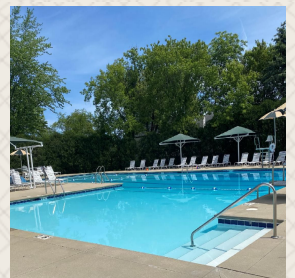




A NETWORK OF DIVERSE INDIVIDUALS COMING TOGETHER!

Aquatic Center Switches to Evening Hours

As the school year kicks off, the [Vernon Township Aquatic Center](#) will transition to adjusted late-summer hours starting Monday, August 11. Weekday hours will shift to 5 p.m. until dusk, while weekend and holiday hours will remain noon to 6 p.m. Please keep in mind that water slide access may be limited depending on staff availability. The Aquatic Center's last day of the season is Monday, September 1, so don't miss your chance to soak up the final days of summer fun! Learn more [here](#).



**Thank You to the
BG Singers!**

**September 11
Blood Drive**



A heartfelt thank you to the Buffalo Grove Singers for their incredible generosity and support of the Vernon Township Food Pantry! Over the past several weeks, the group has gone above and beyond - volunteering for two service days, donating 60 fully stocked backpacks for local students, contributing food and household supplies on a weekly basis and making a generous \$1,000 donation. We're truly grateful for their ongoing commitment to helping our neighbors in need!



Mark your calendar and help save lives! Vernon Township is teaming up with State Rep. Daniel Didech and the American Red Cross to host a community blood drive on Thursday, September 11, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the **Community Service Building**. Your donation can make a powerful impact - please consider rolling up your sleeve to support this vital cause. Schedule your appointment today at: redcrossblood.org.

Upcoming Mental Health Fair



Save the Date! The Vernon Township Community Mental Health Board invites you to its upcoming Mental Health Fair on Saturday, November 1, from 10 a.m. to noon at the **Vernon Township Building**. This informative event will feature nearly two dozen nonprofit organizations offering resources and support related to mental health, substance use and developmental disabilities.



Back to School Parking Passes

Did you know the **Prairie View Metra Station** is the only one owned and maintained by a township? While other local stations are operated by their respective villages, Vernon Township proudly

It's also a great opportunity to learn more about the Mental Health Board's mission and the impactful work of its grant-funded partners. Follow us on social media and subscribe to our newsletter for event updates!

manages this commuter hub, which offers more than 400 daily parking spaces across both the east and west lots. With the new school year approaching, now is the time to secure Metra parking for Stevenson High School students. Thanks to a special agreement with Metra, student parking is permitted in the east lot near the Port Clinton/Prairie Road entrance. Spaces are available by permit or for a daily rate of \$1.75. For more details, click [here](#).

Homegrown Food for Neighbors In Need!

The Vernon Township Food Pantry garden is thriving this summer, delivering a vibrant harvest of fresh fruits and vegetables for local families in need. Made possible through the generous support of the Lincolnshire Garden Club, this garden stands as a testament to the power of community collaboration. We're especially grateful to the incredible volunteers who devote their time to watering, weeding and nurturing the space each week. Your commitment is helping provide nutritious, homegrown food - and making a lasting impact. Thank you!



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