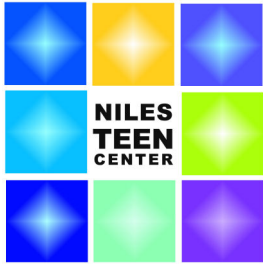




# Niles Teen Center



## Summer 2012

### June, July & August

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**When to stop by:**

**Monday:**  
**CLOSED**

**Tuesday:**  
**2:00 pm - 6:00 pm**

**Wednesday:**  
**2:00 pm - 6:00 pm**

**Thursday:**  
**2:00 pm - 6:00 pm**

**Friday:**  
**2:00 pm - 6:00 pm**

**Adjusted Summer Hours**  
**are effective from**  
**June 11 to August 17**

**Regular hours during**  
**the school year**  
**are 2:45-7:00 pm**

**See Back Page for**  
**Special Dates Closed**

- The Niles Teen Center is a Village of Niles program that provides a welcoming, structured and safe environment for local teens to spend time with friends, receive homework assistance, play games and develop social skills. Also, the Niles Teen Center promotes community service opportunities, special activities and trips and educational programs.
- **Membership-** There is a \$20 annual fee for teens who live in Niles or attend a Niles school. There is a \$35 annual fee for teens who do not live in Niles & attend a non-Niles school. All youth must complete the form & register with staff before using the Teen Center. **Memberships renew annually!**
- **Transportation -** Because of our location at Golf Mill Shopping Center, you can take advantage of public transportation including the Niles Free Bus #411 and #412.
- **I.D. Cards-** All members will be issued a photo I.D. membership card which will be used for daily check-in and to register for trips and activities. Members must have their ID card to attend the Teen Center. Replacement cards are \$5 each.
- **Library books-** We have some of the most popular teen novels available for you to check out.
- **Niles is the Best Place in the U.S. to Raise Kids -** In 2011, the Village of Niles was recognized by



## Niles...

#1 Place in the U.S. to Raise Kids  
*Businessweek.com*

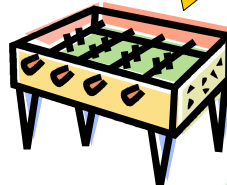
Bloomberg Businessweek with this recognition. Niles ranked #1 in the whole United States. Also, the Niles Teen Center and Golf Mill Shopping Center were awarded a Gold U.S. Maxi Award by the International Council of Shopping Centers for their successful, on-going partnership.

- **2010 Bright Ideas initiative winner-** Bright Ideas is an initiative that recognizes creative and promising government programs and partnerships. The initiative is offered through the Innovations in Government Program, a program of the Ash Center for Democratic Governance and Innovation at Harvard Kennedy School.



## What we have to offer:

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| • Movie Nights      | • Computer Lab          |
| • Dances/ Trips     | • Foosball/Bumper Pool  |
| • Study Area/ Wifi  | • Board Games           |
| • Air Hockey/Darts  | • Cable TV/DVD's        |
| • Community Service | • Arts and Crafts       |
| • Homework Help     | • Guitar Hero/ DDR      |
| • Xbox 360/ Wii     | • Educational Workshops |
| • Fundraisers       | • Library Books         |



*We are accepting donations of video & board games, movies, and/or any other recreational equipment as well as monetary donations to support our teen programs.*

**www.NilesTeenCenter.org**

# TEEN CENTER EVENTS:

## You Tube Tuesdays



Do you have a favorite You Tube video that's funny, scary or just plain weird? We will connect a computer to the big screen TV to enjoy your favorite videos together. Come join us at the Teen Center as we hold our You Tube nights from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. You don't want to miss out on all the fun!!!

## Sports Time Wednesday/Friday

Each Wednesday and Friday from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. through the summer (weather permitting), the Teen Center staff will set up organized outdoor games at the Golf Mill Park. Games may include basketball, soccer, ultimate Frisbee, or flag football. Meet at the Teen Center by 4:00 p.m. to participate.



## Tournament Thursdays

Every Thursday, the Teen Center staff will set up tournaments for video games and table games like Guitar Hero, DDR, foosball, air hockey and darts. Prizes may be awarded to winners.

## Teen Counseling Resources



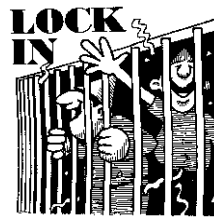
Have you had a rough week at school? Are you juggling too many responsibilities and feeling stressed? Or is there a conflict with a friend? Maybe you just want to share ideas with other teens that are going through the same stuff you are. If any of these apply to you, then come visit the social work interns from Niles Family Services. They will be there to just listen or help you through whatever is going on. Parents may stop by and speak with the interns as well.



## 5th Annual "Night-in-the-Mall" Lock-In Party

Come to Golf Mill Shopping Center for our 5th Annual "Night-In-The-Mall" Lock-In Party. This will be one night you will never forget. Scheduled activities will include a professional DJ and dancing, appetizers, a late-night movie, organized games and tournaments (DDR, Guitar Hero, Relay Races), late night sandwiches, breakfast buffet, a free T-Shirt, a "Free Expressions" art wall and tons of prizes. This event will be supervised by staff from the Niles Teen Center, the Golf Mill management office, and Golf Mill Security. Bring a sleeping bag and pillow, if you're thinking about sleeping.

**"Night-In-The-Mall" is open to Teen Center members only. You must be a member by Friday, June 8th. You must turn in a teen trip form, a Golf Mill liability form and money at the time of sign up to guarantee your spot. Space is limited to 100 teens; sign up now!!!**



**Place:** Niles Teen Center  
**Date:** Saturday, June 16 to Sunday, June 17  
**Time:** 10:30 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.  
**Doors open at 10:15 p.m.**  
**no entry after 10:45**  
**No exit and no re-entry (that's why it's called a Lock-In and not a Lock-out, Silly!)**  
**Cost:** \$10  
**Registration Deadline:** Friday, June 8

## 8th Annual Job Shadow Day

The Niles Chamber of Commerce and the Niles Teen Center are collaborating for our 8th Annual Job Shadow Day for teens in the Niles area. Selected students will be matched by their career interests with local businesses and government employees. Youth will arrive by parent at the assigned work place at 9:00 a.m. and will be picked up by Teen Center staff at 12:00 noon. Teens will be brought back to the Teen Center for lunch, evaluations and debriefing of their shadow experiences. Applications are available online and at the Teen Center.



**Date:** Friday, June 22 **Time:** 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. **Cost:** Free **Registration Deadline:** Thursday, May 31

## 4th of July Float and Parade



Come and show the community what Niles youth are all about!!! We'll join the parade in a truck, provided by Golf Mill Ford, that we will decorate ourselves! Come to party and pass out candy and flyers. Don't stand on the sidelines; be a part of the parade! Please sign up by Wednesday, June 27 to participate.

**Who:** Teen Center Members and Friends- grades 6-12

**Date:** Wednesday, July 4

**Time:** 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

**Where:** Starts at Notre Dame High School parking lot and ends at Grennan Heights Park (parents meet teens at corner of Monroe and Osceola for pick-up)



## Camp Old Navy- Job Shadow

Spend four hours at Old Navy (Niles) with Mark for a job shadow experience. Learn about the operation of the fitting rooms and the cash register, and how to receive shipments and restock the sales floor. Each participant will get a mid-day snack and a free pair of flip-flops. You will meet Mark at the Teen Center and we will all walk across the street to the Old Navy store.

**Date:** Wednesday, July 18

**Time:** 9:45 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Cost:** Free **Min/ Max:** 4/15

**Registration Deadline:** Thursday, July 12

**OLD NAVY**

# TEEN SUMMER TRIPS & EVENTS



These trips are open to Teen Center members only. You must pre-register for ALL trips and turn in the Teen Trip Release Form! Some trips are offered in partnership with Park Ridge, Morton Grove, Evanston and/ or Skokie Park Districts.



**Disc Golf** Do you love to play Disc Golf? Have you always wanted to try to play? Grab your disc and have some fun as we travel to Buffalo Grove to play a round of disc golf. Adult supervisor and transportation is provided. Participants will have to bring their own disc to play. This trip is an outdoor trip and may be canceled in the case of inclement weather. Trip may depart from location other than Niles Teen Center.

**Date: Wednesday, June 13 Time: 3:00 p.m to 5:30 pm Min/Max 4/8 Cost: \$8 Registration Deadline: Thursday, June 7**

## Ice Skating at Iceland Ice Rink

Join Tim and the Teen Center as we enjoy a day of ice skating at the Niles Park District's Iceland Ice Rink during their Open Skate hours. We will walk from Golf Mill to Iceland and skate from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. The Teen Center waiver & the Iceland waiver are due at time of sign-up.



**Date: Friday, July 20 Time: 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 pm**  
**Min/Max: 10/25 Cost: \$3**  
**Registration Deadline: Tuesday, July 17**

## North Avenue Beach Trip

Enjoy a day at North Avenue Beach on Lake Michigan. Take a dip in the lake, throw the football around or just enjoy being with friends. Please bring sunscreen, beach attire and a lunch, although there are places to purchase lunch if you prefer. Transportation and adult supervision will be provided. Trip may depart from location other than Niles Teen Center.



**Date: Wednesday, August 8**  
**Time: 9:30 am- 3:30 pm Min/Max: 4/8 Cost: \$10**  
**Registration Deadline: Wednesday, August 1**



## Oasis Water Park

Come join the Niles Teen Center as we travel (via the Niles Free Bus) to the Niles Park District's Oasis Fun Center for a day of swimming and water slides. You must be at the Teen Center by 1:15 p.m. Make sure to bring appropriate swimwear (boys must have inside liner in trunks), beach towel and dry clothes for the bus ride back to the Teen Center. Bring extra money for the concession stand and quarters for the lockers. We will swim from about 2:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

**Cost: \$3.00**

**Min/Max: 5/25**

**Date: Thursday, August 9**

**Time: 1:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.**

**Registration Deadline: Thursday, August 2**



## Summer Reading Kick-Off Festival

All are invited to the Niles Public Library Summer Reading Kick Off Festival at the Niles Teen Center on Friday, June 8 from 5:00 pm-7:00 pm. The first 50 individuals who sign up for the Niles Public Library's Summer Reading program will receive FREE admission tickets to Brookfield Zoo and to their new summer- long temporary exhibit "Xtreme Bugs" opening on May 19. The Xtreme Bugs exhibit will feature giant animatronic bugs plus live creepy crawlies. Tour the Teen Center to explore the great after-school options available to its members! Snacks will be provided, compliments of GFS Marketplace. **Date: Friday, June 8 Time: 5:00- 7:00 p.m.**

## National Night Out

The Niles Police Department will hold the National Night Out Against Crime and Drugs. This is a community-building event to develop and improve relationships with neighbors, community members and local businesses to prevent and stop crime. This event is held internationally on the first Tuesday in August; other communities will be simultaneously holding their events. This may include a "flashlight walk," "dunk a cop," donut eating contest, DUI simulation driving and much, much more. Come enjoy the fun and build the community spirit at this great event. **Date: Tuesday, August 7 Time: 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**



## Niles Public Library- Teen Programs



**Purple Apple Concert- Friday, June 29, 7:30-8:30pm:** Rock with Purple Apple, an all-girls Glenbrook South high school band, in a pop-rock kick-off to our Reading is So Delicious Teen Summer Reading Program. Purple Apple writes their own songs, and their EP *Sweet Wolverine* is available through iTunes and Amazon. The group has appeared throughout Chicagoland.

**Iron Chef: Hunger Games- Tues., July 10, 3:00-5:00 pm:** Use ingredients from the books to create dishes worthy of a Capital feast. Compete in teams for fun and prizes. Your knowledge of the *Hunger Games* trilogy will be your weapon to win cooking ingredients from the cornucopia. May the odds be ever in your favor!

**Nationwide Zombie Night in the Library- Fri., Aug. 3, 7:00-10:00 pm:** Braaaaains! Shamble in for a zombie-themed after-hours party. Compete in contests and games with teens nationwide, create crumbling costumes and decaying makeup, and devour fetid food.

Register at [www.nileslibrary.org](http://www.nileslibrary.org) or by calling 847-663-6640



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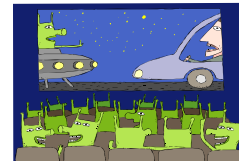
## Dinner & a Movie

Exclusive offer for Teen Center members! Are you looking for something fun to do on Friday nights? We've got the answer for you: Dinner & a Movie. Dine at the Golf Mill Café for only \$10, including an entrée (select menu), soup or salad, vegetable, a soft drink, desert and tip, and enjoy a movie for \$8 at AMC Showplace 12 Theatre. Please bring extra money for snacks during the movie. If attending for dinner, you must sign up and turn in money by the Thursday before each event.

Time: 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Cost: \$18 (\$10 dinner; \$8 movie)

Dates: Friday, August 3



**Homework Assistance:** Having trouble with your Math homework? Need some ideas for a Social Studies, Science or Literature project? Struggling with scholarship or university applications? The knowledgeable Teen Center staff is available to offer academic assistance for all middle school and high school students. We will also offer volunteer tutors (days and times are to be determined.)

**Teen Job Connection:** Are you interested in earning money? How about earning money while helping others in need? The Niles Teen Center is working with the Niles Senior Center to find teens willing to help senior citizens with leaf-raking, snow shoveling and general yard work. Please complete the "Niles Teen Job Connection" form available on the Teen Center web page and return it to Mark at the Teen Center. Your information will be shared with the director of the Senior Center and contacts will be made with residents in need of your services.



**Register your Bicycle:** Protect your bike from thieves by registering it with the Niles Police Department! Every year the Niles Police Department accumulates a number of lost or stolen bikes and is forced to sell them at an auction because their owners cannot be identified. When you register your bike, your bicycle's information is entered into a national database allowing the Police Department to contact you if it is ever lost or stolen. So don't be left walking while someone else rides away on your bike. Register your bike through the Niles Teen Center or Niles Police Department.



**Buy Teen Center Gear:** You can now purchase Niles Teen Center clothing and accessories. Check out the great selections at [www.CafePress.com/NilesTeenCenter](http://www.CafePress.com/NilesTeenCenter). Orders can also be placed with the Teen Center director.



## Community Service Hours:

Attention High School Students: If you need community service hours for a club, organization or leadership position, the Teen Center can provide the opportunity to earn those credits through role modeling, tutoring or assisting with special events. Talk to Mark to see what options the Teen Center can offer.



## Special Dates Closed

Friday, June 1–  
CLOSED

Tuesday, July 3– Holiday

Wednesday, July 4– Parade

Thursday, August 16– CLOSED

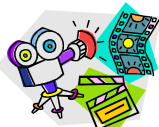
Friday, August 17– CLOSED



## Niles Youth Council

The Youth Council is a group of teens who provide support and advice on Teen Center programming, develop leadership skills and work to serve the Niles community.

We usually meet the 1st or 2nd Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m.



## TEEN MOVIE NIGHTS

Come to the Teen Center for Teen Movie Nights. All movies will be PG or PG-13. Bring a pillow or blanket and make yourself at home. Snacks and drinks will be available for purchase. Fee goes toward additional supervision. No sign-up prior to event is necessary.

Dates: Friday, July 13

Place: Niles Teen Center

Time: 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Cost: \$3 for Teen Center members

