Greeting Residents,

While this upcoming holiday season presents differently, I give thanks for all life’s blessings, the strength and support of my family and the entire community. As the year comes to a close, it is apparent that 2020 has changed our lives as we know it. No doubt this year will forever be remembered for the COVID-19 pandemic. However, we have grown as a community through the difficulties and challenges that have confronted us. As we continue to focus on our community’s safety, please continue to place a strong emphasis on social distancing, wearing face masks, and washing your hands. Furthermore, it is recommended that you avoid group events and gatherings this holiday season. I would like to wish each one of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!!!

Sincerely,
Sheila Chalmers-Currin
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Village of Matteson President

MATTeson WELCOMes
SOUTH SUBURBAN HUMANe SOCIETY

Matteson will be the home for a newly constructed South Suburban Humane Society. The campus will host a rescue center for pets, dog park, walking trails, and veterinarian clinic. Matteson is very excited to welcome the Humane Society to the community. The new development will be located off Route 30 west of Central Ave, and just north of Old Plank Trail. It is scheduled to open late next year.

PETE’S FRESH MARKET
OPENING IN EARLY 2021!

Please follow us on:
www.villageofmatteson.org
Facebook, Nextdoor and access channel 4 Comcast for the most up to date information on Matteson.

The Matteson Community Center will be closed until January 11th (subject to change). Limited Programming will continue. For more information call the community center at 708-441-4500.

Village Hall Hours Modified
The Village is taking every precautionary measure to limit exposure and prevent the spread of COVID-19. The Village Hall lobby will be closed to the public on Tuesday and Thursday until further notice. All departments are still available every day to answer any questions during regular business hours.

Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
Tuesday & Thursdays: Closed to the Public

Board of Trustees
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Matteson Orthodontics Ribbon Cutting
Matteson Orthodontics celebrated their grand reopening with a newly constructed building. Matteson Orthodontics has been a staple in the community for over 20 years.

MATTESON WELCOMES
The Cook County Health Department relocated to the International office building next to the Holiday Inn, brings over 100 employees to the community.

UNDER DEVELOPMENT
• R & L Carriers Matteson will become the company’s major hub to be located on 113 acres in the Manheim Business Park. The project will bring over 100 jobs to the community
• Amazon is moving full speed ahead with expected opening by the end of summer 2021
• Over the Rainbow Development will be adding a third building to their Matteson campus, which are residential units for people of disability
• South Suburban Humane Society
• Casa Del Taco & Tequila Bar - Coming Soon
• RedStar – Coming Soon
• Krazy Hog Barbecue – Coming Soon

CASINO UPDATE
The Illinois Gaming Board has delayed the decision for the state’s new casino licenses due to COVID-19. The gaming board will seek to engage an investment bank through a procurement process. Within six months after the investment bank is retained, the gaming board expects to make decisions for the competitive landscape of the south suburbs.

Matteson Urges Community to Takeout Tuesday and Shop Local Saturday
In an effort to support our businesses, the Village of Matteson has launched “Takeout Tuesday and Shop Local Saturday”. Support your local restaurants and shop local during the pandemic by online ordering, curbside pick-up or delivery. We are all in this together, let’s come together and support our community.

Achieving the Vision for Matteson
The Village President and Board of Trustees are achieving the vision of Matteson with implementable plans, projects, infrastructure improvements, and new businesses. Go to the Village’s website under News & Events to view the map in greater details.

New Sign, New Vision Continues

MARKET SQUARE CROSSING
Positive synergy continues with interest from prospective developers on the site for future development. The Civil Engineering has recently been completed and information will be shared with prospective developers.

Preventing Crime
The Village of Matteson has recently invested into increasing the safety of the community by placing fifteen security license plate readers throughout the Village’s corridors on streetlight poles. The cameras alert Matteson Police when a stolen vehicle crosses its path. Stolen vehicles have become a criminal trend and are more often used to commit more crimes in the region. The cameras increase the officer’s abilities to deter crime and police smarter. The cameras will also enable officers to gather valuable plate information on any offenders attempting to flee a crime and avoid prosecution. This will help the police better protect the citizens and business interests of the community. Any data that is captured and not related to a criminal investigation is purged after thirty days.

Improving Safety Measures
Fire Departments new 2019 Ford F-550 Super Duty ambulance manufactured by Foster Coach in Sterling, IL.

The Wreath Tells The Story During This Holiday Season
The Matteson Fire Department wants the community to help “Keep the Wreath Red” this holiday season. It’s a holiday fire safety program designed to encourage fire safety awareness.

A holiday wreath will hang on the outside of both fire stations decorated in red lights. If a holiday related fire occurs in Matteson, a red light will be taken out and replaced with a white light. Our goal is to keep the bulbs on that wreath red. The campaign will run for the entire month of December 2020. Matteson encourages everyone to “Keep the Wreath Red” this holiday season.

Stand Proud, Matteson Census Results
The Village of Matteson is pleased to announce our 2020 Census results. The census is taken every 10 years and for 2020 the Matteson completion rate for the census was 78.5%, which shows a 6.4% increase over the previous complete census percentage of 72.10%. We would like to thank all residents that completed the census. For the first time, internet responses were allowed for the 2020 Census with the Village of Matteson at 66.5% being completed via internet. For more information on the final census count you can go to www.2020census.gov.