



Welcome to another issue of The Green Pennant Special. It is through this publication that we endeavor to keep the membership informed on happenings in the organization and the transit industry.

*** JUNE MEETING ***

The June meeting of The Omnibus Society of America was held on June 7, 1996, at the Welles Park Field House, located at 2333 W. Sunnyside in Chicago. The meeting began at 6:30pm.

Our meeting for the evening was given by Mel Bernero, and his program consisted of bus slides he had taken while on vacation in 1995 and 1996.

*** SEPTEMBER MEETING ***

The September meeting of The Omnibus Society of America will be held on September 6, 1996, at the Welles Park Field House, located at 2333 W. Sunnyside in Chicago. The meeting will begin at 6:30pm.

Our meeting will be a group participation slide program on our memberships Summer travel adventures. All members are invited to bring and present slides on what they did on their summer vacation.

*** CTA CORNER ***

Ex-city Aviation Commissioner David Mosena has been named by Mayor Daley to the post of the Chicago Transit Authority president.

The CTA post was vacated May 8 when Robert Belcaster resigned after the Chicago Sun-Times disclosed that he had bought stock in a company doing business with the CTA. An independent investigator is looking into other stock purchases at the agency.

Mosena, whose appointment will be the first of several coming up at the CTA, has been a troubleshooter for Daley in a variety of posts. He is a past commissioner of the Department of Planning and Development, as is CTA Chairwomen Valerie Jarret, who lobbied vigorously for Mosena's appointment to the CTA.

Belcaster came under fire for buying 10,000 shares of stock in a CTA supplier. He told the

CTA board that when he acquired nearly \$200,000 worth of stock in Ballard Power Systems, Inc., he "believed that there was no bar to my ownership of the stock." Then he quit. (CHICAGO SUN-TIMES)

CTA officials have expressed shock after learning that the final cost of the Green Line rehabilitation project will soar a full third more than anticipated when the project began in January, 1994.

New CTA President David Mosena said a review of Green Line expenses showed several rehab revisions added up to a lot of money.

Mosena, who took over June 12, said the extra \$100 million was not a result of cost overruns, but came from things such as a change in federal regulations that required lead paint removal on the "L" structure, and an increase in the number of stations to be reopened.

Other factors included a rise in the cost of administrative overhead and the \$13 million expense of providing bus service to replace Green Line trains.

CTA officials said the \$100 million was obtained by transferring funds other government grants and using money saved from other projects that cost less than expected. Most of the transferred funds could not have been used on other CTA projects, so other work did not necessarily suffer as a result of the increase in the Green Line budget, officials said. (CHICAGO SUN-TIMES)

*** METRA HAPPENINGS ***

August 19, 1996, saw the start of Metra's new North Central commuter rail line running from Antioch to Chicago via the Wisconsin Central Railroad.

There are four round trips per week-day on the line, no weekend service is provided.

However, there is a supplemental bus service along the rail route being provided by Pace and this supplemental service are routes 960 NCS-South and 961 NCS-North.

See the inside of this issue for more information on routes and schedules.

Welcome to the
Metra Information Center

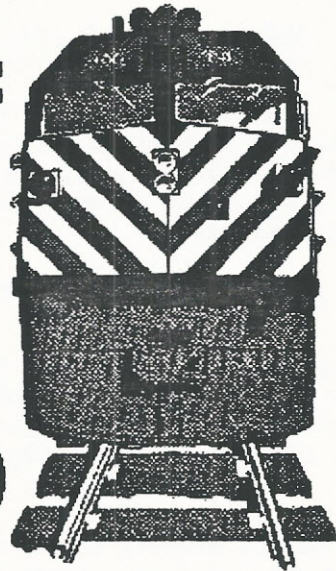
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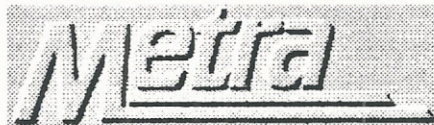
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Metra North Central Service Schedules



Welcome to the North Central
Service Information Center

Chicago to Antioch Suburban Service



SERVICE STARTS AUGUST 19, 1996



Metra's new commuter rail line serves residents in Lake and northern Cook counties. Initial train service on the North Central Service consists of four weekday inbound and outbound trains between Antioch and Chicago's Union Station. The train serves ten communities plus a transfer stop at O'Hare International Airport, Remote Parking Lot F.

The North Central Service is ideal for customers who travel to downtown Chicago during regular business hours. For customers with only morning business, an early afternoon train departure is also available. To ensure service flexibility during midday and evening hours, Pace provides supplemental north/south bus service. For customers traveling from suburb to suburb, buses serve all stations along the North Central Service. For customers traveling to and from downtown Chicago, buses also link to other Metra stations where connections can be made with the Milwaukee District/West Line (at Franklin Park), with the Union Pacific/Northwest Line (at Des Plaines), and with the Milwaukee District/North Line (at Libertyville).

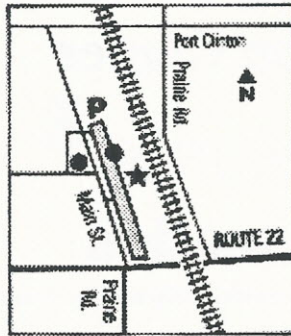
Bus stops at station unless otherwise indicated.

Full Metra System Map

Station Information

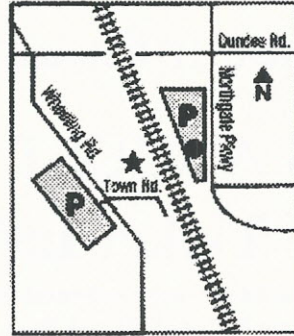
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Prairie View



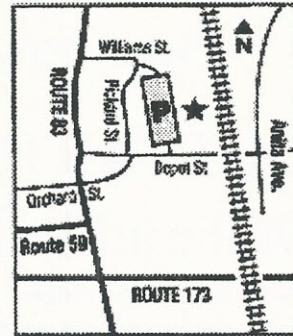
Parking: 108 spaces, \$1.50 daily

Wheeling



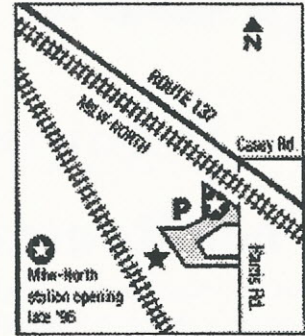
Parking: 488 spaces, \$1.50 daily

Antioch



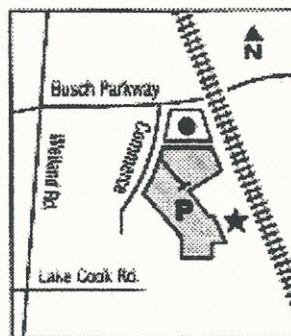
Parking: 80 spaces, \$1.50 daily

Prairie Crossing/Libertyville



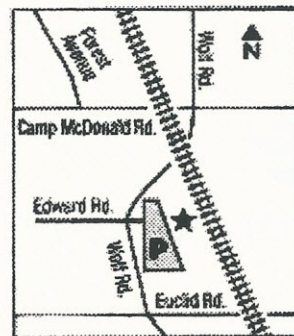
Parking: 155 spaces, \$1.50 daily

Buffalo Grove



Parking: 452 spaces, \$1.50 daily

Prospect Heights



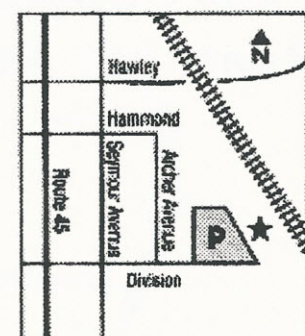
Parking: 382 spaces, \$1.50 daily

Lake Villa



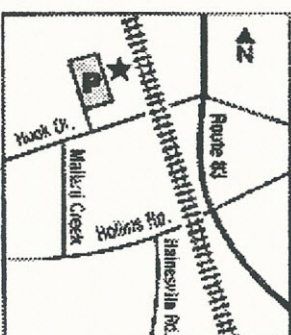
Parking: 121 spaces, \$1.50 daily

Mundelein



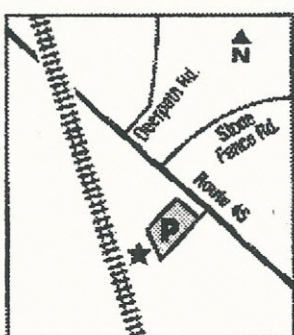
Parking: 299 spaces, \$1.50 daily

Round Lake Beach



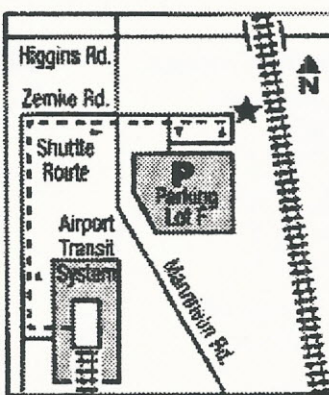
Parking: 189 spaces, \$1.50 daily

Vernon Hills



Parking: 266 spaces, \$1.50 daily

O'Hare Transfer



Parking: Kiss and ride only

Metra's North Central Service connects to O'Hare International Airport. The O'Hare Transfer station is located at Remote Parking Lot F, where customers can connect, via airport bus, to the Airport Transit System. Customers using the train to access the airport should contact the village/city office of their boarding station for long-term parking information.



Welcome to the Pace Supplemental Bus Service Information Center



SERVICE STARTS AUGUST 19, 1996



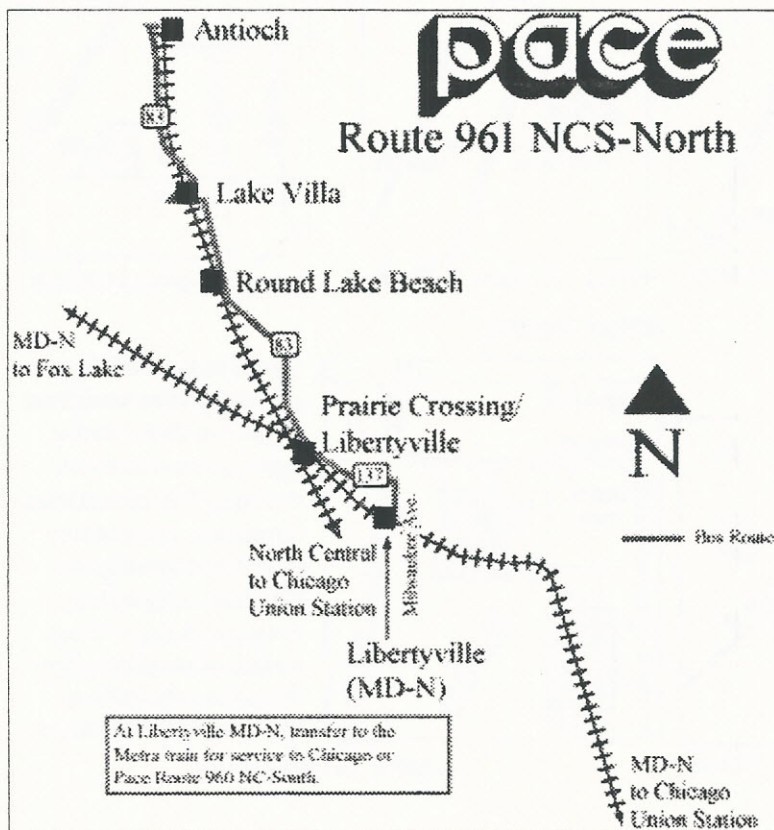
Pace Routes 960 and 961 Ticket Information

Metra's monthly pass and 10-Ride ticket are accepted on Pace's supplemental bus service, between the zones indicated. (Pace Monthly tickets/transfers are not valid on Routes 960 and 961).

A one-way cash fare for both Metra and Pace can be purchased on the bus. However, if exact change is not used, only a "change receipt" (up to \$10.00) will be issued by the driver. This receipt can be redeemed by any Metra ticket sales clerk or train conductor within 30 days from the date of issue.

Pace Supplemental Bus Service

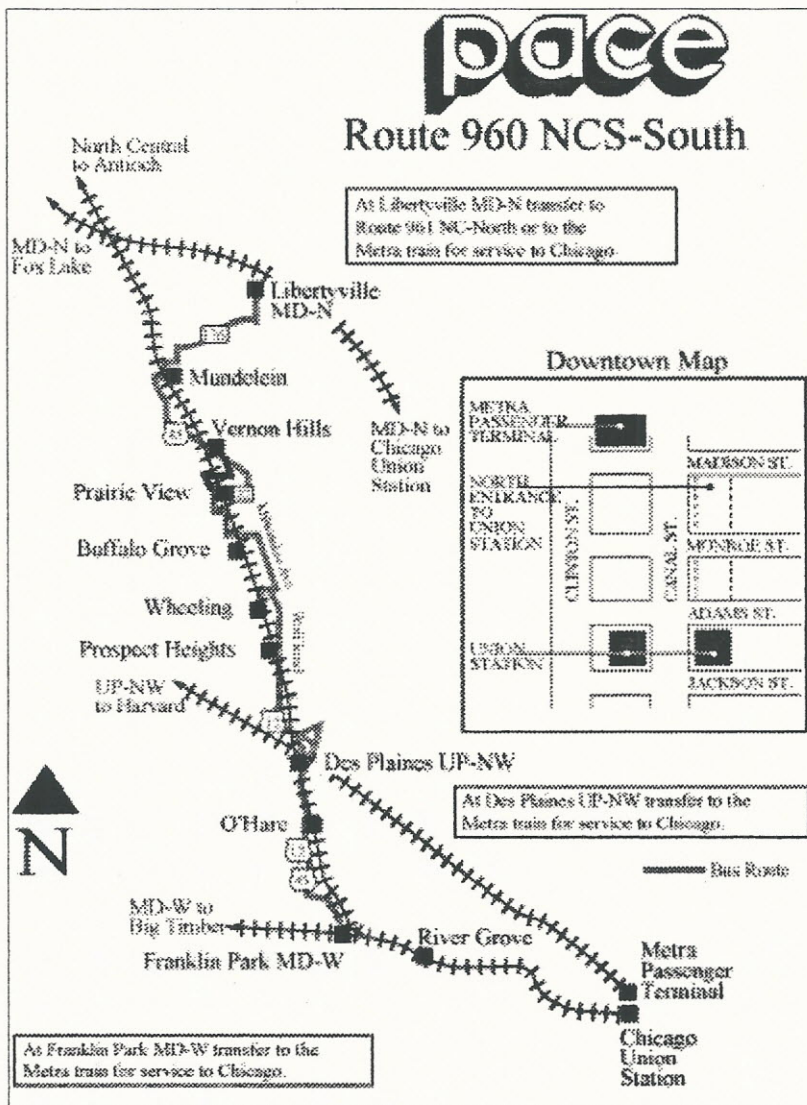
Route 961 NCS-North



Metra's North Central Service customers between Antioch and Libertyville who desire to travel suburb to suburb, or to and from downtown Chicago on weekdays, during midday and evening hours, can use Pace's supplemental bus service - Route 961 NCS-North. For downtown Chicago arrivals and departures, travel would be in conjunction with Metra's Milwaukee District/North Line at Union Station.

Pace's bus service runs between Metra's Libertyville station on the Milwaukee North line, to the Prairie Crossing/ Libertyville, Round Lake Beach, Lake Villa and Antioch stations on the North Central Service.

Route 960 NCS-South



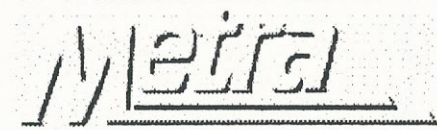
Metra's North Central Service customers

between Libertyville and Franklin Park, who desire to travel suburb to suburb, to O'Hare International Airport, or to and from downtown Chicago on weekdays, during midday and evening hours, can use Pace's supplemental bus service - Route 960 NCS-South. For downtown Chicago arrivals and departures, travel would be in conjunction with either Metra's Milwaukee District/West Line at Union Station, or the Union Pacific/Northwest Line at the Metra Passenger Terminal.

Pace's bus service runs between Metra's Franklin Park station on the Milwaukee West line, to the transfer point (Remote Lot F) at O'Hare International Airport, to the Des Plaines station on the Union Pacific/Northwest line, to the Prospect Heights, Wheeling, Buffalo Grove, Prairie View, Vernon Hills and Mundelein stations on the North Central Service, to Metra's Libertyville station on the Milwaukee North Line.

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Metra North Central Service

Antioch to Chicago - Monday through Friday*

			100	102	104	112
Zone			AM	AM	AM	PM
K	ANTIOCH	LV:	5:27	6:02	6:37	3:29
J	LAKE VILLA		5:33	6:08	6:43	3:35
J	ROUND LAKE BEACH		5:37	6:12	6:47	3:39
H	PRAIRIE CROSSING/ LIBERTYVILLE		5:44	6:19	6:54	3:46
H	MUNDELEIN		5:49	6:24	6:59	3:51
G	VERNON HILLS		5:54	6:29	7:04	3:56
G	PRAIRIE VIEW		5:56	6:31	7:06	3:58
F	BUFFALO GROVE		6:00	6:35	7:10	4:02
F	WHEELING		6:04	6:39	7:14	4:07
E	PROSPECT HEIGHTS		6:09	6:44	7:19	4:12
D	O'HARE TRANSFER		6:19	6:54	7:29	4:22
C	RIVER GROVE +		6:27	7:02	7:37	4:31
A	CHICAGO	AR:	6:50	7:25	8:00	4:55

Chicago to Antioch - Monday through Friday*

			105	107	109	111
Zone			PM	PM	PM	PM
A	CHICAGO	LV:	1:25	4:23	5:00	5:38
C	RIVER GROVE +		1:44	4:42	5:19	5:57
D	O'HARE TRANSFER		1:53	4:51	5:28	6:06
E	PROSPECT HEIGHTS		2:04	5:02	5:39	6:17
F	WHEELING		2:10	5:07	5:44	6:22
F	BUFFALO GROVE		2:14	5:11	5:48	6:26
G	PRAIRIE VIEW		2:17	5:14	5:51	6:29
G	VERNON HILLS		2:19	5:16	5:53	6:31
H	MUNDELEIN		2:25	5:22	5:59	6:37
H	PRAIRIE CROSSING/ LIBERTYVILLE		2:31	5:28	6:05	6:43
J	ROUND LAKE BEACH		2:39	5:35	6:12	6:50
J	LAKE VILLA		2:43	5:39	6:16	6:54
K	ANTIOCH	AR:	2:52	5:48	6:25	7:03

+ Transfer station for travel on Metra's Milwaukee District/West Line.

* There is no train or bus service on the North Central Service line on weekends or the following holidays:
New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas



All stations and trains are accessible to customers with disabilities.



Pace Route 961 NCS-North

Pace Route 960 / 961 Route Information & Maps

ROUTE 961 NCS-North - ANTIOCH TO CHICAGO VIA LIBERTYVILLE (MD-N)

ZONE	STATION	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM
K	ANTIOCH	6:46	--	9:06	--	11:06	--	1:06	--	3:06	6:41	9:31
J	LAKE VILLA	6:59	8:19	9:19	10:19	11:19	12:19	1:19	2:19	3:19	6:54	9:44
J	ROUND LAKE BEACH	7:07	8:27	9:27	10:27	11:27	12:27	1:27	2:27	3:27	7:02	9:52
H	PRAIRIE CROSSING/LIBERTYVILLE	7:21	8:41	9:41	10:41	11:41	12:41	1:41	2:41	3:41	7:16	10:06
H	LIBERTYVILLE (MD-N)	7:31	8:51	9:51	10:51	11:51	12:51	1:51	2:51	3:51	7:26	10:16
MILWAUKEE NORTH TRAIN												
	LV: LIBERTYVILLE	7:43	9:01	10:01	11:01	12:01	1:01	2:01	3:01	4:01	7:36	10:26
A	AR: CHICAGO - UNION STATION	8:43	10:04	11:04	12:04	1:04	2:04	3:04	4:04	5:04	8:39	11:29

ROUTE 961 NCS-North - CHICAGO TO ANTIOCH VIA LIBERTYVILLE (MD-N)

ZONE	STATION	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM
MILWAUKEE NORTH TRAIN														
A	LV: CHICAGO - UNION STATION	7:05	7:40	8:35	9:35	10:35	11:35	12:35	1:35	2:35	6:50	7:35	8:35	10:05
	AR: LIBERTYVILLE	8:04	8:37	9:37	10:37	11:37	12:37	1:37	2:37	3:37	7:58	8:37	9:37	11:07
H	LIBERTYVILLE (MD-N)	8:09	8:42	9:42	10:42	11:42	12:42	1:42	2:42	3:42	8:03	8:42	9:42	11:12

H	PRAIRIE CROSSING/LIBERTYVILLE	8:19	8:52	9:52	10:52	11:52	12:52	1:52	2:52	3:52	8:13	8:52	9:52	11:22
J	ROUND LAKE BEACH	8:33	9:06	10:06	11:06	12:06	1:06	2:06	3:06	4:06	8:27	9:06	10:06	11:36
J	LAKE VILLA	8:41	9:14	10:14	11:14	12:14	1:14	2:14	3:14	4:14	8:35	9:14	10:14	11:44
K	ANTIOCH	8:54	--	10:27	--	12:27	--	2:27	--	4:27	8:48	9:27	R	R



Pace Route 960 NCS-South

Pace Route 960 / 961 Route Information & Maps

ROUTE 960 NCS-SOUTH - LIBERTYVILLE (MD-N) TO CHICAGO VIA DES PLAINES AND FRANKLIN PARK (MD-W)

ZONE	STATION	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM
H	LIBERTYVILLE (MD-N)	7:30	8:30	9:30	10:30	11:30	1:30	2:30	5:30	7:30	8:30
H	MUNDELEIN	7:40	8:40	9:40	10:40	11:40	1:40	2:40	5:40	7:40	8:40
G	VERNON HILLS	7:51	8:51	9:51	10:51	11:51	1:51	2:51	5:51	7:51	8:51
G	PRAIRIE VIEW	7:55	8:55	9:55	10:55	11:55	1:55	2:55	5:55	7:55	8:55
F	BUFFALO GROVE	8:01	9:01	10:01	11:01	12:01	2:01	3:01	6:01	8:01	9:01
F	WHEELING	8:13	9:13	10:13	11:13	12:13	2:13	3:13	6:13	8:13	9:13
E	PROSPECT HEIGHTS	8:21	9:21	10:21	11:21	12:21	2:21	3:21	6:21	8:21	9:21
D	DES PLAINES (UP-NW)	8:34	9:34	10:34	11:34	12:34	2:34	3:34	6:34	8:34	9:34
	UNION PACIFIC/NW TRAIN LV: DES PLAINES	8:44	9:44	10:44	11:44	12:44	2:44	3:44	6:44	8:44	9:44
A	AR: CHICAGO D MPT STATION	9:20	10:20	11:20	12:20	1:20	3:20	4:20	7:20	9:20	10:20
D	O'HARE TRANSFER	8:49	9:49	10:49	11:49	12:49	2:49	3:49	6:49	8:49	9:49
C	FRANKLIN PARK (MD-W)	9:02	10:02	11:02	12:02	1:02	3:02	4:02	7:02	9:02	10:02

MILWAUKEE WEST TRAIN LV: FRANKLIN PARK 9:22 10:08 11:08 12:08 1:08 3:08 4:08 7:48 9:47 10:47

A AR: CHICAGO - UNION STATION 9:51 10:37 11:37 12:37 1:37 3:41 4:41 8:16 10:16 11:16

ROUTE 960 NCS-SOUTH - CHICAGO TO LIBERTYVILLE (MD-N) VIA FRANKLIN PARK AND DES PLAINES (UP-NW)

ZONE	STATION	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	PM	PM	PM	PM
A	MILWAUKEE WEST TRAIN LV: CHICAGO - UNION STATION	5:45	7:13	8:30	9:30	11:30	2:30	6:40	8:30	9:30
	AR: FRANKLIN PARK	6:16	7:40	8:58	9:59	11:58	2:59	7:09	8:58	9:58
C	FRANKLIN PARK (MD-W)	6:25	7:44	9:10	10:10	12:10	3:10	7:15	9:10	10:10
D	O'HARE TRANSFER	6:38	7:57	9:23	10:23	12:23	3:23	7:28	9:23	10:23
D	AR: DES PLAINES (UP-NW)	6:53	8:12	9:38	10:38	12:38	3:38	7:43	9:38	10:38
A	UNION PACIFIC/NW TRAIN LV: CHICAGO - MPT STATION	6:30	7:30	9:00	10:30	12:30	3:30	7:30	9:30	10:30
	AR: DES PLAINES	7:04	8:04	9:34	11:04	1:04	4:06	8:04	10:04	11:04
D	LV: DES PLAINES (UP-NW)	7:08	8:12	9:38	11:08	1:08	4:10	8:08	10:08	11:08
E	PROSPECT HEIGHTS	7:24	8:28	9:54	11:24	1:24	4:26	8:24	10:24	11:24
F	WHEELING	7:34	8:38	10:04	11:34	1:34	4:36	8:34	10:34	11:34
F	BUFFALO GROVE	7:44	8:48	10:14	11:44	1:44	4:46	8:44	10:44	11:44
G	PRAIRIE VIEW	7:50	8:54	10:20	11:50	1:50	4:52	8:50	R	R
G	VERNON HILLS	7:58	9:02	10:28	11:58	1:58	5:00	8:58	R	R
H	MUNDELEIN	8:09	9:13	10:39	12:09	2:09	5:11	9:09	R	R
H	LIBERTYVILLE (MD-N)	8:21	9:25	10:51	12:21	2:21	5:23	9:21	--	--

R - Upon request.

No bus stops are made other than the above locations.

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