

Arlington Classic Tours

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS PARK DISTRICT

JULY & AUGUST 2026



TOUR GUIDE SYMBOLS



Entrée Choice



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Walking



Weekend Tour

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Tour check-in begins one hour before the start of the tour at the Senior Center in the Park District Office/Gift Shop. All transportation is provided by a premier charter bus company with a restroom onboard.

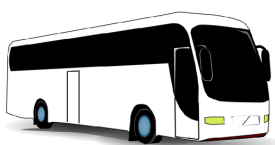
REGISTRATION DATES

Member | Tuesday, June 16 at 8:30 AM

Non-Member | Monday, June 22 at 8:30 AM

Arlington Heights Park District
Senior Center
1801 W. Central Rd.
Arlington Heights, IL 60005

www.ahpd.org
Phone | 847.797.5341



ARLINGTON CLASSIC TOUR MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

To become a member of Arlington Classic Tours, stop by the Park District Gift Shop (Shop 1801) in the Senior Center to sign up or call 847.797.5341 for details.



THE PATTY WASZAK SHOW

DINNER AT WHITE FENCE FARM

Romeoville, Illinois

Thursday, July 30, 2026

2:15 PM - 6:45 PM

Use code 100435 to register. Must register by July 1.



For over 20 years, Patty Waszak has starred in the longest-running variety show in the Great Smoky Mountains. Hailing from Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, she now takes the stage at White Fence Farm.

Her 90-minute music and comedy show is filled with laughter, sing-alongs, multiple instruments, and unforgettable performances. Her high-energy, heartwarming presentation features a wide variety of music, like big band favorites, polkas, country, disco, show tunes, current hits and even some of her original songs.

After the show, enjoy dinner at the White Fence Farm Restaurant. You can choose between the "World's Greatest Chicken" or fried shrimp, served with homemade corn fritters, coleslaw, cottage cheese, kidney bean salad, pickled beets, potato salad, homemade chicken gravy and a non-alcoholic beverage. A cash bar is available.

Fun fact: Tour Coordinator Debbie was in high school band with Patty!

Member \$105 | Non-member \$120

A NIGHT AT RAVINIA THIS LAND: AMERICA IN SONG

LUNCH AT FRANCESCA'S NORTH

Northbrook & Highland Park, Illinois

Sunday, August 2, 2026

1:00 PM - 7:45 PM

Use code 100436 to register.



Tony Award-winning orchestrator and conductor Ted Sperling explores over 200 years of popular songs to share enchanting gems that highlight our country's triumphs and challenges. He is joined by the Chicago Symphony Orchestra (CSO) and vocalists Micaela Diamond, Bryonha Marie and Noah J. Ricketts.

Together, they bring fresh voices and vibrant storytelling to a sweeping musical journey, unearthing beloved classics and hidden treasures that reflect the spirit, struggles, and enduring hope of America. The program shines with iconic songs and orchestral favorites, including "Summertime," "Shenandoah," "Over the Rainbow," the hoedown from Copland's Rodeo and many more timeless standards and contemporary anthems.

Before the concert, enjoy a family-style lunch at Francesca's North. Lunch includes a sausage and peppers appetizer, Insalata Classica salad, Rigatoni Alla Vodka, Polo Allo Romana and Torta di Formaggio for dessert. Italian bread, fountain drinks, brewed iced tea, hot tea and coffee is included. A cash bar is available.

Member \$149 | Non-member \$164

ENTERTAINMENT TOURS

CONTINUED

BUDDY: THE BUDDY HOLLY STORY

DRURY LANE THEATRE

Oak Brook, Illinois

Wednesday, August 26, 2026

10:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Use code **100440** to register.



Buddy: The Buddy Holly Story tells the captivating tale of rock and roll pioneer Buddy Holly. This musical traces his journey from his early days in Texas to his rapid rise to fame and his tragic death at the age of 22. Experience the original sound that transformed rock and roll music as we know it.

Don't miss this nostalgic, high-energy celebration of a music legend, filled with talent and toe-tapping tunes. It's a rock 'n' roll party you won't want to miss!

Before the show, enjoy lunch at the theater. Entrée choices are:

- Roasted Salmon: Served with fennel pollen seasoned five-grain blend and bourbon-glazed heirloom carrots.
- Three 2 oz. Petite Filets: Parmesan crusted, accompanied by potato purée and broccolini.

Lunch also includes a mixed green salad, cheesecake with raspberry coulis for dessert and your choice of coffee, hot or iced tea, or soda.

Member \$149 | Non-member \$164



BASEBALL TOUR



CHICAGO WHITE SOX VS. BOSTON RED SOX BALL GAME, PATIO PARTY & BINGO!

RATE FIELD

Chicago, Illinois

Thursday, July 9, 2026

9:30 AM - 6:00 PM

Use code **100430** to register.



Join us for an exciting outing to the ballpark!

Before the game we will attend the Patio Party! At the party, White Sox staff hosts a round of bingo with White Sox memorabilia as prizes! Plus, enjoy an all-you-can-eat buffet of BBQ ribs, fried chicken, Cajun chicken, hot dogs, hamburgers, coleslaw, and potato, macaroni and pasta salads. Wine, beer and Coca-Cola products are included. The Patio Party starts 90 minutes before game time and ends 30 minutes after the start time.

After the Patio Party, cheer on the White Sox in Section 113. The seats are covered and shaded along the first baseline.

Rate Field Bag Policy: Clear single-compartment tote bags (12"x12"x6" or smaller), clutch purses (9"x5"x2" or smaller) are permitted to carry into the ballpark. No backpacks or other bags allowed.

Member \$139 | Non-member \$154



HISTORICAL TOUR



A TRIP DOWN LINCOLN HIGHWAY WITH ED KOZAK

VARIOUS STOPS ALONG "THE FATHER ROAD"

Tuesday, August 4, 2026

8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Use code **100437** to register. Must register by July 15.



Join us for a full-day adventure along the historic Lincoln Highway, known as "The Father Road." Travel with expert narrator Ed Kozak, who shares stories, history and hidden gems along the way. Our journey includes stops in Batavia, Geneva, the beautifully restored Egyptian Theatre in DeKalb and the famous Headon's Meat Market in Creston. Enjoy a boxed lunch, provided by Headon's Meat Market, at the historic old Opera House in Creston.

Box lunches include a choice of sandwich and salad, along with chips, fruit, a cookie and a bottle of water.

- Sandwich choices: Ham & Swiss, Turkey & Cheddar or Roast Beef & Provolone
- Salad choices: Potato Salad or Macaroni Salad

We'll also visit several charming small towns along the route, with time for photo opportunities, souvenir browsing, and comfortable rest breaks throughout the day.

Member \$99 | Non-member \$114

FOOD TOUR



HERITAGE PRAIRIE FARM

Elburn, Illinois

Tuesday, July 28, 2026

10:00 AM - 3:45 PM

Use code **100434** to register.



Tucked off a rural road in Elburn sits a little organic farm that has become a community favorite for outdoor dining. Heritage Prairie Farm, a 7-acre organic haven, is more than just a farm – it's a retreat that beckons visitors to indulge in the flavors of farm-to-table dining. Enjoy fresh, locally sourced ingredients while learning about the farm's history and future during our tour of the farm.

Our family-style meal will consist of dishes made with farm-grown produce, meats and herbs in a cozy, rustic setting. Enjoy:

- Smoked Tuscan Pork Tenderloin on a Focaccia Crostini
- Farmhouse Grain Salad
- Tuscan Roasted Chicken Breast
- Garlic Roasted Fingerling Potatoes
- Apple Blackberry Crumble
- Lemonade, Iced Tea, Water

Member \$121 | Non-member \$136

OUTDOOR TOURS



TALL SHIP WINDY

NAVY PIER

Chicago, Illinois

Tuesday, July 14, 2026

8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Use code **100432** to register.




Experience Chicago's shoreline as you sail along Lake Michigan on the Tall Ship Windy! Enjoy breathtaking views of the world-famous skyline and discover the beauty of the Windy City from the water.

The Tall Ship Windy is a 148-foot, four-masted gaff topsail schooner. It boasts three spacious decks, pressurized toilets and a grand salon. Deck seating is available on benches and boxes. Refreshing beverages and snacks available for purchase on board the ship.

After a morning at sea, explore Navy Pier with free time to shop and dine!

Fee includes transportation and the Tall Ship Windy ride. Bring money for food, drink and souvenirs.

Member \$135 | Non-member \$150 

WOODSTOCK FARMERS MARKET

Woodstock, Illinois

Saturday, July 25, 2026

8:00 AM - 1:30 PM



Use code **100433** to register.



The Market, now in its 42nd year, is located on the Historic Woodstock Square and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places! In addition to their wonderful Farmers Market, the Square bustles with the famed Woodstock Opera House, the Old Courthouse Arts Center, distinctive shops and unique restaurants and coffee shops.

This market is a Producers Only Market, so everything available for purchase is grown, made or produced directly by the vendors themselves. Enjoy great live music while browsing a wide range of products, including vegetables, fruits, cheeses, hand-spun yarn, desserts and more!

Fee includes transportation to the Farmers Market. Bring money for lunch and shopping.

Member \$55 | Non-member \$70  

MEET THE SENIOR CENTER OFFICE STAFF



Abby Vombrack
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Staff



Katie Guzan
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Staff

OUTDOOR TOURS CONTINUED

BROKEN WAGON BISON RANCH

LUNCH AT SUZIE'S CAFE

Hobart & Valparaiso, Indiana

Thursday, August 13, 2026

8:15 AM - 4:45 PM

Use code 100438 to register.



Encounter North America's largest native land mammal at Broken Wagon Bison Ranch! Experience the incredible size and power of a bison herd firsthand, from the safety of a Bison Tour Wagon. The herd consists of over 100 bison and the farm provides locally grown bison meat, leather goods and hides. You can also find one-of-a-kind jewelry available for purchase in their store.

After visiting the bison, enjoy lunch at Suzie's Cafe. Lunch includes a choice of sandwich and side, along with a non-alcoholic beverage and dessert.

- Sandwich choices: Cheeseburger, Grilled Chicken, BLT, or Bison Burger
- Side choices: French Fries, Fresh Fruit, or Homemade Potato Salad

We will also stop to shop at the Albanese Confectionery, maker of the "world's best gummy bears", in addition to chocolates and nutty treats.

Member \$119 | Non-member \$134



RIDE & GLIDE IN WISCONSIN!

MID-CONTINENT RAILWAY MUSEUM & UPPER DELLS BOAT TOUR

LUNCH AT RIVER'S EDGE PUB & GRUB

New Freedom & Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin

Thursday, August 20, 2026

6:30 AM - 7:30 PM

Use code 100439 to register.



Trains, boats and timeless Wisconsin scenery come together on this full-day adventure!

Step back in time at the Mid-Continent Railway Museum, an outdoor living history museum celebrating the Golden Age of Railroading. Board a restored steel train coach for a scenic 55-minute, seven-mile round-trip ride through the countryside. Before the ride, explore the museum grounds filled with historic railcars, locomotives and engaging exhibits that bring railroad history to life.

Midday, enjoy lunch at River's Edge Pub & Grub. Choose from two pieces of broasted chicken or broasted cod, served with mashed potatoes, a chef's choice vegetable, breadstick, dessert and a non-alcoholic beverage. A cash bar is available.

Then it's time to shift from rails to river for a two-hour guided cruise along the Wisconsin River, above the dam in Wisconsin Dells. The tour includes two exclusive shore landings. Witches Gulch, a dramatic and eerie walk through a passage carved by wind and water; and Stand Rock, a towering sandstone formation known for its legendary leap by a dog to the top.

Member \$169 | Non-member \$184





UPCOMING TOURS



CUBS VS BREWERS
American Family Field
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Wednesday, September 9, 2026



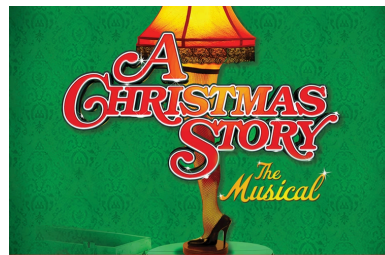
CANTIGNY GARDENS TOUR
Wheaton, Illinois
Monday, September 21, 2026



MENOPAUSE THE MUSICAL
Paramount Theatre
Aurora, Illinois
Saturday, October 17, 2026



THE FINE ART OF FIBER
Chicago Botanic Gardens
Glencoe, Illinois
Friday, November 6, 2026



A CHRISTMAS STORY
The Fireside Theatre
Fort Atkinson, Illinois
Friday, December 4, 2026



MERRY, MERRY CHICAGO!
Symphony Center
Chicago, Illinois
Friday, December 18, 2026

SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER TOUR REGISTRATION DATES

Member | Monday, August 17 at 8:30 AM
Non-Member | Monday, August 24 at 8:30 AM

The September & October Arlington Classic Tours Brochure will be mailed out to members' homes the first week of August.

PARK DISTRICT OFFICE & SHOP 1801 HOURS

Did you know AHPD at the Senior Center is now open on Saturdays?

Monday - Friday: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM
Saturday: 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Swing by AHPD at the Senior Center and peruse our gift shop, Shop 1801! We feature a variety of seasonal items, giftable trinkets, and an expansive selection of \$1 greeting cards.

ARLINGTON CLASSIC TOUR CALENDAR



JULY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9 WHITE SOX GAME, PATIO PARTY & BINGO 9:30 AM-6:00 PM	10	11
12	13	14 TALL SHIP WINDY 8:30 AM-4:00 PM	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 WOODSTOCK FARMERS MARKET 8:00 AM-1:30 PM
26	27	28 FORK & CORK: HERITAGE PRAIRIE FARM 10:00 AM-3:45 PM	29	30 THE PATTY WASZAK SHOW 2:15 PM-6:45 PM	31	

AUGUST

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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2 A NIGHT AT RAVINIA 1:00 PM-7:45 PM	3	4 A TRIP DOWN LINCOLN HIGHWAY 8:00 AM-6:00 PM	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13 BROKEN WAGON BISON 8:15 AM-4:45 PM	14	15
16	17 SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER TOUR REGISTRATION MEMBERS 8:30 AM	18	19	20 RIDE & GLIDE IN WISCONSIN! 6:30 AM-7:30 PM	21	22
23	24 SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER TOUR REGISTRATION NON-MEMBERS 8:30 AM	25	26 BUDDY: THE BUDDY HOLLY STORY 10:30 AM-5:00 PM	27	28	29
30	31					

ONLINE TOUR REGISTRATION INFORMATION



Explore

Engage

Connect



Register Now



Arlington Ridge
Center




Calendar of
Events



Parks &
Facilities Map

Online registration is convenient and eliminates long lines or waiting for someone to call you back. ACT members will be able to register online prior to non-members. Specific registration dates are listed in each tour brochure. A signed waiver is required for all Park District programs. Online registrants must agree to the waiver on the website prior to enrolling.

- Step 1: Come in or call AHPD at the Senior Center and ask a guest services member to create an online account for you.
- Step 2: Go to www.ahpd.org to view the Arlington Heights Park District homepage.
- Step 3: Click on "Register Now" which is located in the middle blue area of the homepage. (see arrow above)
- Step 4: Click the Sign In/Up icon. 
- Step 5: Enter your email address. This is the email address on your ACT account. Also enter the temporary password given to you at the Senior Center. Click "Sign In".
- Step 6: Click "Password and Security" to change your temporary password to your choice of a private password. Remember to click SAVE and write down your new password in a safe location. Once you have chosen a secure password, skip to Step 7 for future registrations.
- Step 7: Click on "Activities", located on the top gray banner, to get to the Activity Search page.
- Step 8: Enter the registration number for the tour you would like to attend. Follow the prompts for registration and payment. Enter or review your credit card information and ensure all information is correct. Online registration is confirmed at the time of registration, and you may view your enrollment summary at any time.

If a tour is filled, please call AHPD at 847.797.5341 and ask to be put on a waiting list for the filled tour. The waiting list is free of charge.

Detailed step-by-step direction sheets are available in the Senior Center Office.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



When does registration begin for the July & August Arlington Classic Tours?

Tour Club Member registration begins on Tuesday, June 16, 2026, at 8:30 AM.

Non-Tour Club Member registration begins on Monday, June 22, 2026, at 8:30 AM.

Can I register online?

Yes! See page 9 for online registration information. You can only register yourself and household members online.

Does it take time to register in-person on the first day of Tour Club Member registration?

Yes! If you register in person, plan on waiting in the Senior Center as we process registrations. After you take a number, please fill out your registration form, enjoy some refreshments, and chat with your fellow Tour Club Members. Numbers will be available at 8:00 AM. We thank you for your patience!

Can I register by phone?

Yes! If you call, you will leave a voicemail with your name, phone number, and the tours you would like to attend. Calls will be returned in the order in which they were received. Please do not leave more than one message. Due to the number of phone registrations received, it may take 2-3 hours before someone can return your call.

**For the June 16 Registration Day,
the dedicated phone number for registrations is 847.809.6028.**

After June 16, registrations will be taken at our regular phone number: 847.797.5341.

Can I register another member if I have their registration form and payment?

Yes! You may register any current Tour Club Member on registration day if you have their completed registration paperwork and payment. Registrations can be taken in person or on the phone. You cannot register another member online unless they are in your household.

I'm a Tour Club Member. Can I register a Non-Tour Club Member as my guest?

Yes! Tour Club Members can register one guest per tour in person or on the phone at the non-member price.

Do I need to pay at the time of registration?

Yes, payment is required for all tours at the time of registration. **Please make checks payable to the Arlington Heights Park District.**

Do tours fill up?

Yes, tours often sell out quickly. Online or in-person registration are the fastest options on registration day.

What do I do if a tour is sold out?

If a tour is sold out, call AHPD at the Senior Center and join the waitlist. Securing a waitlist spot is free. If a spot becomes available, individuals on the waitlist will be contacted in order until the spot is filled, up until final reservations need to be made for the tour. Once registered for the open spot, payment will be taken. Spots frequently open, and we sometimes have the flexibility to add additional spots or a second tour to a certain location.

What do I need to do if I cannot go on a tour for which I've already registered and paid?

All registrations are final and non-transferable between patrons. Call AHPD at 847.797.5341 and tell them you would like to cancel your registration for the tour. We will put your name in our registration book and try to sell your spot to someone on the waitlist. No refunds are given unless your spot is sold.

SENIOR PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT



The programs on this page are open to all and not a part of Arlington Classic Tours. Call 847.797.5341, go to ahpd.org, or visit AHPD at the Arlington Heights Senior Center to register.

HAPPY HOUR BINGO

A VILLAGE OF ARLINGTON HEIGHTS & ARLINGTON HEIGHTS PARK DISTRICT EVENT
REGISTRATION OPENS WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17 - REGISTRATION CODE 99117

Tuesday, August 18 at 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

\$12 per person

Arlington Heights Senior Center

Raise a glass and get ready to shout BINGO! Enjoy a lively afternoon of drinks, snacks, and casual bingo rounds at the first-ever Happy Hour Bingo! Play 8 fun rounds, with a prize awarded to one winner at the end of each round.

Each registration includes:

- 1 drink ticket for wine, beer or soda
- 2 bingo cards
- Complimentary snacks



Additional beverages available for purchase. Additional bingo cards NOT available for purchase or permitted at event. No cash prizes or buy-in to play. Limited space; registration required.

Thank you to Snack Sponsor: [Oak Street Health](#)  [Oak St. Health](#)

WHEEL THROWING WORKSHOP

REGISTER NOW - REGISTRATION CODE 96897

Wednesday, July 15 at 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

\$70 per person

Thrown Elements Pottery



Get a feel for the pottery wheel! Throw a bowl on the pottery wheel with Thrown Elements Pottery. Then, learn to paint and finish bowls with underglazes. Contracted class; non-refundable. This program takes place at Thrown Elements Pottery: 260 N Evergreen Ave, Arlington Heights. Transportation not provided.

MEET THE PARROTS

REGISTRATION OPENS TUESDAY, AUGUST 4 - REGISTRATION CODE 99117

Tuesday, September 1 at 11:00 AM - 1:30 PM

\$10 per person

Parrot Stars & Egg House



Enter a bird paradise right in Arlington Heights! Parrot Stars is a one-of-a-kind local pet shop focused on parrot education, conservation and sharing a love for birds. During the hour-long visit, browse the shop, meet their resident parrots up close and perch a bird on your hand!

After, walk or drive to a self-pay brunch at Egg House in Arlington Heights. Attendees get a 10% senior discount!

Meet at Parrot Stars, located at 115 N. Arlington Heights Rd, Arlington Heights. Transportation not provided.

TOUR CLUB MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

Arlington Classic Tour Club

Yearly Individual Membership New Rate | \$25
Yearly Membership Household Rate (up to 2) | \$35

Open to anyone 18 years or older (21 years old for casino tours)
Join the Tour Club and enjoy member discounts on tours and Gift Shop purchases
and have the Tour Brochure mailed directly to your home.

GENERAL TOUR INFORMATION

Tours depart from the Arlington Heights Senior Center, 1801 W. Central Rd., (corner of Central Rd. and Wilke Rd.) in Arlington Heights and are open to those 18 or older unless otherwise stated. Please mark your calendar with tour dates.

A REFUND IS GIVEN FOR A TOUR WHEN IT IS CANCELLED BY THE PARK DISTRICT. The Park District will cancel a tour only if the bus company or venue cancels due to weather or the tour does not meet its minimum number of participants. If a participant should need to sell their ticket and the tour has a waitlist, the Park District will try to sell the ticket. If it is sold, the participant will receive a refund from the Park District. Tours are non-transferable between patrons.

On the day of the tour, participants must check in at the Gift Shop "Shop 1801" (Park District Senior Center Office) to obtain a boarding pass. A boarding pass is not an assigned seat but determines the order in which the participant goes on the bus. Boarding passes will be distributed one hour before tour departure unless noted differently on a tour description. A participant may ask for a boarding pass for each of his/her guests. Most tours begin and end at the Senior Center. Special arrangements to meet or leave the tour in progress must be arranged prior to the tour date. The Tour Escort is unable to bring back participant meals. Most tour transportation will be by motorcoach. On occasion, the Park District may at its discretion choose an alternate form of transportation.

To register for a tour, please refer to the registration dates on the Tour Brochure. All tour registrations are immediate. Participants may always call the AHPD at 847.797.5341 to confirm if they are on a tour. There is a limit of one guest per Tour Club member per tour. If you are registering another member or guest, each person must have their own completed registration form if they live at a different address.

Be a good neighbor and park on the north end of the parking lot on tour day in the parking spots closest to the Central Road entrance. If you need to park in a handicap spot, do not park in the striped section. Your car must be parked in the official handicap spot. This is the law, and fines for illegally parking in a handicapped spot range from \$250 to \$350.