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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Mayor Kerry Durkin

*Never cut a tree down in the wintertime.
 Never make a negative decision in the
 low time. Never make your most
 important decisions when you are in
 your worst moods. Wait. Be patient. The
 storm will pass. The spring will come.*
 Robert H. Schuller

The actions of the new Governor of Illinois has had an almost immediate effect on the finances of the municipalities in Illinois. Gov. Rauner has a misguided understanding of local government funding sources. His recent Budget Address identified major cuts in State spending, and his cuts to local government are especially troubling. The Governor identified his intention of denying all municipal governments their full local share of the state income tax. The (LGDF) Local Government Distributive Fund is our largest source of unrestricted revenue excluding property taxes, and amounts to almost \$900,000 this year. To quote the Governor out of context would be wrong so I will insert his quote; "The reduction in local government sharing in this budget is equal to just 3 percent of their total revenue budget." This reduction is equal to 5.5 percent of the Village's budget. I suppose this may be accurate in some municipalities in the State of Illinois, but it is painfully wrong in the south suburbs.

The Governor also stated a firm desire to protect the formula of locally funded employee pensions after denying us any viable way of funding those pensions.

I encourage all residents to call or write their representatives in Springfield and express concerns over any reduction or delay in transferring municipalities their fair share of the LGDF. Rep. Anthony DeLuca has introduced House Bill HB0365 that would protect municipalities from any delays in payments from the State, similar to what school districts are experiencing.

The Governor's Executive Order Number 15-08 delayed us a \$593,000 Illinois Green Infrastructure Grant (IGIG) awarded last year by Lisa Bonnett, the Director of the (IEPA) Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. By withholding the award of the grant until late summer, we lose the entire 2015 construction season. This delay is unacceptable to the two out-of-state companies that both chose to locate in Glenwood and construct or expand their footprint.

KLLM is a refrigerated transportation company that closed on the sale of approximately 12 acres of Village owned land adjacent to Landauer on Glenwood Road. KLLM plans to construct a 40 room hotel for new employee training and a maintenance facility on the footprint. Westside Transport is expanding onto a 14 acre Village owned footprint, which is adjacent to their existing site in the Industrial Park. Both of these sites require significant storm water detention and the IGIG grant would have been

a significant incentive for this massive project. We will construct the pond with an existing 50% matching grant that we were able to obtain from the Federal Government.

The LGDF slashing that the Governor is proposing along with the loss of sales tax revenue from Wal-Mart is an immediate concern and the Board of Trustees will need to aggressively look for new funding sources for police and fire, our two largest expenses. I am confident that you, the voters, will carefully evaluate the candidates in the spring election to give the appointed staff and myself the most qualified individuals to deal with the issues we're going to face in the next fiscal year.

The current fiscal year 2015 will be balanced in a large part due to additional one time revenue streams. The sale of the land to KLLM will net the Village \$400,000. Additionally the sale of Village owned property to Baker Pump netted a similar amount of revenue this fiscal year; designated to replacing capital assets. These are one time revenue enhancements that fill voids in the budget. These assets were acquired to develop and were not intended to be a replacement of any other revenue stream. We also anticipate a \$400,000 repayment from an agreement with the State of Illinois (DNR) Department of Natural Resources for the local match on the Hickory Bend Park rehabilitation.

I strongly urge you to call or write your elected representatives in Springfield and explain to them why you believe funding our police and fire departments and their pensions is important to you. See below for contact information.

Senator Toi Hutchinson
 (708) 756-0882
thutchinson@senatedem.ilga.gov

Senator Michael Hastings
 (708) 283-4125
district19@senatorhastings.com

Representative Al Riley
 (708) 799-4364
rep.riley38@sbcglobal.net

Representative Anthony DeLuca
 (708) 754-7900
repdeluca@sbcglobal.net

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Kevin Welsh, Fire Chief

The Village of Glenwood requires all businesses that operate within the Village to obtain a Business License. These licenses are not restricted to commercial properties but apply also to residential properties that may house the offices for a small business. The ordinance is clear that operating a business out of a residential home is limited to having office space and little else in the residence. Residents are not allowed to store products of their trade on the premises, are limited on the number of people that might visit the home for business purposes, and must have a Village inspection of their property annually to assure compliance. This ordinance is in place to protect the single family nature of our Subdivisions as well as to protect the integrity of the systems within residences. Business Licenses are issued annually. Failure to obtain a license will result in a citation and automatic court appearance.

It should be further noted that the description "single family residence" means just that. It is a violation of the Zoning Ordinance to have more than one family living in any single family home. Homes that are being rented out for occupancy MUST be registered with the Village. Rental properties pose a unique circumstance to the integrity of our neighborhoods. Quite frequently we find that renters do not care for the property in much the same manner as an owner would. The goal of the rental registration programs is to assure that these properties are always maintained in a quality fashion. These rules apply to any home where the owner does not reside exclusively in the house, even if they are allowing a relative to occupy the house. These are "non-owner occupied" and fit under this ordinance. As the Village has moved forward with properties transforming from ownership occupying them to non-owners occupying them, we have strived to get compliance to all of our codes and ordinances. If anyone knows of a rental property and does not feel that this property is registered with the Village as a rental, please feel free to contact the Building Department at 708-753-2316.

The Glenwood Fire Department will be spicing up their annual raffle this year with a raffle for a Harley Davidson Motorcycle and a Street Dance. Raffle tickets will be on sale until the event with a limited number being sold. The proceeds from the raffle will be used to further Firefighter's education and to assist the Village with procuring items that cannot be funded through the budget process. The Street Dance will be held at The Station Bar located at 151 Glenwood Avenue on May 2, 2015. The Glenwood Fire Department remains a Combination Fire Department that provides 24 hour emergency services to the residents. The Combination refers to both full-time Firefighter Paramedics and Paid-on-Call (POC) Firefighter Paramedics. The tremendous advantage here is that the utilization of the POC Force gives the Village a much greater economic incentive. It would be cost prohibitive to provide the services that we do with an entire full-time staff. Come out and enjoy a fun evening with YOUR Firefighters and support us as we continue to strive to provide you with state of the art services in your time of need. For information, please call Fire Station #1 at 708-753-2440.

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Glenwood Chess Club News

On February 15, 2015, the Glenwood Chess Club (GCC) held its largest tournament to date with 42 enthusiastic Chess Players competing at this event.

We hope to duplicate or surpass these numbers as we are introducing a format that has 4 different sections, including a Scholastic Only Division. There will be up to 8 places in each section, depending upon the number of entrants. The name of this event is South Suburban Chess Tournament I.

We believe that we are the first Chess Club in the United States to provide complimentary snacks and refreshments in an organized manner in each round of a one day United States Chess Federation (USCF) sanctioned event. Our hope is that this amenity will help provide for a congenial, competitive, and overall enjoyable atmosphere.

The Chess Club is striving to bring Chess Tournaments to prominence in the South Suburbs of Chicago for all players with a "special emphasis" on Scholastic Players who will be the future "Chess Faces" of America. For more information go to www.glenwoodchessclub.com.



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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Patrick McAneney, Director

The Public Works Department is hoping we are done with the snow and will begin seeing flowers and green grass. We are all ready to put the shovel away and bring out the lawn mower.

With the recent increases in water costs we are sure everyone is looking for ways to reduce their water consumption. Residential water conservation takes being conscious of all water usage. An average shower uses 8-10 gallons of water a minute, and older toilets can use 3 or more gallons per flush. Multiply that by one's amount of family showers a day and the number of times the toilet flushes and that gives one an idea of what a family's daily amount of water usage is. Watering lawns, washing cars, and letting water run while brushing teeth are just a few ways excessive water can be used. We encourage residents to read their water meters once a week to check usage and possibly catch a leak before it has run for a month and shows up on the water bill.

If you do receive a high water bill, please call the Water Department at 708-753-2317 and schedule an appointment so a representative from the Department can come out and check for leaks or other issues.

Remember that branch pick up will resume Monday, April 6th for the EAST side of town and Monday, April 13th for the WEST side. If your Monday falls on a holiday, the pickup will be Tuesday. Please follow the guidelines that can be found on this page and on the Village's website. We thank you for your cooperation.

If your parkway was damaged over the winter from a water main break or plow damage it, will be repaired this spring.

We will continue with tree trimming and removals as needed throughout town. If you feel your parkway tree needs trimming, please contact the Village Hall and submit a request for the work to be completed. We are also still working to replace trees in locations where Ash trees were removed.

Sidewalk replacement will continue based on the survey that was completed in 2011 which identified the worst sidewalks throughout town. They were graded from 1-6 with 6 being the worst. Over the past couple of years, we have been focusing on the worst conditions relative to safety. As the program continues we will be able to start taking care of the more cosmetic sidewalks. If there are questions, please contact the Public Works Department at 708-753-2314.



Branch Pick Up Program

The Village of Glenwood provides a Branch Pick up Program that runs APRIL through OCTOBER, on the first and second Mondays of each month.

The schedule is as follows:

- Pick up for residents EAST of the railroad tracks will be the 1ST MONDAY of each month.
- Pick up for residents WEST of the railroad tracks will be the 2ND MONDAY of each month.
- Should your pick up day fall on a MAJOR Holiday, your branches will be picked up on Tuesday. Please call the Village Hall if you have any questions regarding major holidays.

The following guidelines must be followed in order to have your branches picked up:

- Branches must be no larger than 5 inches in diameter.
- Branches must be less than 8 feet in length.
- Branches must be stacked neatly with ALL trunks facing to the street.
- Branches must be on the parkway NO earlier than the Sunday before your scheduled pick up day (Violators will be subject to a citation), but must be curbside by 6:30am on your pick up day.
- Brush in bags or containers will not be picked up.
- Branches that do not follow the guidelines will not be picked up.
- Public Works will make ONE PASS ONLY down each street.
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YARD WASTE STICKERS ARE NOT REQUIRED FOR THE VILLAGE PROGRAM

This is a service provided to the residents of Glenwood only. If you have any questions, please call the Village Hall at (708) 753-2400.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Patrick McAneney

Director of Public Works

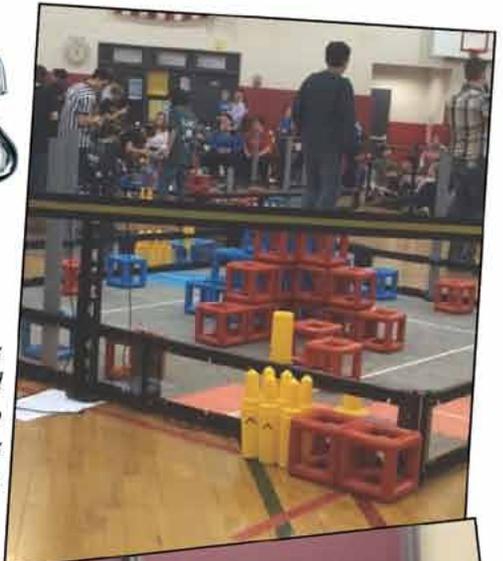
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On February 7th, the Brookwood Junior High School STEMVEX Robotics Club traveled to Oak Park, Illinois to see the Battle of the Bots. It is a junior high robotics competition where students are judged on tournament play, robot skills, programming skills, and judging interviews. This year's event was the VEX Skyrise. Seven schools competed in the event. Students were able to see the hard work and innovation that other teams displayed during the competition. It is our goal to compete in this event next year.

Students also traveled to Downers Grove, Illinois to present at the Students Involved in Technology (SIT) Conference on February 21st. Students presented about the importance of learning how to code and gave a brief history of robots. They demonstrated how to program Lego Mindstorm Robots. The presenters allowed students to then write code and program the robots to travel through mazes.

Students were also able to see other students' presentations and use different technologies. They created video games, used a 3D pen to create different objects, and got to hear from a fifteen year old student who has created over ten apps. The students competed in a challenge entitled Weakest Link. The objective was to build a chain that will support the greatest amount of weight. The chain had to have a minimum of seven links and the students were provided a straw, an index card, a sheet of paper, and a pipe cleaner. Brookwood students were able to construct a chain that could hold the weight of 19 hex nuts and were the winners out of three hundred students. The students had a wonderful time teaching and learning from their peers.



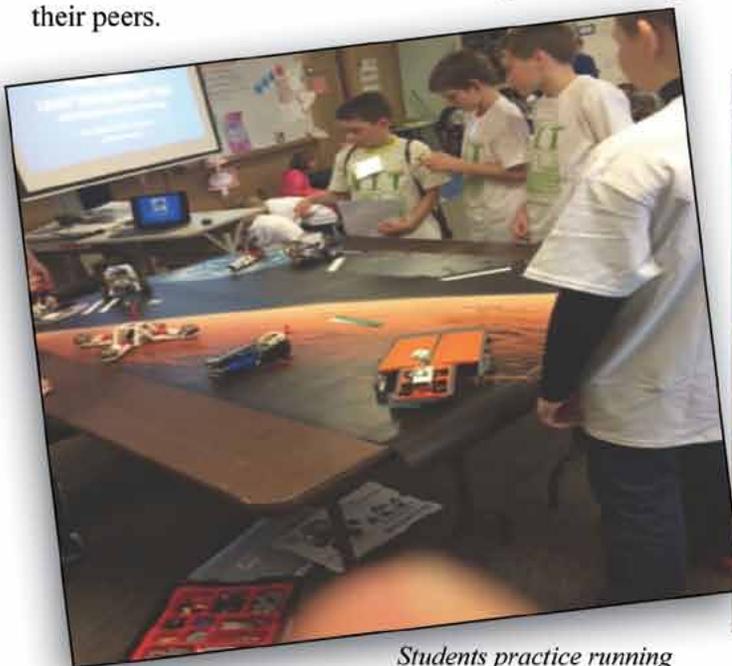
Students programmed robots to move cubes around the track.



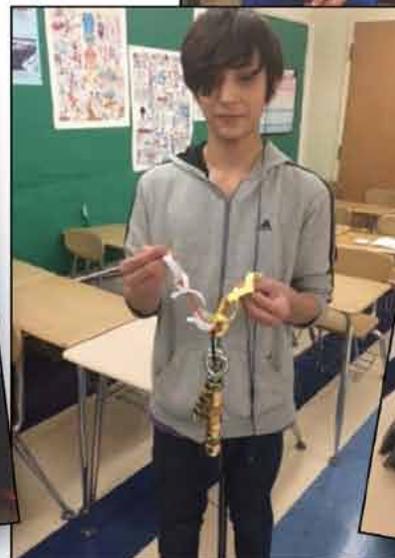
Vex Robotics Club



Presenters for the SIT Conference



Students practice running different computer programs with Lego Mindstorm Robots.



A proud student presenting the strongest link that was able to hold 19 hex nuts



A student drawing with a 3D Pen for the first time.

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SHIP counselors can answer questions about: Medicare, Medicare Supplement Insurance, Medicare Advantage Plans, Prescription Drug Coverage through Medicare and other sources, Long Term Care Insurance, Medicare Claims and Appeals and Medicare Beneficiary Rights and Guarantees.

SHIP counselors are available at Bloom Township Monday through Friday from 9:00am to 3:00pm and no appointment is necessary. SHIP provides personal assistance for your Medicare needs and is dedicated to educating people with Medicare and their caregivers about available insurance options.

Don't forget that once the weather gets better and you want to get out and go, Bloom Township Senior Department offers many programs to help you do so. Why not join our Stronger Seniors Exercise Program, do a Chair Yoga class or learn how to Line Dance? We have some trips planned for the spring and summer too for your enjoyment! Finally, how about a day of beauty on our Glamour Time Day. Contact the Senior Department at 708-754-9400 for information, and class times and to register for programs. The Senior Wheels transportation program can get you to and from the programs too. Call Senior Wheels at 708-754-8200 to schedule your trip.

Enjoy life and live strong!

Sheryl J. Ford, Senior Director Bloom Township



Glenwood Baseball



Glenwood Baseball will be starting its Official season May 2015. We are looking for your assistance in helping us have another successful baseball year! Continued support from you helps us provide a great baseball experience for you and your child.

Glenwood Baseball is a nonprofit community organization working to support and improve the quality of life for youth in Glenwood 4-14 years old.

Glenwood Baseball League is part of the South Suburban Youth Baseball League serving the following Baseball Communities: Hazel Crest Youth Baseball, Matteson Park & Rec., Matteson-Olympia Fields (MOF) Baseball, Youth Baseball Association of Richton Park, University Park Baseball & Country Club Hills.

*You can review all our Glenwood teams' schedules by visiting the web page link below:
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John H. Blakey Senior Center

If you have any questions regarding the new Water Bill Rates, that became effective on March 1, 2015, please call the Water Department at 708-753-2317.

Remember Village Elections are being held on Tuesday, April 7, 2015. There are three vacant seats for Board of Trustees. **Seniors your vote counts** so come out and vote on Election Day. If you have questions regarding your polling place, please give JoAnne Alexander a call at 708-753-2438.

The new Facebook Page for John H. Blakey Senior Center is up and running; take a minute and look at all we have to offer our seniors. The monthly calendar is also on the Facebook Page, so pass this information onto all your friends.

Starting March 5, 2015, AARP will be holding their monthly meetings on the first Thursday of every month, at 2:30pm, right after the Birthday Potluck Luncheon. All AARP members are invited to attend the luncheon. Potluck Luncheon means everyone brings something to share.

Our first Casino trip of the season will be held on Friday, May 1, 2015 to the Four Winds Casino. Stop by the John H. Blakey Senior Center to sign up Monday through Friday from 9am to 5pm or call 708-753-2438.

A letter will be sent to Taxi Voucher Program participants asking them to turn in their 2014 GREEN vouchers for a replacement, at no cost, to the new color for 2015. If you have not done so already, seniors and disabled residents of Glenwood should stop in at the Village Hall to sign up for the Taxi Voucher Program.

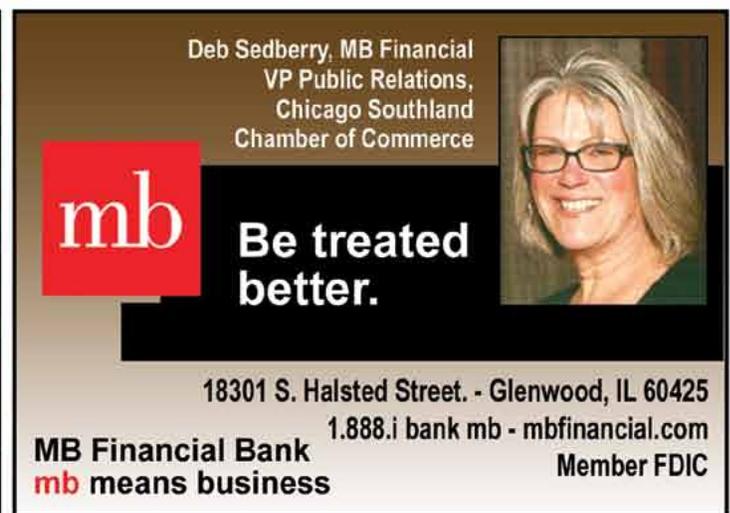
Many seniors have asked for a presentation on Illinois Rules of the Road. On Friday, May 15, 2015 at our monthly senior luncheon Ms. Alice Kelly from the Illinois Secretary of State's Office will be the guest speaker. She will present a forty five (45) minute presentation on Illinois Rules of the Road. Reservations are required. Look for further information attached to the monthly calendar, on our Facebook Page, on the Village of Glenwood website, on Comcast Channel 4, and at the Village of Glenwood information station.

The Seniors of Glenwood, along with Ray Schmelzer and myself would like to again say thank you to the Public Works Department and the Glenwoodie Maintenance Crew for the great job removing the snow. With all the snow we have had this season, we cannot say "Thank You" enough.

JoAnne Alexander, Senior Director



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FOREST HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION & RESIDENTS GROUP

The Glenwood Forest Homeowners and Residents Group has been busy building their numbers and developing ideas for projects to accomplish.

In December we held a Dessert Potluck and plenty of desserts showed up. Everyone in attendance enjoyed meeting and greeting their neighbors, and sharing the holiday season.

In January Trustees Nielsen and Hopkins came out to discuss the current well water project the village is exploring. The information was extensive and informative. Some discussion followed.

In February we met with three of the six candidates for Village Trustee. Rich Nielsen, Adam Winston, and Miriam Slaughter. All candidates had an opportunity to introduce themselves to the group.

At our March meeting, we will meet with the three candidates for the School Board: John Dixon, Toleda Hart, and Patrick Echols. We will also meet with the three candidates for Glenwood-Lynwood Public Library Board of Trustees: Angela Dixon, Janet Uza, and Jeana Mays-Browne. In addition Deborah Birmingham will give us an update on the new Middle School building. Sounds like a busy evening; so please plan to attend.

Our Committees work is continuing:

- **Communications/Community Committee:** established a blog at www.gfharg.blogspot.com as well as a website <https://sites.google.com/site/glenwoodforestnewsgroup>. Both sites are actively being updated. In December the site provided input for the Holiday Decorations Contest. Currently the committee is working on a Vision and Mission Statement for the website.
- **Veterans Park Committee:** Currently the committee is working on a Spring Planting Party. They are also hoping to work with Amvets Post 268 to put together a celebration for Memorial and Veterans Days.
- **Children's Committee:** The committee has worked with a local Girl Scout Troop. They are also exploring several mentoring programs for the community.

This group has been busy, and continues to push forward with various projects. Keeping in mind that we are an organization that votes with its feet, ideas can only become reality when neighbors come together to make it happen. Any time that residents can provide will be appreciated.

The Glenwood Forest Homeowners and Residents Group meet on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm at the Forest Field House located at 325 East Center Street.

Christopher D. Wager
GFHARG Facilitator

BROOKWOOD POINT HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

The Brookwood Point Homeowners Association held its monthly meeting March 4, 2015 at the Hickory Glen Field House with many local residents in attendance. President of the Association, Deborah Birmingham, introduced former president, Larry Williams, who encouraged others to acquire the list of new neighbors and to invite them to the meetings. In the absence of a representative from the Police Department to report to the group, members of the Association discussed ways to make the community better for all.

A member of the Glenwood Plan Commission, Maxine Washington, addressed concerns over the moving of Wal-Mart from Glenwood and current planning for the vacancy that will be created. Residents expressed concern over the two large parcels of property that will then exist on and near Halsted Street with the leaving of the Busy Bee and Wal-Mart stores.

Most of the discussion for the night centered, however, on the new study of water resources in Glenwood and the measures underway for conversion to well water in the Village. Residents questioned the amount reported for the study and learned that a local lab has agreed to treat the well water. Many of those present voiced opposition to the proposal of converting the Village to well water usage. Former Association President, Leon Finney, suggested that everyone get a copy of the report, and others present on the Commission encouraged all residents to attend and to voice their concerns at the Village Board meetings held at the Village Hall.

Another former President of the Association, Adam Winston, presented a thorough report of issues discussed at the previous Tuesday night Village Board meeting. Along with a thorough discussion of the well water issue, some of the other topics in his report included the plans for more lighting and more sidewalks in Glenwood, the purchase of Nugent Square, and the projects undertaken in the Village since 2005.

The Brookwood Point Homeowners Association meets every first Wednesday of the month at the Hickory Glen Field House in Glenwood at 7pm.

HICKORY GLEN PARK UPDATE
Dedication Ceremony - Saturday, May 2, 2015
Details to follow on Village's website and
Comcast Cable Channel 4

Glenwood Estates Homeowners Association

“Light up the Night” Program

The Glenwood Estates Homeowners Association is beginning a program to return the yard post lights in the Estates Subdivision to their original intended condition and purpose. Historically, the Glenwood Estates Subdivision was built without street lights because all homes were to have post lights in the yards. All the lamp post lights are believed to have been gas lights initially. Over the past 50 years many gas lights have failed or have been replaced by electric lights. Some of the original gas lights remain in service but with various degrees of light output. During the last 30 years or so some yard post lights were replaced with low-voltage lighting packages and today replacement parts are often difficult to find. Some homeowners have installed systems based on 110 volts where safe installation is required. Solar powered lamps are the newer option.

A recent survey of the yard post lights in Glenwood Estates discovered that only about one-third of the homes have any type of working yard post light. About one-third of the homes had some lighting on their porches or garages in lieu of post lamps, and about one-third of the homes had no light at all (some are vacant). There are some dark areas where lights do not exist at all or where contiguous properties are not lighted.

According to the Glenwood Fire Department, there is no code or ordinance regulating yard post lights at the present time. There is a section in the Glenwood Building Code requiring illuminated address lights on homes, and which can be attached to yard post lights in some configurations.

The purpose of this program is to encourage homeowners in the Glenwood Estates Subdivision to improve or upgrade their existing yard post lights by reinstalling either gas or electric versions where possible, or installing complete post light assemblies where they have been removed. A plan is in place to provide further information to homeowners for upgrading their existing yard post lamps or installing new ones.

The goal is to make Glenwood Estates a well-lighted neighborhood. Better lighting will improve public safety, help to deter crime, and make evening walks more pleasant. To stay informed, residents of the Estates are urged to attend the Glenwood Estates Homeowners Association meetings that are held at 7pm on the second Wednesday of each month at the Arquilla Park Field House.



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Visit the Glenwood-Lynwood Public Library located at 19901 Stony Island Avenue, Lynwood, IL 60411 and check out the wide variety of programs we are hosting this spring. We have something for all ages, and encourage the entire family to sign up.

Spring Programs

- It's not too late to enter our 1st annual Peeps Diorama Contest. Families, adults, and kids can build a diorama based on characters from a book or movie represented by marshmallow chicks and rabbits. Starting March 23rd, contestants can submit their entries for voting until April 3rd. Winners will be announced April 5th, and first, second, and third place prizes will be awarded.
- We have a selection of storytime programs that are perfect for small children. Pick a storytime that interests your child, or come to all three! Our regular storytime, filled with stories, songs, and crafts begins at 11am every Tuesday until May 5th.
- For the night owls, we also have an evening storytime that involves various book themes and activities taking place every first and third Thursday of the month. Finally, for the small explorers, we have little scientists storytime, where children will learn science through projects and simple experiments. No registration is required, but it is important that parents arrive with their children on time!
- Adults can grab their friends, unwind, and have some fun painting at the library's Canvas, Cupcakes, and Cocktails event on Saturday, May 9th at 10am. An instructor from Bottles & Brushes will guide you with step-by-step instructions to complete your masterpiece, all while enjoying cupcakes and non-alcoholic cocktails. **\$20 cash is due at the time of registration. Registration deadline is Friday, April 24th.**

Registration for our popular annual rummage sale has now opened. Every summer, residents come in search of great bargains in the library parking lot. Members of the community can also participate by selling their unwanted items. A non-refundable \$10 fee reserves a 10'x10' selling space for those who are interested in selling merchandise. Contact the library

PROGRAM DATES AND TIMES:

Peeps Diorama Contest

March 23rd - April 3rd
Winners announced: April 5th

Storytime

Tuesdays: March 27th - May 5th
11-11:45am

Evening Storytime

April 2nd, April 16th, May 7th and May 21st
7-7:30pm

Little Scientists Storytime

Thursdays: March 26th - May 7th
11-11:30am

Canvas, Cakes, & Cocktails

Saturday, May 9th
10am-1pm

To learn more about all the programs at the Glenwood-Lynwood Public Library, call (708) 758-0090, or visit gpld.org

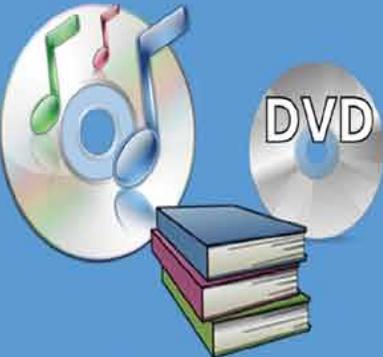
The Glenwood-Lynwood Library BOOKMOBILE IS BACK!
The BOOKMOBILE will visit the **Forest Field House (325 E. Center Street)** on the following days:

Saturday	4/11	10:00 AM - 10:45 AM
Thursday	4/16	11:15 AM - 12:15 PM
Thursday	5/7	11:15 AM - 12:15 PM
Saturday	5/9	10:00 AM - 10:45 AM
Thursday	5/28	11:15 AM - 12:15 PM

Don't have a library card? Get it at the BOOKMOBILE!
Check out Books, (Large Print and Audio)

- Check out the latest DVD movies
- Check out some great music on CDs
- Order special material, or return material to the library

Any questions, contact the library: Phone 708-758-0090
Visit us on the web at: www.gpld.org

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Kevin Welsh, Fire Chief

We are hopeful that spring finds us breaking free from the confines of our homes after this brutal winter weather and determining methods to improve our properties. The Building Department will be out in full force to assure that all residents are attending to those issues about their property that violate municipal ordinances and detract from the image of our neighborhoods and our property values.

Some of the current issues that we will be addressing are:

- The storage of inoperable cars on your property. Vehicles must be fully operational and properly licensed to remain on the property.
- The use of tarps on roofs other than to cover storm or fire damage. The use of tarps to simply extend the useful life of your roof is not permitted.
- Diseased and dying trees on properties that residents should remove.
- Illegal working on vehicles on properties that are not licensed to the property. Working on vehicles in the street is prohibited also.
- Unkept and uninspected pools that are not sanitized and maintained to keep the mosquito population limited.
- Grass and weeds that are not maintained below the 6' maximum height.

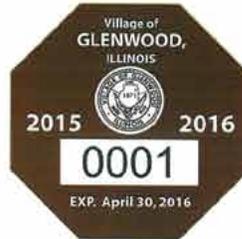
Residents with concerns about a property and would like to request an inspection are encouraged to contact the Building Department at 708-757-2316.



Glenwood Bible Church Celebrates 100th Anniversary

On January 24, 2015 Glenwood Bible Church at 201 W. Main Street, Glenwood, IL 60425 reached its 100 year landmark!

A special celebration service to commemorate this anniversary will be held on Sunday, June 28, 2015 at 2:00pm at the Church. For more information, please call 708.758.6686



VEHICLE STICKERS for 2015-2016

Will go on sale Wednesday, April 1, 2015

Village Hall is open every Tuesday Evening until 7:00pm

Village Hall is also open the 1st & 3rd Saturday of the month from 9:00am to noon

Vehicle Stickers must be displayed on vehicles by May 1st

May 1st - Late fees will apply

Social Security Disability Benefit

1 per household

Must bring proof of Social Security Disability (Award Letter)

Veterans Disability Benefit

1 per household

Must bring proof of VA Disability (Award Letter)

Senior Citizen Discount

2 per household

65 or Older (proof of age required)

COOK COUNTY MILITARY & VETERANS DISCOUNT PROGRAM

118 N. Clark St. Room 120, Chicago IL 60602 ~ (312) 603-5788
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MILITARY AND VETERANS DISCOUNT CARD NOW AVAILABLE AT SUBURBAN LOCATIONS

The Cook County Recorder of Deeds Office (CCRD) is now accepting applications for the Cook County **Military and Veterans Discount Card** at our four Courthouse Satellite locations. Applications will be available from 8:30am-4pm, Monday-Friday. Veterans will be able to apply for their card at the following CCRD locations:

Downtown Chicago Office

Address: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 120
Chicago, Illinois 60602
Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. M-F
Phone: (312) 603-5788

Markham Court Bldg.

Address: 16501 S. Kedzie, Room 238C,
Markham, Illinois 60426
Hours: 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. M-F
Phone: (708) 232-4448

Bridgeview Court Bldg.

Address: 10220 S. 76th Avenue, Room
238, Bridgeview, Illinois 60455
Hours: 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. M-F
Phone: (708) 974-6397

Rolling Meadows Court Bldg.

Address: 2121 Euclid Avenue, Room
238, Rolling Meadows, Illinois 60008
Hours: 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. M-F
Phone: (847) 818-2070



Skokie Court Bldg.

Address: 5600 Old Orchard Road,
Room 155, Skokie, Illinois 60077
Hours: 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. M-F
Phone: (847) 470-5103

Frequently asked questions regarding the Cook County Military and Veterans Discount Card are answered at <http://cookrecorder.com/militarydiscount/>. Veterans may also contact Brian Cross at 312-603-5788 or at brian.cross@cookcountylil.gov

Businesses who wish to offer discounts and participate in the program may register online for free at <http://cookrecorder.com/militarydiscount/>. Those who sign up will be listed in our Merchant Directory and receive a window cling to advertise their support of veterans and military personnel.



Football and Cheerleading/Pom

Registration Dates for the 2015 Season

A great program for boys and girls ages 5-14 not entering high school.



Registration Dates

April 18, 2015
May 16, 2015
June 20, 2015
July 18, 2015



Registration takes place at the Hickory Glen Field House
(192nd and Minerva, Glenwood 10am - 2pm)

REGISTRATION FEES

Football Players - \$300 (includes player pack)

CheerLeaders/Pom Pom Members - \$275 registration
(Cheer pack not included, available at the online store via the website)

Final Registration Dates

July 27th & 28th, 6pm - 8pm

Late Registration - Aug 3rd & 4th, 6pm-8pm (late fees apply)

Please visit our website for detailed information on payments via PayPal.

For more information contact:

Doreen Davis 708-257-7523, Gary Richardson 914-426-2104

Tiffany Henry 708-288-8380,

or visit us on the web at www.glenwoodcougars.org.

Park Pride Day

Saturday, June 27, 2015

10:00am-12:00pm

ESTATES PARK - ARQUILLA PARK - CALLAHAN STRAND PARK
VETERANS PARK - HICKORY GLEN PARK



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For further information please contact the Department of Parks & Recreation
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DANIEL P. LAGONE, President

Glenwood Juniors Woman's Club to

Plant Pinwheel Garden



This year the Glenwood Easter Egg Hunt on, Saturday, April 4th will include a Pinwheel Garden. The Glenwood Junior Woman's Club will be planting a Pinwheel Garden in support of Child Abuse and Prevention Awareness Month in April. The Pinwheels will be "planted" outside the Village Hall and each child who participates in the Easter Egg Hunt will be given a pinwheel at the conclusion of the Hunt.

The Glenwood Junior Woman's Club, as a partner with Prevent Child Abuse-Illinois, is planting the garden as a way of building awareness, providing education, and inspiring hope to everyone in an effort to prevent abuse and neglect of all children in Illinois and across the USA. The aim of Glenwood Juniors is to continue to provide a "Safe Place for Every Child", the State project that the General Federation of Women's Clubs has supported for the past 15 years.

Village of Glenwood Park Programs

Easter Egg Hunt

SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 2015

Village Hall

One Asselborn Way

10:00 a.m. ~ 11:30 a.m.

Please have the children bring their own baskets. Please be on time as eggs are limited. Come and meet the Easter Bunny and enjoy delicious snacks downstairs at the Village Hall

Parents don't forget to bring your cameras!!!

No Registration Required

10:00am-10:30am, 1-3 years old

10:30am-11:00am, 4-6 years old

11:00am-11:30am, 7-10 years old

For further information contact:
Park Programs ~ 708.757.2318

People's Action Party

Re-elect

Richard Nielsen

Re-elect

Terry Campbell

Elect

Howard Martin

for Glenwood Trustees

VOTE TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2015

Paid Advertisement by People's Action Party



Life Skills Experience - Summer Sessions

The First Tee of Greater Chicago is open to all young people ages 7 to 17. All participants begin at the PLAYer level regardless of age. Young people progress through the Life Skills Experience program by moving through levels that introduce new and more advanced concepts of golf and life skills.

Each session includes:

- * 12 Hours of golf and life skills instruction
- * Logo hat and shirt
- * End of session celebration
- * Opportunities to attend local and national academies

Online registration

at

www.TheFirstTeeGreaterChicago.org

Program Fees: \$65 per participant/\$60 for residents of Glenwood and South Holland
 Little Linkster Class: \$45 per participant/\$40 for residents

Maximum of 25 participants per class; Scholarships Available

PLAYer Level - Ages 7 and up:

Everyone must begin at this level. Introduces playing the game of golf with emphasis on The Code of Conduct, appreciating the rules and etiquette of the game.

PAR Level—Ages 9 and up

Must be PLAYer Certified. Continues emphasis on golf skills, etiquette and rules while focusing on interpersonal communication and self-management skills.

Birdie Level—Ages 11 and up

Must be PAR Certified. Birdie level focuses on goal setting and resilience skills. Birdie level participants are encouraged to play competitive golf.

www.TheFirstTeeGreaterChicago.org



Spring Schedule

April 11 - May 21

PLAYer Level

Tuesday - 4:15pm - 6:00pm
 Saturday - 11:00am - 1:00pm

Par/Birdie Level

Thursday - 4:15pm - 6:00pm
 Saturday - 1:15pm - 3:15pm

Summer Schedule

Session I

June 16 - July 2

Session II

July 7 - July 23

Session III

July 28 - August 13

(program times are the same for each session;
 Little Linksters is Session I ONLY)

Little Linksters

Tuesday - 8:45am - 9:45am

PLAYer Level

Tues/Thurs 10:00am - 12:00pm

Par/Birdie Level

Tues/Thurs 12:45pm - 2:45pm

Glenwoodie Golf Club
 19301 South State St, Glenwood

Glenwood Manor Homeowners Association

The Glenwood Manor Homeowners Association convened in their monthly meeting on March 5, 2015 and offered Glenwood residents the opportunity to hear from candidates of upcoming elections for Brookwood School District Board Members and Glenwood Village Trustees. After a brief report from Sgt. Perry of the Glenwood Police which revealed several minor incidents in the area, candidates for the upcoming elections presented their backgrounds and established their campaign platforms.

After the presentations, residents questioned the candidates concerning Village land purchases, the new middle school building, the well water proposal, and plans to inspire our youth through well-developed programs. The candidates who attended the meeting and graciously addressed all concerns presented by the attendees were School Board Candidates, Toleda Hart and John Dixon and the Village of Glenwood Trustee Candidates, Adam Winston and Maxine Washington.

The Glenwood Manor Homeowners Association meets every first Thursday of the month at the Arquilla Park Field House at 7pm.

“Investing in Illinois”

Nicor Gas is increasing the level of infrastructure improvement through a program call “Investing in Illinois” – a Nicor Gas System Improvement Initiative. Beginning in 2015 (and continuing over the next nine years), Nicor Gas will accelerate the modernization of its natural gas infrastructure.

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- * Renew natural gas storage systems
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If your neighborhood or property is going to be affected by the modernization efforts, Nicor Gas will contact you. This contact may be in the form of a letter, door hanger or face-to-face visit from one of its employees or contractors. Upcoming projects (and other Initiative information) can be viewed at www.nicorgas.com/WorkInYourNeighborhood.



Glenwoodie Golf ROOT Discount Card

The Glenwoodie Golf Course is offering a discount card to residents who live in and own their home and to Glenwood business owners. The free discount entitles the ROOT (Resident/Owner Occupied Taxpayer) card holder to 50% off golf (including memberships) and range. Discount does not apply to Pro Shop or food and beverage purchases, and Banquet Facility rental. The tax bill and water account of each applicant will be checked to make sure it is current before a card is issued. If you have a card from 2014, please bring to Village Hall to renew for the 2015 golf season. For more information, call Village Hall at 708-753-2400.

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*Glenwood Remembers Retiree,
Constance “Connie”
Starkey*

On February 2, 2015, retired employee Constance “Connie” Starkey passed away. Connie retired as Building Department Secretary on July 31, 2014 after almost 18 years of service.
She will be greatly missed by all.



The Village of Glenwood

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Village Contacts

Police Emergency: 9-1-1
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Fire Non-Emergency: (708)753-2440
Police Non-Emergency: (708)753-2420

Village Board, Commission & Committee Meetings

Residents are encouraged to attend all meetings.

Board of Trustees Meetings:

1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month at
7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall

Committee of the Whole Meetings:

1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month at
6:00 p.m. at the Village Hall

Special Board of Trustees Meetings:

As called and posted in the Village Hall

Plan Commission:

3rd Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the
Village Hall

Economic Development Committee:

4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the
Village Hall

Village Department Contacts:

Village Hall: (708)753-2400
Building Department: (708)753-2416
Economic Development Office: (708)753-2400
Fire Department (Non-Emergency): (708)753-2440
Mayor's Office: (708)757-2309
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Parks & Recreation Program: (708)753-2400
Glenwoodie Golf Course: (708)758-1212
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General Contacts:

Bloom Township & Assessor's Office: (708)754-9400
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Glenwood Post Office: (708)758-5170
Glenwood Lynwood Public Library: (708)758-0090
School District #167: (708)758-5190
Bloom High School: (708)755-7010
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Governors State University: (708)534-5000
Homewood Flossmoor High School: (708)799-3000
Prairie State College: (708)709-3500



VILLAGE HALL HOURS

Monday, Wednesday,
Thursday and Friday
9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday
9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
1st & 3rd Saturday
9:00 a.m. – 12 NOON

Village Hall Holiday Closings

Monday, May 25, 2015

MEMORIAL DAY

Friday, July 3, 2015

INDEPENDENCE DAY

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Contact us at glenwoodgazette@villageofglenwood.com

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