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WEEKLY NEWS BRIEFING

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2014

SEPTEMBER 5 STORM RESTORATION WORK COMPLETED THIS WEEK

At approximately 3:00 p.m. on the afternoon of Friday, September 5, a strong storm system with damaging winds struck many of the suburbs to the north and northwest of Chicago. The storm front, which packed winds up to 80 miles per hour in some areas, downed many trees which resulted in widespread power outages. In all, more than 174,000 ComEd customers lost power as a result of the storm, and in Glencoe, more than 1/3 of the Village's residences (1,160) experienced some interruption to their electricity service during the weekend of September 5-7.

In the immediate aftermath of the storm, Village staff worked collaboratively with representatives of ComEd to identify and facilitate power restoration for those residents and businesses affected by the storm. Utilizing data provided directly from ComEd, staff posted frequent updates on the Village website regarding the status of outage restorations, and utilized *Glencoe Connect* to also inform registered residents of the latest information. Over 86% of all affected customers in Glencoe were restored within 48 hours of the storm's occurrence, and power was restored to all Village residences by the evening of Sunday, September 7.

In addition to facilitating the restoration of electrical service, Village staff also worked to remove downed trees and limbs from local roads and adjacent rights-of-way. Crews from the Department of Public Works worked continuously from late Friday afternoon through 10:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 6, monitoring downed power lines, ensuring that roadways and sidewalks were passable, addressing public hazards and responding to calls for assistance. In total, the Village lost approximately a dozen public trees in the public right-of-way, and crews removed dozens of other private trees (or portions thereof) that had fallen onto the public way.

Storm clean-up continued on Monday, September 8, with Public Works Department crews completing an entire pass through the Village by Thursday, September 11, to collect branches and other vegetation placed by residents on parkways for collection. The Department anticipates conducting a second village-wide brush pick-up during the week of September 15, and street-sweeping operations to complete the removal of smaller debris generated by the storm.

As September is National Preparedness Month, last week's storm fittingly underscores the need for Glencoe residents to create or update a family response plan in the event of a local emergency or disaster. Items that any residence should have for anything from a power outage to a natural disaster include:

- Non-perishable food and water for 72 hours
- NOAA Weather radio (battery powered or hand-crank)
- Flashlight with extra batteries, matches and a lighter
- First aid kit
- A mask that covers nose and mouth, along with plastic sheeting and duct tape in the event of a shelter in place event
- Moist towelettes, garbage bags with plastic ties for sanitation purposes
- Manual can opener for food, wrench/pliers to turn off utilities
- Cell phone with charger

The Glencoe Department of Public Safety maintains a [Citizen's Guide for Emergencies](#) available on the Village website. Additionally, residents and business owners are encouraged to visit the Village website in order to enroll in *Glencoe Connect*, which enables subscribers to receive message updates for anything from road closures to severe weather alerts.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
CRIME PREVENTION NOTICE

Attached is a Crime Prevention Notice from the Glencoe Department of Public Safety reminding residents to take simple precautions to prevent burglaries and protect your safety and property.



BUSINESSES TAKE ADVANTAGE OF SMALL BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Two Glencoe businesses have recently turned in their applications for the Village's Small Businesses Improvement Program (SBIP). The program 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.



The two recent businesses to take advantage of the SBIP were Mara Max Salon (685 Vernon Ave.) and the soon-to-be-opened Black Sheep General Store (346 Park Ave.). A new awning was constructed for Mara Max Salon and new awning lettering and window signage was installed for Black

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

EVENTS IN GLENCOE THIS WEEKEND

There are several events taking place this weekend in Glencoe:

- **Glencoe Farmer's Market, Saturday, September 13, 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.:** Located on Village Court, enjoy fresh fall produce!
- **Grand Opening of the North Trail Connection to the Green Bay Trail, Saturday, September 13, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.:** The long-anticipated, 1-mile link between the Green Bay Trail and the North Branch Trail finally opens this weekend. The ribbon-cutting ceremony will take place at 2:30 p.m., with events between 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., rain or shine. The festival area will be at the end point of the trail (across from the McDonald Woods pavilion). For more information, please visit www.chicagobotanic.org.

Go Green Glencoe invites Village residents and friends to join in an inaugural ride on the Green Bay Trail and the new North Trail Connection. Those interested in participating in the ride should gather at the east side of the Glencoe Train Station at 1:15 p.m. The

ride begins at 1:30. The ride will be cancelled if it rains. Helmets are required. This event is free and open to the public.

- **Glencoe Historical Society Gala, Saturday, September 13, 7:00 p.m.:** Celebrate Early Glencoe with the Glencoe Historical Society! Please visit www.glencoehistoricalsociety.org for more information.
- **Glencoe Community Garden TomatoFest, Sunday, September 14, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.:** Enjoy a harvest celebration with fun for the whole family! Please visit www.glencoecommunitygarden.com for more information.



Glencoe Department of Public Safety Crime Prevention Notice

Release Date: 09/12/2014

The Fall Season is Fast Approaching

This is a great opportunity to remind residents to secure their homes and vehicles. As the season changes, darkness arrives earlier, and crime often accompanies the longer periods of darkness. Please be sure to secure your home and prepare for emergencies – lock doors and windows, use interior and exterior lighting to illuminate your home, and ensure your home address is visible from the street in the event of an emergency at your home. Surprisingly, while conducting house watches or responding to burglar alarms, Public Safety Officers often find that houses are left unsecured. In addition, emergency medical services can be expedited if the house number is visible from the street and if lights are illuminated during the overnight hours.

Unlocked vehicles and locked vehicles containing visible valuables make easy targets for criminals. Please store valuable items in hidden or locked compartments, and ensure your vehicle is locked whenever it is left unattended.

These simple precautions will help ensure your safety as well as protect your property, and should always be a priority. Public Safety Officers will make you aware if they discover any unsafe or unsecure conditions related to your property via a Service Observation form.

For additional Crime Prevention / Safety information, visit our website http://www.villageofglencoe.org/departments/public_safety/default.aspx, or contact Lieutenant Lee Weinzimmer at 847-835-4112.

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VILLAGE OF GLENCOE MEETING BULLETIN

Meetings Scheduled For
September | October 2014

<u>MEETING</u>	<u>DATE/TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
1. Golf Advisory Committee	Monday, September 15 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
2. Human Relations Forum	Wednesday, September 17 6:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
3. Finance Committee	Thursday, September 18 6:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
4. Village Board Meeting	Thursday, September 18 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
5. Plan Commission	Wednesday, September 24 TBD p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
6. Zoning Board of Appeals	Monday, October 6 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
7. Historic Preservation	Tuesday, October 7 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
8. Finance Committee	Thursday, October 16 TBD p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
9. Village Board Meeting	Thursday, October 16 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
10. Golf Advisory Committee	Monday, October 20 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
11. Police Pension Fund Board	Wednesday, October 22 7:00 a.m.	Village Hall Conference Room