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# MAYOR KERRY DURKIN

## The Mayor Speaks...

*Following this holiday season we realize how much we have to be thankful for as we reflect on what was accomplished in Glenwood during the past year. I am designating, by department, our 2010 milestones and our goals for 2011:*

### Administration:

Donna Gayden was appointed as our new Village Administrator, and we welcome her knowledge and experience in finance during these difficult times.

The master plan for the Glenwood Plaza is complete and we're currently entertaining developers.

The Nicor property acquisition is complete; 33 acres were purchased and are being marketed for development.

The Nalco Crossbow acquisition of the 19421 Forest Avenue building is progressing and will be finalized by spring. The Halsted TIF (Tax Increment Finance) is set to be established and will become a tool for the plaza redevelopment. The Town Center Plaza is being considered for a stand-alone TIF that would allow a grocer to occupy the site.

### Public works:

The first round of residential road resurfacing is complete.

Phase 1 of the Main St. sewer project is complete - 187th Street to approximately Glenwood Oaks Restaurant.

Phase 2 is ready to bid and will be completed in 2011. It will include a rejuvenated Town Center Plaza parking lot due to easement requirements.

Sidewalk slab replacement will commence in spring. Call public works @757-2317 if sidewalks in front of your residence need evaluation.

### Parks:

The Center Street Pump Station is being converted into a park building for residents of the Forest.

**Forest Park** has new playground equipment installed, and lighting and a walking trail will be finished when the weather permits. **Hickory Glen Park Building** has been refurbished. Hickory Glen Park rehabilitation is still in the planning stage with work to begin in early spring. Consultants are planning to meet to plan renovations of remaining parks soon. Residents are invited to attend and to provide input.

### Police:

Demetrious Cook has been appointed as

our new Chief of Police. Formerly the Deputy Chief of Evanston Illinois, he brings to Glenwood a vision of community policing that will enable our police department to meet or exceed our needs in the foreseeable future. The Union Contract was settled for a term of 18 months at a 1% general wage increase.

### Fire:

A recent retirement in the Fire Department allowed us to replace one firefighter with an individual whose wage is paid by a grant for 3 years.

### Glenwoodie Golf Course:

The golf course constructed continuous cart paths and construction of a new clubhouse and community center is underway with a spring completion date. Marc Adduci is the new Manager hired to spearhead the operation of the new facility.

### Finance:

Glenwoodie Golf Course bond refinancing is complete at a savings of \$748,097.00. The Village Hall bond refinancing is complete at a savings of \$86,559.00. The Village of Glenwood had a negative reserves of 32,051.00 as of April 30, 2009. The Village of Glenwood had positive reserves of \$1,479,807.00 as of April 30, 2010. The Village declared a surplus in the Wal-Mart TIF of \$1,400,000.00 in 2010. Glenwood sold \$9,230,000.00 in Build America Bonds, BABS, in 2010 to finance infrastructure improvements. The Property Tax Levy submitted to Cook County for 2010 was a 1.5% increase. Vehicle sticker revenue was transferred from the Road and Bridge Fund to the Corporate Fund to allow those dollars to offset a decrease in State Funding. Fines for delinquent Village vehicle stickers were increased to force compliance.

The infrastructure improvements you are seeing constructed in the Village are being paid for using the proceeds from the BABS. Glenwoodie Golf Course and our roads, sewers, parks and water mains are the focus of the proceeds of the bond sale. We recently were approved for bonds issued by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) as part of the Federal Stimulus Program. We anticipate using those subsidized dollars to perform some work originally proposed to be BABS funding. This will allow additional infrastructure work to be performed within



our TIF's that will lower our actual bond repayment cost.

Recently 1,098 citations were issued for not purchasing a Village vehicle sticker. When the Board of Trustees increased the sticker fee last year to combat the decrease in revenue due to the recession, a demand was placed on the staff to issue violation citations to every vehicle registered in Glenwood without a sticker. The database purchased from the State of Illinois was supposed to be current. It appears from the volume of calls that it was not. If you were issued a citation for a vehicle you no longer own, please call the Police Department at (708)757-2360 and give the clerk the information to remove your citation from the records. I apologize for any inconvenience. If you have not purchased a sticker and received a citation, understand this tax is paid by all owners of vehicles registered in the Village. The tax is not new and the penalty was raised to enforce compliance.

I am requesting volunteers to serve on a committee to resolve flooding issues. FEMA requires participation by a community to reduce the insurance rates to those required to purchase flood plain coverage. If you are interested in serving on the committee, please contact the Village Hall and submit a resume to be considered. There are no qualifications required, except the desire to serve your community.

Our recent newsletter, the **Glenwood Gazette**, is a home grown product produced by Village resident, Margurete Stephens. We're very pleased with the appearance and content in this effort to capture the diverse, innovative and humanitarian events of our Village. If you have a topic you would like to submit, or to see covered, please contact her through the Village Hall at (708)753-2400.

# New Technology in the Brookwood School District of Glenwood

By Dr. Pamela K. Hollich, Superintendent



Great things are happening with technology in Brookwood School District 167. The Board of Education and administration is committed to providing the most-up-to-date technological resources to all four schools in the district. Major advancements in technology use in the district are highlighted below.

Brookwood Junior High's new Digital Exploration Center provides students with laptops and a flexible learning space where they can create and collaborate on school projects. This class is taught by Discovery Education STAR Educator Amanda Walsh and combines online learning, media development, and technology skills building. The room includes tables that can be reconfigured to support team learning and group work and our "Genius Bar" where students can seek help and discuss projects with Ms. Walsh. Projects scheduled for this year include creating movies using our green screen studio, composing music, 3D engineering and design, web page design, and robotics.

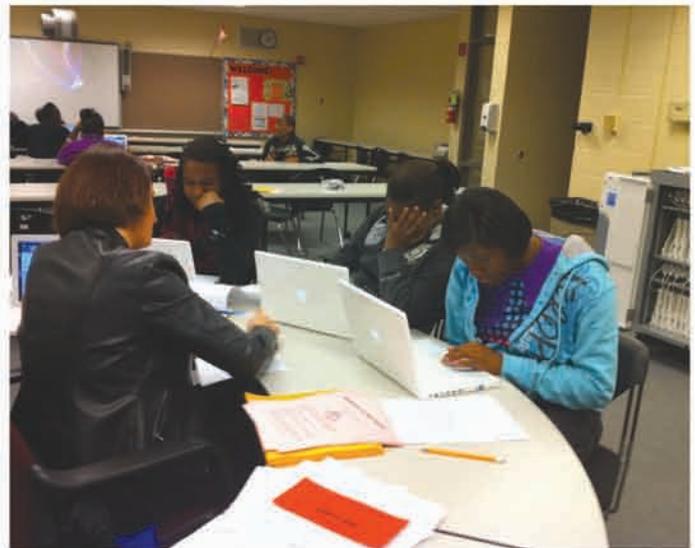
Since July 2006 Brookwood School District 167 has received federal grant funds for five consecutive years through the Enhancing Education Through Technology Program. With these funds the district was able to purchase SMARTBoard interactive whiteboards and laptop carts for 21 classrooms in grades 1 through 8. During the school day teachers bring a set of laptops to the classroom and distribute them to every student. Laptops can be used for research, projects, movie and music creation, and more. Teachers also received a personal laptop that is used to develop lessons and assignments from home and to help communicate with parents and students. In addition to computers and classroom technology our teachers undergo a rigorous professional development program designed to help create student-centered technology projects and put teachers in contact with innovative educators all around the world.

Brookwood School District 167 is finding new ways to teach collaboration and communication skills to our youngest students with the new SMART Table learning centers in Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten. SMART Tables are interactive, touch-capable tables that allow up to 6 students to work together to learn about math, reading, and more. Teachers have access to over 200 educational activities for all levels of learner. Soon our teachers will begin creating their own individualized lessons to help students practice skills alone or in groups. For more information on SMART Tables please visit <http://www.smarttech.com>.

This year classes in grades 1 through 8 are using a new technology curriculum software from Learning.com that teaches 21st Century technology skills, keyboarding, online safety, and office software use. Students complete modules that are individualized to their needs and at their own pace. In addition to Learning.com students have access to a variety of educational websites that can be used in school and at home to support learning at any time. These include Study Island (<http://www.studyisland.com>) for ISAT preparation, Discovery Education Streaming (<http://streaming.discoveryeducation.com>) to access educational video clips, and Edmodo (<http://www.edmodo.com>) for online discussion and turning in homework.

Teachers in all Brookwood School District 167 schools are developing classroom websites using Google Sites in order to share educational resources, communicate with parents, and highlight student work. To find your child's teacher's classroom site please visit our website at <http://www.brookwood167.org>, click on your child's school from the menu on the left, and click on Staff Directory. You will find e-mail contact information for all District 167 employees along with websites. If you have recommendations on content you would like to see on your child's classroom website, please let your child's teacher know.

Parents are always encouraged to visit and view our technology. If you have questions about scheduling a visit or accessing any of the web services listed above, please contact your child's school.

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## "Being Educated In Government"

In the past 18 months, I've invested significant time in learning and understanding the procedures of the Clerk's Office. In addition to learning the operating procedures within the Village, I've attended several workshops and seminars to assist me in obtaining the tools needed to fulfill my role as Village Clerk of Glenwood. This training included workshops offered by the Illinois Municipal League, the South Suburban Mayors and Managers, and the Cook County Clerk's Office. Attending these workshops was, and continues to be, vital in educating me in Village government.

Now that I've been in Glenwood government for 18 months, I've come to the realization that things don't always run as smoothly as we would like, or that projects are completed as quickly as everyone would hope. This is the frustrating part of being in government. The lengthy process required to bring a project to its conclusion quickly diminishes the excitement of having a plan to progress the Village forward. What some might think are simple projects, actually are projects that require hours of commitment for completion. There are planning meetings to attend, studies to be ordered and reviewed, phone calls to be made, and e-mails to be swapped. All of this must first be completed before the question of, "Can the project begin?" is even asked.

For example, in the first month of being elected into office, Mayor Durkin submitted a 6.6 million dollar capital infrastructure package to the Board of Trustees for approval. The capital package of 6 projects, under the direction of the Village engineer, was submitted to the Illinois EPA as part of the federal government stimulus program. Of the 6 projects submitted, 5 were rejected. The only project accepted and funded, was for the street light at the corner of Holbrook Rd. and Chicago Heights Rd. Currently, the light and street improvements are under construction. Mayor Durkin recently re-submitted the 5 projects, under the same stimulus program. As of the time of this article, the projects have not been rejected, but they are moving along the approval process with the Illinois EPA. If and when the projects are fully approved and funded, time will still be needed to prepare for the projects. The estimated time committed to the project before any dirt is over turned, is more than 24 months, which is a very long time. As much as we would like to have things done in the present, it's usually in the distant future that things are completed. Having patience in government is important, I am learning, and this can't be learned in a workshop or a classroom. Patience can only be learned by experience.

Carmen Hopkins  
Village Clerk



## Information from the Village Clerk

### **Village Vehicle Sticker**

In the fall of 2010, the Village of Glenwood forwarded a summons to several residents for non-compliance of the Village vehicle sticker ordinance. The Clerk's Office received several inquiries regarding the accuracy of the nature of the summons. So, as the Clerk of Glenwood, I want to take the opportunity to provide you with the criteria of the ordinance.

#### **The ordinance states as follows:**

Sec. 102-547. - Issuance of sticker; duty to affix to vehicle.

Upon the issuance of a license as provided under this article, the village clerk shall deliver to the applicant a gummed tag or sticker upon which shall be shown the year for which the license is issued. It shall be the duty of the applicant to affix such gummed tag or sticker upon the lower corner of the passenger side of the windshield of the motor vehicle, or if there is no windshield, then in a conspicuous place upon the motor vehicle, where it can readily be seen. It shall be unlawful for any motor vehicle, although duly licensed, to be used upon the streets, avenues or alleys of the village unless such tag or sticker is attached thereto. A fine in the amount of \$250.00 shall be paid by the owner [of] a motor vehicle that does not have properly displayed a vehicle sticker required by this article by May 1 or by a date that is 60 calendar days after the first date of ownership of the vehicle, whichever is later.

1) If you reside in the Village of Glenwood, and you have a motor vehicle that is registered in Glenwood with the State of Illinois, you must purchase a vehicle sticker for the vehicle.

2) If you reside in the Village of Glenwood, and you have a non operating motor vehicle, but the vehicle is registered in Glenwood with the State of Illinois, you must purchase a vehicle sticker for the vehicle.

3) If you reside in the Village of Glenwood, and you purchase a motor vehicle that is registered in Glenwood with the State of Illinois, you must purchase a vehicle sticker for the vehicle within 60 days of vehicle purchase.

4) If you reside in the Village of Glenwood, and you dispose/junk or sell a motor vehicle that is registered in Glenwood with the State of Illinois, you must notify the Village of Glenwood Clerk's Office of the vehicle disposal or sale.

5) If you reside in the Village of Glenwood and you make a registration change (i.e. a change with the state issued license plate), you must notify the Village of the Glenwood Clerk's Office of the change.

If you do not comply with the criteria of the ordinance, you could be subject to a \$250.00 fine as listed within the ordinance for non-compliance. The purchase period for the 2011 vehicle stickers will go from April 1, 2011 to April 30, 2011 with a \$10 late fee being

assessed in May and June if the sticker isn't purchased. The cost for the vehicle sticker is \$40.00 for a regular vehicle. The fees are adjusted for Senior Citizens, as well as other vehicle classes.

#### **Stay informed**

As the Village Clerk, I remain committed to making sure the residents of Glenwood have every opportunity to remain informed on the actions, changes, and progress of the Village. There are several ways to obtain information. The best way to get information is to visit the Village's website ([www.villageofglenwood.com](http://www.villageofglenwood.com)). The Village website is loaded with all kinds of things, that, as a Glenwood resident, you should be aware of. This includes:

- The Board meeting agendas and minutes.
- The Village Code of Ordinances.
- Forms, flyers, and documents for several committees, Village departments, and local groups.
- Resident information (Includes information on water, sewer, and refuse services).
- Community information (includes information on schools, park programs, local business, and local churches).

# Glenwoodie Golf Course



We're into a new year and there are exciting things happening at Glenwoodie Golf Course. The construction of the Community Center at Glenwoodie continues at a frantic pace to insure its opening by May, 2011. Opportunities are almost limitless for event planning and activities in the years ahead. The enhanced landmark status and popularity of the golf course has held for decades can only be another feather in the hat for the Village of Glenwood and continues Glenwoodie Golf Course as a source of pride for the south suburban area as well.

The magnitude of the new project needs proven leadership to get off to a good start and on a solid footing. To provide that leadership and expertise, the Village has selected a 30 years plus P.G.A. golf professional, Marc Adduci, as the Glenwoodie Golf Course Director of Golf. Phil Robbins remains as Head Golf Professional and Jim Sakalares as Assistant Golf Professional.

The quality of any golf venue is always based on the quality of the course itself. Recent improvements include the installation of a cart path the full length of the course. This prevents having to close the course because of heavy rains that would make the course untraversable by cart. Another recent improvement was the building of senior tees that allows a senior player an easier and more enjoyable round of golf. For over a decade now, our G.C.S.A.A. (Golf Course Superintendent Association of America) certified superintendent, Eric Swanson, and his staff have created a top notch "open to the public" golf venue. There are many reasons to look forward to 2011 with excitement and optimism.

To prove this, we have been selected as a host venue for two Chicago District Golf Association U.S.G.A. (United States Golf Association) sanctioned events as well as an Illinois P.G.A. (Professional Golfers Association) sanctioned event for this coming season in 2011.

## PUBLIC WORKS *Notices*

Patrick McAneney, Public Works Director

*As we are still dealing with the snow, we would like for our residents to keep a couple of things in mind:*

- Comply with the **NO PARKING AFTER 2" OF SNOW** ordinance.
- Avoid pushing snow out into the street when cleaning a driveway. Following these instructions makes cleaning the roads much more effective.

***If you are experiencing sewer problems, here are a few things to remember:***

- Contact the Village immediately and someone will come out to check the village sewer lines to make sure problems are not associated with a main line.
- There are always staff members on call 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to check your problem.
- Please know that when flushing certain items or dumping grease or oils down the sewer, you can cause problems within your home or in the village main sewer that can affect multiple residences.

***With spring approaching here are some reminders about storm water that Glenwood discharges and how to improve our water quality.***

- Properly store and dispose of oils, chemicals, antifreeze and other toxic material.
- Never dump any waste in the storm drain. Dispose of litter and animal waste in trash cans. Sweep sidewalks, gutters, driveways, and other paved surfaces and put the debris in the trash can.
- Use garden chemicals sparingly and only when necessary, lest they get washed into the creeks.
- If you see dumping or debris in the ditches or basins, filling or construction near property lot lines, or filling or construction in the floodplain without a permit sign posted, contact Village Hall at (708)753-2400.

  
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# *Greetings from the New Police Chief...* **Demitrious Cook**



Being appointed as Chief of Police for the Village of Glenwood is the greatest accomplishment of my professional life, and I am very humbled by the confidence the people of the Village of Glenwood have entrusted in me. It is an honor for me to lead the brave men and women of this department, and we will work hard to maintain your trust and confidence in the Glenwood Police Department.

The direction of the Glenwood Police Department requires the commitment of the department as well as that of the citizens we service. It is my intention to develop strong "Community Partnerships" with all residents, the business community and our educational facilities. Public expression is vital to the success of any community policing program and I want to assure you that your input will be taken seriously. We will work to eradicate gang activity, illegal weapons and drugs from our community and to improve the quality of life for all residents of Glenwood. Working together in partnership, we can achieve these important goals. It is my vision to develop transparency in all processes of this department, in particular the complaint process. All complaints and concerns will be addressed in a timely and professional manner. Follow-up on all complaint dispositions will occur. It is the intent of the Glenwood Police Department to provide prompt and courteous service, improve customer service and create public value. Professionalism has been and will continue to be the primary goal of this department, and working together, we can achieve our goals. I look forward to working with the community and I am available to address your needs.

Again, I thank you for your support. Please feel free to contact me anytime or just stop by my office. I can be reached anytime at the numbers provided below:

Glenwood Police Department - One Asselborn Way - Glenwood, Illinois 60425

Office: 708-757-2334 - Cell: 708-941-4495



# Observations by Trustee Plott

During a recent trip to the Forest Subdivision, I was reminded of a day during the spring of 2007. Kerry Durkin and I stopped at multiple residences on Tulip Dr. to campaign. As we walked door to door, he showed me the house he purchased in 1974 and explained how the homes were constructed based on his experiences. After visiting his former house, we visited the house next door. This family was in obvious distress. They had been unable to use running water for the past two days because of a sewer backup in their basement. We had an extensive conversation with the resident on how she could remedy the problem in her home without excessive costs. Kerry informed me that this was an ongoing problem which affected many residents in the Forest Subdivision over the years, but was never fully resolved. We vowed to each other that if elected, we would find a way to solve this problem. Due to our success in obtaining Build America Bonds, Glenwood has been able to include in our infrastructure improvement master plan, a relief to the flooding issue in the Forest Subdivision. We recognized the design flaw in our sanitary sewers that had all of the waste from the west side of Glenwood being pumped into the Forest Subdivision under Center Street. The solution that our Public Works Department and Robinson Engineering recommended to the Board was to relocate all of the sewerage from the lift station on 187th Street by the Glenwood School, to a new sewer main that would deposit directly into the MWRD (Metropolitan Water Reclamation District) at Magnolia and Glenwood-Lansing Road. The Village of Glenwood recently concluded Phase 2 of the sewer replacement; a quarter mile of ten inch sanitary sewer force main along 187th street, starting from Glenwood School to approximately Glenwood Oaks Restaurant. This portion is finished and is physically in use.

Next, at the east end of the pipe installed last year under Main Street, we will tunnel under the railroad tracks to the lot east of Gabe's Restaurant. We will need to place an extension from that point to the MWRD interceptor sewer on Magnolia. This work hopefully will be completed by mid to late 2011 with the intent of eliminating the sewer back-ups in the Forest Subdivision. Lastly, there will be the connection at Glenwood Oaks Restaurant and isolation of the line to the Forest Subdivision. One other focal point of this project was to acquire multiple easements from property owners on both Main Street and Glenwood-Lansing Road. The owners of the Town Center Plaza are cooperating with the Village in order to facilitate the project and will receive improvements to the parking lot and drainage of that plaza, based on our need for the easement. We are thrilled to be a part of an ongoing effort to improve our infrastructure and to keep our Village progressing.



## Greetings, Seniors

In the midst of winter and with spring rapidly approaching, we've had great days here at the center, and we thank our new members, Alma and Ulysses T., Lenzy and Bonnie H. We had a packed house for our fish fry in November, thanks in part to the Seniors Outreach Program, headed by Dorothy H., and Nikki L. Seniors participated in Line Dancing with instructor, Carol T., and card games and our most popular Wii bowling game! We also combined our fish fry with a birthday celebration for Prentiss T., and we'd like to thank trustee, Tony Plott and his wife Melinda for their participation. A great time was had by all.

The center celebrated the Holidays with a pizza party on December 14th, and once again we had a full house for our last party of the year, 2010. We are seeking for more of our senior residents to come out and enjoy the fun filled days at the center. Remember, the center is open Monday through Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Jesse Flowers  
Co- Director

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# PARK PROGRAMS *Announcements*

Cathie Marcinski, Director

This past holiday season, Glenwood residents had the opportunity to enjoy the many special events held by Park Programs. The First Annual Holiday Lighting Ceremony took place on December 10, 2010 when Mayor Durkin officially lit up Callahan-Strand Park for the holiday season. Children eagerly awaited Santa's arrival by fire truck, as the Calvary Baptist Church Children's Choir sang Christmas carols. We did not forget those who are less fortunate during the holiday season. Park Programs held a food drive and all children bringing non-perishable food items were entered into a contest for a gift card. All the food was distributed to needy families within our community.

The Holiday Decorating Contest was held December 9th through the 13th. One winner was chosen from each of the five subdivisions and from those semi-finalists, three overall winners were chosen. The Village Park Program wishes to thank everyone who volunteered his/her time and talents to assist with all the events and programs over the past year. Whether you gave an hour or countless hours, your contribution is greatly appreciated. Without dedicated volunteers and support from the Mayor and the Village Board, there would not be as many events for the residents to enjoy all year round.

Summer programs are currently being planned. You can look for more information in the next newsletter and if you have an idea for a program or activity you would like to see offered by the Parks Programs, please contact Cathie at 708-753-2400. It is our hope to offer more programs and events each year, and volunteers are always needed. The more volunteers there are, the more programs the Glenwood Village Park Programs will be able to offer.

**February 21, 2011**

**Roller Skating /Ice Cream**

**Glenwood Roller Rink /Culvers 656 Holbrook Road**

**11:30 a.m. - 3:45 p.m. Fee: \$8.50 Min: 25**

Enjoy the day off from school, skating and having lunch and ice cream with friends. The bus will depart the Village Hall for the roller rink at 11:30 a.m.. We will return at approximately 3:45 p.m.. The fee includes round trip transportation, admission, skate rental, lunch and ice cream at Culvers! We will depart the roller rink at approximately 3:15 p.m. and travel to Culvers in Homewood and return to the Village Hall at approximately 3:45 p.m. Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult, and all must be registered with Park Programs to participate in this special event. Register at the Village Hall 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Registration forms are also available online. For additional information contact Cathie at 708-753-2400. Deadline is Thursday, February 17, 2011.

## **World's Greatest Mom Essay Contest**

Tell us in fifty words or less why your mom is the greatest mom in the world. Two winners will be selected from each division: grades 1 and 2; grades 3 and 4; and grades 5 and 6. Entry forms will be available at the Village Hall on March 28. Entries must be submitted by April 18. No exceptions. Winners will be notified by April 25.



**April 16, 2011**

## **Easter Egg Hunt Callahan-Strand Park (Across from Village Hall)**

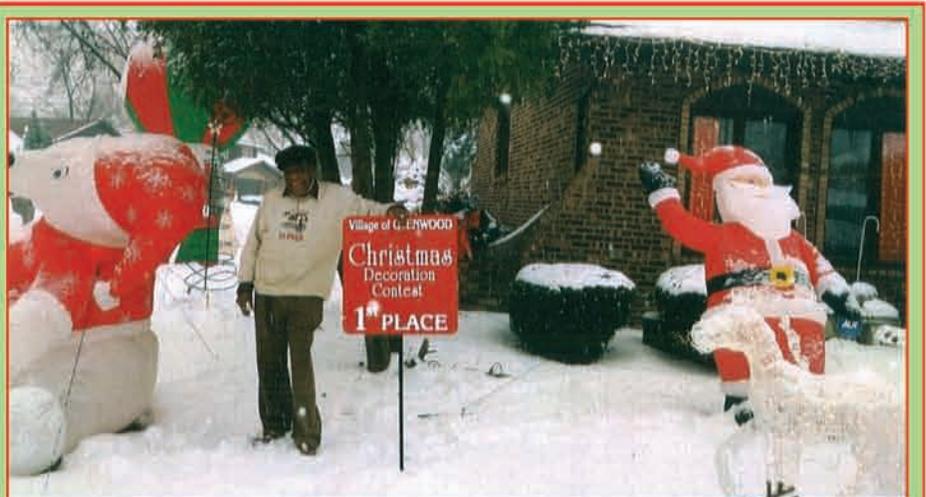
Visit with the Easter Bunny at the Blakey Center while enjoying hot chocolate and cookies. Games and activities will be available as children hunt for Easter eggs. The hunt will begin promptly at 10:00 a.m. ages 1-2, 10:15 a.m. ages 3-4, 10:30 a.m. ages 5-6, 10:45 a.m. ages 7-8. Please be on time as eggs are limited. No registration is necessary. (Rain date: April 23, 2011).

Park Programs is currently planning summer activities. In the past activities have included a basketball camp, a bowling league, a junior golf clinic, art classes, a Kid's Day Out events which included (a trip to a UIC game, arcades, movies, roller skating, mini-golf, Windy City Thunderbolts, Splash Day and more).

**SAVE THE DATE**

**SPLASH DAY**  
**Baseball and**  
**Water Fun**

The Windy City Thunderbolts  
vs. Joliet  
Monday, July 18, 2011  
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1st Place Winner of the home Christmas decorating Contest.

# Reclaim-A-Youth (RAY) of Illinois Presents Career Day at Brookwood Jr. High March 21, 2011



Career Day is an annual half-day event that provides Brookwood Jr. High students an opportunity to explore diverse career opportunities and to meet individuals representing many different occupations.

Women, men, young and old, former students, mayors, police chiefs, teachers, doctors, pilots, newscasters, principals, nurses, insurance persons, etc. from Chicago and the surrounding suburbs, provide students with information on education and skills needed for various career positions. Presenters discuss their own level of education, the skills they use regularly on the job, and how their work day looks.

Our program is designed to provide first-hand information so that career choices may be intelligently compared with careers in other fields. Career Day at Brookwood Jr. High also differs from traditional Career Days by offering information through small seminars, highlighting career interests indicated on student surveys.

The Five Goals are:

1. To touch the lives of students on a personal basis;
2. To allow every student the opportunity to participate in a career exploration activity that is meaningful;
3. To involve the whole school, including teachers, support staff and special education students;
4. To provide students the opportunity to focus on career options at an early age;
5. To invite professionals into the school, encouraging collaboration and networking opportunities.

Students indicate, in advance, their seminar choices and on Career Day attend three career seminars, lasting approximately 40 minutes. Questions are prepared by students ahead of time, so the presenter feels that his/her time is well spent, and thereby, provides positive feedback on the student's interest and attention. Career Day also serves to build relationships between youths and adults. Students become more comfortable talking with adults about different careers which helps to prepare them to practice a job search activity in the after school program.

Bringing presenters into the school establishes respect between the two groups and opens doors for more communication and joint activities. And, for those students who attend, a wealth of information is obtained about the world of opportunities in career choices.



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## **Glenwood School for Boys and Girls Hosts 62nd Annual Thanksgiving Celebration (\$782,500 Raised)**

Over 800 guests celebrated an early Thanksgiving on November 17, at the Hyatt Regency Chicago during Glenwood School for Boys and Girls' 62nd Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon. The Thanksgiving Luncheon is the signature event for Glenwood School raising \$782,500 in 2010 – \$103,500 more than in 2009. After kicking off the program with a lively drum line routine, all 170 Glenwood students from both campuses surprised guests with their own interpretation of Taio Cruz's hit song, "Dynamite". Later, a Glenwood family shared the emotional story of what brought them to Glenwood. Then the event concluded with a spirited live auction.

Co-Chairs of the event were Norm Wesley, former CEO of Fortune Brands and Glenwood Trustee and Executive Committee Chairman, along with David Blowers, Midwest Region President and CEO for Northern Trust. "The Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon gives the entire Glenwood family the opportunity to celebrate the start of the holiday season together. It means a great deal for me to be involved in an organization that continues to change the lives of children who were facing uncertain futures without the help of Glenwood School," remarked Wesley. "We are truly blessed by the generosity of our guests at the luncheon. Their continued support helps us provide students with successful educational and residential programs," said Sam Banks, Glenwood President and CEO.

Guests had the opportunity to sponsor a Glenwood student by "raising their paddles" and placing a bid. The total cost per student at Glenwood is \$30,000 per year. Glenwood funds the cost per student by using \$15,000 from their reserves and \$15,000 from private philanthropy. For more information about Glenwood School for Boys and Girls or to schedule a tour, visit their web site at [www.GlenwoodSchool.org](http://www.GlenwoodSchool.org) or call (708) 754-0175.

## **Glenwood School for Boys and Girls' 18th Annual Community Celebration Fun for the Entire Family**

On Friday, March 18, 2011 from 6 p.m. – 10 p.m., Glenwood School for Boys and Girls will host its 18th Annual Community Celebration and Auction, "Building Blocks for a Stronger Community". The fun family celebration includes live and silent auctions, campus tours, a wine and cheese reception, food and dessert buffets, and raffle prizes. The live and silent auctions include autographed sports memorabilia, jewelry, vacation packages, one-of-a-kind items made by the kids, and more. There are numerous activities for kids and teens ages 3-18, including carnival games and prizes, face painters, a balloon twister, the popular dodge ball tournament, and unlimited pizza and ice cream. The kids' carnival also includes the Best Buy area with Kinect and Wii game systems. Tickets are \$65 for adults and \$10 for kids. Last year, the event raised over \$100,000. All proceeds from Community Celebration directly benefit the children at Glenwood School for Boys and Girls. Glenwood School believes that strong communities are created by investing in the capacities, skills, and talents of children and their families. For more information or to schedule a tour, visit [www.GlenwoodSchool.org](http://www.GlenwoodSchool.org) or contact Crystal Phillips at (708) 756-5102.





# Fire Department *Notifications*

Kevin Welsh, Fire Chief



## Lighted Address Devices

We have begun the distribution of the lighted address panels that were obtained from a federal grant. The design of the program is to supply every single family residence in town with a lighted address for their home. This program is reinforced with a Village Ordinance that requires the display of a lighted address for your home. If you live in a home that already has a lighted panel, you will not be required to use the new device, but you will be required to maintain a lighted address on your house. Each house will be visited by either a Firefighter or a community volunteer to offer the device. You will be given a copy of the ordinance mandating display, a template for installing the screws, and a copy of your receipt for the device. Installing these devices as soon as you can will improve the odds that our emergency services will be able to find your house in times of true emergency. It is very frustrating as a first responder to have to search for the house numbers in the pitch black when they might be anywhere on the house. If you are not at home, a "door hanger" will be placed on your door with instructions on how to retrieve your device.

## Holiday Fires

Once again the Village of Glenwood has made it successfully through the Holidays without a fire caused by holiday decorations. Historically the incidents of fire increase dramatically around the holidays for many reasons, mostly the use of unsafe lighting and electrical cords and the placing of decorations too close to ignition sources.

## Fire Loss

As winter takes its grip on us we are expecting an increase in fire incidents. One such incident completely destroyed a house that the owner had just completed renovating when his tenant utilized an unsafe space heater near some clothes piled on the floor. Another incident resulted in severe personal injury to a resident of one of our condominium buildings as he tried to get warm after returning home and leaned up against the lit stove. This caused his clothing to catch fire and burn him over 20% of his body. The fire spread to the contents of his unit and smoke damaged the halls. All other occupants were moved to safety without incident.

## Response

By the end of 2010, we had responded to 1,406 calls for emergency assistance. Approximately 62% of these were for medical emergencies ranging from cuts and abrasions to heart attacks and severe automobile accidents. The remaining 38% of calls were for fire related incidents such as car fires, natural gas leaks, carbon monoxide emergencies and structure fires. We have very aggressive public education programs that pinpoint patterns in occurrences and will address specific causes to eliminate the risk.

## Building Department

Winter offers us an opportunity to examine your properties and make sure that they are code complaint. The Fire Department assumed the operations of the Building Department over three years ago and our certified inspectors are constantly on the look out for non-compliant properties. I encourage you to go to the Village of Glenwood website to see where your property might be in need of improvement. We are currently undertaking a project to rid the community of non-operable vehicles in the driveways and yards of our residents. This is a joint project of the Police and Building Departments.

The missions of the fire department as they continue to adjust the methods utilized by the building division are aimed at compliance rather than making money. Any violation that you are cited with will accompany a summons to our local adjunction system where you will have to appear if you have not taken care of the violations in the allotted time. Fines can reach \$750 per day for every day that the violation continues.

## Tenant /Landlord Ordinance

The Village of Glenwood has a very progressive program in place that creates a database of the properties in town that have been turned into rentals. We also track the foreclosures, bank owned and for sale properties very closely and work with the responsible parties to make sure the property is maintained while vacant. We all know that rental property can have a detrimental effect on the value of property in a neighborhood. The emphasis on our program is that the property is inspected by us on an annual basis and the tenant and the landlord are advised of any violations needing attention. The second phase of the ordinance is to generate this list so that if the tenants of a rental property break laws, either criminally or through local ordinance violations, we can force the landlord to start the eviction process. If you know of a property that is being rented to someone other than the actual land owner, please contact the fire department at 1-708-753-2400 so that we can maintain our database.

*All services of the Building Department can still be accessed at the front counter of the Village Hall as inspectors are dispatched from that location.*

# Glenwood Health Care and Rehabilitation *Maintains Vibrant Tradition*



Established in Glenwood more than thirty years ago, Glenwood Health Care and Rehabilitation Incorporation, located at 19330 South Cottage Grove continues to be a vibrant rehabilitation center. With basic funding for this center like most nursing homes in America, Glenwood Health Care also sponsors annual fundraising projects.

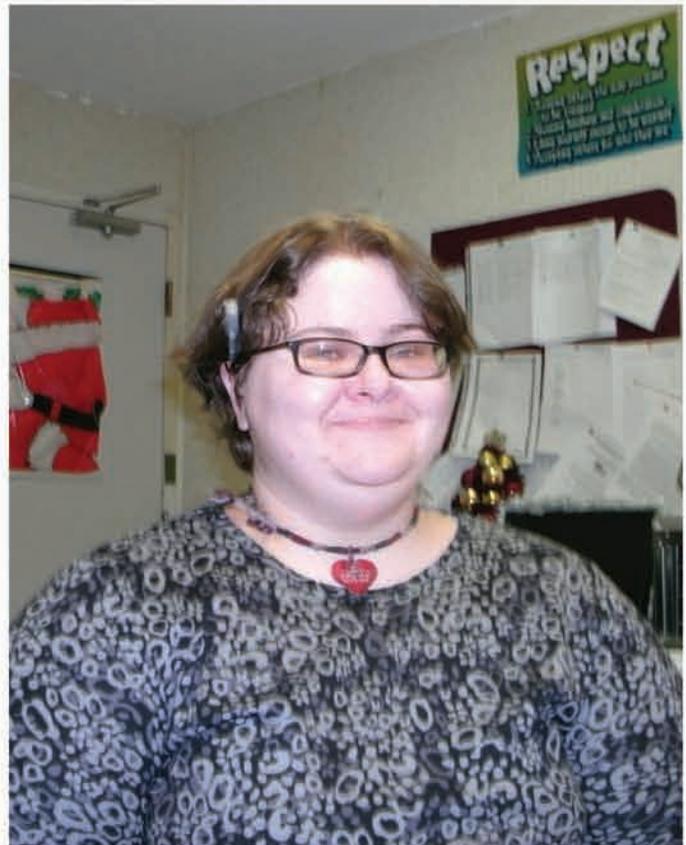
In October of last year, Glenwood Healthcare raised more than \$1,000 through fundraising projects for the Susan G. Kolmen Breast Cancer Awareness Project. Residents competed in numerous games, sold bracelets, and sponsored a raffle. Family members and friends were invited and as always they are welcomed throughout the year at all special activities. One of the most well attended events by family and friends was the 2010 Holiday Party. A colorful array of balloons, a magic show, and a live band, added to the jubilant celebration. A magician circulated through the crowd, visiting each table and thrilling residents and their families with a host of magic tricks. Concluding the holiday season, residents enjoyed Spirit Week and were encouraged to participate in Sock Day and other "uniform apparel" days. Resident writer, Jessica, called "Jessy" by all, notes that the 2010 celebrations were great times for all.

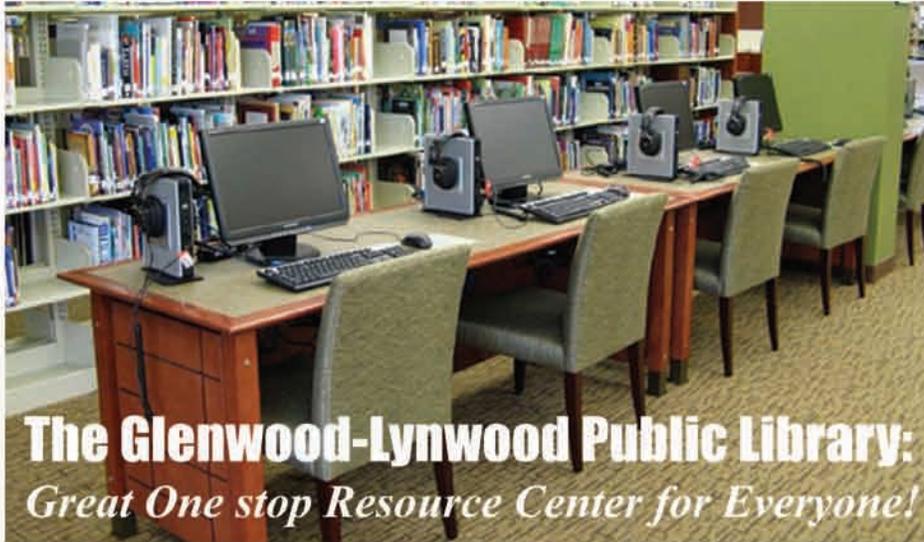
Glenwood Health Care tries to assure a wholesome, safe environment for residents and staff alike. Activity Director, Shalonda Roach, reports that there is a concerted effort to always provide vibrant activities. Throughout the year residents also enjoy programmed excursions to shopping malls, bowling leagues, and restaurants. For more information, contact Community Liaison, Marty Bruckner at (708) 758-6200.

*Resident Ms. Ellen Brooks enjoys the festivities*



*Resident Writer, Jessica (Jessy) Chada*





**The Glenwood-Lynwood Public Library:**  
*Great One stop Resource Center for Everyone!*

Kathy Parker, General Director of the Library for almost nine years, attests there is a concerted effort to meet all of the community's needs and a talented staff is in place to assist. She says, "I love my staff.... I have a great staff here. We all love the patrons and want to make sure that the library ultimately becomes the one-stop resource center for everyone." A local patron, M. Cox agrees that the library is "like a one stop shop from video games, DVD'S, computer programs, to books and good conversation...you know, everything I need is right here. I am so satisfied with my local library...I think we all are."

*By Angela Mims*

One of the most comprehensively informative and exciting places in the south suburbs of Chicago is the newly constructed Glenwood-Lynwood Public Library. Situated in an expansive and scenic area in Lynwood, Illinois, the 19,000 square foot Library offers a wide array of programs to the community. From programs that consist of both educational and recreational activities to intimate story time readings for children and live musical entertainment, the Glenwood-Lynwood Public Library is unmistakably claiming its territory. Since its move in September 2008 to its current location at 1901 Stony Island Avenue, the library has tripled its circulation of materials and hosts daily from four to six hundred patrons in a large amount of activities.

Certainly the library is an interesting place to be at any time of the day and evening. Patrons can utilize one of the 32 public computers to surf the internet, prepare resumes and apply for jobs online, or they can enjoy the silence of three study rooms in preparation for exams. There is also a "Quiet Zone Reading Area" where one can sit and enjoy the scenic view of the pond just beyond the window. Patrons can also interact with others in a bevy of activities. There are various size meeting rooms that are available for community group meetings. There are also Stress Management Classes, CPR Training, Stock Market Information Seminars, the Quilting Club, Teen Creative Writing Sessions, and the Dr. Seuss Birthday Party. There are also many seasonal programs for the patrons such as the Black History Month Observance, and the Easter Egg Hunt in April. This May, the library plans to sponsor a Rummage Sale where patrons can find treasures while enjoying live entertainment and family activities.

Accommodating on a daily basis the large amount of patrons in so many activities, the staff of the Glenwood-Lynwood Public Library demonstrates extraordinary customer service. Shelia Adams, Manager of Circulation, and Angela Davis, Supervisor, state their work satisfaction comes from meeting the many urgent needs of patrons. At the Reference Desk is a seven member team headed by Claire Steiner and Rhonda Ruffin. This Reference Department goes "above and beyond" in helping patrons research needed topics. Whether the patron is looking for material on the Big Bang Theory, Shakespeare's Use of the Bible, or "How to Make a Kite Fly?" the staff is there to assist. If patrons need expert computer training, there is Christopher Wager who already has a long list of courses designed for the spring and summer.



*View from Library window, beautiful!*



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*Residents are encouraged to attend all meetings.*

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