

Winter
2026

VILLAGE OF Monee

25711 Egyptian Trail
Monee, IL 60449
708-534-8301
villageofmonee.org



Mayor
Dr. Therese M. Bogs

As we welcome a New Year, I want to extend my warmest wishes to each of you. Our Village thrives because of the kindness, dedication, and community spirit you show every day. Thank you for your continued support and for making our home such a special place.

We have made steady progress on advancing key infrastructure improvements, we have expanded recreational programming, and we continue to build on our commitment to make our Village a more vibrant, safe, and welcoming place for all. I'm grateful for the hard work of our staff, volunteers, and residents whose dedication drives these accomplishments. Together, we're setting the foundation for a productive year ahead.

*May the New Year bring good health, new opportunities, and moments of joy for all.
Happy New Year!*

Mayor Bogs

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Important Phone Numbers

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

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

Monee Township Assessor708-534-6023
46 Town Center Road, University Park

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

Peotone Library.....708-258-3436
515 N. First Street, Peotone

Crete-Monee 201-U
School District Administration.....708-367-8300
www.cm201u.org

Will County Court Questions 815-727-8592

Will County Land Use 815-727-8631

Will County Health Dept...... 708-534-0800

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, 25711 S. Egyptian Trail. This depository may be used for payment of water bills and park program fees.

InvoiceCloud Online Service (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 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.



South Suburbs
25711 S. Egyptian Trail, Monee IL 60449
Phone: 708-534-8301 • Fax: 708-534-0694
www.VillageofMonee.org

Village Hall Hours
Monday-Friday 9:00am – 5:00pm

Mayor: Dr. Therese Bogs
Village Clerk: Michelle Powell-Johnson

Village Trustees

Heidi Gonzalez John Henson
Doug Horne Chuck Rakis
Michael Wilson Scott Youdris

Village Board Meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of every month at 6:30pm in the Board Meeting room at Monee Parks & Recreation Admin Building, (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

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

POLICE DEPARTMENT

5357 W. Main St. Monee, IL 60449
Phone: 708-534-8308 • Fax: 708-534-3321
Chief of Police: Scott Koerner

BUILDING SERVICES

5500 W. Wilson St. Monee, IL 60449
Phone: 708-534-8303
Email: buildingservices@villageofmonee.org
Hours:
Monday-Friday 8:00am – 4:00pm

PLANNING & ZONING

Chair: Christina Bettenhausen

Board

Ed Brophy Joann Culp
Jim Lehnerer Ron Lindstrom
Oscar Trevino Pam West

Planning & Zoning Board Meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of every month (if needed).

2026 Holiday Closures

January 1 New Year's Day	May 25 Memorial Day	November 26 November 27 Thanksgiving
January 19 MLK Jr. Day	July 3 Independence Day	December 24 December 25 Christmas
February 16 President's Day	September 7 Labor Day	
April 3 Good Friday	November 11 Veterans Day	



Chief's Corner



**Chief
Scott Koerner**

The Village Newsletter is a quarterly article that is sent to all residents with the intent of keeping our community informed. It is intended to be positive and informative. Parks have an amazing number of programs targeting all ages and interests. Their new facility is starting to take shape and will be a crown jewel of the Village's efforts to create a safe and family targeted environment. Public Works is overseeing the upgrade of our aging infrastructure and various road improvements. They too are preparing to move into a new facility that will allow them to better maintain and store their growing equipment list. Equipment that just happens to be essential to keeping our roads clear, our water flowing and our neighborhoods clean and safe.

It seems like we need to contribute to the positive vibes that are popping up all over Monee. No negative crime stats. No tales of misery and woe. Everybody here is 'Officer Friendly', at your service. We can start with our new School Resource Officer! We have dedicated an Officer to be present and active within the walls of the Monee Elementary School. Studies show that the positive interaction of law enforcement with children as young as five years old can have a lasting effect on their future choices. That is an investment into our future and the future of these children. Plus, there is that little bonus of having an on-duty Police Officer present for the safety of our little ones. We are certainly proud of working with the Crete Monee School District to get this program moving forward.

As we continue to grow, we find it more and more necessary to coordinate with other agencies. This has led to our active participation with the Will County Major Crimes Task Force and the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm Systems. We help other agencies when they call, knowing they will reciprocate when we are the ones in need. Our Officers meet all of the state's mandated training deadlines, and advanced training in truck enforcement and use of force are standard at MPD. Critical incident response training as well as handling those in mental health crisis are priorities and we continue to exceed the state standards. We now have a supervisor assigned to assure us that our training is second to none. That same Sergeant is also actively seeking

and applying for available grants. We just received a grant for new radios and a second grant for new protective equipment. Nearly \$25,000 in savings to our community. Many more are in the process.

On a sidenote, we were denied a federal grant to supplement our manpower. Apparently, our crime rate was too low. I think we can live with that rejection.

We are also hiring both new applicants and lateral transfers. We will have an Officer graduating from the Academy in late December and two more Officers are expected to begin training in January of 2025. It is very likely we will be testing again in 2025, and we continue to accept applications from qualified Officers for lateral transfers. Our IT department has committed an intern to help us handle all the new body cameras and upgraded in-car video systems. Computer upgrades and expansions are also on the schedule. This will take a big burden off our patrol officers who are currently helping with court reporting and IT needs.

The new year means the Village will start exploring options to build a new Police Station. The current facility is a converted factory and is starting to show signs of infrastructure deterioration. It is poorly designed and lacks sufficient storage. When it was converted, there were eight police officers in Monee. We have tripled in size and will probably double again in personnel over the next ten years. A new facility is becoming a critical need. We want to be ahead of the curve.

We have a very busy year coming up. And with all the aforementioned activities on the schedule, they are still secondary to our primary mission. To Protect and Serve. It should be and will be our strongest attribute. We have several open investigations that are waiting on lab results, records request and prosecutorial review. We have increased truck enforcement and traffic concentration patrols. Our patrol staffing reflects targeted enforcement and strong presence in the areas with the most need. We participate in several community events and maintain a presence whenever a local event is planned. Our Officers are also active off duty, supporting several charities and working with our community. We are excited for the future of our department, because it is a reflection of the future of our entire Village.

Be Safe, Be Courteous and Be Smart . . .

Sgt. Blake's best advice:



Sgt. Blake

We have reached the heart of winter!! It's probably going to get worse before it gets better. We like to remind everyone of precarious road conditions and safe driving habits. It is a major concern this time of year and no matter how many times we say it, the crashes continue. Choose not to participate by setting the phone down, slowing down and creating more distance between you and the person in front of you!! That should improve your safe trip chances by 72.3%. (I just made that up, but I'm sure it's a lot!!). And remember our pets are not immune to the extreme weather conditions. Don't leave them out for extended periods of time and make sure they have plenty of water and food. If you see an animal in danger due to extreme cold, contact us at 911. We will respond!

Finally, prepare an emergency kit that contains jumper cables, flares or reflectors, windshield washer fluid, a small ice scraper, traction material, blankets, non-perishable food and a first-aid kit. Always carry your cell phone and make sure you have a car charger in case of emergency. For emergency road assistance in the Chicago area, call *999. If you're not sure whether you should travel, look up road conditions at <https://idot.illinois.gov>

Stay safe and stay alert . . .

JUST A REMINDER . . .



The Police Department parking lot is a safe spot for any internet exchanges, or anytime you are meeting someone under less than ideal conditions.

Need to get rid of those old medications?

Dispose of them properly at the Police Dept. lobby.

Open Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm

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



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Snow Removal

One way to assist the Village in snow removal from streets is to have your vehicle parked in your driveway so the snowplows do not have to go around the vehicles on the street. Please keep in mind that parking vehicles on the street during a snow event is a violation of local ordinances, and that citations will be issued to violators.

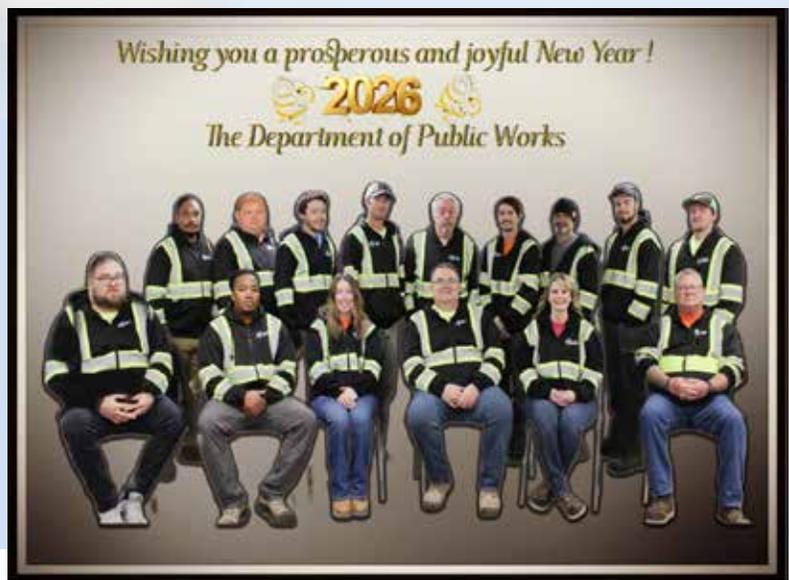
Cleaning village streets is no easy task, and requires strategic coordination in order to:

- ❄️ Keep the main roads clear for emergency vehicles
- ❄️ Clear subdivisions streets (especially the naturally problematic cul-de-sac)
- ❄️ Supplement state and county maintained routes
- ❄️ Work around residents that leave cars on streets or throw snow onto the streets, which is an issue of public safety, and contributes to unnecessary delays and costs to all taxpayers. (These are violations of local code).
- ❄️ Minimize overtime and overworking of our public workers and equipment (which is complicated by prolonged snowfall, drifting snow, and sub-zero temperatures).



Snow Plows and Driving

When the snow does come, please allow for extra drive time. Clear all snow from your vehicle including headlights and taillights. Give plow operators plenty of room to do their job for you. Don't try to race a plow or make quick moves to "get away." Cars are not always visible and big trucks cannot always stop quickly to respond to sudden moves by cars. Please be smart and safe this winter.



Spring Cleaning Tips

All of this winter weather could mean damage to your yard. Here are some tips to clean up your yard and prevent winter yard damage:

Clean up rock salt and other deicing products

Using rock salt, ice melt, and other liquid or solid products to deice the sidewalk or the street may be important in the winter to keep you from falling or sliding around on the roads. Some of the products can potentially cause damage to your greenery. When the snow starts to melt, make sure that you clear off the deicing materials off your lawn, shrubs and trees to protect against any winter yard damage. Apply gypsum to the areas of the lawn where road salt or salt from the driveway or sidewalks may have made contact.

Prune trees and shrubs

You many have put burlap around your trees or shrubs to protect them from the worst of the winter. If so, now is a great time to remove the burlap. However, winter storms may have done damage to the shrubs or trees in your yard. Make sure that you clean up your yard by pruning any branches damaged by the winter, so that new growth can take its place.

Remove dead materials and litter

One of the pitfalls from winter is that many things may blow onto your lawn that do not need to be there. Once the snow melts, you may see that litter has made it onto your lawn. Obviously, you need to clean it up. Other things you will need to remove include things like leaves, pinecones, fallen tree branches, and dog waste that may have ended up on your lawn.

Trim back perennials and remove annuals

Cut back the dead leaves and branches on your perennials to ensure future growth. In addition, if you have some annuals that you did not remove in the fall, now would be a good time to do so. Many of this plant material could end up in your composting bin.

Control weeds

If you did not get rid of any existing weeds at the end of fall, apply weed controls when temperatures are 50 degrees or higher. Do not put the weeds, though, in the compost pile, as they could sprout and overwhelm your yard.

Fertilize for spring

Now is a good time to start on spring fertilizing to get your yard ready for summer enjoyment. Use a fertilizer, which includes crabgrass preventer. Follow label directions to avoid over fertilization.

BUILDING SERVICES & CODE COMPLIANCE

Village Code

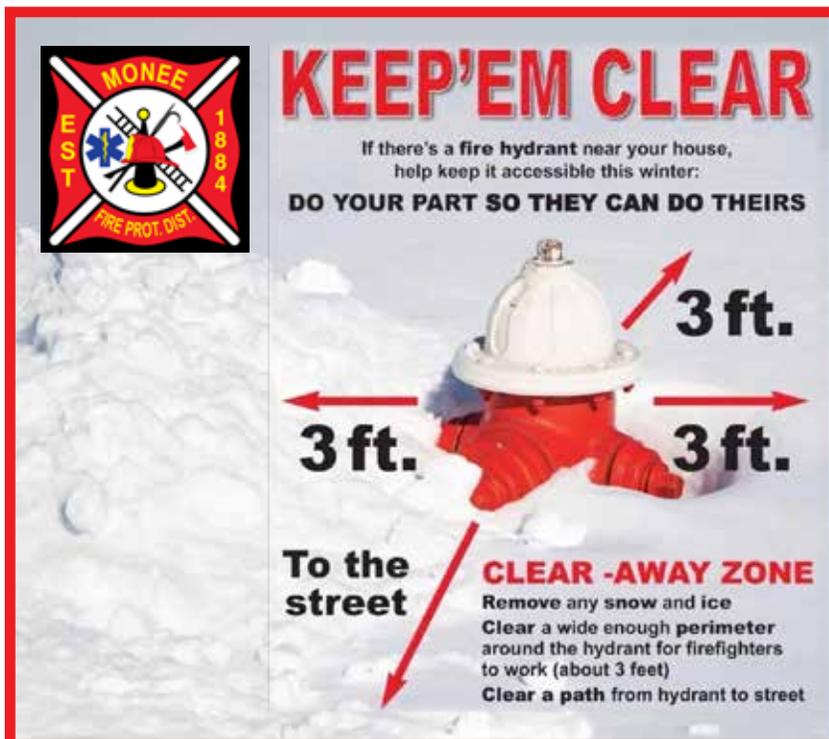
6-3-11: PARKING AFTER A SNOWSTORM; FAILURE TO COMPLY:

- A. It shall be unlawful to park or leave a vehicle on any public street in the Municipality at any time within twelve (12) hours after a snowfall of two inches (2") or more has occurred, unless the snow has been plowed off or to the side of the street; however, a vehicle may park for a period of not more than ten (10) minutes to load or unload passengers or for not more than thirty (30) minutes to load or unload freight or property.
- B. In addition to the penalties heretofore provided for, the Chief of Police shall cause to have removed or towed at the owner's expense to the nearest public garage any vehicle standing or parked contrary to the provisions of this chapter. (Ord. 1121, 2-14-2001)



Help keep Monee beautiful and a desirable community by:

- ✓ Not storing inoperable vehicles in view of general public
- ✓ All vehicles must be parked on impervious surfaces
- ✓ Not blocking the sidewalk with your parked vehicles or other items
- ✓ Storing the trash bins out of public view
- ✓ Maintaining your property including fences and driveways



Monee Based Businesses

License Renewals are due!! Along with the renewals are the required annual inspection,

Please call to schedule yours as soon as possible after making payment for the license renewal!!

Contractor Licenses

Contractor licenses for companies doing business in Monee also expired as of December 31, 2025. If your company continues too or is going to perform work in the Village of Monee please renew your contractor license.

Snow Removal

Residents & Business Owners This winter has started off with a roar! With over 10" of snow, everyone that is shoveling or plowing snow need to find a place to relocate the fallen snow, please remember:

Per Village of Monee Ordinances Section 5-3-14: No person, firm, corporation, or institution, public or private, shall plow or remove or cause to be plowed or removed ice or snow from any shopping center, parking lot, commercial or institutional service area or driveway or any other public or private service area or driveway and deposit such ice or snow on a public highway or dedicated right of way, or along the shoulder or edge of a public highway or dedicated right of way. This said prohibition shall be applicable to residential driveway or sidewalk.

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New Building Codes Start January 1, 2026

As of January 1, 2026 the Village of Monee has adopted the International Code Council's (ICC) 2024 Building Codes for the Village of Monee. This replaces the ICC 2015 Building Codes we had adopted in 2018. This means there are differences in the Building Code as they have been updated and anyone planning a project should ensure that their projects, when submitted, are within the ICC 2024 Building Codes. The adoption of current codes is a requirement of the State of Illinois Statutes Per Public Act 103-0510.

Please check with the Building Services Department before starting your next project to verify if a permit is required. Failure to obtain a permit when required may result in fines and penalties.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Did You Know?

Monee Emergency Management Agency has eighteen volunteer members that provide Emergency Services and planning for the Village of Monee 24 hours a day. This year EMA participated in approximately 250 total events, Emergency callouts, trainings, and Village Events.

Use Caution During Extreme Cold

Exposure to cold can cause frostbite or hypothermia and become life-threatening. Infants and elderly people are most susceptible. What constitutes extreme cold varies in different parts of the country. In the South, near freezing temperatures are considered extreme cold. Freezing temperatures can cause severe damage to citrus fruit crops and other vegetation. Pipes may freeze and burst in homes that are poorly insulated or without heat. In the North, extreme cold means temperatures well below zero.

Wind Chill Chart

		Temperature (°F)																	
		40	35	30	25	20	15	10	5	0	-5	-10	-15	-20	-25	-30	-35	-40	-45
Wind (mph)	5	36	31	25	19	13	7	1	-5	-11	-16	-22	-28	-34	-40	-46	-52	-57	-63
	10	34	27	21	15	9	3	-4	-10	-16	-22	-28	-35	-41	-47	-53	-59	-66	-72
	15	32	25	19	13	6	0	-7	-13	-19	-26	-32	-39	-45	-51	-58	-64	-71	-77
	20	30	24	17	11	4	-2	-9	-15	-22	-29	-35	-42	-48	-55	-61	-68	-74	-81
	25	29	23	16	9	3	-4	-11	-17	-24	-31	-37	-44	-51	-58	-64	-71	-78	-84
	30	28	22	15	8	1	-5	-12	-19	-26	-33	-39	-46	-53	-60	-67	-73	-80	-87
	35	28	21	14	7	0	-7	-14	-21	-27	-34	-41	-48	-55	-62	-69	-76	-82	-89
	40	27	20	13	6	-1	-8	-15	-22	-29	-36	-43	-50	-57	-64	-71	-78	-84	-91
	45	26	19	12	5	-2	-9	-16	-23	-30	-37	-44	-51	-58	-65	-72	-79	-86	-93
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	55	25	18	11	4	-3	-11	-18	-25	-32	-39	-46	-54	-61	-68	-75	-82	-89	-97
	60	25	17	10	3	-4	-11	-19	-26	-33	-40	-48	-55	-62	-69	-76	-84	-91	-98

Frostbite Times: 30 minutes (light blue), 10 minutes (medium blue), 5 minutes (dark blue)

Wind Chill (°F) = $35.74 + 0.6215T - 35.75(V^{0.16}) + 0.4275T(V^{0.16})$
 Where, T = Air Temperature (°F) V = Wind Speed (mph) Effective 11/01/01
 NOAA

Wind Chill is not the actual temperature but rather how wind and cold feel on exposed skin. As the wind increases, heat is carried away from the body at an accelerated rate, driving down the body temperature. Animals are also affected by wind chill; however, cars, plants and other objects are not.

Frostbite is damage to body tissue caused by extreme cold. A wind chill of -20° Fahrenheit (F) will cause frostbite in just 30 minutes. Frostbite causes a loss of feeling and a white or pale appearance in extremities, such as fingers, toes, ear lobes or the tip of the nose. If symptoms are detected, get medical help immediately! If you must wait for help, slowly rewarm affected areas. However, if the person is also showing signs of hypothermia, warm the body core before the extremities.

Injuries Related to Cold

- 50% happen to people over 60 years old
- More than 75% happen to males
- About 20% occur in the home



Hypothermia occurs when the extremities are excessively cold (blue)



Improperly warming the body will drive cold blood from the extremities to the heart, leading to heart failure

Hypothermia is a condition brought on when the body temperature drops to less than 95°F. It can kill. For those who survive, there are likely to be lasting kidney, liver and pancreas problems. Warning signs include uncontrollable shivering, memory loss, disorientation, incoherence, slurred speech, drowsiness and apparent exhaustion. Take the person's temperature. If below 95°F, seek medical care immediately!

If Medical Care is Not Available, warm the person slowly, starting with the body core. Warming the arms and legs first drives cold blood toward the heart and can lead to heart failure. If

necessary, use your body heat to help. Get the person into dry clothing and wrap in a warm blanket covering the head and neck. Do not give the person alcohol, drugs, coffee or any hot beverage or food. Warm broth is the first food to offer.

SHOVEL SMART!

- Shoveling heavy, wet snow can cause back injuries and heart attacks. Don't push yourself!
- Dress warmly, making sure to cover your head, fingers and toes.
- Stay hydrated, but avoid heavy meals right before or after shoveling.
- Move only small amounts of snow with each pass of the shovel.
- Take frequent breaks. Stop shoveling entirely if you feel exhausted!

NOAA weather.gov

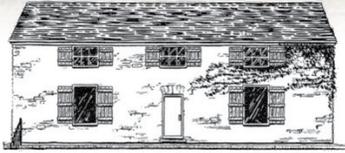
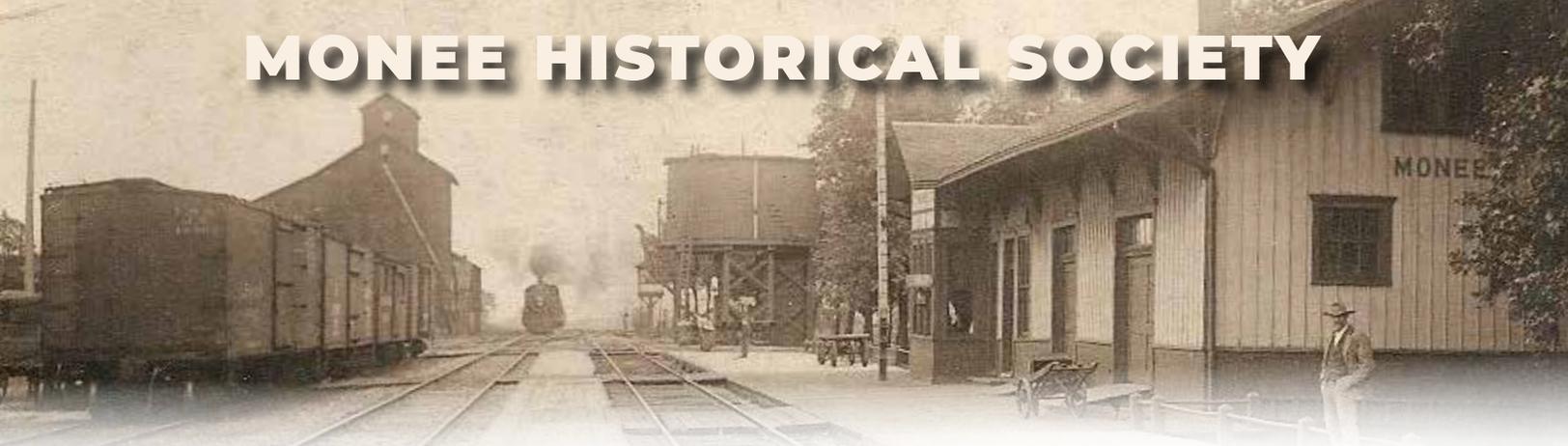
Winter Travel

Road Trip Safety Tips

- SHARE YOUR TRAVEL PLANS WITH FRIENDS OR FAMILY
- PACK AN EMERGENCY SUPPLY KIT
- WINTERIZE YOUR VEHICLE
- CHECK ROAD CONDITIONS
- GET THE WEATHER FORECAST

NOAA

MONEE HISTORICAL SOCIETY



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The Monee Historical Society is committed to the preservation of Monee's history and the life of our community. The Historical Society and its dedicated volunteers are located in the Monee Heritage Center at the Creamery at Fireman's Park on Court Street in the village.

Our hope is to maintain an awareness and appreciation of the history of the place we call home. The Historical Society is open every Tuesday 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM. and on Saturdays, once a month from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Please check our website for those dates. Other open times are available by calling 708-534-8635.

*Ensuring the Future by
Preserving the Past*

P.O. Box 171 Monee, IL 60449

www.moneehistoricalsociety.com

Upcoming Events:

Celebrating Black History — February Heritage Day will celebrate the African American experience. Artwork from students at Crete-Monee High School will be on display, as well as speakers to address the triumphs and tribulations of African Americans.

MHS Trivia Night — Let's see how much trivia you know! Gather your friends and see how well you stand up to other teams! March 14th is the Second Annual MHS Trivia Night. Teams of 4-6 compete (friendly) in a battle of wits of useless information. To register, call or email MHS.

Women's History Event — During the months March, April, and May, MHS will once again have our Great Quilt Display along with wedding dresses and women's vintage clothing. Every year the collection grows, and we are proud to be able to display them for all to see. With 2 floors, we can showcase many different styles and times. Be sure to stop in and see for yourself.

Stitches — The newest club at MHS continues to grow! MHS and the Peotone Public Library District partner to present the Stitches Club. Gather with friends, old and new, as we share the talents of embroidery, knitting, crochet or any other crafting talent you may have. Meetings are on the third Wednesday of every month at 6:00 pm, starting January 21. No experience is necessary, if you are open to a new crafting experience!

Fund-raiser at Frankie's Touch of Italy — Watch for the date to participate in our January fund-raiser. Let Frankie's do the cooking. Any purchase made; Frankie's has graciously agreed to donate a portion of the receipts to MHS.



SHOP THE MHS GIFT SHOP

Looking for a special holiday gift? Look no further than the Monee Historical Society Gift Shop. We carry MHS logo items and are proud to carry one-of-a-kind art pieces from our talented, local artists. All items support the artists and the Monee Historical Society.

COME JOIN US!

We need fresh ideas and new energy to create more ways for the community to come together. That is where you fit in! If you would like to become a member, please call 708-534-8635 or e-mail info@moneehistoricalsociety.com

Want an easy way to find us? Just use your phone to scan the QR code:



ORAL HISTORY PROJECTS ON OUR YOUTUBE CHANNEL

Learn first-hand of Monee and the surrounding areas history from the first families that helped to settle and establish our town. Each month, a new interview will premier that is sure to be educational and informative.

Use our QR code to take you directly to our channel!



BOOK CLUBS

New to MHS and the Peotone Still a favorite is the MHS History Book Club, held on the first Thursday of every month at the Monee Heritage Center. We are currently gathering the list for 2026, a bit different this year. Readers will select one of 4 books to read each month and gather to discuss their selection. January selections are based on LESSONS OF HISTORY. Stop by for each month's list or check our website for details.

HERITAGE DAY

Plan to attend our Heritage Day events on the second Saturday of the month. We will have speakers to present a variety of topics from the history of Monee to the Underground Railroad in our area. Always an interesting time and plenty of conversation! Check our website for speakers and topics.

COMMUNITY

MONEE ALLIANCE OF CHURCHES DIRECTORY & INFORMATION

Family of Faith

6645 West Steger Road
Monee, IL 60449
708-235-1901
fofc.org

Living Creek Christian Church

4820 W. Court St.
Monee, IL 60449
708-672-6515
www.livingcreek.org

New Hope Christian Community Church

4700 W. Court St.
Monee, IL 60449
708-235-0995
Newhopechristiancommunity
church.org

Second Place Church

25528 S Willow Creek Ln
Monee, IL 60449
217-212-4902
secondplacechurch.com

St. Boniface Catholic Church

5304 W. Main St.
Monee, IL 60449
708-534-9682
stbonifacemonee.org

St. George Coptic Orthodox Church

4601 W. Pauling Rd.
Monee, IL 60449
708-534-6003
www.stgeorgechicago.org

St. Paul's United Church of Christ

5323 W. Margaret St.
Monee, IL 60449
708-534-8471
stpaulsmonee.org

Trinity Christian Church

26900 S. Will Center Rd.
Monee, IL 60449
708-941-7900
trinitymonee.com



MOTHER TERESA CATHOLIC ACADEMY

OPEN HOUSE

*Building a Community
of Saints & Scholars*

24201 S. Kings Rd.,
Crete, IL
708-672-3093
info@mtcacademy.org

Wednesday, January 14, 2026 12:15-6:00pm
Tuesday, January 27, 2026 12:15-6:00pm

Come and see what we have to offer you and your child!

*Registration is
required. Please
use the QR code
below:*



Scholarships and multiple student discounts are available for qualifying students!



COMING SOON

TO THE *VILLAGE OF*
Monee



**24/7 LOCKER
PICKUP FOR
LIBRARY
MATERIALS**

Stay tuned for more details!

Contact the Library at

708-258-3436

for more information!

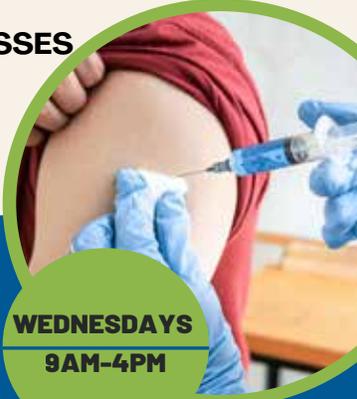


Lockers similar to the above!

Will County Health Department & Community Health Center

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO PROTECT YOURSELF AGAINST RESPIRATORY ILLNESSES

Get Your Vaccine Here in Monee!




**WEDNESDAYS
9AM-4PM**

RSV and/or Pneumonia vaccines
• You Only Need One

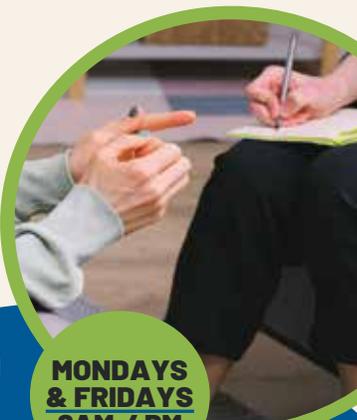
Flu and/or COVID vaccines
• Get One Every Year

The Will County Health Department Eastern Branch Office
5601 W. Monee-Manhattan Road) Monee, IL

To schedule an appointment contact our immunizations clinic at:
815-740-8143

Will County Health Department & Community Health Center

Need Help?




**MONDAYS & FRIDAYS
8AM-4PM**

The Will County Health Department offers Behavioral Health services (by appointment only) at our Eastern Branch office in Monee (5601 W. Monee-Manhattan Road) every Monday from 8:00 am-4:00 PM

For more information contact Behavioral Health Intake at
815-727-8521



EVERYONE IS WELCOME AT WIC

WIC is here for **moms, dads, grandparents, foster parents, military families, immigrant families, guardians, and families of all kinds!**

If you are pregnant, breastfeeding or have had a baby in the past 6 months, or caring for a child under 5—you can get nutritious food, breastfeeding support, health referrals, peer support, and more with WIC.

Get more info about WIC clinics in Will County by scanning the QR code with your phone camera!




This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

EVERY WEDNESDAY 8AM-4PM

Will County Community Health Center- Monee Site

PRIMARY CARE

For All Ages, 0-100+

- ✓ Illness Care
- ✓ Routine Physical Exams
- ✓ School & Sports Physicals
- ✓ Laboratory Testing
- ✓ Health Insurance Enrollment Counselors (last Wednesday of every month)
- ✓ Well-Woman Care
- ✓ Immunizations
- ✓ STI Testing

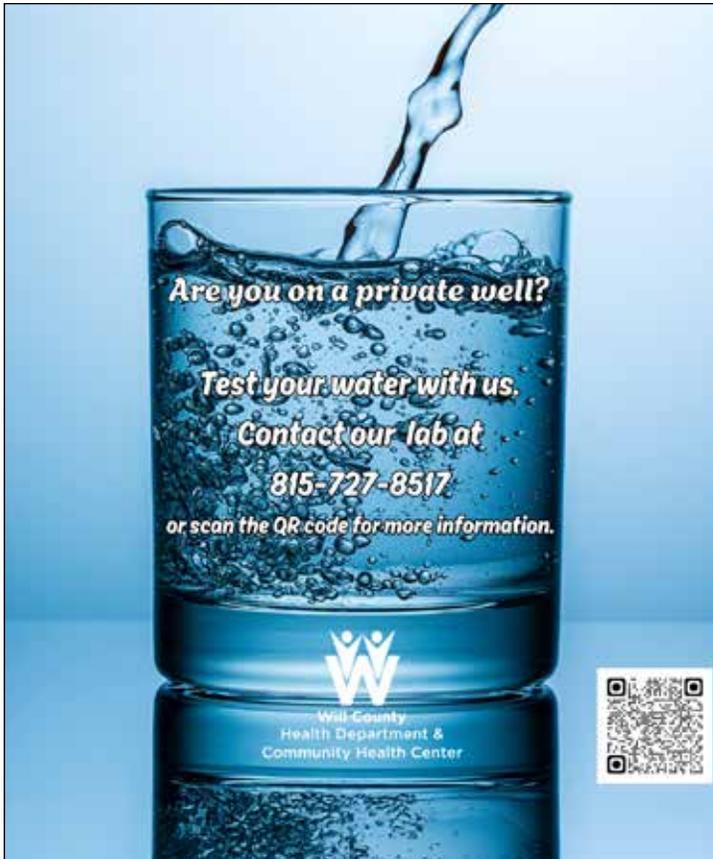
Call 815-774-6090 to learn what to bring

CONTACT US

815-727-8670
<https://willcountyhealth.org/chc/>
 5601 W. Monee-Manhattan Road, Suite 110 Monee, IL



Medicaid, Medicare, Private Insurance, and some HMO's and PPO's Accepted & Discounts for Uninsured using sliding fee scale (based on income & family size)



Are you on a private well?
Test your water with us.
Contact our lab at
815-727-8517
or scan the QR code for more information.



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JANUARY IS NATIONAL RADON ACTION MONTH

PROTECT YOUR HEALTH
TEST YOUR HOME



**PURCHASE A LOW COST TEST KIT AT ANY OF OUR OFFICE LOCATIONS.
SCAN THE QR CODE FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

It's time for my FREE Developmental Screening!!



WHAT'S A DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENING?

Scan QR Code to watch a great video for more information & to find free developmental screenings in Will County!



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**THANKS!
FROM: THE BOTTOM
OF YOUR LUNGS**

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BUT FINDING HELP TO
GET STARTED CAN BE**

**FOR HELP QUITTING,
CALL THE ILLINOIS TOBACCO QUITLINE
1-866-784-8937 OR VISIT
QUITYES.ORG**



HOMETOWN HEROES MILITARY BANNERS

A SALUTE TO OUR LOCAL HEROES

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.

Eligibility:

Individuals to be recognized must be a current or former resident of the Village of Monee and must have served in any of the following branches of service:

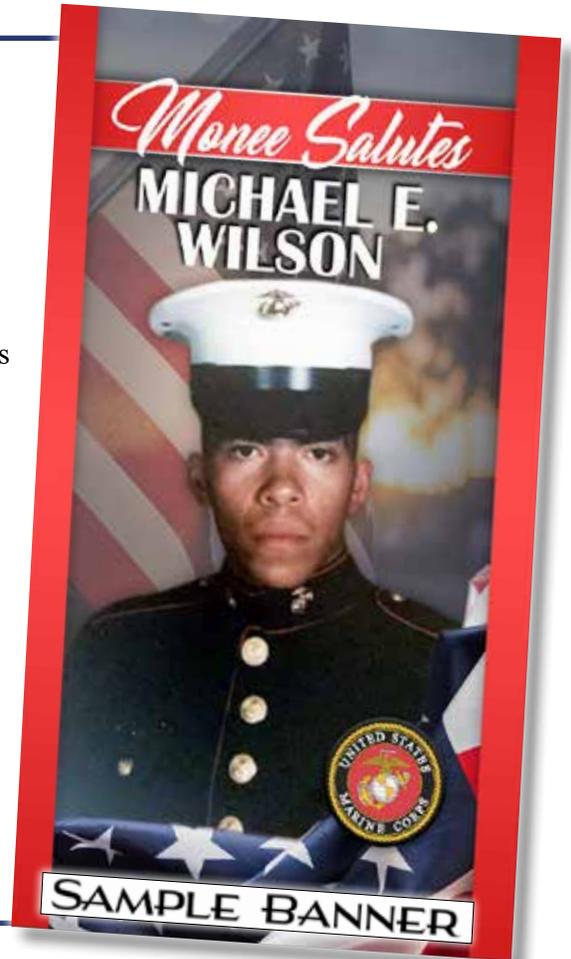
Army ★ Navy ★ Air Force ★ Marines
Coast Guard ★ National Guard

Ordering a Banner:

To order a banner, simply fill out the application that is provided at the Village Hall or on the Village's website:

www.VillageofMonee.org

Return the completed form, photo of individual in uniform and fee to the Village Hall.



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.

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.

Once you are registered, contact **Pace Dial-A-Ride, 1-800-244-4410**, for reservations.

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, 4th of July, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving, the day after Thanksgiving and Christmas Day.

Village of Monee's BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE PROGRAM

Only Inside Monee Elementary School,
25425 S. Will Center Rd. Monee, IL

Grades K-5 (2025-2026 School Year)

The Village of Monee's program is providing a safe before-and-after school program for children in grades Kindergarten through fifth of Monee Elementary School. This program is held in the cafeteria of the school. The program hours are 7:00am until school begins and after school until 6:30pm. We accommodate full-time, part-time and flexible schedules. **Parents are not locked in to a weekly schedule, you can change each week, even skip. Pay for only what you need.**

NOTE: We do not credit accounts for days absent or transfer days from week to week.

Each participant is required to pay a registration fee of \$30.

**CALL or EMAIL Parks & Recreation
Department for more info 708-534-8302**

Program Sessions	5 Days	4 Days	3 Days	2 Days	1 Days
Before School	\$55	\$45	\$36	\$25	\$13
2nd child (10% discount)	\$51	\$41	\$33	\$23	\$11
Drop Off (one day only per week)					\$15

After School	\$66	\$55	\$43	\$30	\$15
2nd child (10% discount)	\$60	\$50	\$38	\$26	\$13
Drop Off (one day only per week)					\$18
1/2 Day Early Dismissal Upcharge					\$8

Before and After School	\$100	\$85	\$66	\$47	\$24
2nd child (10% discount)	\$92	\$78	\$61	\$43	\$22
Drop Off (one day only per week)					\$29
1/2 Day Early Dismissal Upcharge					\$8

VOTE

Early Voting for the upcoming Primary Election on March 17th, 2026 will be available to Monee residents Monday

March 2nd through

Friday March 6th 10:00am to 3:00pm

@ the Parks Administration Building

located at 5130 W. Court Street.

Per the Will County Clerk's Office we are not able to do early voting in the evening or on Saturdays.

HOCKEY NIGHT

MARCH 6TH AT 7:30PM
\$155 PER TICKET
SECTION 207 ROWS 4-7, SEATS 1-8

THE CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS FACE OFF AGAINST THE VANCOUVER CANUCKS IN A CLASSIC WESTERN CONFERENCE SHOWDOWN LIVE FROM THE UNITED CENTER. FEATURING RISING STAR CONNOR BEDARD LEADING CHARGE, THE BLACKHAWKS LOOK TO DEFEND HOME ICE AGAINST A FAST, SKILLED CANUCKS SQUAD. LIMITED NUMBER OF TICKETS, SO PURCHASE SOON!

The last day to purchase tickets is February 12th. Transportation not included.

United Center
1901 W MADISON ST., CHICAGO IL 60612 ■ 708-534-8302

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Tot Time!

Join us for "Tot Time," where kids 5 and under can burn off energy and develop their motor skills and coordination through fun, interactive play! Parents and guardians are encouraged to supervise and join in on the fun as kids enjoy free play with balls, hoops, playdough, blocks, books, music, and more. It's the perfect opportunity for little ones to explore, move, and make new friends. Come play and make memories with us!

Location: Fireman's Park
Age: 5 and under with parents
Day: Tuesdays
Dates: January 6-February 10
March 3-April 6
Time: 9:30am-10:30am
Fee: \$2 per family of 4, each time

NEW! 1st Down Tots

This program uses fun games to teach football in a safe, non-contact environment. We focus on enhancing fitness, coordination, and fundamental skills while fostering the love of the game. Each session is packed with excitement and learning, perfect for kickstarting a lifelong passion for football where teamwork and fun rule the field. NO WALK-INS are allowed! *Registration ends January 5th*

Instructor: Skyhawks Sports Academy
Location: Monee Elementary School
Ages: 3.5-5
Day: Wednesdays
Dates: January 21-February 25
Time: 4:30pm-5:10pm
Fee: \$75

NEW! Volleykats

Tailored for young learners, this program offers a supportive environment to master challenging skills like bumping, setting, and spiking. Participants also develop agility, reaction time, and speed, enhancing teamwork in a fun group setting. NO WALK-INS are allowed! *Registration ends February 16*

Instructor: Skyhawks Sports Academy
Location: Monee Elementary School
Ages: 3.5-5
Day: Wednesdays
Dates: March 4- April 15 (no class April 1)
Time: 4:30pm-5:10pm
Fee: \$75

NEW! Flag Football

This program teaches passing, receiving, kicking, and flag pulling, all while emphasizing heart and spirit. Participants gain confidence and learn life lessons like teamwork and leadership in a fun, supportive environment. Suit up and join us for a game where everyone wins! NO WALK-INS are allowed! *Registration ends January 5th*

Instructor: Skyhawks Sports Academy
Location: Monee Elementary School
Day: Wednesdays
Dates: January 21-February 25

Ages:	Time:	Fee:
5-8	5:30pm-6:20pm	\$80
9-12	6:30pm-7:20pm	\$80

NEW! Volleyball

Designed for beginners to intermediates, this program combines the thrill of volleyball with fun, focused training in passing, setting, spiking, hitting, and serving. Beyond skills, it emphasizes leadership and teamwork, fostering growth as players and team members. Join us for volleyball fun and mastery! NO WALK-INS are allowed! *Registration ends February 16*

Instructor: Skyhawks Sports Academy
Location: Monee Elementary School
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5-8	5:30pm-6:20pm	\$80
9-12	6:30pm-7:20pm	\$80





Cooking Classes

Chef Tierra Williams will teach kids how to cook! The maximum class size is 10 students. Walk-ins are highly discouraged. *Call the Parks and Recreation office for student allergies.*

Instructor: Chef Tierra
Location: Fireman's Park
Ages: 5-12
Day: Fridays
Dates: January 9 - *Chipotle Bowls*
January 16 - *Mini Subs*
January 23 - *BBQ Chicken Wraps*
February 6 - *Cheese Quesadillas*
February 20 - *Lasagna Rollups*
March 6 - *Sandwich Pinwheels*
March 13 - *Fruit and Yogurt Parfaits*
March 20 - *Creamy Garlic Pasta with Garlic Knots*
Time: 6:00pm-7:00pm
Fee: \$10 and walk-in \$12 fees are per class

Shrimp & Grits Kids' Kitchen: Celebrating Black Culinary Traditions

In this fun, hands-on class, kids will learn to make the Southern favorite shrimp and grits while exploring its roots in African American and Gullah Geechee food traditions. Through simple steps, tasting, and storytelling, children discover how this delicious dish became an important part of Black culinary heritage. A joyful and flavorful way to celebrate Black History Month! The maximum class size is 10 students. Walk-ins are highly discouraged. *Call the Parks and Recreation office for student allergies.*

Instructor: Chef Tierra
Location: Firemen's Park
Ages: 5-12
Day: Friday
Date: February 13
Time: 6pm-7pm
Fee: \$10 and walk-in \$12 fees are per class

Crocheting 101

Interested in learning how to crochet a scarf? Join us for a hands-on session where we'll cover all the basics of crocheting. Bring your own materials (see list below) or use the provided supplies: a 9mm I-hook, two skeins of medium-weight (category 6) yarn, and a plastic embroidery needle. *YOU MUST PRE-REGISTER FOR THIS CLASS. NO WALK-INS.*

Location: Parks and Recreation Admin Building
Age: 12+ (12-15 must be accompanied by an adult)
Day: Thursdays
Dates: January 8-February 19 (no class January 29)
Time: 6pm-7pm
Fee: \$12.50 bringing own supplies or \$22 supplies included

Crocheting Intermediate

Interested in learning how to crochet in rounds? In this class, you would learn how to crochet in the round, use magic circles, stitch parts of a project together, and the finished project would be a bowl coozie. Supplies needed are worsted-weight (size 4) cotton yarn (must be 100% cotton or it can cause dangerous burns), 3.75mm crochet hook (ergonomic style recommended but not required), and a plastic embroidery needle. *YOU MUST PRE-REGISTER FOR THIS CLASS. NO WALK-INS.*

Location: Parks and Recreation Admin Building
Age: 18+
Day: Thursdays
Dates: January 8-February 19 (no class January 29)
Time: 7pm-8pm
Fee: \$12.50 bringing own supplies or \$22 supplies included

Wintertime Lantern Walk

We are joining the Peotone Library for stories and lantern making! After we complete our lanterns, we will walk around the park! Stories and Lantern making is at 4:30 pm, and the Walk is at 5pm. To register for this event, please visit the Peotone Public Library's website at www.peotonelibrary.org/ events or call the library at 708-258-3436.

Instructor: Peotone Library
Location: Firemen's Park
Ages: 6-11
Day: Thursday
Date: January 8
Time: 4:30pm-5:30pm
Fee: FREE, must pre-register at the Peotone Library

Valentine's Day Cup!

Come join us in personalize your own cup for Valentine's Day! The children will be able to color the design that goes around the small cup for themselves or someone special. You will also get a Valentine's Day treat! It is a reusable cup for years of fun! Supplies are limited, don't delay to register!
Registration ends January 28

Location: Fireman's Park
Ages: 4-8
Day: Wednesday
Date: February 4
Time: 5:00pm-5:45pm
Fee: \$7

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Youth 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.

Instructor: Master Washington
Day: Every Tuesday, 4-Week Sessions
Time: 5pm-6pm
Ages: 5-13
Fee: \$30 per session

Adult Taekwondo & Hapkido

Master Washington understands that completing goals through commitment is important to one's inner personal success in life. With an emphasis on honor and hard work. Taekwondo specializes in helping students of all ages and ability levels to achieve their personal fitness goals.

Instructor: Master Washington
Day: Every Monday, 4- Week Sessions
Time: 6pm-7pm
Fee: \$30 per session

Yoga

Yoga has been around for thousands of years, providing aid to a healthy lifestyle. Yoga burns calories, tone muscles, limbers soft tissues and gets the added benefit of relaxing the mind. This class will be appropriate for all levels.



Instructor: Maria
Day: Tuesdays & Thursdays, 4-Week Sessions
Time: 6pm-7pm
Ages: 16 yrs and older
Fee: \$50 for BOTH Tues. & Thurs. \$25 for one day per week \$8 per walk-in

2026 EVENTS

EVENT NAME	DATE	TIMES
Wintertime Lantern Walk	January 8	4:30-5:30pm
Senior Luncheon	January 14	12-2pm
Senior BINGO	January 22	10:30am-12pm
Senior Luncheon	February 11	12-2pm
Senior BINGO	February 19	10:30am-12pm
Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss	March 3	6-7pm
Shamrock Search	March 4	6-7:30pm
Canucks vs Blackhawks at United Center	March 6	7:30pm
Senior Luncheon	March 11	12-2pm
Senior BINGO	March 19	10:30am-12pm
Egg Hunt	March 28	10:30am
You've Been Egged	April 14 & 15	2-5pm
Senior BINGO	April 16	10:30am-12pm
Earth Day	April 22	6-7pm
Senior BINGO	May 21	10:30am-12pm
Memorial Day Ceremony	May 25	10am
Senior Expo	June 4	11am-1pm
Music in the Park	June 9	6:30-8pm
Movie: Zootopia 2	June 16	Dusk
Juneteenth	June 19	5-7pm
Music	June 23	6:30-8pm
Health and Resource Fair	June 25	3-6pm
Movie: UP	June 30	Dusk
3rd of July Celebration	July 3	TBD
Music	July 14	6:30-8pm
Movie: IF	July 21	Dusk
Movie: Elemental	August 4	Dusk
Back to School Party in Park	August 5	11am-1pm
Senior BINGO	August 20	10:30am-12pm
FALL FEST	September 11-13	Various
Hispanic Heritage Class	September 30	6-7pm
Senior BINGO	October 8	10:30am-12pm
Pooch-a-Palooza	October 10	9-11am
Senior Luncheon	October 14	12-2pm
You've Been Ghosted	October 19	6-8pm
Halloween Happenings	October 23	5-7:30pm
Food Drive	November 9-December 11	
Santa Letters	November 1-December 11	
Senior BINGO	November 5	10:30am-12pm
Veteran's Day Ceremony	November 11	10am
Senior Luncheon	November 18	12-2pm
Tree Lighting	December 4	6pm
Pizza with Santa	December 12	4-7pm
You've Been Elfed	December 7	2-5pm
Senior Luncheon	December 9	12-2pm
Senior BINGO	December 17	10:30am-12pm



BREAKFAST BINGO

THURSDAYS • 10:30AM TO 12:00PM

Join us for a lively round of Breakfast Bingo, where the only thing better than the prizes is the homemade food! Whether you're a seasoned bingo champ or just here for the coffee, this event is a perfect way to kick off the day! Enjoy a delicious breakfast while playing rounds of bingo with fun twists and prizes!

January 22nd
February 19th
March 19th

Ages: 50+

Fee: \$2
 Must Pre-Register



708-534-8302
 Firemen's Park: 5218 W. Court St., Monee IL 60449



WINTER SENIOR LUNCHEON
JAN. 14TH, 12PM-2PM

Please join us for a homemade lunch, entertainment by Boris Piano, friends and a great time! You do not need to be a Monee resident to attend! For everyone 50 and up!

SLOPPY JOES
 PASTA SALAD
 BAKED BEANS
 TATER TOTS
 FRUIT
 BROWNIES

Fee: \$10

Pre-register with forms and get \$2 off at Village Hall, closes on Monday Jan 12th at 5pm. Limited walk-in available.

FIREMEN'S PARK: 5218 W. COURT ST., MONEE IL 60449
 CONTACT US: 708-534-8302



St. PATRICK'S Senior Luncheon
MARCH 11TH, 12PM-2PM

Please join us for a homemade lunch, entertainment by Dario, friends, and a great time! You do not need to be a Monee resident to attend! For everyone 50 and up!

CORNERED BEEF
 CARROTS
 POTATOES
 ROLLS
 FRUIT
 DESSERT

Fee: \$10

Pre-register with forms and get a \$2 off at Village Hall, closes on Monday Mar. 9th at 5pm. Limited walk-in available.

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 Firemen's Park: 5218 W. Court St. Monee IL 60449



VALENTINE'S Senior Luncheon
FEB. 11TH, 12PM-2PM

Please join us for a homemade lunch, entertainment by Connie and Todd Beebe, and a being surrounded by loving friends! You do not need to be a Monee resident to attend! For everyone 50 and up!

Mostaccioli
 Green Beans
 Salad
 Garlic Bread
 Chocolate Lasagna

Fee: \$10

Pre-register with forms and get a \$2 off at Village Hall, closes on Monday Feb. 9th at 5pm. Limited walk-in available.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY Dr. Seuss™

Tuesday, March 3rd, 6pm-7pm

Come join us in a story written by Dr. Seuss and a craft! You will also get a Dr. Seuss-themed treat! Supplies are limited, don't delay to register! Please call the Parks and Recreation office if your child has any allergies!

Ages: 4-8
Fee: \$7

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Shamrock Search

March 4th, 6:00pm-7:30pm

Lucky the Leprechaun is coming to town! Let's go on a hunt find all the shamrocks he left for us to find! Maybe you will even find the luckiest one of all! We will be doing a craft and enjoying a Leprechaun's favorite treats! Please let us know if your child has any allergies.

Ages: 5 to 9
Fee: \$15

WE WILL NOT ACCEPT WALK INS FOR THIS EVENT. REGISTRATION ENDS MARCH 3RD.

Contact us: 708-534-8302
Firemen's Park: 5218 W. Court St., Monee IL 60449



FREE!

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EASTER EGG HUNT

SATURDAY, MARCH 28TH

Firemen's Park: 5218 W. Court St., Monee IL 60449

9:30am Pooch Pics
10:00am Refreshments
10:30am Egg Hunt

Come join us for an egg-sclusive Easter event! We will have an assortment of activities hopping around! Presented by Village of Monee Parks & Recreation and The Monee Alliance of Churches.

Contact us: 708-534-8302




You've been Egged!

Monday, April 14th | Tuesday, April 15th

The Easter Bunny is coming to town and it's time to "egg" your family, friends, and neighbors! The Bunny has a few special helpers that will hide two dozen Easter eggs in the front yard, and leave you a fun filled Easter basket and a "You've been Egged" sign on the door. Please pick a day to be egged.

\$20 Per Household | \$5 per extra dozen
Ages: 0-12
Hours of egging 2pm to 5pm

This event is open to Village of Monee Residents ONLY. Limit 10 houses per day.

Contact us at 708-534-8302






Registration starts in January for SPRING 2026 Season

Registration Locations:

Monee Firemen's Park
5128 W. Court Street:

January 10th and January 17th from 10am-12pm

Crete Township Hall
1367 Wood Street:

January 24th and January 31st from 10am-12pm

University Park Library
1100 Blackhawk Dr.

Jan. 24th & 31st 11am-2pm

Feb. 3rd & Feb. 10th 5:30pm-7:30pm

25711 Egyptian Trail | Monee, IL 60449



“Earlier this month my family had an amazing experience going to Firemen's Park. My 4-year-old daughter is wheelchair bound and has many other complex health challenges. Firemen's Park is the first park my daughter was able to play at and enjoy to its fullest potential. Our favorite part of the park was the wheelchair accessible swing. It has been many years since our daughter has been able to enjoy playing on a swing. My fiancé and I were in tears watching our daughter laugh and smile as she played at the park with her peers.

Thank you Monee for making an inclusive and accessible place for all. It truly means the world to families like ours. We can't wait to make more memories at Firemen's Park! ”

~ Tiffany Evancho

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