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# WEEKLY NEWS BRIEFING

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2014

## **PUBLIC SAFETY CRIME PREVENTION NOTICE**

Attached is a press release from the Department of Public Safety regarding recent residential burglaries and reminding residents to stay alert and report any suspicious activity.

## **HALLOWEEN TRICK-OR-TREATING HOURS AND SAFETY TIPS**

The Village of Glencoe's Residential Trick-or-Treating hours will be on Friday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 4:00pm to 8:00pm. The Department of Public Safety has issued the attached press release reminding parents and children to act responsibly and keep safety in mind when choosing costumes and decorations.



Additionally, the Glencoe Chamber of Commerce sponsors the annual Halloween Hello which offers Trick-or-Treating in the downtown Business District starting at 10:00am.

## **GLENCOE GOVERNMENTS MEET TO DISCUSS CRISIS MANAGEMENT**

As part of a continuing effort to increase inter-governmental cooperation, this week, representatives from the Glencoe Park District, Glencoe Public Library, School District #35, Family Service of Glencoe and the Village of Glencoe met to tour the Village's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) at the Village Hall. Additionally, the group discussed the development of a "table top" exercise that will provide a valuable training opportunity for staff from each organization on crisis management and response to potential issues that could impact the Glencoe community. Realizing that each organization could have a response role in in a potential crisis situation, this joint effort will help to refocus cooperative efforts between each organization to ensure quality services to the overall Glencoe community.

This is one of a number of ongoing efforts in place to expand and enhance the working relationship between the governments and quasi-governmental agencies serving the Village of Glencoe.

## **PLAN COMMISSION - WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22**

At the Glencoe Plan Commission meeting on Wednesday October 22<sup>nd</sup>, the commission heard a presentation on Economic Development Issues pertaining to Downtown Glencoe from Bridget Lane, of Business Districts, Inc., together with Village Planner Lee Brown. Ms. Lane discussed key markets for downtown businesses, national trends impacting local businesses and specific geographies defining the populations most likely to be attracted to downtown Glencoe. The meeting was part of the Plan Commission's ongoing Downtown Tune Up planning project.

The next Plan Commission meeting will be November 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.

## **WRITERS THEATRE CEREMONIAL GROUNDBREAKING**

Attached is a press release from Glencoe's Writers Theatre on its Groundbreaking Ceremony held this week on October 21<sup>st</sup>. Village representatives including Village President Lawrence Levin, Plan



Commission Chair Caren Thomas and Village Manager Philip Kiraly celebrated with Writers Theatre on the commencement of construction of the new facility on Tudor Court.

*From left to right: On to a New Stage Campaign Co-Chair Elaine Tinberg, Village President Lawrence R. Levin, Writers Theatre Artistic Director Michael Halberstam, Architect Jeanne Gang, Writers Theatre Executive Director Kathryn M. Lipuma, Village Plan Commission Chair Caren Thomas, Village Manager Philip A. Kiraly and President of the Writers Theatre Board of Trustees Christopher S. Pfaff. Photo by Abby McKenna.*



## **Glencoe Department of Public Safety Crime Prevention Notice**

Release Date: 10/24/2014

### **RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES IN GLENCOE**

There have been seven residential burglaries in Glencoe over the past two months. They are likely all related to one crime pattern affecting Glencoe and surrounding communities. Most of the burglaries occur between 9:00 am and 2:00 pm. The offenders are targeting unoccupied homes, and are possibly in the area watching for residents leaving their homes. Burglars often will ring the front doorbell to determine if anyone is home before walking around the house looking for unlocked doors and windows or forcing entry at the rear of the house. Please make sure that your home is locked and secured whenever you are away, even if only for a few minutes to walk the dog, visit a neighbor, etc.

We are seeking your help in solving this crime pattern. Please be aware of unfamiliar people or vehicles in your neighborhood. If you see or encounter suspicious people or vehicles, please get a good description and call the Department of Public Safety at 847-835-4112 immediately.

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## VILLAGE OF GLENCOE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

October 7, 2014, Glencoe, Illinois: The Glencoe Department of Public Safety wishes everyone a Happy Halloween. Please act responsibly and remember safety is the first consideration when choosing costumes and decorations.



Halloween will officially be celebrated on Friday, October 31, 2014. The Glencoe Department of Public Safety asks parents to follow the safety recommendations listed below:

- Limit your child's Trick or Treating to Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup> between the hours of 4:00pm to 8:00pm.
- Young children should be accompanied by their parents or another responsible adult.
- One member of each group should carry a working flashlight.
- Make sure costumes do not limit mobility and have no visible obstructions.
- Children should be dressed in light colored costumes.
- If possible, always walk on the sidewalk and cross the street at intersections.
- Bring all candy and goodies home for inspection before eating them.
- Parents are urged to check all treats with extra caution.

We request that residents indicate their willingness to welcome children by keeping porch and exterior lights on during the Halloween celebration period on October 31st. We ask that residents, if possible, serve only wrapped items. Public Safety Officers will be out on the streets to ensure the safety and tradition of a Happy Halloween in Glencoe. We ask that motorists be especially observant on Halloween and watch for costumed children who might not always be alert enough to spot cars. Parents are reminded to close and lock their cars and garage doors, to reduce the opportunity of theft and vandalism.

The Glencoe Department of Public Safety would like this, and every Halloween, to be a safe and happy one for our children and the residents of this community. Please contact Public Education Section Lt. Lee Weinzimmer at 847-835-4112 ext.1149 or via email ([lweinzimmer@villageofglencoe.org](mailto:lweinzimmer@villageofglencoe.org)) with any questions, or to request a residential or commercial fire hazard or security inspection.



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: OCTOBER 21, 2014**

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**Writers Theatre breaks ground on new Theatre Center  
designed by Jeanne Gang and Studio Gang Architects**

*On to a New Stage* Campaign commitments reach \$26.5 million to date

Glencoe, IL, October 21, 2014—**Writers Theatre** held its ceremonial groundbreaking for the nationally-recognized company's new home – a theatre center designed by Chicago's internationally renowned **Studio Gang Architects, led by principal Jeanne Gang**. The celebratory event, attended by a capacity crowd of trustees, donors, artists, Jeanne Gang and representatives of Studio Gang Architects, and state and local government officials, marks the beginning of construction of the new center by contractor **W.E. O'Neil**.

"Our new building ensures that Writers Theatre becomes part of the permanent landscape of the Chicago cultural community, taking its place alongside the nation's leading dramatic institutions," said **Artistic Director Michael Halberstam**. "After more than two decades of theatrical productions, Writers Theatre is on the path towards establishing a world-class theatre center for artists that will serve hundreds of thousands of patrons and provide educational resources for students for generations to come."

"Our process has been built around the creative team dialogue with Writers Theatre, its audiences, and the community, and we could not be more excited to celebrate this milestone today while looking forward to the ideas that will soon become a built reality in 2016," said **Jeanne Gang, Founder and Design Principal of Studio Gang**. "The design of Writers Theatre's first purpose-built theatre reinforces their important mission and vision to maximize the feeling of intimacy between actors and audience within the park-like setting of downtown Glencoe."

***The On to a New Stage Campaign has raised \$26.5 million toward a \$31 million base campaign goal.*** The project cost includes: theatre center design and construction, transition costs, and an operating reserve. Writers Theatre also plans to grow its cash reserve fund to \$3 million. The company will continue to raise funds for named gifts through 2015, and also is planning a broad-based fundraising effort in 2015.

"On behalf of Writers Theatre, I offer a tremendous thank you to the 75 families, corporations and foundations that have made initial donations to the campaign and helped to make our groundbreaking

possible,” said **On to a New Stage Campaign co-chair Elaine Tinberg**. “We ask that all of Chicagoland join with us over the next year and a half to complete the fundraising for this important cultural resource.”

The 36,000 square foot theatre center, located on the site of the former Woman’s Library Club of Glencoe, is designed to achieve LEED Gold certification. **Among the key features in the new center:**

- The 250-seat Alexandra C. and John D. Nichols Theatre purposefully designed to maintain Writers Theatre’s hallmark intimacy;
- The Gillian Theatre, a 50 to 99-seat flexible theatre space that pays tribute to Writers Theatre’s first performance space at Books on Vernon in Glencoe;
- A “Theatre in a Park” atmosphere, with patron access to surrounding parks, outdoor rooftop terraces, landscaped and rooftop gardens, and beautifully integrated views of existing parks to the east and west;
- A spacious main lobby, with many patron amenities, that functions as a central gathering area, where audience members and students will enjoy supplementary artistic, family and educational programs; and
- A luminous grand gallery walk, structured entirely from wood by renowned engineer Peter Heppel, suspended around the lobby and serving as viewing area and “front porch” to the building.

“Writers Theatre’s new center will strengthen Chicago’s North Shore as a national destination for culture, and we look forward to working with our entire community to make it a reality,” said **Executive Director Kate Lipuma**. “Our new home is being created in partnership with the Woman’s Library Club and the Village of Glencoe, and I am extremely proud that our project has already received a prestigious National Endowment for the Arts ‘Our Town’ grant, which recognizes civic collaborations that revitalize their communities through the arts by attracting visitors to performances, restaurants and shops.”

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ABOUT WRITERS THEATRE:

Over the past twenty-two seasons, Writers Theatre has become a major Chicagoland cultural destination with a national reputation for excellence. Under the artistic leadership of Michael Halberstam and the executive leadership of Kathryn M. Lipuma, Writers Theatre has been deemed the “best drama company in the nation” by *The Wall Street Journal*. The company, which plays to a sold-out and discerning audience of 35,000 patrons each season, has garnered critical praise for the consistent high quality and intimacy of its artistry. Prized for the finest interpretations of classic and contemporary theatre and a commitment to providing the most intimate theatrical experience possible, Writers Theatre’s acclaimed work includes Artistic Director Michael Halberstam’s world premiere in Glencoe of *A Minister’s Wife*, with a subsequent New York premiere at Lincoln Center Theater and West Coast premiere at the San Jose Repertory Theatre; David Cromer’s

productions of *A Streetcar Named Desire* and *Picnic*; and the commissioning, world premiere and New York premiere of *Crime and Punishment*, which has received more than 30 subsequent regional theater productions.

Find Writers Theatre on Facebook at [Facebook.com/WritersTheatre](https://www.facebook.com/WritersTheatre) or follow @WritersTheatre on Twitter. For more information, visit [www.writerstheatre.org](http://www.writerstheatre.org).

ABOUT STUDIO GANG ARCHITECTS: MacArthur Fellow Jeanne Gang is the founder of Studio Gang Architects, a Chicago-based collective of architects, designers, and thinkers practicing internationally. Studio Gang uses architecture as a medium of active response to contemporary issues and their impact on human experience. The Studio's work is designed to resonate with its specific site and culture while addressing larger global themes such as reuse and sustainability. With this approach, Studio Gang has produced some of today's most innovative and visually compelling architecture. The firm's projects range from tall buildings like Aqua Tower, whose façade encourages building community in the vertical dimension, to the Nature Boardwalk at Lincoln Park Zoo, where fourteen acres of biodiverse habitat are designed to double as stormwater infrastructure and engaging public space. Honored and published widely, Studio Gang's work has been exhibited at the Venice Architecture Biennale, the Museum of Modern Art, the National Building Museum, and the Art Institute of Chicago.

THEATRE CONSULTANT, AUERBACH POLLOCK FRIEDLANDER: Auerbach Pollock Friedlander, Performing Arts/Media Facilities Planning and Design, combines a demonstrated background in programming, planning and architectural design disciplines with hands-on experience in theatre engineering, theatre design, media arts, sound and video communications, production management, technical direction and scenography. Services range from initial planning and programming through the design and documentation of all theatrical systems including audio-video systems design to the management and construction administration of each project. Auerbach Pollock Friedlander's projects include opera houses, professional repertory theatres, concert halls, performing arts training facilities, museums, planetariums, popular entertainment venues in theme parks, casinos, cruise ships and night clubs.

ABOUT W.E. O'NEIL: W.E. O'Neil is one of Chicago's leading contractors in the delivery of performing arts centers, including recent construction projects for the Chicago Theatre, Oriental Theatre, Auditorium Theatre and the DePaul University Theatre School. Founded in 1925, W.E. O'Neil brings extensive general contracting experience to Chicagoland's most challenging projects. Our foundation is rooted in our people and our commitment to quality, integrity and responsiveness to our clients' needs.



## VILLAGE OF GLENCOE MEETING BULLETIN

Meetings Scheduled For  
November | December 2014

<b><u>MEETING</u></b>	<b><u>DATE/TIME</u></b>	<b><u>LOCATION</u></b>
1. <b>Zoning Board of Appeals</b>	Monday, November 3 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
2. <b>Historic Preservation</b>	Tuesday, November 4 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
3. <b>Plan Commission</b>	Wednesday, November 12 6:30 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
4. <b>Golf Advisory Committee</b>	Monday, November 17 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
5. <b>Human Relations Forum</b>	Wednesday, November 19 6:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
6. <b>Finance Committee</b>	Thursday, November 20 TBD p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
7. <b>Village Board Meeting</b>	Thursday, November 20 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
8. <b>Zoning Board of Appeals</b>	Monday, December 1 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
9. <b>Historic Preservation</b>	Tuesday, December 2 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room