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Everything's Coming up Rosemont

Discover why this community is growing in popularity. *By Selena Fragassi*

In January, the Village of Rosemont celebrated its 60th anniversary—and boy has the community come far in that time, from an incorporated village with a burgeoning convention district to an all-out entertainment destination vital to locals and visitors traveling to and from the nearby O'Hare Airport. Not only does it boast the massive Allstate Arena and the largess of the Rosemont Theatre, but in the past few years its focus has turned to the growing popularity of MB Financial Park, the 200,000-square-foot complex that offers 13 eclectic venues and an outdoor area where summer concerts and a winter ice rink take center stage. Here's a look at some of our favorite spots to "park" it:

» **Sugar Factory:** This full-service candy bar, ice cream parlor and semiprivate chocolate lounge (for 50 seated) is the sweetest. Though it sounds like it's solely

for kids, Sugar Factory turns into an adult party zone at night with a liquor license until 4 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays. sugarfactory.com

» **Bub City Joe's Live:** The newest venue in MB Financial Park is a match made in country heaven. The popular barbecue, beer and whiskey spot Bub City opened its first suburban location at the Park in February. It's in partnership with Joe's on Weed Street, which will be booking regular country concerts at the attached Joe's Live music venue. bubcitychicago.com; joesilverosemont.com

» **Hofbrauhaus Chicago:** The first German microbrewery in the Chicago area takes its cue from the 400-year-old tradition of Oktoberfest in Munich. Sausages and pretzels are met with beer steins and live music acts flown in from Europe that fill the large hall fitting up to

500 people. hofbrauhauschicago.com

» **iFly Indoor Skydiving:** If you want a team-building activity that takes it to another level, consider iFly. A vertical wind tunnel generates a draft of 80 to 175 miles per hour that creates a wall-to-wall cushion of air that makes you feel like you're actually flying. A third location just opened in Lincoln Park. chicago.iflyworld.com

» **Fogo de Chao:** A new corporate lunch is the talk of the town at this Brazilian steakhouse that offers guests tableside service of 16 different cuts of meat. A gourmet salad bar and expansive wine list round out the experience. fogodechao.com

Other restaurants include Five Roses Pub, Park Tavern and Adobe Gile's Margarita Fajita Cantina, while entertainment ranges from Zanies Comedy Night Club to Kings Lanes, Lounge & Sports and the Muvico Theater.