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Village Vets Host Movie Night & Announce Engraving Deadline



The Orlando Park Veterans Commission will hold its third movie night on Thursday, March 24 at the Orlando Park Civic Center, 14750 South Ravinia Avenue.

Open to residents, veterans and their families, the featured movie is Max, rated PG.

After U.S. Marine Kyle Wincott is killed in Afghanistan, Max, his highly trained service dog, is too traumatized to remain in service. Back in the U.S., Kyle's family adopts the dog, but teenage brother Justin (Josh Wiggins) has problems of his own and doesn't want the animal. However, Max may be Justin's only chance to learn what really happened to his brother. With the help of a dog-savvy friend, Justin and Max begin to bond, and set out to unravel the mystery of Kyle's death.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. with the movie beginning at 7 p.m. Admission is free with donations accepted. Refreshments will be served and reservations are required by calling 708/403-6115 or by emailing veterans@orlandpark.org.

ADDING VETERANS' NAMES. The Village of Orlando Park's Memorial Day Ceremonies are poignant tributes to those who have died serving our country. Flags from each of the 50 states billow as they provide a colorful frame for the village's towering memorial, Ara Pace – Place of Peace. Bagpipes wail as lines of veterans file in for the presentation of colors as audience members silently rise to their feet.

"The village's ceremonies for Memorial Day and Veterans Day are now long standing traditions that everyone enjoys," said Mayor Dan McLaughlin. "It's nice to come together as a community to remember those who served our country and to never forget those who made the ultimate sacrifice."

Orlando Park's observance of Memorial Day 2016 will be held Monday, May 30 at 1 p.m. at the village's Veterans Memorial.

The village's Veterans Commission reminds area residents that the last day to add a veteran's name to Orlando Park's granite memorial is Friday, April 29. The cost to add a veteran's name is \$250. Veterans may be living or deceased and do not have to live in Orlando Park.

"It's especially touching when a veteran stands as his name is announced as his friends and family smile and applaud," the mayor said.

Forms to add veterans' names are on the village's website at <http://il-orlandpark2.civicplus.com/DocumentCenter/View/26626>. They are also available at the information desk at the Frederick T. Owens Village Hall, 14700 South Ravinia Avenue.

For more information, call the Veterans Commission at 708/403-6115.

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