



Glen Ellyn newsletter

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Rave Reviews for New Village Links Facilities and Restaurant

Following a renovation that began in 2012, the Village Links clubhouse and restaurant has re-opened, together with new banquet and meeting spaces and an expanded driving range.

The spacious, open design of the new restaurant and bar features beautiful views inside and out and offers a more upscale ambiance for diners.

The Village Links restaurant is open from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and until 12 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays. For more information, please visit www.villagelinksgolf.com.

Glen Ellyn's Downtown Listed in National Register of Historic Places

In April of this year, the Village of Glen Ellyn submitted an application for National Register of Historic Places designation for the downtown Central Business District. This initiative supports the Downtown Strategic Plan objective of creating a historic district in the Central Business District of Glen Ellyn.

The Village was recently informed that Glen Ellyn's downtown has been selected to be listed in the National Register of Historic Places. This distinguished recognition is a great honor for the Village and is a testament to the community's commitment to preserving its architectural heritage. Stacy's Tavern Museum is also listed in the National Register of Historic Places and received this honor in 1974.

The National Register of Historic Places is the official list of the nation's historic places worthy of preservation. Authorized by the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, the National Park Service's National Register of Historic Places is part of a national

program to coordinate and support public and private efforts to identify, evaluate, and protect America's historic and archeological resources.

There are a variety of benefits to being listed on the National Register. Historic districts recognize the historic and architectural importance of buildings throughout the nation and help to preserve the character and identity of communities. In addition:

- Historic districts promote the economic vitality of business districts through the growth of new and existing businesses
- People from throughout the country enjoy taking part in heritage tourism
- Tax incentives are available for the certified rehabilitation of income-producing properties listed on the National Register

For more information, please visit www.nps.gov/nr.



Utility Online Bill Pay Now Available

For added convenience, the Village has instituted a Utility Bill Online Payment Option. Residents can now pay and view their current utility bill or look at past charges, payments and usage — all online and without added fees. Utility bills can be paid with Visa, MasterCard or Discover, as well as debit cards. An insert about the new

program was included in the August 2013 utility bill from the Village.

To register for online utility payments, please visit the Village's website, www.glenellyn.org, and click on "Utility Bill Online Payment" located at the bottom left side of the website homepage. You will need your account number and CID, located at the top left corner of your utility bill.

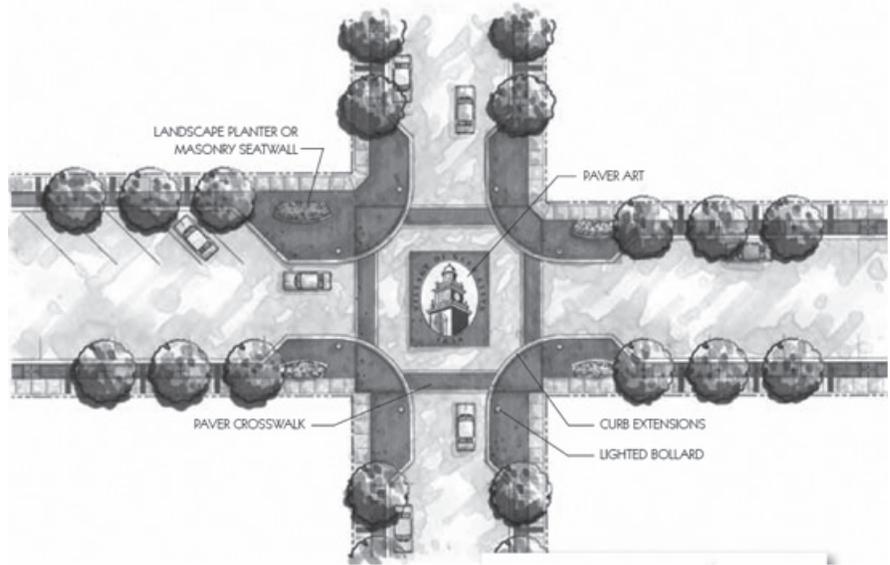
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Village Board Adopts Downtown Streetscape Plan & Parking Study

To improve aesthetics and accessibility in Glen Ellyn's Central Business District, the Village has adopted a downtown streetscape and parking plan. Key elements include landscaping, uniform signage and lighting, added pedestrian crossings, and policies that create more visible and available parking.

To develop the streetscape and parking plan, the Village worked with a designated steering committee, as well as the consultant team of Houseal Lavigne Associates, Gary R. Weber Associates, Walker Parking and Engineering Resource Associates. Input was also



Streetscape improvement plan for the intersection of Main and Pennsylvania and Main and Duane includes decorative paver art, landscape planters and enhanced crosswalks.

received from a visual preference survey, two online questionnaires and a public open house.

The downtown streetscape plan and parking study was funded by a \$50,000

grant from the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning and is one of the tools used to implement the goals from the Village's 2009 Downtown Strategic Plan. To view the plan and study, visit the Village website at www.glenellyn.org.

Glen Ellyn Construction Update

Construction began in the spring of 2013 on two major infrastructure projects in Glen Ellyn. In addition, bids have been received for the planned fall construction of a new commuter parking lot near Duane and Glenwood. Details on these three projects are as follows:

Oak-Euclid-Forest-Alley Improvements

This major infrastructure improvement project is taking place on Oak between Western and Main, Euclid between Hawthorne and Oak, Forest between Maple and Oak and the north-south alley running between Oak and Elm, east of Western. Project scope includes water main rehabilitation, new water mains, sanitary sewer rehabilitation, various storm drainage improvements,

new sidewalk on the south side of Oak, and 1.1 miles of roadway rehabilitation, including asphalt resurfacing of Oak, enhanced asphalt resurfacing of Euclid and Forest, and alley reconstruction in concrete. The project is slated for completion in November 2013.

2013 Street Improvements

Road work and underground improvements are continuing on five different street segments located in the central section of Glen Ellyn. Approximately 4,000 feet of roadway will be affected, including Country Club Lane, Miller Court and Cranston Court, and sections of Grandview and Brandon. In addition to underground improvements, the scope of work on each street varies from straightforward asphalt resurfacing

on Country Club, to enhanced resurfacing of Miller Court, to full street reconstruction on the remaining segments. A new sidewalk is being laid on Brandon. Construction completion is expected around Halloween.

Duane-Glenwood (Metra) Parking Lot

A new 47-space commuter parking lot will be constructed in the fall of 2013 in the currently vacant area on the north side of Duane Street between Prospect and Glenwood. The parking lot will feature brick pavers, new lighting, streetscaping along the front of the facility and landscaping. Work will begin in mid-September and is expected to be completed by Thanksgiving.

EAB Program Continues

The Public Works Department has been working to inform residents concerning the best approach for trees that may be affected by Emerald Ash Borer. Over the last few years, the Village has inspected and removed hundreds of trees in public spaces that were damaged due to the Emerald Ash Borer. This work was performed in an effort to stop further spread of the bug and for public safety considerations as well, since damaged trees are more liable to lose branches or come down during storms and strong winds.



All private property trees are the responsibility of the property owner and the Public Works Department asks that owners take the initiative and inspect ash trees on their property for signs of Emerald Ash Borer.

If any ash tree shows signs of EAB, call a specialist right away (a list of companies is available on the Glen Ellyn Public Works webpage). Depending on the condition of the tree, it may be possible to save it with insecticides.

The longer EAB goes undetected, however, the weaker the tree becomes,

which makes removal of the tree inevitable. Tree removal can be very expensive for the property owner, and may be preventable if the proper steps are taken.

Insecticides can also be used to prevent the infestation of EAB, since trees that are treated on a yearly basis are much less likely to be infected.

If you have questions about Emerald Ash Borer or the inspection of trees, please call the Public Works Department at (630) 469-6756. Please visit http://www.glenellyn.org/Public_Works/EAB.html to learn more about EAB, its symptoms and available treatments for ash trees.

Recycling Credit Offered to Residents!

As an incentive to recycle, the Village is continuing to provide a monthly credit to each account based on recycling revenues received by the Village in the previous year.

Beginning August 2013 through July 2014, this credit will be \$0.60. This credit was adjusted from the previous years credit of \$2.15 based on reduced recycling material volume and market conditions. For more information about the monthly refuse and recycling service costs, please visit www.glenellyn.org.

As a reminder, most items are recyclable within the Village's Recycling Program and recycling can be co-mingled. Following are recycling guidelines:

Recyclable:

- Glass & metal containers and aerosol cans
- Plastics #1 through #5, and #6 (except foamed polystyrene) (including plastic

rings, juice boxes, milk and juice cartons)

- Newspaper and mixed paper
- Recyclable paperboard items (food boxes, etc.)
- Corrugated cardboard (no larger than 3-foot square)

Non Recyclable:

- Plastic Bags
- Packing Material/Packing Peanuts
- Containers with Food Residue
- Crystal
- Ceramics
- Light Bulbs
- Foamed Polystyrene (Styrofoam)
- Glass (except recyclable glass bottles and jars)



Halloween Safety Reminders

Parents are urged to accompany small children as they trick-or-treat at the homes of relatives, neighbors, and friends.

Unaccompanied older kids should be cautioned to approach only well-lit homes, avoid dark or deserted areas, cross only at intersections, and watch out for cars. Motorists are cautioned to be especially vigilant on Village streets during trick-or-treat hours. All treats should be inspected when the trick-or-treaters return home.

Wayfinding Survey

The Village of Glen Ellyn conducted a community wayfinding and signage study, which was recommended in Glen Ellyn's 2009 Downtown Strategic Plan. The study objective is to strengthen the economic viability of the Village by better directing residents, visitors and shoppers to the community's shopping districts, parking facilities and abundant community assets.

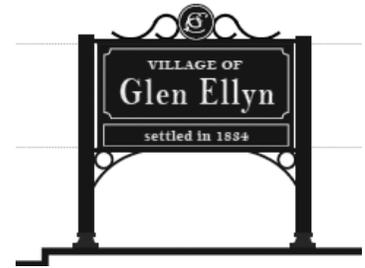
The study's first phase involved signage design proposals from sign designers and contractors with expertise in community wayfinding. The team of Lakota Group and Western Remac was chosen to carry

out the project, and developed three possible signage designs.

To seek input from the public to help select and refine the final design, the Village conducted a survey on its website from June 17 through June 28.

Overall, the survey was very well received by the public – many residents even thanked the Village for the opportunity to voice their opinion.

An overwhelming majority of the survey respondents preferred signage Design A (the most traditional of the three). The next step in the process will include the



The above sign Design A was chosen based on a public survey of residents who overwhelmingly chose the design over several others presented.

design of the various types of required signage within the Village. These designs will then be reviewed by the Architectural Review Commission and Village Board. After these designs are finalized, sign locations will be discussed.

Photo Contest Winners Named

Thank you to our community members who submitted their stunning photos for Glen Ellyn's bi-annual photo contest. Following are some of the winning photographers whose work best captured "The Spirit of Glen Ellyn." Additional photo contest winners were: Kelly Anderson, Erin Doyle, Nicole Kaiser, Ben Kregel, Andrea McPartlin, Tim O'Brien, Colin Palm and David Watts. For more information, please visit www.glenellyn.org/GE/photography.html.



Gettin' Ready for the Works at the Lake, *Tim Benson*



Lake Ellyn, *Olyvia Chinchilla*



Jazz Fest, *Audrey Sweeney*



Location, Location, Location, *Patrick Ryan*



Day to Night, *Diana Lund*



Memorial Day at the Lake, *Mark Rosenbaum*

Village Offers GIS Technology for Residents

The Village of Glen Ellyn is now offering its own online interactive map powered by an application known as MapOffice. MapOffice offers detailed property information and other customized tools through the Village's Geographic Information System (GIS) software. GIS is a map-based program that can be used to locate, mark and present

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different types of geographic information.

The new GIS software can be used by Village residents to locate election polling stations, find school district boundaries, and locate the nearest police and fire department. Data that can be displayed on GIS maps includes population information, county and municipal

borders, income and education levels, and flood plain areas.

Glen Ellyn is a member of the GIS Consortium, a 23-member organization that unites local governments to share the cost and benefits of GIS technology. As a result, residents are able to use this tool. To see your property in MapOffice, visit the Village homepage (www.glenellyn.org) and click on the Interactive Map Link. From there, start exploring your community!

Volunteer Fire Company Annual Appeal is Underway

Glen Ellyn's 60 plus volunteer firefighters have made an extraordinary commitment to safeguarding our community. These residents are neighbors helping neighbors in times of crisis, 24 hours a day and seven days a week. The Volunteer Fire Company's annual fund drive is underway and your support is needed more than ever.



Donations from Glen Ellyn residents and businesses help pay for firefighting and mechanical gear, vehicles and the day to day operating costs. To help fundraise, the Glen Ellyn Volunteer Fire Company will hold an open house on Saturday, October 5, from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m., and on Monday, October 7, from 7-9 p.m., as part of Fire Prevention Week. Saturday's event will be held at the downtown fire station located at 524 Pennsylvania Avenue, while the Monday evening events will be held at both fire stations: the downtown fire station and the south side fire station at 681 Taft Avenue.

For the annual fund drive, residents are asked to make a tax-deductible contribution of \$120 per household and businesses are asked to contribute \$150. Donations can be mailed to: Glen Ellyn Volunteer Fire Company, P.O. Box 460, Glen Ellyn, IL 60138, or may be dropped off at either fire station – 524 Pennsylvania Ave. and 681 Taft Ave. in the drop box. Residents may also consider using the convenient "water bill option" for donating by filling out an application at the Cashier's Office in the Glen Ellyn Civic Center or by returning the application sent by the Fire Company in the annual appeal. Please show your support by making a generous donation.

Fire Prevention Week

The Fire Prevention Week theme for 2013 is "Prevent Kitchen Fires." Since cooking is the number one cause of home fires and home fire injuries, the Fire Company will use the week of October 6-12 to promote safe kitchen habits with stoves, microwaves and other appliances. Remaining attentive while cooking and managing how close children and pets are to anything hot will help keep families safe. Also, be sure to turn pot handles away from the stove's edge. For more fire prevention tips, please visit http://www.usfa.fema.gov/citizens/home_fire_prev/.

The Stand Selected for ARC Award



Each year, the Architectural Review Commission (ARC) evaluates and awards projects that reflect excellence in community appearance. The Traveling Trophy Award recognizes building design. The winner is selected based on how the improvements promote compatible and attractive enhancements to the community and conform to the Village's appearance review guidelines.

The Traveling Trophy Award is given annually to a new development or renovation to a commercial building completed in the previous year.

The Village is pleased to congratulate **The Stand**, located at 542 Crescent Boulevard, on receiving this year's Traveling Trophy Award. The Village commends this business for helping to enhance the downtown streetscape.

Save the Date

Fridays

Farmers' Market continues through October 25, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m., Main St. parking lot (next to Giesche Shoes).

Monday, September 9

Brush and branch collection for homes on and north of Hill Avenue.

Tuesday, September 10

The Glen Ellyn Women's Club features the **Women's Suffrage Movement** at 1 p.m., with Annette Baldwin's presentation, "Long Road to Victory," a portrayal of the women who spearheaded the movement for women's rights. The program will be held at the Glen Ellyn History Center, 800 N. Main Street, with an audience of members and guests from the Glen Ellyn Women's Club, Reliquarian Organization, League of Women Voters and Glen Ellyn Historical Society. Baldwin has presented her first person portrayals in over 200 cities across the country. Call 630-469-4516 for information and to make a reservation.

Saturday, September 14

A "**Bridge Communities Neighborhood BBQ**" and **BBQ Competition** in downtown Glen Ellyn in the Glenwood Avenue parking lot from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. featuring food, beverages and blues. This event is free.

Monday, September 16

Brush and branch collection for homes south of Hill Avenue.

Thursday, September 19

Second Annual Glen Ellyn Community Golf Outing. Come out and join in the fun. The \$145 event package includes 18 holes of golf at the Village Links, cart, lunch buffet, golf prizes, goodie bags and awards. Great sponsorship opportunities available. Sponsored by the Glen Ellyn Chamber of Commerce, Lions Club, and St. Petronille Church. For more information and to register online, please visit www.glenellynchamber.com.

September 25-29

Early birds will get the best choice of the large variety of beautiful chrysanthemums that are featured in the "**Mum's the Word**" fundraiser sponsored by the Glen Ellyn Historical Society. Doors open at 10 a.m. and close at 5 p.m. They will be on sale at Stacy's Corners Store, 800 N. Main Street, Glen Ellyn, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Tavern Day, September 29. Call 630-469-1867 or e-mail: info@gehs.org for more information. This mum sale is an important fundraiser for the Glen Ellyn Historical Society.

Sunday, September 29

Glen Ellyn Historical Society's Tavern Day

Visiting the Tavern Day celebration on Sunday, September 29, are Jilly and Brandy, two horses housed on Marilyn Goodrich's farm in Carol Stream. Jilly is a 24-year-old Arabian crossbreed and Brandy is a 21-year-old Appaloosa. Goodrich's goats, chickens, cats, dogs and miniature horses will also be at Tavern Day at Historic Stacy's Corners, 800 N. Main Street, 1 p.m. through 4:30 p.m. Pioneer life is the theme of the Tavern Day celebration, and new this year are Maggie the Milking Cow and scarecrow stuffing. Learn about bees and beekeeping and about the stagecoach lines that once operated in this area. Listen to music from members of Anima - Young Singers of Greater Chicago and other local musicians. Tickets for Tavern Day are \$6 GEHS adult members, \$3 GEHS student members, \$8 adult non-members, \$4 student non-members (students ages 3-17). Tickets are available at the gate or beforehand at the member rate at Stacy's Corners Store, 800 N. Main Street, 630-469-1867, e-mail: info@gehs.org.

October

Last month for **monthly branch and brush collection**.

Saturday, October 5

Fire Station Open House, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m., downtown fire station, 524 Pennsylvania Avenue.

Saturday, October 5 & November 2

Coffee with the Cops

On the first Saturday morning of each month, the Chief of Police plays host to interested residents who would like to interact with law enforcement personnel in a non-enforcement environment. Participants can discuss neighborhood issues, such as traffic or parking; seek information on various police programs; and learn about specific police duties and responsibilities, such as investigations, traffic accident reconstructions and evidence collections. Coffee with the Cops sessions are held from 8 - 10 a.m. on the second floor of the Civic Center and pre-registration is not required.

Monday, October 7

Fire Station Open House, 7 - 9 p.m., downtown fire station, 524 Pennsylvania Avenue, and south side fire station, 681 Taft Avenue.

Thursday, October 10

Historic Tax Incentives for Downtown National Register District and Landmarked Properties. 7 p.m., Glen Ellyn Civic Center, 535 Duane St.

Monday, October 14

Brush and branch collection for homes on and north of Hill Avenue.



Glen Erickson and Jennifer Mitton-Cox, as well as horses, Jilly and Brandy, will greet visitors at the GEHS Tavern Day celebration, Sun. Sept. 29, at Stacy's Tavern Museum.

Week of October 14

Downtown window painting of storefront windows will take place in downtown Glen Ellyn tentatively beginning October 17. Artists, school groups, scout troops, church groups and families are encouraged to participate and show their painting talent. To volunteer your business window to be painted or to register to paint, please call the Glen Ellyn Chamber of Commerce at 630-469-0907.

Saturday, October 19

Shredding Event from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, sponsored by the Glen Ellyn Police Department and the Glen Ellyn Chamber of Commerce, will take place in the Crescent/Glenwood parking lot.

Monday, October 21

Brush and branch collection for homes south of Hill Avenue.

Saturday, October 26

The Glen Ellyn Chamber of Commerce's **Halloween Festival** will take place in downtown Glen Ellyn on Saturday, Oct. 26, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Kids' Halloween Parade: 10 a.m. Kids' Parade steps off at Prairie Path Park (south of the train station between Park Blvd. and Forest Ave.). Kids should arrive no later than 9:45 a.m. Ribbon awards will be given to every participant. Registration not required. Strollers and hand-pulled wagons only.

Downtown Trick-or-Treating: 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Kids in costume can trick-or-treat in the downtown area. Children must be accompanied by an adult and are welcome in stores and businesses bearing a "Trick-or-Treat Here" sign.

Saturday, November 2

Sleep Out Saturday for the Homeless

More than 1,500 children and adults will spend the night outside on Saturday, November 2, in tents, boxes, backyards and cars as a fundraising effort designed to raise awareness about family homelessness and Bridge Communities' Transitional Housing Program. To register, please visit www.bridgecommunities.org.

Through November 9

Glen Ellyn's Village Links Golf Course will hold its annual **Fall Fest** through November 9. Special events, promotions and activities are scheduled. More information is available at www.VillageLinksGolf.com.

Economic Development Corner

New Businesses

Advanced Skincare & Bodywork
799 Roosevelt Road
630-605-6321
Skincare

Backdoor Salon
516 N. Main Street
630-800-0135
Facials and make up

Connie's Pizza
515 Roosevelt Road
630-403-2400
www.conniespizza.com/glen-ellyn
Pizza and other food

Golden Door Wellness
526 Crescent Boulevard
713-870-0449
www.goldendoorwellness.com
Massage, acupuncture

Nueve Esperanza
250 Pennsylvania Avenue
630-903-7867
Pastoral Counseling

Oberweis
515 Roosevelt Road
630-850-0234
www.oberweis.com
Ice cream and other dairy products

Principal Marketing, Inc.
800 Roosevelt Road
224-301-0150
www.principalmarketinginc.com
Marketing

Punch Barber Shop
491 Pennsylvania Avenue
630-545-0525
Barber Shop

That Burger Joint
515 Roosevelt Road
630-858-0234
www.tbjburgers.com
Burgers and more

Therapeutic Massage & Wellness
516 N. Main Street
773-983-3509
Massage & Retail

Third Coast Media
526 Crescent Boulevard
630-469-4068
Consulting

Tower Show Productions
800 Roosevelt Road
630-793-9628
www.towershow.com
General office



The Village welcomes three new restaurants that have opened in Glen Ellyn at 515 Roosevelt Road: Oberweis Ice Cream, That Burger Joint and Connie's Pizza.



Seeking Holiday Gift Ideas from Glen Ellyn Businesses

Does your Glen Ellyn business have a great holiday gift idea to be included in the next Village Newsletter? If so:

- Email one gift idea (or one for a man and one for a woman) to: jkeenan@glenellyn.org by October 10. Please put "GE Gift Ideas" as the subject line. (Gift certificates are acceptable, but other gift ideas are preferred.)
- Include a brief description of the gift (2-3 sentences maximum), along with the approximate cost, as well as your address and phone number. Please submit this information in the message window (no attachments, please).

Upcoming Village Board Meetings

September

- 9 Regular Meeting
- 16 Workshop
- 23 Regular Meeting

October

- 14 Regular Meeting
- 21 Workshop
- 28 Regular Meeting

November

- 12 Regular Meeting
- 18 Workshop
- 25 Regular Meeting

Please note: These dates subject to change.

- ❖ Residents can now get **ComEd outage notifications** at www.comed.com/customer-service/outage-information/Pages/default.aspx
- ❖ Residents are reminded that there is now a **separate sticker (\$1.50) for leaf disposal** that can only be used in October and November. Leaf stickers can also only be used with Kraft paper bags. For all other forms of yard waste, or for disposing of leaves during other months of the year, please use yard waste stickers (\$2.40). Unlike leaf stickers, yard waste stickers can be used either with reusable bins or Kraft paper bags. Refuse, leaf and yard waste stickers can be purchased from the Cashier's Office or the Police Department (open 24 hours) in the Civic Center (535 Duane Street). In addition, they can be purchased at Dominick's, Jewel/Osco, Len's Ace Hardware and McChesney & Miller.
- ❖ Residents are reminded that **leaves should not be raked into the street**. This practice clogs storm drains and inlets and can create slippery conditions for drivers and cyclists.
- ❖ Daylight savings time ends this year on Sunday, November 3. **Checking smoke detector batteries** in spring and fall when the time changes is a great way to remember this practice that could save a life.
- ❖ **October will be the last month for the monthly branch and brush collection.** October pick-ups will take place:
 - For both sides of Hill Ave. and north of Hill Ave., the second Monday of October, October 14.
 - For south of Hill Ave., the third Monday of October, October 21.
- ❖ **Weekly yard waste collection, with yard waste stickers affixed, will run through the end of November.** Weekly yard waste pick-up, with stickers, will resume in April 2014.
- ❖ **Snowplow drivers are needed for clearing Village streets** in the winter months. To apply, please call the Public Works Department at 630-469-6756.



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 General Information... 630-469-5000 (8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday) Public Works...630-469-6756
 Glen Ellyn Park District... 630-858-2462 Glen Ellyn Public Library... 630-469-0879



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