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Village's Vets Commission to Host 14th Annual Steak Fry



The Village of Orland Park Veterans Commission will hold its 14th Annual Steak Fry for all Orland Park veterans on Sunday, November 3, 2013. The 1:00 p.m. event will be held at the Orland Park Civic Center, 14750 South Ravinia Avenue.

"We congratulate the village's Veterans Commission for hosting this event every year for the last fourteen," said Orland Park Mayor Dan McLaughlin. "This is a great opportunity for Orland Park veterans to gather for a meal and enjoy each other's company," the mayor added.

Tickets are \$10.00 per person and include dinner and beverages, limit two per person. Beer, wine and soft drinks are included in the ticket price. Tickets are available at the cashier's window in Orland Park's Frederick T. Owens Village Hall, 14700 South Ravinia Avenue.

"The steak fry dates well back into military history," said Veterans Commission Chair Phil Bell. "When serving overseas, it was always a treat to be able to sit down and enjoy a steak," he added. "This is why the Veterans Commission does this each year, to bring back the camaraderie of enjoying a meal with the members of your unit," he explained.

The Steak Fry is open to Orland Park veterans only. If a non-resident is a member of an Orland Park military organization, i.e., the Orland Memorial American Legion Post #111 or the Orland-Palos Reber-Tesmond Veterans of Foreign Wars #2604, a membership card must be presented to purchase tickets.

"All veterans living in Orland Park are invited to attend the village's steak fry," said Veterans Commission Recording Secretary Gail Blummer. "It's always a wonderful event because veterans of all ages can relate to one another through their shared bond of having served this great nation," she said.

This year, the village's Veterans' Commission will display military memorabilia from the collection of John Holzinger, a longtime collector of military artifacts. The display is open to steak fry attendees only.

Orland Park veterans must purchase steak fry tickets in advance as they will not be available at the door. For more information, call Gail Blummer at 708/403-6203.