

Village of Glen Ellyn

SPRING 2016 QUARTERLY



Village Budget Approved: No Property Tax Increase

On November 23, 2015, the Glen Ellyn Village Board adopted a budget for calendar year 2016. The annual budget will allow the Village to maintain and improve upon its high quality services and capital plans. The operating (or General Fund) budget calls for only a 1.2 percent increase in expenditures over last year. The new budget also allows the Village to continue strategic investment in its roads, buildings and other infrastructure.

The Village Board has balanced the operating budget without any increase in water/sewer rates or property taxes for Village residents. In 2016, the average Glen Ellyn resident will pay the same water/sewer charges and same Village property tax rate as in 2015. The only increase to the Village's overall tax levy was to account for new growth and new annexations experienced by the Village in 2015. Residents should note that the Village's portion of the property tax bill is relatively small, so your overall taxes may increase even though the Village did not increase its portion of the property tax levy.

On the average property tax bill, less than seven percent of the overall amount is levied by the Village. Of that amount, half is dedicated to capital project funding, including streets, the new police station and

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Design Phase Underway for New Police Department Facility



The proposed design for the Village's new police facility is in keeping with its park-like setting adjacent to Panfish Park.

A sleek, contemporary design that blends with its natural surroundings was one of the goals for the design of the Village's new police station. The new facility is planned for a site adjacent to Panfish Park, just south of the intersection of Park Boulevard and Taft Avenue. The Village acquired several properties to make way for the two-story facility, which will be approximately 29,000 square feet in size when complete.

"We incorporated a nature-themed design because we're in a park-like setting," said Deputy Chief Bob Acton who has worked closely with design/build contractor Leopardo on planning the new police station. "The public parts of the building will be open and inviting with plenty of daytime light."

The Glen Ellyn Police Department currently occupies approximately 11,000

square feet on the lower level of the Civic Center at 535 Duane Street, a building constructed in 1929. The Department moved into this space in the early 1970s after the

Village purchased the former Duane Street Junior High School from District 41 and converted it into the current Civic Center. The Civic Center is currently occupied by the Village Administration, Facilities Maintenance, Finance Department, Planning & Development and the Police Department.

In addition to space constraints, the aging Civic Center structure was not designed for the state-of-the-art technologies, equipment and system requirements of modern law enforcement agencies. "We wanted to build a facility that will last for generations and have the flexibility to provide all of our existing services, as well as those services needed in the future, which is always difficult to predict," Acton said.

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Police Station continued

Some special features of the new police station include:

- An emergency operations center (EOC) that can be used for training, larger meetings and major criminal investigations, as well as a centralized meeting point in the event of severe weather or other community emergencies.
- Improved property and evidence storage; increasingly, evidence must be stored for longer periods of time.
- A community room for gatherings with area residents, educational sessions, community meetings and the like.
- Added security for the public, as well as employees.
- Essential design elements for safe and efficient intake and housing of prisoners.

The budget for the new police station is \$13.5 million. The figure includes design and construction, as well as interior furnishings and finishes, surveys and utility costs.

“We’ve incorporated many efficiencies into the design of the new building,” Acton said. “For instance, we’ve combined different areas to add functional flexibility. This building will be a community asset and a source of civic pride.”

The Village is expecting to break ground for the new facility in July 2016, with construction completion anticipated for September 2017.

Village Engineer Receives Prestigious Award

The American Public Works Association (APWA) Suburban Branch has selected the Village of Glen Ellyn to receive a prestigious award.

Professional Engineer Bob Minix, a 25-year veteran of the Village, received the 2016 Professional Manager of the Year award in the Transportation category. This award is conferred in recognition of exceptional leadership and management by an individual through a significant transportation-related project or program.

The APWA Public Works Project of the Year Award was established to promote

excellence in the management and administration of public works projects by recognizing the alliance between the managing agency, the consultant/architect/engineer and the contractor.



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Over the last 10 years, the Village has received four awards from the APWA Suburban Branch and Chicago Metro Chapter.

Budget continued

sidewalk improvements. The other half supports Village operations, such as public safety (Police and EMS) and Public Works (street maintenance and snow plowing).

The Village has a diversified revenue stream and strong fiscal reserve policies and recently received a AAA bond rating from Standard & Poor’s (S&P), the highest rating issued by the agency. The rating is an upgrade from the Village’s Aa1 rating received by Moody’s in 2012.

In its report, S&P highlighted the positive credit characteristics of Glen Ellyn:

- Strong management with good financial policies.
- Strong budgetary performance and flexibility with an available fund balance in fiscal 2014 of 42 percent of operating expenditures.
- Strong liquidity and access to external liquidity that S&P considers strong.

For more information about the 2016 budget, please visit www.glenellyn.org/web/opentransparentgov.html.

Vehicle Stickers and Dog Licenses

The 2016 vehicle stickers must be purchased and displayed by midnight, Saturday, April 30.

The 2016 vehicle stickers must be purchased and displayed by midnight, Saturday, April 30. For all vehicles registered to a Glen Ellyn address, including leased vehicles, company cars and vehicles kept outside of the Village, you are required to purchase and display a current Glen Ellyn vehicle sticker.

Dog licenses also must be purchased by April 30. Applications are included with the vehicle sticker renewal form sent to all households. For more information and the online application, please visit www.glenellyn.org or call the Cashier’s Office at 630-547-5235.

Volunteer for the Fourth of July!

The Glen Ellyn Fourth of July Committee coordinates the Fourth of July parade and fireworks, as well as the Picnic in the Park, which helps to underwrite the costs of the celebration. Many individuals are needed to help put on this community celebration, which is an all-volunteer effort. For more information or to attend a Fourth of July committee meeting at the Glen Ellyn Civic Center, contact Dawn Smith at 630-251-9186 or DawnLouiseSmith@hotmail.com.



Historic Preservation Commission Awards: Nominate a Project

The Glen Ellyn Historic Preservation Commission supports homeowners and builders who preserve our Village's historic character. Each year, nominations are accepted Jan. 1 through Apr. 1 for projects completed within the prior year. Glen Ellyn residents are encouraged to nominate projects of special interest in their neighborhoods; homeowners or builders interested in applying for awards may also self-nominate. The Glen Ellyn Historic Preservation awards program recognizes projects in four categories.

The Restoration of the Year Award is presented in recognition of an outstanding effort to restore the exterior of a home or building in a manner fitting its historic character while adhering to Glen Ellyn's restoration guidelines. Qualified homes must be 50 years or older. Entries are judged on how the exterior restoration is in keeping with the home's historic character.

The Architectural Details Award is presented in recognition of an outstanding effort to restore an exterior detail element of a home, building or property in a manner fitting its historic character. Examples of exterior detail elements would include but not be limited to porches, cornice work, leaded glass windows, or decorative fencing. Qualified homes must be 50 years or older. Entries are judged on the compatibility of the element with the historic character of the home or building.



The Remodeling Project of the Year Award is presented in recognition of an outstanding effort (completed within the prior calendar year) to remodel the exterior of a home or building in a manner maintaining or improving the architectural integrity and contributing to historic pres-

ervation. Qualified homes must be 50 years or older. Entries are judged on the extent to which the exterior remodel is in keeping with the home's character.

The Streetscape Compatibility Award is presented in recognition of an outstanding effort to construct a new home or building in an architectural style and scale that contributes to the preservation of Glen Ellyn's historic streetscapes. A home can be of any age to qualify for this award. Entries are judged on their compatibility with the existing streetscape in architectural style and scale.

Entries are accepted for residential (single-family and multi-family), commercial and institutional buildings. To nominate a structure, complete the nomination form online at www.glenellyn.org. For more information, please contact the Planning & Development Department at 630-547-5250

New Businesses

Agility Communications

799 Roosevelt Road
(630) 487-5995
Agcomtech.com
Telecommunication Services

Athletico Physical Therapy

1214 Roosevelt Road
(630) 827-0000
Athletico.com
Rehabilitation Services

Bonheur White Glove Serving Staff

799 Roosevelt Road
(630) 852-2931
Bonheurwhitegloveservingstaff.com
Event Catering

Companion Pet Products

1200 Roosevelt Road
(630) 519-3632
Pet Products

Cybernetics and Controls

800 Roosevelt Road
(630) 462-1188
Sales Office

David Sigale Law Firm

799 Roosevelt Road
(630) 452-4547
Sigalelaw.com
Law Attorneys

First Transit

799 Roosevelt Road
(866) 503-9040
firsttransit.com
Transportation Services

Helping Hand Group

805 N. Main Street
(630) 474-0791
Consulting Office

Hemraa Coughlin Corp.

800 Roosevelt Road
(630) 793-9379
Hemraa-Coughlin.com
Flooring Sales

Home Trust Mortgage

441 Taft Avenue
(847) 517-1700
Hometrustmortgage.com
Mortgage Lender

KFO Group

800 Roosevelt Road
(630) 547-5090
Family Archive Assembly

Linenger Wealth Management

460 N. Main Street, Suite #300
(630) 517-2462
Linengerwealthmanagement.com
Financial Planning

Longview Solutions

800 Roosevelt Road
(888) 454-2549
Longview.com
Intelligent Software Solutions

MB Clinical Research

489 Taft Avenue
(630) 469-6600
Mbclinicalresearch.com
Medical Research

Nationwide Insurance

277 Roosevelt Road
(630) 348-6459
Nationwide.com
Insurance Services

Professional Management Assoc.

800 Roosevelt Road
(630) 474-9805
Pmaoakbrook.com/index.htm
Healthcare Consultants

Robin N. Pugh Hair Care

930 Roosevelt Road
(630) 537-0222
Hair Salon

Stobierski Trading Company

526 Crescent Boulevard
(773) 456-3988
Securities Trading

The Bike Hub

495 N. Main Street
(630) 793-4030
Facebook.com/thebikehubge
Bike Products and Repair

Three Treasures

799 Roosevelt Road, Suite 102
(630) 664-1089
Acupuncture Services

William Waller Attorney

799 Roosevelt Road
(630) 545-0695
Wallerrealestatelaw.com
Real Estate Attorneys

Links Adult and Junior Lesson Programs

Registration is available now for **Adult and Junior Lessons Programs** at the Village Links.

Saturday, February 27

Kiwanis 2016 Pasta Dinner, 4 p.m. - 7 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 424 Forest Avenue, Glen Ellyn. Cost is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children. Annual fundraiser benefits DuPage County charities.

Sunday, February 28

Deadline for Ed Posh Scholarship Applications

The Ed Posh Scholarship Fund, an independent organization founded to honor former Village Links Head Golf Professional Ed Posh, is accepting applications for four scholarships in 2016. These scholarships are for \$2,500 per year and can be renewed for up to four years. This program is funded by the Annual Ed Posh Scholarship Shootout, Friday, July 15, at the Village Links. Applications can be obtained at the Village Links Clubhouse or downloaded from www.edposhscholarship.com. Mail applications to: Ed Posh Scholarship Fund, 485 Winchell Way, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137.

Saturday, March 5

Dr. Maria Bakalis portrays **fashion icon Coco Chanel** in a showcase that reveals her life and her loves at 2 p.m. at the Glen Ellyn History Center, 800 N. Main Street. Tickets are \$10 for GEHS adult members, \$12 for non-member adults and \$5 for students 18 and under. For ticket information, call 630-469-1867 or visit www.glenellynhistory.org. Tickets can also be purchased at Stacy's Corners Store, 800 N. Main Street, Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Sunday, March 6

Deadline to register for the 2016 drawing of weekend permanent reserved starting times at the Village Links. Golfers can sign up at the Village Links through 5 p.m., Sunday, March 8. Foursomes signed up by March 6 will draw for starting times on March 9 at 7:30 p.m. at Reserve 22 at the Village Links.

Sunday, March 15

Last day for Village of Glen Ellyn residents to purchase 2016 Village Links Resident Cards at the pre-season discount. The pre-season annual Resident Card fee is \$10 (\$5 for juniors age 21 and younger). After March 15, the regular fee of \$20 (\$10 for juniors) will be in effect. Resident Cards provide green fee discounts at the Village Links Golf Course. Only individuals who reside within the corporate limits of the Village of Glen Ellyn are eligible to purchase Resident Cards. Purchase a V.I.P. card and start saving 20 percent on 2016 green fees on both the 18- and 9-hole courses. V.I.P. card holders also receive an added 10 percent discount on all golf shop merchandise purchased in 2016.

Saturday, March 26

Community Easter Egg Hunt, 10 a.m., Ackerman Sports Complex, 800 St. Charles Road, Glen Ellyn.

Sunday, March 27

Easter Brunch at Reserve 22 at the Village Links, 10 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Reservations/credit card required.

Saturday, April 2

Spring Scramble at the Village Links. Sign up as individual or foursome. Deadline to enter is March 30.



April & May

Village Links Spring Special

For \$175, golfers can play unlimited free weekday golf in April (as well as March if course can be opened) and unlimited half price weekday golf in May. This special applies to green fees on all 27 holes.

Monday, April 4

Yard waste collection resumes on Mondays with stickers.

Tuesday, April 5

As **Aunt Tillie The Storyteller**, Dr. Maria Bakalis from Curtain Up Players will spin a variety of tales for children during this free event at the Glen Ellyn History Center, 800 N. Main Street. Geared to ages 3 to 5, parents and grandparents are invited to join the young ones for this program. For information, call 630-469-1867 or visit www.glenellynhistory.org.

Thursday, April 7

"Flickering Empire: How Chicago Invented the U.S. Film Industry" tells the fascinating but little known story of how Chicago served as the unlikely capital of film production in America in the years prior to the rise of Hollywood (1907-1913). Colorful, larger-than-life historical figures like Thomas Edison, Charlie Chaplin, Oscar Micheaux and Orson Welles are major players in Flickering Empire. Event takes place at 7 p.m. at the Glen Ellyn History Center, 800 N. Main Street. Tickets cost \$10 (\$8 GEHS members) and include wine, cheese and cookies. Tickets may be purchased in advance at Stacy's Corners Store, 800 N. Main Street, Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. For more information, call 630-469-1867 or visit www.glenellynhistory.org.

Sunday, April 17

Wedding Walk

Taking place from 12 p.m.-4 p.m., visit businesses to find ideas, book services, sample treats and explore downtown Glen Ellyn. Registration 12-2 p.m. at Veiled by Cha Cha, 524 Duane Street. Tickets are \$25 for the bride plus two guests. For more information, please visit www.downtownglenellyn.com.

Saturday, April 23

Recycling Extravaganza & Electronics Collection, 8 a.m. - 12 p.m., Duane/Lorraine parking lot. **Includes electronics recycling.** See page 5 and 6 for more information.

Wednesday, April 27

In honor of the Village's new partnership with sister city Le Bouscat, France, Glen Ellyn will hold its second annual **Market Francais**, 4 p.m. - 8 p.m., in the Glen Ellyn Civic Center, 535 Duane Street. Experience French food, culture and a variety of French-inspired items for sale from local vendors. The event will also include beer and wine for purchase, French musical entertainment and games and prizes for kids.

Saturday, April 30

Prairie Path and Great Western Trail Cleanup, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Prairie Path Cleanup meets at Prairie Path Park near the gazebo. To help with the Great Western Trail clean-up, please email FrndsGrtWstn-Trl@aol.com. See page 5 for more information.

Saturday, April 30

Deadline to purchase Village vehicle stickers and dog licenses (see page 2).

Saturday, April 30

The Glen Ellyn Historical Society celebrates the **30th anniversary of the local filming and release of the movie Lucas**, produced in 1986. Two showings of the film will take place at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. The ticket price for the 2 p.m. event will be \$5, while the cost for the 7 p.m. showing will be \$15 (\$10 for GEHS members). The evening showing will feature Glenbard West High School students and other community members who will share their memories of the filming. Both showings will take place at the Glen Ellyn History Center, 800 N. Main Street. Tickets may be purchased in advance at Stacy's Corners Store at the History Center, 800 N. Main Street, Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. For more information, call 630-469-1867.

Wed. - Sat., May 4-7

Find books for the whole family at the **Wheaton-Glen Ellyn AAUW Used Book Sale**, Glen Ellyn Civic Center, 535 Duane Street. Proceeds go to fellowships and local scholarships. For more information, please visit www.wheatonglenellyn-il.aauw.net.

Tuesday, May 10

The **Glen Ellyn Woman's Club** presents their Celebration Dinner at the Glen Oak Country, 21W 451 Hill Avenue, Glen Ellyn. Celebration begins at 6:30 p.m. with a social hour, followed by dinner and an evening of music and remembrances. For tickets, call 630-469-6859 between April 5 and May 3.



Glen Ellyn Earth Day Events

Do something good for the environment and join in these community events: April 23 Recycling Extravaganza and Electronics Collection and April 30 Prairie Path and Great Western Trail Cleanups.

SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 8 A.M. TO 1 P.M.

Recycling Extravaganza & Electronics Collection

Duane & Lorraine parking lot (just west of the Glen Ellyn Public Library parking lot)

Bring a wide variety of recyclable items and electronics to the Recycling Extravaganza, organized by the Village of Glen Ellyn and the Environmental Commission.

► You May Bring

- Electronics (see page 6)
- Laser and ink jet cartridges
- American flags
- Hearing aids and eyeglasses
- Fire extinguishers
- Bottle caps
- Juice pouches
- Loose and broken jewelry
- Cell phones
- Lead-acid batteries (used in cars, lawn mowers, ATVs)
- Keys
- Medical equipment (walkers, wheelchairs – no biohazard materials)
- Working bikes
- Tools
- Lawn mowers
- Toys
- Small appliances
- Clothing and other textiles
- Shoes
- Household batteries

► Not Accepted

Household hazardous wastes, prescription drugs, paint, fluorescent lights, mercury thermometers, plastic and stereo speakers in wooden cabinets.

See next page for a complete list of acceptable electronics.

SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 9 A.M. TO NOON

Prairie Path & Great Western Trail Clean-Ups

Volunteer assistance is needed to help these valuable community resources thrive. Join your friends and neighbors on Saturday, April 30, 9 a.m. to noon, for the annual Prairie Path and Great Western Trail Clean-ups (rain or shine). Volunteers will meet at the Prairie Path next to the gazebo south of the train station. To help with the Great Western Trail Clean-up, please email FrndsGrtWstnTrl@aol.com or call 630-853-7650. This is an ideal opportunity to donate a few hours of your time to help maintain these natural gems, which are enjoyed by the community throughout the year.



Photo by Colin Palm

April 23 Collection: Electronics Recycled

This event is not for businesses. Residential recycling only.

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| ■ Batteries
(NiMH, NiCd, Li, Li Ion, Lithium Coin, Sealed Lead Acid) | ■ Gaming consoles | ■ Printers |
| ■ CD Players/ROMs | ■ Hard drives | ■ Radios |
| ■ Cell phones | ■ Keyboards | ■ Scanners/fax machines |
| ■ Computer monitors – CRTs and flat screens | ■ Mice | ■ Large and small household appliances |
| ■ Controllers | ■ Microwaves | ■ Stereos |
| ■ Copy machines | ■ Modems | ■ Switching boxes |
| ■ Desktop & laptop computers | ■ Network hubs | ■ Tape players |
| ■ Docking stations | ■ Peripherals | ■ Telephones |
| ■ Extension cords | ■ Power & network cables | ■ Televisions – CRTs and flat screens |
| | ■ Printed circuit boards | ■ UPS (personal & network) |

Options for Recycling Electronics

Since January 1, 2012, electronics have been banned from Illinois landfills. The DuPage County website offers several options for safely recycling these items. The site also features a Recycling Guide and other helpful information. For more information, please visit www.dupageco.org/recycling.

2016 Resolution: *Grow a backyard veggie garden...start planning now!*

Can you believe it? Home improvement stores already have their 2016 seed packets on display at the front of the store. And really, what better time to plan your annual (or first) garden, than in the depths of winter!

Here's one version of a TOP TEN list if you're just getting started as a gardener.

1. Put on your snow boots, go out and measure the area you think you want to plant.
2. Dig up a little dirt! Soil sampling is easy. Soil tests measure pH — the level of soil acidity or alkalinity.
3. Take samples near the middle of the garden — vertical, to a depth of 6 to 8 inches, which is the level at which most vegetable plants find their food. Visit urbanext.illinois.edu/soiltest/ to find a nearby lab that tests home gardens.
4. Read up on nitrogen, phosphorus and

Think about amending the soil based on test results and get ready for that first spring day to begin adding nutrients if needed.

potassium, and what their balance means. A pH of 6.0 to 7.0 is required to ensure that nutrients needed for good growth are available to the plant.

5. Think about amending the soil based on test results and get ready for that first spring day to begin adding nutrients if needed. Remember, if soil tests shows that nutrients are already at proper levels, adding more than needed can contribute to the degradation of groundwater—not good! But rich, organic compost is always a good addition.
6. If you can't test, or the results are not good, consider raised bed planting. It is more work, but can help ensure a rich, chemical-free garden plot. Don't spoil it by using chemically treated wood or creosote railroad ties for the beds. They can leach bad chemicals into your new soil.



7. Plan your garden on paper. Decide which veggies and herbs you love, and include a few that might be less familiar in your recipes—beets, kale and heirloom tomatoes, anyone?
8. Consider starting a few plants from seed. It's cheaper and provides great entertainment.
9. Look into companion gardening—there's a reason why basil and tomatoes taste so good together—they make great garden buddies, too.
10. Include your family members in the planning, planting, weed-pulling and harvesting. It's relaxing, healthy and a great bonding experience.



	Time of Year	Guidelines	Stickers Needed
Regular Refuse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year-round Every Monday (except holidays) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One wheeled refuse cart each week; any additional bags and/or containers up to 33 gallons and 50 lbs. require one refuse sticker each. Bulk items and appliances require one refuse sticker each. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pink Refuse stickers (\$2.50) for each additional bag or container 
Recycling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year-round Every Monday (except holidays) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blue recycling carts for glass and metal containers, aerosol cans, plastics #1 through #5 (including plastic rings, juice boxes, milk and juice cartons), newspaper and mixed paper, recyclable paperboard items (food boxes, etc.) and corrugated cardboard (no larger than 3 square feet). 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No stickers needed Request additional cart if needed: 630-469-1036
Yard Waste	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Begins in April and ends in November Every Monday (except holidays) End date may be extended if weather permits 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All cans/bags (not plastic) of yard waste require one sticker each. Yard waste can be contained in kraft paper bags (not plastic) and/or unlined 33-gallon trash containers with stickers, placed separately from regular refuse, facing the street. Branch and brush can also be put out for this pick-up. Branch and brush should be in kraft paper bags, cans or bundled with twine; each bundle or can requires one yard waste sticker (maximum weight 50 lbs.). Sod is not yard waste; dispose of as refuse. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Green Yard Waste stickers: \$2.50 
Leaves	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> October-November Every Monday (except holidays) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leaves can be collected April-November, but leaf stickers can only be used in October and November and must be disposed of in a kraft paper bag (sorry no reusable carts or bins for use with leaf stickers). For disposal of leaves with regular yard waste stickers from April through November, you may place them in reusable containers or kraft paper bags. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yellow Leaf Waste sticker: \$1.50 
Free Branch & Brush Collection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mid-May through mid-October Residents on and north of Hill Avenue pick-up is 2nd Monday of the month Residents south of Hill Avenue pick-up is 3rd Monday of the month 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Material should not be bundled or otherwise containered. Branches may not exceed 10 inches in diameter. Also, no root balls, dimensional lumber or any material exceeding the 10-inch dimensions. Professionally cut trimmings are not included. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No stickers needed 

Please call Republic Services with questions about your refuse/recycling collection at 630-469-1036

Glen Ellyn Environmental Commission Events

Earth Day 2016: Sustainable Landscaping

Friday, April 22, 6 – 8 p.m., Maryknoll Park
845 Pershing Avenue

Join the Glen Ellyn Environmental Commission, the Glen Ellyn Park District and the Glen Ellyn Sustainability Group for a fun and educational event. Several local, earth-friendly groups and businesses will be on-hand to share ideas, inspiration and ways to get involved with green and sustainable efforts. Bring the kids to enjoy a nature scavenger hunt and other activities. Three informational Q & A sessions will also be featured:

6:30 p.m. **Organic Gardening Basics** by Sweet Home Organics

7:00 p.m. **Rain Barrels & Rain Gardens** by The Conservation Foundation

7:30 p.m. **Native Plants for Your Yard** by Wild Ones



Photo by Tim O'Brien

Earth Friendly Yards

Thursday, April 7, 7 p.m., Glen Ellyn Civic Center
535 Duane Street

Last year, Glen Ellyn residents joined together in the successful planting of hundreds of milkweed plants in an effort to help the struggling monarch butterfly population. The Glen Ellyn Environmental Commission and the Glen Ellyn Park District challenged residents to take the next step by helping other pollinators. There are many options for residents to make outdoor spaces beautiful,

sustainable and functional for residents, as well as wildlife. Join representatives from the Glen Ellyn Environmental Commission and the Glen Ellyn Park District to learn more about perennial plants, shrubs and trees that help our local insects and birds. Discover how to grow vegetables, how to make compost at home and how rain gardens work. Explore rain barrel usage and re-think the idea of the perfect, weed-free lawn. Attending Earth-Friendly Yards will give residents many options for enhancing yards and positively impacting the environment.

Where to Buy Stickers

Refuse, leaf and yard waste stickers can be purchased from the Cashier's Office or the Police Department (open 24 hrs.) in the Glen Ellyn Civic Center (535 Duane Street). Stickers are also sold at:

- Jewel/Osco, 599 Roosevelt Road, Glen Ellyn & 2031 Main Street, Wheaton
- Len's Ace Hardware, 485 Roosevelt, Glen Ellyn

Disposing of Household Hazardous Waste

Household hazardous waste can be disposed of year-round at the permanent facility at 180 Fort Hill Road, Naperville, IL, Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. (except holidays). This site does not accept latex paint or electronics. For more information, please call the Naperville collection site at 630-420-6095, the DuPage Solid Waste Department at 630-407-6700, the Household Hazardous Waste Information Hotline at 630-407-6760, or visit www.naperville.il.us/hhw.aspx.

The Village waste hauler, Republic Services, will pick up latex paint with your regular refuse pickup if it is dried or has been solidified with sand, sawdust or kitty litter; remove the paint can lid prior to disposal. Used motor oil can be disposed of in a sealed, labeled milk jug and placed next to the trash container at the curb. For more information about refuse/recycling collection, or household hazardous waste disposal, please call Republic Services at 630-469-1036.





Be Prepared for Heavy Storms

Since floods can happen fast, you should always be prepared. The following are some suggestions:

- Keep storm sewer inlets and drainage ditches clear of debris, including leaves and grass clippings.
- Make sure your sump pump is working. Consider a battery backup unit.
- Monitor potential flood hazards on an All Hazards NOAA Weather Radio, local radio or television or on the internet at www.noaa.gov/floods.php.
- Copy important papers (mortgage papers, deeds, passport, bank and credit card information). Keep the copies in your home and place the originals outside your home in a secure place like a safety deposit box.
- Go through your basement (if not your entire house) and take photos of your most valuable possessions (furniture, musical instruments and electronic equipment). Store these photos with your other papers.
- Save and store receipts for any expensive household items, such as appliances and electronics, for proof of their original cost.
- Assess your flood risk and make sure you have adequate flood insurance coverage.

Flood plain and flooding questions?

Glen Ellyn's Planning and Development Department can help you determine whether your property is in the floodplain, contains floodways or has other known drainage problems. The Planning and Development Department additionally has elevation certificates on file for buildings constructed in the floodplain. Located in the Glen Ellyn Civic Center, the Planning and Development Department can be reached at (630) 547-5250. Copies of the Flood Insurance Rate Maps are also available at the Glen Ellyn Public Library and online at www.fema.gov. Enter "Map Service Center" in the search box.

Flood insurance available for all Glen Ellyn properties

Most homeowners' policies do not cover flood losses. Because Glen Ellyn participates in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), residents can protect their home and contents by purchasing a flood insurance policy. Consider obtaining coverage for structure and contents since there can be more damage to the contents than the structure. Renters can also buy contents coverage even if the owner does not insure the structure. There is a 30-day waiting period before the policy becomes effective. To find out more, contact any licensed insurance agent or broker — the same person who sells your home and auto policies. You may be denied federal assistance after a disaster if you don't have flood insurance.

RESERVE
— 22 —
TWENTY-TWO

Celebrate Dine Play

Fridays

Fish Fry at Reserve 22 at the Village Links.

Meeting Space Available

The **Executive Boardroom** is ideal for groups up to 20, featuring full A/V capabilities, white board and conference calling capabilities.



Dine Al Fresco

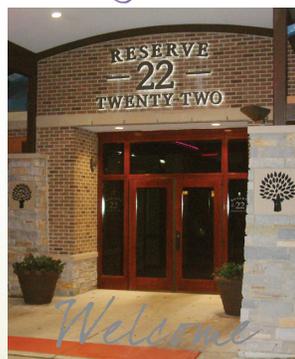
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2016 Annual Hydrant Flushing

Beginning in early to mid-May, the Village's approximately 1,250 hydrants will be flushed.

Work will primarily take place from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., with some earlier morning flushing performed in certain high traffic areas. Prior to flushing, signs will be placed in the area.

Hydrants are flushed each year to ensure that fire hydrants are operational and also to clean out any particulate matter that may have accumulated in the water lines. During



or immediately following the hydrant flushing, water discoloration can occur. If you observe discoloration, allow the

water to sit in the lines for awhile for particulates to settle back out. Then try running the water again to clear the line.

It is anticipated that the entire hydrant flushing process will be complete by the end of May. Resi-

dents can contact the Public Works Department for more information at (630)469-6756.

Free Wood Chips at Public Works Facility

Wood chips are available, free to residents, at the Village of Glen Ellyn Public Works Department, 30 S. Lambert Road. Wood chips are single ground and resupplied as they become available. Residents must bring their own equipment for removal of chips. A wood chips bin is located on Wilson Avenue, just south of the Public Works facility.



2016 Branch and Brush Pick-Up Dates

Material must be out at the curb by 7 a.m. on the collection day, but may take several days for pick-up.

May 9
 Hill Avenue & North of Hill

May 16
 South of Hill Avenue

June 13
 Hill Avenue & North of Hill

June 20
 South of Hill Avenue

July 11
 Hill Avenue & North of Hill

July 18
 South of Hill Avenue

August 8
 Hill Avenue & North of Hill

August 15
 South of Hill Avenue

September 12
 Hill Avenue & North of Hill

September 19
 South of Hill Avenue

October 10
 Hill Avenue & North of Hill

October 17
 South of Hill Avenue

Branch and Brush Guidelines

To save on costs for the Branch and Brush Collection Program, the Village has implemented new guidelines as follows:

- **Branches may not exceed 10 inches in diameter.** Also, no root balls, dimensional lumber or any material exceeding the 10-inch dimensions.
- Professionally cut trimmings are not included.

Top Ten Poisonous Plants

Many of the flowering plants we enjoy throughout the spring and summer season may be toxic to humans and/or pets. While some are only mildly toxic if ingested, others can cause more serious symptoms.

- Daffodil: bulbs
- Rhododendron: leaves are toxic and so is honey made from the flower nectar
- Ficus: milky sap in leaves and stems
- Oleander: all plant parts toxic
- Chrysanthemum (mums): flower heads somewhat toxic; touching them can cause mild allergic reactions
- Flamingo Flowers or Pigtail Plants (Anthuriums): all plant parts mildly toxic
- Lily of the Valley: all plant parts toxic
- Hydrangea: toxic blossoms
- Foxglove: all plant parts toxic
- Wisteria: all plant parts toxic

For any suspected poisoning situation, call the Illinois Poison Center at 800-222-1222, as well as 911 if necessary.



2016 Major Infrastructure Improvements

The following projects will be underway during the upcoming construction season.

ELM-OAK-GENEVA IMPROVEMENTS

This project will include the rehabilitation of Elm and Oak Streets between Kenilworth and Western. The Oak Street scope of work will be limited to removal and replacement of the asphalt roadway surface. Work on Elm Street will entail complete reconstruction of the roadway, including upgrades to the sanitary sewer, storm sewer and water distribution infrastructure. A particular focus of the project will be various drainage improvements. Work on Geneva Road will include the construction of a culvert on the south side of the road across from Churchill Park, as well as improvements to an existing culvert outlet on the north side of Geneva Road. Estimated project cost is \$2 million.

HILL AVENUE BRIDGE REPLACEMENT

The Village of Lombard is administering a project to replace the Hill Avenue bridge over the East Branch of the DuPage River. It is anticipated that the project will be competitively bid in the spring with construction to commence in early summer. The project will require a complete closure of the bridge with detour routes through Glen Ellyn along Crescent and North Park Boulevards. Completion is anticipated by the end of 2016 or early 2017.

LAKE ELLYN IMPROVEMENTS

Lake Ellyn is an important part of the Village's stormwater management infrastructure. The lake's outlet control structure, which regulates the release rate from the lake into the DuPage River East Branch, is integral to the lake's performance in managing stormwater. Implementation of final design, as well as permitting of improvements is underway to modify the outlet control structure to allow an increased release rate. Construction of the improvements is tentatively anticipated for early spring with the goal of completing construction by late June. Construction

of the outlet control structure modifications will require temporary drainage of the lake with a goal of refilling it before the Fourth of July activities. The estimated project cost is \$420,000, with the Village receiving approximately \$350,000 in grant funding for the project.

SIDEWALK PROGRAM

In addition to the annual spot sidewalk repair program, additional sidewalk improvements are planned for 2016. Crosswalk improvements will be constructed at the Roosevelt/Lambert, Roosevelt/Nicoll, and Route 53/Pershing intersections. Construction of new sections of sidewalk is planned for Route 53 from Bemis Road to Marston Avenue and potentially on the east side of Lenox Road between Hawthorne Boulevard and Essex Road. The estimated total cost for this year's sidewalk improvements is \$400,000, with the Village receiving approximately \$190,000 in grant funding.

STREET RESURFACING

The 2016 Resurfacing Program will involve the resurfacing of approximately two miles of roadway, including Baker Hill Subdivision (Tanglewood, Woodview), Pleasant Avenue (Maple to Elm), Roosevelt Gardens Subdivision (DuPage, Grove, Lombard, Spring) and the Glenbard-Sunnybrook Area (within Village Limits). The general scope of work includes spot curb/gutter repairs and the removal and replacement of the asphalt roadway surface. The Roosevelt Gardens area work will entail the removal and replacement of the majority of the curb and gutter. The estimated project cost is \$1.05 million.

FUTURE PROJECTS

Central Business District Underground Improvements

The design of improvements to rehabilitate the underground sanitary sewer, storm sewer and water main infrastructure within the Downtown Central Business District is planned for 2016. Design work should be underway in early spring, with the tentative construction completion in fall of 2016.



Proposed pedestrian underpass for Taylor Avenue

Kenilworth-Alley Improvements

The Village has retained engineering services to complete a detailed topographic survey for improvements to Kenilworth Avenue (Greenfield to Hill) and for three alleys, including the Annandale-Park alley between Duane and Hillside, the Center Street alley east of Lorraine, and the Chidester-Elm alley east of Lincoln. Project scope includes the complete reconstruction of Kenilworth Avenue and the alleys, as well as various sanitary sewer, storm sewer and water distribution infrastructure improvements. Anticipated completion for design and competitive bidding of the project is anticipated for this spring. Tentative construction will take place in summer of 2016.

Taylor Avenue Pedestrian Underpass

The Village has retained an engineer to complete the detailed design of a pedestrian underpass parallel to Taylor Avenue and crossing underneath the Union Pacific Railroad tracks. The underpass is proposed immediately east of the existing Taylor Avenue vehicular underpass. The preliminary scope of work includes installing a 14-foot-diameter pipe under the tracks, with a ten-foot-wide shared use path extending from Walnut to Willis. The scope of work also includes removal of the existing sidewalk and widening of the pavement within the existing underpass. It is anticipated that the detailed design and competitive bidding of the project will be completed in 2016, with construction occurring early in 2017.



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Public Works	630-469-6756
Utility Billing	630-547-5335
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Board and Commission Meetings

A listing of the Village's Board and Commission Meetings can be found on the Village's website at www.glenellyn.org.