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## ILLUMINATING THE VILLAGE WITH LIGHT THE LIGHTS!

(Glencoe, Illinois)— Kicking off Glencoe’s Sesquicentennial Celebration as well as the holiday season, the Village of Glencoe, Glencoe Historical Society and the Glencoe Chamber of Commerce have partnered to make Light the Lights on Friday, November 23 from 4-7 p.m. an evening of fun for the entire family.

“We invite the citizens of Glencoe and surrounding communities to join us to flip the switch at 5:15 p.m. which will illuminate the lights of our holiday tree and all of the downtown.” Village President, Larry Levin. “Presented by BMO Harris Bank, Light the Lights has a number of new activities this year to encourage guests to Shop, Dine and Stroll through our beautiful downtown business district.”

There will be a **Wine and Beer Stroll**, from 4-7 p.m., sponsored by Joseph Mullarkey Distributors and One Hope Winery, with eight participating business locations that will have drink options for adults and children alike. Commemorative LED Light the Lights cups and drink tickets will be sold at BMO Harris Bank (333 Park Avenue), for \$15 for adults and \$5 for children (and \$5 for the non-alcoholic option). Each Wine and Beer Stroll ticket is good for eight samples which will be available throughout downtown. Skip the line and register for your Stroll tickets in advance at [www.glencoe150.org/events](http://www.glencoe150.org/events). You must be 21 years of age to participate in the Wine and Beer Stroll. Proceeds benefit the Glencoe Sesquicentennial Celebration.

Also starting at 4 p.m., community members can get their holiday shopping started with special discounts and deals from multiple downtown businesses, many of which will extend into **Small Business Saturday** on November 24. A list of specials can be found at [www.glencoe150.org/events](http://www.glencoe150.org/events).

The **tree lighting ceremony** begins at 5:15 p.m. at the corner of Park and Vernon avenues with pre-ceremony music provided by a 10-piece brass ensemble and, of course, the big man himself, Santa, will be arriving atop the Public Safety Department’s fire truck. Carolers will be filling the air with holiday songs as luminaries mark the downtown stores that have extended their shop hours for the evening.

“We have a new tree this year as the centerpiece of our holiday ceremony and of the downtown for many years to come thanks to the generosity of Chalet Landscape & Garden Center. The specially selected 19 foot tree is being brought in from Michigan and will be planted just in time for the celebration,” said Karen Ettelson, Chairwomen of the Sesquicentennial Planning Committee.

Another new feature this year will be [trackless train rides](#) circling the downtown area with stops throughout downtown, including the [@properties Winter Village](#) on Wyman Green where Santa will be available for photos along with two of his reindeer. Expanded holiday lights will make for a festive atmosphere with food available for purchase outside of The Grand Food Center.

“This is the perfect kick-off to what will be an exciting year of events and activities to mark our 150<sup>th</sup> year of incorporation as a Village” said Village Manager Philip Kiraly. “We invite you to bring your family and friends to celebrate with us!”

Visit [www.glencoe150.org/events](http://www.glencoe150.org/events) for calendar updates and exciting information on the plans for your community. Save the Year!

Please contact the Sesquicentennial Planning Committee Staff Liaison Megan Meyer at [mmeyer@villageofglencoe.org](mailto:mmeyer@villageofglencoe.org) / (847) 461-1104 with any questions.

#### ***About the Village of Glencoe:***

*Located just 24 miles north of Chicago’s Loop, the Village of Glencoe is bordered by Lake Michigan, the Cook County Forest Preserve and the Glencoe Golf Course. With abundant parks, convenient beach facilities and one of the most attractive business districts along the North Shore, Glencoe is a great place to call home or just visit. Whether you come to shop and eat downtown, to spend the day at the Chicago Botanic Garden, to enjoy a show at the regionally acclaimed Writers Theatre or to take in the sight of one of our thirteen Frank Lloyd Wright-designed structures—there is plenty to see and do in Glencoe. Welcome to our town Glencoe!*

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