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WEEKLY NEWS BRIEFING



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2016

NEW WRITERS THEATRE OPENS ITS DOORS IN GLENCOE!

The new Writers Theatre has officially opened with a ribbon cutting that took place Friday, February 12. This 36,000 square-foot structure, located at 325 Tudor Court, was designed by architect Jeanne Gang, founder and principal for the Chicago-based Studio Gang Architects and developed in partnership with the Woman's Library Club and the Village of Glencoe, is an architectural icon that provides the first permanent home in Glencoe for Writers Theatre since their founding.



This multi-year project, completely funded through private donations, is a case study for the positive impacts of community collaboration. Through the tireless efforts of the Board of Directors and staff from Writers Theatre, the Woman's Library Club, and the Village Board, Plan Commission and staff, as well as the cooperation and patience of Glencoe residents and businesses, efforts to bring to fruition this new theatre space – the Village's Cultural Center – have been realized. Writers Theatre was founded in Glencoe in 1992, and the Village is pleased and honored to be the permanent home of this nationally renowned theatre company.

Please visit the Writers Theatre website, www.writerstheatre.org, for more information and links to recent press on this incredible addition to Glencoe.

COMMUNITY SURVEY RESULTS RELEASED

The Village is pleased to announce the results of its Community Satisfaction Survey. Last fall, the Village sought residents' feedback about general satisfaction with Village services and future priorities. In total, 608 households – nearly 19 percent of all in the Village – took the survey and provided feedback.

Residents' feedback was very positive – 99 percent rated Glencoe as an excellent or good place to live – and provided great insight about the most important issues our residents want the Village to focus on in the future. This will help the Village prioritize its future work and resources to maintain, and where possible, improve residents' satisfaction with Village services. The results of the survey were presented at the Committee of the Whole meeting on February 4, 2016.

The 2015 Community Satisfaction Survey report and February 4, 2016 Committee of the Whole presentation is available online at <http://www.villageofglencoe.org/news/communitysurvey.aspx>.

VILLAGE HALL OFFICES CLOSED ON PRESIDENT'S DAY

Village Hall staff will report to work on President's Day (Monday, February 15), however, Village Hall offices will be closed to the public as Village Hall staff work to begin the process of transitioning many of the Village's hard copy records to electronic storage.

Public Safety staff will be on duty during all shifts as normal and Public Works crews will provide services as normal. There is no change to the garbage collection schedule, and the day's garbage collection will occur as normal on Monday, February 15.

GLENCOE PLAN COMMISSION TO CELEBRATE MILESTONE ANNIVERSARY

It was on February 27, 1920 – 96 years ago – that the Village Board of Trustees adopted an ordinance establishing the Glencoe Plan Commission. The stated purpose for the Plan Commission in 1920 was:

"...to investigate, study, consider, formulate and promote a general Village plan and also means and methods of furthering the interests of the Village of Glencoe in matters which are deemed to be of a public nature or of a community character and generally as well as specifically promoting the public welfare of said Village and its citizens."

Specific areas of focus were cited as: *"...growth, development, improvement and extension of the Village and its environments, as the above relate to streets, highways, public buildings, laws and ordinances, grade separation, all classes of transportation and kindred matters."*

Most notably, from the very beginning the Commission was to be representative in its membership, with seven of 12 seats stipulated for members of the Village Board (2), School Board (1), Park Board (1), Library Board (1), Men's Club (1), and Woman's Library Club (1) in addition to three at-large and two ex-officio members. The tradition of representation across various Village organizations, while somewhat different today, has endured and carries on 96 years later.

To celebrate the occasion, members of the current Plan Commission will gather early, at 7:00 p.m., for their regular meeting the night of February 24 to commemorate the Commission's founding 96 years prior. As is fitting for such an anniversary, cake and coffee will be served. All are welcome to attend.

PRESERVATION AWARD RECIPIENTS DISPLAYED AT NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY BANK & TRUST

Nine local award-winning residential projects are currently on display in the windows of North Shore Community Bank & Trust, 362 Park Avenue, as part of the 18th annual Preservation Awards program sponsored by the Historic Preservation Commission. The awards were given to homeowners and architects in October 2015 in four categories: Restoration, Renovation, Addition, and New Construction. The window display showcases a variety of projects ranging in scope and scale and is intended to raise awareness about



preservation, a key mission of the Commission. The Bank was happy to assist in highlighting the projects for the community. The nine preservation award recipients are:

RESTORATION

535 Longwood Avenue

RENOVATION

751 Vernon Avenue

ADDITION

190 Hawthorn Avenue

600 Sheridan Road

538 Monroe Avenue

599 Greenleaf Avenue

NEW CONSTRUCTION

550 Green Bay Road

786 Greenleaf Avenue

595 Lincoln Avenue

VILLAGE OF GLENCOE RECOGNIZED FOR OUSTANDING FINANCIAL REPORTING BY THE GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

The Village of Glencoe has received from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting (CAFR) and the Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) awards for the fiscal year ended February 28, 2015. The CAFR is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management. This is the 30th consecutive years the Village has received this award.

The PAFR is a condensed summary of the CAFR. The data for the PAFR was taken from the audited CAFR for fiscal year ending February 28, 2015. This report provides a brief analysis of where the Village's revenue comes from and where dollars are spent, as well as trends in the local economy. The PAFR is designed to present an understandable, comparative and easy-to-read financial analysis. This is the 7th consecutive year the Village has received this award.

Both reports are available on the Village's website for review.

RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING SERVICE TRANSITION

Lakeshore Recycling Systems will begin residential and commercial recycling collection in the Village on Monday, February 29. The prior week residents will give up their Groot recycling carts and receive a new grey and blue 95-gallon recycling cart from the Village. An informational brochure that provides additional details on the transition will be arriving in resident mailboxes the week of February 15. The brochure, [which can be viewed on the Village website here](#), also includes updated recycling guidelines that residents are encouraged to retain as reference material.



GLENCOE CAUCUS FUNDRAISER AT BAKE 425

Please visit www.glencoecaucus.org for details regarding next Wednesday's (February 17th) Glencoe Caucus fundraising event at Glencoe's Bake 425 (Bake 425 will donate 15% of all orders that mention Glencoe Caucus), as well as details regarding the Caucus's ongoing invitation to Glencoe residents to volunteer to serve on either the Village Nominating Committee (which slates candidates for Glencoe's Village President, Village Board, Park Board and Library Board) or the School Board Nominating Committee (slating candidates for Glencoe and New Trier School Boards).

CANDIDATE DEBATE - 10TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY

The Glencoe League of Women Voters is co-sponsoring a debate between candidates Nancy Rotering and Brad Schneider on Sunday February 28, 1:30 pm at Highland Park Country Club, 1201 Park Avenue, Highland Park. For more information [click here](#).



VILLAGE OF GLENCOE MEETING BULLETIN

Meetings Scheduled For
February/March 2016

<u>MEETING</u>	<u>DATE/TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
1 Plan Commission	Wednesday, February 24 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
2 Historic Preservation Commission	Tuesday, March 1 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
3 Zoning Board of Appeals	Monday, March 7 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
4 Golf Advisory Committee	Monday, March 14 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
5 Committee of the Whole	Thursday, March 17 5:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
6 Village Board Meeting	Thursday, March 17 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
7 Plan Commission	Wednesday, March 23 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers