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# WEEKLY NEWS BRIEFING



## FRIDAY, MAY 13, 2016

### HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION - MAY 3

At the May meeting members of the Historic Preservation Commission conducted an advisory review for the proposed demolition of 562 Washington Avenue. Known historically as the Lionel H. Frank house, the Tudor Revival home was designed by architect William Furst and built in 1926. The home was established as an Honorary Landmark by previous owners in 2003.

Pursuant to the Village's historic preservation regulations for Honorary Landmarks, the Commission reviewed the proposed demolition and determined that it would adversely impact the property. A motion was approved to not support the demolition. New property owners Beecher and Robin Abeles, who filed the demolition application for the property on January 27, 2016, were in attendance. The Commission's decision is non-binding and demolition of the home is likely to proceed.

Commission members also discussed the pending demolition of 1038 Bluff Road. Known historically as the Howard Spurgeon house, the home was designed by architect Philip B. Maher and constructed in 1925. Philip was the son of renowned architect George W. Maher. The two ultimately worked together becoming known as "George W. Maher & Son" and expanded into town planning in the early 1920s, ultimately designing the Skokie Heights Subdivision, in which this home is located. While not a landmark, the home is architecturally significant and has been listed on the Village's Historic Architectural Survey since 1985. New property owner Jon Kogan of Highgate Builders, Inc. filed a demolition application on April 5, 2016 and plans to construct a new single family home on the property.



***562 Washington Avenue***



***1038 Bluff Road***

Commission members discussed the need for additional incentives to encourage the preservation of Glencoe's historic homes. The next meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission is scheduled for June 7, 2016.

## GLENCOE PUBLIC SAFETY TO PARTICIPATE IN COP ON A ROOFTOP



On Friday, May 20 from 5:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., uniformed officers from the Glencoe Department of Public Safety, joined by their friends from the Winnetka Police Department, will take up positions on the roof of the Dunkin' Donuts at 81 Green Bay Road in Glencoe to raise money for Special Olympics Illinois. If you donate \$10, you will receive a Dunkin' Donuts

stainless steel coffee mug, as well as a coupon for a free coffee (while supplies last) for Friday, only. Any size donation will earn you a coupon for a free donut that day, too -- you can't beat that deal! The officers and support staff members will also be selling Torch Run T-shirts and hats for \$15. For more information visit the [Village website](#).

## DOWNTOWN TUNEUP OPEN HOUSES

Members of the Plan Commission have scheduled two open houses to share their findings from the Downtown TuneUp planning process with the community. These open houses are intended to be drop-in events and all are welcome to attend, including children. There will be a series of stations for participants to rotate through, each inviting feedback on a specific topic. The feedback will help shape the conclusions included in the downtown plan that will be forwarded to the Village Board for final consideration.

The Open Houses will take place at Village Hall, 675 Village Court on:

- Saturday, May 21 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, May 25 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Visitors can stop by anytime during the two-hour window and stay as long as they like. Stay tuned to the project website at [www.glencoetuneup.com](http://www.glencoetuneup.com) for additional information.

## BUSINESS TAKES ADVANTAGE OF SMALL BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Top Cleaners (651 Vernon Ave.) has recently submitted its application for the Village's Small Business Improvement Program (SBIP) after installing a new awning. The SBIP seeks to assist small Glencoe businesses to fund exterior improvements at their locations through a 50/50 cost share initiative. Businesses submit an application detailing the proposed work and once approved and completed, the Village reimburses the business with 50% of the total cost. The SBIP helps businesses establish a positive presence in the Village and maintain the beauty of Downtown Glencoe.



More information about this program can be found on the [Village website](#) or by contacting the Village Manager's Office at 847-835-4114.

## **CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS - VILLAGE SESQUICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE**

In 2019, the Village will celebrate its 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of incorporation. To commemorate this milestone, the Village will be establishing a Sesquicentennial Committee early this summer that will plan an anniversary celebration. In order to establish this Committee, the Village needs your help. If you are a resident and would like to serve on the Sesquicentennial Committee or if you would like more information about the Committee and how to get involved in the process, contact the Village Manager's Office at 847-835-4114 or by email at [info@villageofglencoe.org](mailto:info@villageofglencoe.org).

## **UPDATE ON MWRD REPAIRS**

The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District's (MWRD) contractor has begun the mobilization process to complete the plans for repairing the collapse on their interceptor sewer manhole. Late this week, the contractor erected fencing around the construction site, with the delivery of equipment expected to begin on Monday, May 16. Construction itself is expected to begin next week Wednesday, May 18, with the project expected to be completed in approximately 8 weeks. As a reminder, Old Green Bay Road remains closed to thru traffic from Park Avenue to Maple Hill Road. Lincoln Drive, Crescent Drive, and Walden Drive will remain open and accessible from Old Green Bay Road to the north and south of the project area.

Residents with questions should contact the Public Works Department at 847-835-4111. Regular updates on this work and other capital projects can be found on the Village website at [www.villageofglencoe.org](http://www.villageofglencoe.org) and by signing up for [Glencoe Connect](#).

## **CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS UPDATE**

Look for regular construction updates to be posted in our weekly news briefings, as well as on the [Village's website](#). Residents in project areas can also sign up for [Glencoe Connect](#) to receive alerts via e-mail and text message.

### **Skokie Ridge Storm Basin Improvements**

Storm sewer pipe has been installed on Sunset Lane between Oak Ridge Drive and Elm Ridge Drive. Pavement restoration has been completed in this area. Work is underway on the storm sewer installation on Bluff Road and Sunset Lane north of Dundee Road. Daytime traffic through the area will be affected. Area residents are urged to observe traffic barricades and flaggers in this area.

### **Terrace Court Storm Basin Improvements**

Storm sewer pipe installation has been completed in the Terrace Court basin area. Curb and street restoration work has been completed, and parkway restoration will soon follow. Included in the Terrace Court basin storm sewer improvement project is an engineered water quality improvement structure where the storm sewer systems are discharging under the Union Pacific railroad. This storm water separation structure has multiple chambers that filters debris and small trash from storm water flow and is considered a best management practice for storm water discharge. The special storm water separation structure has been delivered and the installation is scheduled for next week.

### **Sheridan Road Maintenance Resurfacing**

Work resumed in February on IDOT's Sheridan Road resurfacing project. Johnson Paving was awarded this IDOT contract in the fall of 2015. Pavement markings and signage for the new

bicycle lane has been completed. The remaining work in Glencoe is limited to the right-of-way final restoration north of Aspen Lane. This project is expected to be completed by the end of May.

*Traffic control is posted in each area restricting vehicular traffic to local traffic only during the daytime. Remember to please be cautious whether walking, biking or driving in a work zone!*

### **MEET THE NEW GLENCOE PUBLIC LIBRARY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Come meet the new library director! The Board of Trustees of the Glencoe Public Library invite all Glencoe residents to a reception honoring the library's executive director, Andrew Kim, on Sunday, May 22, 2:00-3:30 p.m. Mr. Kim joined the library in mid-March. All ages are encouraged to drop by and introduce themselves. Refreshments will be served.



### **50/50 TREE PROGRAM UPDATE**

This past winter, the Village removed more than 200 dead or diseased ash trees along the southern most section of the Green Bay Trail between Harbor Street and Scott Avenue. To address this, the Village has partnered with the Friends of the Green Bay Trail (FGBT) and planned an extensive re-planting program for this area over the next three years which includes an opportunity for residents to partner with the Village in the cost of re-planting trees on the Green Bay Trail. As a part of this plan, the Village will pay for 50% of any tree that is donated to the trail at this location. This opportunity is an addition to the Village's annual 50/50 cost sharing tree program.

For more than 25 years, the Village has provided a 50/50 cost-sharing parkway tree planting program. This program provides residents a 50/50 cost sharing opportunity with the Village for the planting of trees in public parkways. Additionally, the program includes an opportunity for residents to purchase trees for planting on private property. While residents are responsible for the cost of planting trees on private property, they are able to take advantage of Village-negotiated rates for the trees.

For further information on both tree planting programs and to learn how you can participate, please click [here](#).

### **DUNDEE ROAD CLOSURE INFORMATION FROM THE VILLAGE OF NORTHBROOK**

The Village of Northbrook has advised the Village that Dundee Road west of Waukegan Road for railroad crossing and resurfacing improvements will be closed beginning on Wednesday, May 18 for approximately 10 days. For detailed information, please visit the [Village of Northbrook's website](#).

### **GLENCOE COMMUNITY GARDEN PLANTING DAYS**

The Glencoe Community Garden is recruiting volunteers for their spring planting days on May 15 and May 29 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. [Click here](#) for more information.

## **NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY BANK DOCUMENT SHREDDING EVENT**

North Shore Community Bank in Glencoe is offering free paper shredding for bank customers and Glencoe residents on Saturday, May 14 from 8:30 – 10:30 a.m. on Temple Court just west of Hazel Avenue. [Click here](#) for more information.

## **COMED SMART METER INSTALLATIONS**

Earlier this year, ComEd reported that it planned to complete smart meter installations in March. Due to delays in the installation project schedule, smart meter installation in Glencoe is to take place from now through August. Residents will receive an automated call from ComEd seven to 10 days prior to the smart meter installation. According to ComEd, installations will take place from 7:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday. If the installation cannot be completed, ComEd will leave a door hanger with information about rescheduling the installation, and ComEd will leave a door hanger once the installation is complete. ComEd estimates that installation will take approximately 10 minutes, and if residents normally need to be present to allow a ComEd meter reader access to their electric meter, they will need to be present to allow access to the meter for installation.

ComEd or its contractor, Corix, will attempt to knock on a resident's door prior to installing the smart meter. Both ComEd and Corix employees are uniformed, carry identification, and drive marked vehicles, and Corix is marked as a contractor for ComEd. Smart meter installations generally will not require ComEd or Corix to enter your home, as most meters are located outside of the home, and neither ComEd nor Corix will ask residents for money when performing the installation. If residents are asked for entry to their homes or for money, dial 911 for Public Safety Department assistance.

For more information, visit [www.comed.com/smartmeter](http://www.comed.com/smartmeter) or call 866-368-8326.

## **WARNING TO RESIDENTS OF UTILITY SCAM**

News outlets have been warning that recent scammers have been posing as representatives of ComEd, North Shore Gas, and other utility companies, and are targeting the Chicago area. Scammers instruct customers to wire funds or buy prepaid credit cards and call them back with a personal identification number, as well as inform customers that their billing cycle has changed, payment is past due or previous payments did not go through. Utility companies remind customers to never share payment information or account information, to always insist on proper company identification. Customers should call the number found on your bill if contacted by someone asking for payment information. For more information please see [ComEd's press release](#).

## **USPS STAMP OUT HUNGER FOOD DRIVE**

Did you know that on Saturday, May 14 you can leave non-perishable food donations near your mail box for your mail carrier to collect for the national Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive? [Click here](#) for more information.





## VILLAGE OF GLENCOE MEETING BULLETIN

Meetings Scheduled For  
May | June 2016

<u>MEETING</u>	<u>DATE/TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
1 Public Safety Commission	Saturday, May 14 10:30 a.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
2 Golf Advisory Committee	Monday, May 16 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
3 Finance Committee	Tuesday, May 17 6:00 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
4 Committee of the Whole	Thursday, May 19 5:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
5 Village Board Meeting	Thursday, May 19 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
6 Plan Commission Open House	Saturday, May 21 11:00 a.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
7 Sustainability Task Force	Tuesday, May 24 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
8 Plan Commission Open House	Wednesday, May 25 6:00 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
9 Historic Preservation Commission	Tuesday, June 7 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room