



# LINCOLNWOOD CONNECTIONS



January/February

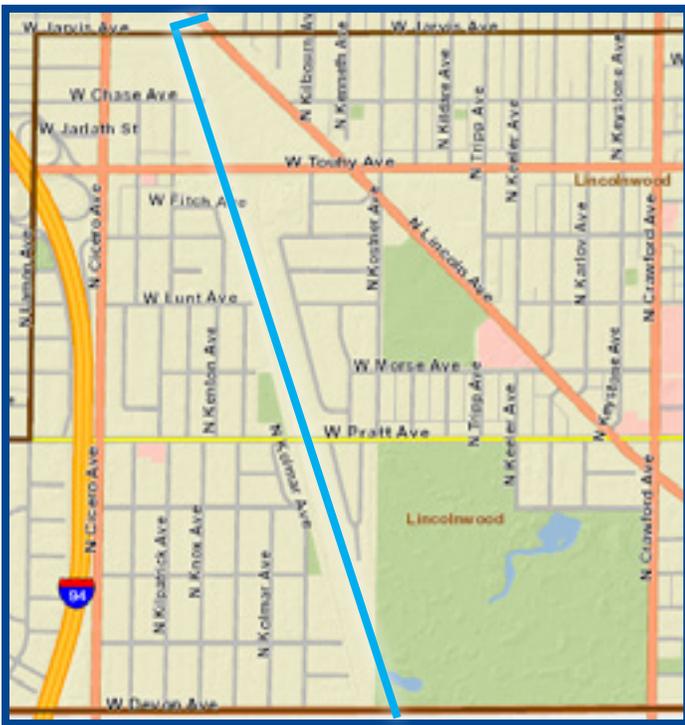
Village of Lincolnwood

2016

## ComEd Bike Path Construction to Begin in 2016

The long awaited bike path on the Commonwealth Edison (ComEd) right-of-way is planned for construction during the summer of 2016. The new path will run from Devon Avenue to the intersection of Lincoln and Jarvis Avenues and will connect to existing paths on either end. To the south, the path will connect to the Sauganash Trail which is part of the rails-to-trails program connecting to Bryn Mawr Avenue in Chicago. To the north, the path will connect through Skokie to the rest of the North Shore.

Construction of a pedestrian and bike bridge providing safe travel over Touhy Avenue along the ComEd right-of-way is currently scheduled for 2017. The design elements of the bridge were approved at the Village Board meeting on May 19, 2015 and will serve as a welcome sign to east-bound visitors on Touhy Avenue.



ComEd Bike Path shown in light blue



Draft Bridge concept, construction anticipated to begin in 2017

The Village has been awarded a Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Grant to fund 80% of the construction cost of the project. It is expected that the path, excluding the Touhy Avenue Bridge, will be open and ready for use in the fall of 2016.

For more information about the bike path construction project, please contact the Public Works Department at (847) 675-0888. Stay tuned for a future edition of *Connections* to learn about another trail that is coming soon on the Union Pacific right-of-way.



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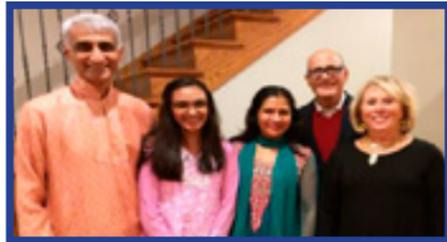
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## President's Message

Dear Fellow Residents,

At the start of 2016, it is my pleasure to wish each of you and yours a New Year filled with happiness, good health, prosperity, and peace. This is the time of year filled with great expectations and great plans. This New Year not only brings the message of hope, but sadly on the world stage... fear. With this in mind, take the time to check the U.S. Department of Homeland Security website at [www.dhs.gov/travel-alerts](http://www.dhs.gov/travel-alerts). We are working to find initiatives here at home to address our diversity and find common ground to bring residents together. Below are some of the highlights of last year's events.



**Diwali:** It is my pleasure to report about how much fun Nancy and I had with the Patel family, pictured to the left, celebrating Diwali. Drs. Nishit and Neena Patel invited us to join their family and friends in their celebration of the "Festival of Lights". We partook in a vegetarian dinner while the children took turns performing with musical instruments, singing songs, and dancing. Our hostess, Neena Dave Patel entertained us after dinner playing her harmonium, an instrument which is somewhat like an accordion.

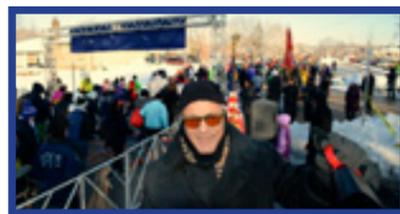
**Chanukah Party:** The fourth annual Village Chanukah Party was organized by Lincolnwood resident, Rabbi Moshe Wolf who once again orchestrated a large gathering in our Community Center during Chanukah on December 9th. Lincolnwood resident Rabbi Joel Gutstein assisted with bringing the celebration to all residents interested in experiencing the Jewish Festival of Lights. The children were entertained and all guests enjoyed the Chanukah Latke (potato pancake).

**Human Relations Commission:** The HRC, which serves to make living in Lincolnwood more enjoyable, is developing an action plan for our August flag display. Work is being done with our community religious leaders with whom we met in October and plan to meet with again on January 13th. The plan is to identify some programming which will bring our community together with events like the Patels, Saleem, and Rabbis Wolf and Gutstein organized when they hosted the 4th Annual Village wide Chanukah Party on December 9th.

**Rescue Rangers:** Now that we are in the midst of winter's grasp, seniors who have difficulty with life's daily tasks can sign up for our Rescue Rangers program. Contact my office at (847) 745-4717 and let us know if you need some help. We may be able to assign one of these wonderful young people or ask a neighbor to help you.

**Business News:** You should be aware of some wonderful progress in our Village with respect to new business and future business yet to open. 90 Miles Cuban Café opened in 2015 and is located in our Town Center Mall and features fabulous Cuban fare. Begyle Brewing Company will open a 24,000 square foot brewery and tap room at 7005 Central Park Avenue and will serve beer produced in their tap room. Binny's Beverage Depot will be opening in 2016 after it renovates the former Lincolnwood Produce store on Touhy.

**Retirement:** Janice Hincapie our Director of Parks and Recreation retired from the Village in November. Jan was a force in the Parks and Recreation profession, having served as the President of the Illinois Parks and Recreation Association in 2014. She brought her energy and vision to make our parks better. She will work part time in her community in order to spend time more time with her children as they get ready for high school. She will be missed. We wish her well.



Mayor Turry cheering on runners at Turkey Trot

With warmest regards for an early spring,

Gerald C. Turry  
Village President

## News and Events

### HRC Seeks Nominations for 2016 HRC Award

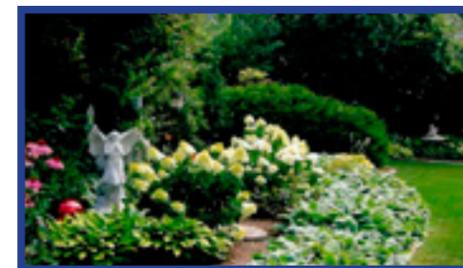
The Lincolnwood Human Relations Commission (HRC) is currently seeking nominations for its 2016 Lincolnwood Human Relations Commission Award. Any Lincolnwood resident, employee, or business owner, of any age, is eligible. The nominee must exhibit outstanding personal leadership and accomplishment in any job-related or volunteer work that supports the HRC's mission of promoting understanding, mutual respect, and neighborly cooperation. Nominations must consist of a descriptive letter of recommendation to be accompanied by the nomination form. Nomination forms are available on the Human Relations Commissions page at [lincolnwoodil.org](http://lincolnwoodil.org). For additional information, please contact Lieutenant Lawrence Martin at (847) 745-5017 or by email at [lmartin@lwd.org](mailto:lmartin@lwd.org).

### Bus and Train Mass Transportation Committee

The Village of Lincolnwood is considering the creation of a Mass Transportation Committee. The Committee will be looking at mass transit options related to trains and buses to help connect Lincolnwood to the rest of the Chicagoland area. This Committee will be responsible for lobbying local and state organizations to expand mass transit options for Lincolnwood residents. To participate in the Committee, please send your resume to Mayor Turry at 6900 N. Lincoln Avenue or by email at [jturry@lwd.org](mailto:jturry@lwd.org).

### Lincolnwood in Bloom Awards

The Village's Beautification Task Force would like to highlight the natural beauty of the Village of Lincolnwood. The Task Force has held the Lincolnwood in Bloom contest for the last three years to highlight the efforts by residents to improve the community through their own gardens and yards. The winners for the last three years have included:



2015  
6619 Navajo Avenue



2014  
6612 Le Mai Avenue



2013  
7011 Kedvale Avenue

The Task Force will be holding the Lincolnwood in Bloom contest again in 2016, so please look for more information in a future edition of the Village's newsletter. If you have any questions, please contact Charles Meyer, Assistant to the Village Manager, at [cmeyer@lwd.org](mailto:cmeyer@lwd.org) or (847) 745-4715.

### Art Gallery, *Waterscapes* by Nancy Wickum

*Waterscapes* by Nancy Wickum will be featured in the Village Art Gallery from January 5 through February 29. The public reception will be held on Wednesday, January 13 at 5:00 p.m. in the Art Gallery at Village Hall.

Nancy was raised in Midwestern farm country near the banks of the Mississippi River and spent most of her childhood exploring the creeks, hills, fields, and forests surrounding her family farm. The inspiration for her work is the indelible memory of the land and the forces that shaped it, both human and natural. More information about Nancy's exhibit including her full artist statement can be found on the Village's Art Gallery page at [www.lincolnwoodil.org/art-gallery](http://www.lincolnwoodil.org/art-gallery).



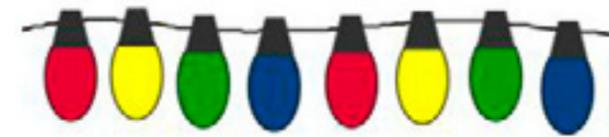
# Public Works

## Free Holiday Light Recycling Program

As you take down your holiday lights for the season, consider recycling any lights that are no longer useful. The Village is offering a free holiday light recycling program in conjunction with the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County and Elgin Recycling, Inc.

Accepted items include: mini-lights (or Italian lights), C7 lights, C9 lights, rope lights, LED lights, extension cords, etc. Containers are available at the Public Works Department located at 7001 N. Lawndale Avenue, Monday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

The program will end on January 29, 2016. If you have questions regarding this program, please contact the Public Work's Department at (847) 675-0888.



## Holiday Tree Clean-Up

Are you ready to clean-up your holiday decorations? Groot will pick-up holiday trees until Monday, January 11, 2016. Trees must have all decorations removed and be placed at the curb for pick-up. There is no additional cost for this service.



## Fire Hydrant Accessibility

In cases of emergency, seconds count. This winter, help out by adopting a fire hydrant. Adopting a fire hydrant near your home includes clearing the snow between the street and the hydrant following a storm.



When you adopt a fire hydrant, you ensure it is accessible to the Fire Department in times of emergency. If you have any questions regarding fire hydrants or hydrant safety, please contact Karen Kutcher, Fire Department Coordinator, at (847) 673-1545.

## Proper Disposal of Refuse

The Village provides weekly refuse and recycling pickup through Groot Waste Management. Once the pick-up has occurred, refuse containers must be stored only within the rear or side yard of your property. If you have a large item or special request for refuse service, please contact Groot at (877) 404-7668.

As a reminder, it is against the Village Code to dispose of any refuse onto public or private property. Illegal dumping endangers public health and can negatively impact property values. Refuse should be disposed of in the totes provided by Groot. If you observe illegal dumping of refuse, please contact the Police Department at (847) 745-4822.



## Frozen Water Meters

As winter approaches, the Village would like to remind residents to prepare water lines for freezing temperatures. Here are a few simple tips to protect your water line:

- Disconnect garden hoses from all outdoor faucets. This allows water to drain from frost free faucets.
- Let a trickle of water run from the faucet to keep water moving through the line.
- If your water meter is located in a furnished area of your basement, check to be sure that the meter has been insulated properly and has protection from freezing during winter months.

If you plan to leave for an extended period of time, the Public Works Department is available to turn your water off at the b-box to prevent freezing pipes. If you suspect that your meter is frozen, contact the Public Works Department at (847) 675-0888.



# Public Works

## Alternate Side Parking

As a reminder, please assist the Public Works Department by following the Village's Alternate Side Parking Ordinance during snow events when two or more inches of snowfall has accumulated. The following requirements apply when Alternate Side Parking is in effect:

- On even-numbered dates of the month, between 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, motor vehicles may only be parked on the side of the street with even-numbered addresses.
- On odd-numbered dates of the month between 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, motor vehicles may only be parked on the side of the street with odd-numbered addresses.
- Alternate side parking is a two-day event.

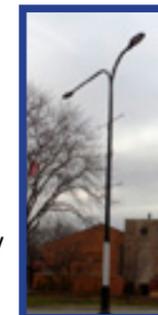
Alternate side parking is not in effect during weekends or major holidays. Alternate side parking does not include Pratt Avenue which is a designated snow emergency route. After two inches of snowfall, no parking is permitted on Pratt Avenue.

Please remember that the Village does not maintain any roads that fall under the jurisdiction of another agency. Lincoln Avenue, Cicero Avenue, Touhy Avenue, Devon Avenue, and McCormick Boulevard are maintained by the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT). Crawford Avenue is maintained by Cook County. To contact Cook County, please call (708) 485-7130, and to contact IDOT, please call (847) 705-4000. The Street Responsibility Map, available at [www.lincolnwoodil.org/our-community/maps/](http://www.lincolnwoodil.org/our-community/maps/), shows which government organization is responsible for the streets in the Village.

## Street Light Replacement Project

The Village's street light contractor, Utility Dynamics, has substantially completed installation of new LED street lights along Lincoln Avenue between Kostner and Devon Avenues as well as on McCormick Boulevard from Pratt to Devon Avenues.

The contractor plans to complete some lawn and pavement restoration work in the spring. This project is part of the Village's five-year Street Light Replacement Program. Please contact the Public Works Department with any questions at (847) 675-0888.



## ALTERNATE SIDE STREET PARKING EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1



After 2 inches of snowfall  
8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.  
Monday through Friday



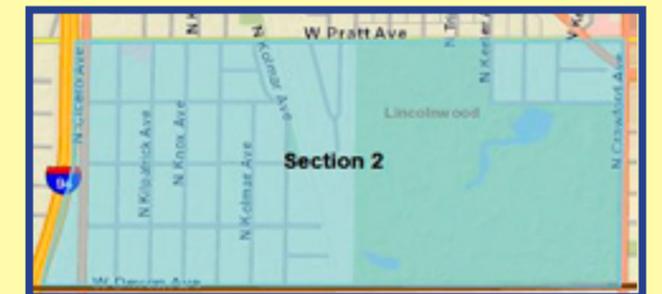
On even-numbered dates, park on the side of the street with even-numbered addresses.

On odd-numbered dates, park on the side of the street with odd-numbered addresses.



## Fall/Winter Tree Pruning

The Public Works Department will be performing annual cycle tree pruning this winter to maintain the health of the street trees. As part of the program, street trees are divided into sections and pruned once every six years. Village forestry crews will be trimming section two this winter. Notification letters will be distributed to residents two weeks in advance of trimming.



This program ensures that every public tree in the Village is maintained and inspected on a regular basis. It also increases the Villages ability to identify and remove high-risk trees in a more timely fashion.

If there are any issues or concerns regarding a tree in your right-of-way (typically 33 feet back from the center of the street) that the Village should be aware of, please notify the Village. Service requests may be entered at [www.lincolnwoodil.org/government/service-request/](http://www.lincolnwoodil.org/government/service-request/), by selecting the "Tree Inspection Request (Arborist)" option. You may also call the Public Works Department at (847) 675-0888.

# Parks and Recreation

## Dads and Daughters Share Sweet Moments at our Daddy-Daughter Dance

This February, dads and daughters are in for a real treat with Lincolnwood's "Sweet Moments" Daddy-Daughter Dance at Monastero's Ristorante. This Valentine's Day-themed event provides the perfect opportunity for dads and their daughters to spend some memorable quality time together.

Besides the fun of dressing up and dancing the night away, dads and daughters are invited to enjoy a delicious buffet dinner, dessert, DJ-led games, dancing, and a candy buffet at the end of the evening. Party-goers will also be able to capture the moment with a special photo at our photo booth and make a special commemorative keepsake.



The Daddy Daughter Dance will be held at Monastero's Ristorante, 3935 W. Devon Avenue in Chicago, on Friday, February 5 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Register by January 15 at 5:00 p.m. to save \$10 per Daddy-Daughter pair. For tickets and more information, please visit [www.lincolnwoodil.org/daddy-daughter-dance](http://www.lincolnwoodil.org/daddy-daughter-dance).

## Indoor Fun for Tots this Winter

### Stay Warm and Have Fun in the Indoor Playground

Escape the cold temperatures and head indoors to the Lincolnwood Community Center's bright, warm indoor playground. Kids from 9 months to 4 years old will love exploring the coloring station and playing on a variety of indoor playground equipment including cars, trikes, see-saws, a play house, and mini slides. Children must be accompanied by a caregiver. Our indoor playground will be open on Thursdays starting January 14 to February 25 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The cost is \$2 for residents, and registration is not required. For more information, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department at (847) 677-9740 or visit [recreation.lwd.org](http://recreation.lwd.org).

## Coupes and Comedy: Indoor Drive-In Theater

Kids ages 2-5 years old can create their own cardboard coupe and then cruise over to our indoor drive-in theater to watch an animated film on the big screen. We will supply the materials for building and decorating the coupes, but kids are encouraged to bring their own "seat cushion" to place inside the car during the feature film.

Coupes and Comedy takes place on Friday, February 26 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Lincolnwood Community Center. This program is free, but advanced registration is required (#101201.C). A parent or caregiver must be present during the event (no drop-offs). For more information, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department at (847) 677-9740 or visit [recreation.lwd.org](http://recreation.lwd.org).

## Mother-Son Bingo at the Fire Station

Mark your calendars for Mother-Son Bingo at the Lincolnwood Fire Station on Thursday, April 21 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

Enjoy a special night with your favorite guy at the fire station with bingo and prizes. For more information, visit [recreation.lwd.org](http://recreation.lwd.org).



# Parks and Recreation

## Spring In-House Soccer League Teams Now Forming

Soccer enthusiasts from ages 5 to 14 are invited to join the Lincolnwood International Soccer Academy's Spring In-House League. This In-House League is open to novice as well as more experienced players. All teams will be formed based on the players' ages and ability. All games and practices are held in Proesel Park.

Led by a professional coach and Lincolnwood resident, the goal of the academy is to help players of all levels improve their game in a fun and safe atmosphere that stresses respect and sportsmanship. Team members will be taught the fundamentals of soccer, as well as technical and tactical skills through drills and scrimmages. Players will be challenged both physically and mentally and kept active throughout the season.

The fee includes one practice and game per week, and a uniform that includes two game jerseys, shorts, and socks. The spring soccer season runs from the week of March 31 through June 13. To register or learn more, visit [www.recreation.lwd.org/programs/soccer](http://www.recreation.lwd.org/programs/soccer) or contact the Parks and Recreation Department at (847) 677-9740.



## Honor or Memorialize Someone Special with the Park Donation Program

The Lincolnwood Parks and Recreation Department's Park Donation Program is a wonderful way to honor a special individual or group, or to celebrate a birthday, anniversary, or special event. Trees and benches can be installed in the following parks: Central, Flowers, O'Brien, Centennial, Goebelt, Rossi, Columbia, Kenneth, G.G Rowell, Drake, Kildare and Springfield. For more information, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 847-677-9740 or visit [recreation.lwd.org](http://recreation.lwd.org).



Madeline Horwitz Boccuzzi Global Fitness Spot

## Summer Day Camp 2016

The annual summer camp guide will be available this winter and registration will open in March 2016. The Parks and Recreation Department team is planning for next year and looking forward to another great summer. Look for more information to become available at [recreation.lwd.org](http://recreation.lwd.org).

## Spend the Summer Making Memories Join the Day Camp or Proesel Park Family Aquatic Center Team

Do you know someone who is interested in a fun and engaging summer job? The Parks and Recreation Department is seeking enthusiastic students and adults with a passion for serving the community.

Visit [www.lincolnwoodil.org/employment-opportunities/](http://www.lincolnwoodil.org/employment-opportunities/) to learn more about the available summer positions with the Parks and Recreation Department and how you can apply. You can also sign up to receive notifications via email of new open positions at [www.lincolnwoodil.org/subscriptions](http://www.lincolnwoodil.org/subscriptions) and select seasonal employment.



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The Village Hall, Police Department, Fire Department, Community Development Department, and the Parks and Recreation Department are located at 6900 North Lincoln Avenue in the Municipal Complex. Village Hall office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Village Website	<a href="http://lincolnwoodil.org">lincolnwoodil.org</a>
Fire / Medical Emergency	9-1-1
Village Hall	(847) 673-1540
Police Department	(847) 673-2167
Fire Department	(847) 673-1545
Public Works Department	(847) 675-0888
Community Development Department	(847) 673-7402
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Administration	(847) 745-4717
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Groot	(847) 734-6400
SWANCC	(847) 724-9205
IDOT	(847) 705-4000
Cook County	(708) 485-7130

#### **Board and Commission Meetings**

Village Board (TV)	1st, 3rd Tuesday of the month
Plan Commission (TV)	1st Wednesday of the month
Human Relations Commission	2nd Monday of the month
Park and Recreation Board	2nd Tuesday of the month
Zoning Board of Appeals (TV)	3rd Wednesday of the month
Economic Development Commission	4th Wednesday of the month
Traffic Commission	4th Thursday of the month

Village Board meetings are held in the Council Chambers in Village Hall at 7:30 pm on the first and third Tuesdays of the month. Please check the Village's website at [lincolnwoodil.org](http://lincolnwoodil.org) for Board and Commission meeting dates, agendas, and minutes. To receive meeting agendas, send an e-mail to [subscribe@lwd.org](mailto:subscribe@lwd.org).

(TV) = Broadcast live on Comcast Cable Channel 6 and AT&T U-Verse Channel 99 and [lincolnwood.tv](http://lincolnwood.tv). Plan Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, and Village Board meetings are also re-broadcast one week following the scheduled meeting on Comcast Cable 6 and AT&T U-Verse and are also available on-demand at [lwdtv.org](http://lwdtv.org).



#### Welcome New Businesses!

Little Bethlehem Crafts Ornaments Lincolnwood Town Center (314) 308-8960	High Hopes for Pets Natural Dog Treats 7301 N. Lincoln Ave. #215 (847) 983-0110
V-Fix Cell Phone Repair Lincolnwood Town Center	Cell Parts Solution Parts for Smart phones 7331 N Lincoln Ave. #7, 9
Arben Imports Online Retail 3630 W. Pratt Ave. (872) 222-9113	Zoom Animals Toy Store Lincolnwood Town Center (773) 251-9295
Romance Jewelry Jewelry Sales 4350 W. Touhy Ave.	MTS Consulting, LLC 6677 N. Lincoln Ave. (847) 675-6666
Rilwala Properties Property Management 6440 N. Hamlin Ave.	Modern Trade Comm Magazine Publishers 7250 N. Cicero Ave. #100
Sunrise Distributors Wholesale Warehouse 6440 N. Hamlin Ave.	TruWinR Corporation IT and Network Consulting 7250 N. Cicero Ave. LL6

#### Recent Board Actions

- Approved the Village's continued membership in the O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission through 2020
- Approved an Ordinance amending the Town Center Planned Unit Development (PUD) to allow the operation of Begyle Brewery at 7005 Central Park Avenue
- Approved the purchase of 110 trees for the 2015 Fall Planting
- Approved an Ordinance for a special use and variations for the operation of Binny's Beverage Depot, 7175 Lincoln Avenue

#### Village Hall Closed

Village Hall will be closed on Friday, January 1, 2016 in observance of New Year's Day. Village Hall will be closed on Monday, February 15, 2016 for President's Day.