Building

**Ages:** 5-11 years

**Fee:** \$50 per session

## Muay Thai-Martial Arts

Instructor Pete Farias teaches Muay Thia, the spectator sport of Thia Boxing with ancient military roots and Bruce Lee Jeet Kune. Students will learn strength, conditioning, stance, footwork, kicks and both defensive and offensive techniques. Wear comfortable clothing.

**Day:** Sundays, 8 week sessions

**Time:** 9:30am-10:30am

**Location:** Firemen's Park Building

**Ages:** 7 yrs- Adult

**Fee:** \$55 per session



## How Many Candy Corns are in the jar?

Visit the Parks & Recreation Department Monday-Friday 9-5 with your child and let them take a guess at how many they think is in the jar. Winner closest without going over will win a gift card to a local restaurant.

**Date:** October 1 - October 31

**Location:** Firemen's Park Building

**Ages:** 3-13

**Fee:** FREE

## Paint a Ceramic Owl

Come Paint a Ceramic Owl with us! Dress for a mess and Wear a mask. Participants will be asked to wash hands before class.

**Day:** Monday

**Date:** December 6

**Time:** 5:00pm-5:45pm

**Location:** Firemen's Park Building

**Ages:** 5-12

**Fee:** \$5.00



## Critter Class by Crosstown Exotics

YThis 4-week class is an introduction to some of the world's most misunderstood creatures. Reptiles, Amphibians and Bugs. We will teach the importance of these creatures to the environment as well as their natural history and how to take care of them as pets. Each class will feature live animals. Classes are taught by the experts from Crosstown Exotics. Some classes may take place outdoors, so dress accordingly. No open toed shoes, please.

**Day:** Mondays, 4 week sessions

**Dates:** November 8-29

**Time:** 6:30pm-7:30pm

**Location:** Firemen's Park Building

**Ages:** 4-13

**Fee:** \$50 per child

# PARKS & REC PROGRAMS

## SENIOR LUNCHEONS: *Calling all Monee residents 55+ years young!*



### November

Calling all Monee residents 55+ years young! Join us for entertainment and lunch: turkey, beans, stuffing and dessert.

Date: Wednesday, Nov. 17

Time: Noon-2:00pm

Location: Firemen's Park Building

Fee: \$4.00 per person

**Registration deadline is Nov. 12th.**

**Please list any allergies when registering.**

### December

Calling all Monee residents 55+ years young! Join us for entertainment and lunch: ham, candied sweet potatoes and dessert.

Date: Wednesday, Dec. 8

Time: Noon-2:00pm

Location: Firemen's Park Building

Fee: \$4.00 per person

**Registration deadline is Dec. 3rd.**

**Please list any allergies when registering.**



### Village of Monee Cares about our Seniors (65 and older)

We are forming a committee for seniors and would like seniors to help with letting us know of concerns and ideas for programs.

Please contact the Parks & Recreation Department to join or learn more at 708-534-8302 or email [DKroll@villageofmonee.org](mailto:DKroll@villageofmonee.org)



## Firemen's Park Building is available for your next party!



A \$200 deposit is required and returned after the party.

\$40 per hour  
(2-hour minimum)

For more information,  
please email  
[dkroll@villageofmonee.org](mailto:dkroll@villageofmonee.org)  
for more details.



# PARKS & REC PROGRAMS



## HALLOWEEN HOUSE DECORATING CONTEST

Put on your hoodies, get ready to bring on fall and Halloween!

Enter your home or nominate your neighbor's home starting September 27 through October 15.

Forms will be available online starting September 20.

Judging will begin Oct. 21-Oct. 24. 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners will be announced Oct. 28.

## HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS

Join us for Halloween Happenings at Firemen's Park! Enjoy hayrides, trunk-or-treat, bonfire, costume contests, concessions, and more!

If you are interested in volunteering at Halloween Happenings, or any other upcoming event, visit [villageofmonee.org](http://villageofmonee.org) or call 708-534-8302.



### Would you like to host a trunk in our Trunk or Treat?

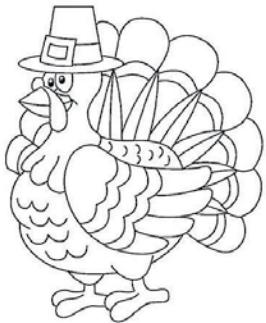
Decorate your vehicle, dress up in a not-so-scary costume, and bring enough candy to pass out to approx. 200 kids. Prizes will be award for the best decorated trunk.

**Friday, Oct. 29 5:00pm – 7:00pm  
Firemen's Park**



## Coloring Contests for Kids

**Free**



Children of Monee ages 3-9 years old can stop by the Village Hall or the Firemen's Park Building to pick up a coloring contest form.

There are 4 age groups (3-5, 6-7, 8-9) and one winner per group will be chosen.

- Turkey Coloring Sheet will be available Nov. 1-Nov. 22. Winner will be chosen Nov. 24.
- Christmas Coloring Sheet will be available Nov. 29-Dec. 17. Winner will be chosen Dec. 20.

## Holiday Giving Program

This Holiday season the Village of Monee will have several opportunities for residents to help those in need. Collection dates: November 4- December 13. Drop off at either the Village Hall, Firemen's Park Building, Brian's Place, Straight Home Bar & Grill, Schoops or Dollar General. Items collected will be donated to the in need in the Crete-Monee School District and the Mico-Pantry.

### Mitten Tree

Drop off new hats, gloves, scarfs or socks.



### Toy Drive

More details to come.



### Food Drive

Donate non-perishable items for local families in need.



## Christmas Tree Lighting and Celebration

**Friday, December 3 • 6:00pm-7:30pm**

### Village Hall & Monee Education Center Gym

This is our 23rd year to gather together to light up the Village Tree! Join us on the evening of Saturday, December 3rd to kick off the Christmas season with hot chocolate, treats, pictures with Santa and more!



### Kids! Write a letter to Santa!



Children of Monee can write a letter to Santa with your Christmas wishes. Santa's Mailbox will be made available by the elves at the Monee Village Hall at 5130 W. Court Street starting November 1-December 13. Be sure to include your name and address so Santa can write you back.

## Holiday House Decorating Contest

We love the Holidays and Monee brings that magical feeling of the holidays to life as you drive around and look at all the lights!

Enter your home or nominate your neighbor's home starting November 29 through December 13. Forms will be available online starting November 22.

Judging will begin December 16 through December 19. 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners will be announced December 23.



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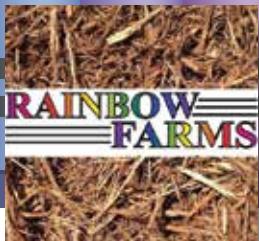
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