Benches on the Avenue 2014 presents:

17332 S. Oak Park Avenue
Sponsor: Team 2014
Ill. Institute of Art-Tinley Park Bench
Artist: Nick Schulien
Angry Birds
This colorful and three-dimensional bench depicts the popular game of skill where birds are aimed via a slingshot to destroy objects. Nick is a retired high school art teacher and has been working on this project for over a year. He decided to participate in benches on the avenue because he enjoyed playing this game and loves to create a game in which players accumulate points. Nick is a member of the 2014 theme because he enjoyed playing this game and loves to create a three-dimensional representation of the game pieces. The artists were excited when learning of the theme because they enjoyed playing this game and loved the challenge of creating a three-dimensional representation of the game pieces. The artists were excited when learning of the theme because they enjoyed playing this game and loved the challenge of creating a three-dimensional representation of the game pieces.

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Sponsor: Pronger Smith Medical Care
Artist: Maria Jacqueline Lehmans
Candy Land
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17244 S. Oak Park Avenue
Sponsor: Thorpe & Jenkins
Artist: Joshua Gray, Lauren Gacek, Matt, Daniel, Bethany, Stacy, Jordan and Justin
The Poké Bench
This bench features the iconic board game Monopoly as its backboard. Multiple materials have been used to create a three-dimensional representation of the game pieces. The artists were excited when learning of the theme because they enjoyed playing this game and loved the challenge of creating a three-dimensional representation of the game pieces. The artists were excited when learning of the theme because they enjoyed playing this game and loved the challenge of creating a three-dimensional representation of the game pieces.

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Bronze Statues on the Avenue

In recognition of the talents of artists and sculptors, the Village of Orland Park and the Tinley Park Fire Department sponsored the installation of over 100 bronze statues in the villages of Orland Park and Tinley Park. These sculptures are scattered throughout the villages, adding a touch of art to everyday life and inviting visitors to explore the area's rich history and culture.

1. **First Star**
   - Artist: Dennis Smith
   - Description: This sculpture features three children, representing the battle weary flag-bearer and fife player, standing in a dusky sky of a summer day, searching for that first evening star, creating a sense of hope and wonder.

2. **Ring-A-Round-The-Rosie**
   - Artist: Jennifer Lilly
   - Description: This colorful, three-dimensional bench portrays happy children engaging in the sing-along game, Ring-A-Round-The-Rosie, which was a popular pastime for children. The design highlights the joy of childhood and the importance of play.

3. **Duck Duck Goose**
   - Artist: Nick Beardsmore
   - Description: This sculpture captures the essence of the classic children's game, Duck Duck Goose, with a playful depiction of ducks and geese. The design brings to mind the early days of the Tinley Park Fire Department and the importance of community and play.

4. **Ready for Combat**
   - Artist: Steve Mancione
   - Description: This sculpture pays tribute to the iconic game, Super Mario Bros., with a depiction of Mario and various enemies. The design highlights the role of children in the evolution of video games and their enduring appeal.

5. **Dorkin Electric Company, Inc.**
   - Sponsor: Durkin Electric Company, Inc.
   - Description: This bench celebrates the role of electricians and engineers in building strong communities. The design features a clock and gears, symbolizing the importance of electricity and its impact on modern life.

These statues serve as a reminder of the village's history and the importance of art in our daily lives. They encourage visitors to slow down, take a moment, and appreciate the beauty of these works of art.