

THE COMMUNICATOR

LEAF COLLECTION BEGINS OCTOBER 13TH

From October 13th to December 5th, weather permitting, the Village will be providing leaf collection services. Residents who live on residential side streets are asked to rake leaves to the curb. Residents who live on arterial streets (Lake Avenue, Wilmette Avenue, Sheridan Road, Green Bay Road, Ridge Road, Skokie Boulevard and Hibbard Road) should place leaves on the parkway behind the curb due to heavy traffic. In order to be collected, leaves must be in a loose condition, not in bags or containers. Please avoid raking leaves onto the street until two days prior to your scheduled collection day to prevent the clogging of storm drains.

The 2014 collection schedule is published on page 5 as well as on the Village website, www.wilmette.com. If you have any questions regarding the leaf collection program, contact the Public Works Department at (847) 853-7500 or pubworks@wilmette.com.

HALLOWEEN TRICK OR TREAT HOURS AND SAFETY

Halloween Trick or Treat hours are from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Friday, October 31st. The Police Department offers the following tips for a safe and spooky Halloween:

- ★ Children should only go to homes where parents know the residents and stay on the porch or front steps to receive treats
- ★ Children should cross the street at the intersection, not in the middle of the street or between parked cars
- ★ Adults should inspect all candy before it is eaten
- ★ Costumes should allow the child to see and hear perfectly. Little ghosts and goblins should be able to hear and see vehicles
- ★ Costumes should be bright colored or have glow-in-the-dark patches so drivers can see the children. Flashlights and glow-sticks can help!
- ★ Go with the kids! It's safer for them

For residents passing out treats, please leave the porch light on during the Trick or Treat hours. It is safer for the children and lets them know treats are available at this home.

LINDEN SQUARE PUMPKIN WALK, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2014

Calling all princesses and super-heroes! The annual Linden Square Pumpkin Walk brings festivities to 4th & Linden with a complimentary horse-drawn hayride, games, face painting, treats and more. The event takes place on Saturday, October 25th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Sponsored by the Wilmette/Kenilworth Chamber of Commerce and the Linden Square businesses, you'll enjoy what this neighborhood business district offers. Wear your Halloween costume and show off your style! Rain or shine – the streets and sidewalks will be filled with fun.

The Pumpkin Walk is perfect for that holiday family photo. After the hayride, shop along 4th & Linden and stop in at participating shops for treats and giveaways. Feel free to wear your Halloween costume! For more information, call the Wilmette/Kenilworth Chamber of Commerce at (847) 251-3800 or visit the Chamber of Commerce web site at www.wilmettechamber.org.

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Letter from Village President Bob Bielinski

This past summer, activity in the Village's downtown area continued at a very high level with crowded restaurants, special events and new businesses. With winter just around the corner, please

continue to patronize our local businesses regardless of the weather. In this issue of *The Communicator*, I share news and information, and highlight some upcoming community events.

Sale of 611 Green Bay Road

I am very excited to report that the Village has reached a tentative agreement to sell 611 Green Bay Road (the former Ford dealership property) to M&R Development. M&R is planning to construct a new, luxury mixed use apartment and retail development on the property.

The sales contract with M&R is the very first step in a lengthy public process that is anticipated to take between six and nine months. That process will include multiple public hearings and opportunities for residents and business owners to participate and provide feedback. A target date of mid-2015 has been set for a groundbreaking of the six-story development.

This project is exactly the type of mixed use development that was envisioned by the Village Center Master Plan. Developed over the course of a year with significant input from the community, the Village Center Master Plan was formally adopted by the Village Board in January, 2011.

Please check the Village's websites for updates on the progress of this development. You can also see a rendering of the proposed development on page 4 of *The Communicator*.

Sewer Improvements

Last year, the Village Board approved \$26 million of capital projects aimed at improving the performance of our sewer systems during significant storm events.

Construction on local sanitary sewer storage projects on Wilmette, Gregory and Kilpatrick Avenues began in July and should be completed by the end of November. These projects include the installation of over 3,000 feet of large diameter sewer pipe and should help hundreds of Wilmette homes see fewer and less severe sewer backups.

I am also very pleased to announce that the Village recently broke ground on the West Park Sanitary Storage Project. This project is critically important to approximately 1,300 households, located west of Romona Road, which experience basement flooding during intense rain events. An underground reservoir will hold 5.5 million gallons of excess sewer flows, and a backflow valve will prevent sewage from the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District's system from backing up into Wilmette's sewers. The project also includes improvements to West Park's recreational facilities which will benefit all residents. I would like to thank the commissioners and staff of the Wilmette Park District for their support and cooperation on this very important project.

Sewer and manhole lining continues throughout the Princeton Place drainage basin, the area between Ridge Road and Romona Road. Village staff have also been meeting with the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District regarding potential downstream issues that may be impeding outgoing sanitary sewer flows from this area. Additionally, the Village is anxiously awaiting the results of the storm sewer study which will provide a thorough assessment of the storm sewer system including a range of improvements to consider. The study will cover all neighborhoods west of Ridge Road and will be presented to the community later this fall.

State of the Village Presentation

Over the past several months, I have given a "State of the Village" presentation to a number of groups in our community. To make this information more readily available to residents, business owners and other community stakeholders, we posted the presentation, along with my recorded comments, online. I hope you will take time to watch the presentation to learn more about our Village. The presentation can be viewed at <http://tinyurl.com/kuld2um>.

Community Events

If you haven't joined your neighbors at one of Wilmette's community events, you are missing out on the fun!

Spring kicked off with another popular downtown pub crawl which benefitted Wilmette's youth charities. Summerfest was a huge success again this year, with big crowds gathered downtown for music and fun on Saturday, as well as a packed house for a first time Friday night concert at St. Augustine's church. The Wilmette Theatre celebrates its 100th anniversary this year, and its programming includes special events, live performances and movies for all ages and interests.

Plaza Del Lago also continued its tradition of great events including its Summer Concert Series, Sidewalk Sale and Antiques Appraisal Event, and Fall Fest is scheduled for October 18th.

Please be sure to enjoy the many fun events taking place in Wilmette this holiday season including the Pumpkin Walk and Hayride, Annual Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony and Annual Holiday Parade. You can find more information on these events on pages 1 and 3 of *The Communicator*.

I wish you and your family a happy and healthy last few months of the year. Please know that the Village Board, Village Staff and I continue to appreciate your input and suggestions on how to improve our Village. Thanks to all of you who help make Wilmette a great place to live, work, raise a family and retire.

Finally, please support our local merchants during the holiday season. Remember, you can shop, eat and be entertained in Wilmette!

Very truly yours,

Bob Bielinski
Village President



EVENTS SPONSORED BY THE WILMETTE/KENILWORTH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
Visit wilmettechamber.org or (847) 251-3800 for more information.



Taste of Wilmette • Thursday, October 23rd

Where can you sample delicious bites from dozens of local restaurants and food markets all in one place? Enjoy Taste of Wilmette with craft beer and wine tastings, live music and a preview of the latest fashions and hairstyles. Don't miss this evening of culinary specialties, along with a business expo and hands-on demonstrations from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Woman's Club of Wilmette, 930 Greenleaf Avenue.

Trick or Treating in Downtown Wilmette Friday, October 31st

Stop into participating businesses from noon to closing and get your treat! Look for the pumpkin sign on the door.

Night at the Plaza and Downtown Village Merchants Holiday Open House • Thursday, November 20th

Get in the holiday mood with special shopping events in Wilmette! Double your holiday shopping pleasure and ease by visiting the Downtown Village Merchants Holiday Open House from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Night at the Plaza at Plaza del Lago from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. These Wilmette events bring you special sales, delectable treats and in-store entertainment!

Holiday Tree Lighting • Friday, November 21st

Delight in the blaze of holiday lights and color when the majestic tree is illuminated at 7:00 p.m. on the lawn of Wilmette's Village Hall. Enjoy holiday carols by local children and then warm up at a downtown Wilmette restaurant.

Holiday Parade • Saturday, November 22nd

Bring your family and friends to the annual Wilmette Holiday Parade, kicking off from 4th & Linden at 10:30 a.m. and proceeding west on Central Avenue to Village Center. Watch local marching bands, classic cars, clowns, decorated cars and trucks representing the local businesses, scouts, and community groups. After the parade, snap your holiday picture with Santa in front of Wilmette's Village Hall and delight in a complimentary horse-drawn sleigh ride through Village Center. Board the sleigh on Greenleaf Avenue near Panera Bread. Relive the parade fun by watching the parade again on WCTV-6, Wilmette Community Television during December.

Want to participate in the parade? Community groups and businesses are encouraged to decorate a float or car/truck. Judges will award the best entries in four categories: Best All-Around, Business Entry, Community/Youth Entry, & Community/Organization. Contact the Chamber for a parade application by calling (847) 251-3800, emailing joan@wilmettechamber.org or visiting wilmettechamber.org.

Fall & Winter Happenings at Plaza del Lago 1515 Sheridan Rd. Wilmette

Visit www.plazadelago.com for details

Saturday, October 18th

Annual Fall Fest • 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 20th

Holiday Night at the Plaza • 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 7th -

Holiday Sleigh Rides • 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

HOLIDAY LIGHTS RECYCLING PROGRAM

The Village of Wilmette, in partnership with Elgin Recycling and the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC), will be accepting holiday lights for recycling from Monday, November 24, 2014 through Friday, January 30, 2015.

Holiday lights can be dropped off at the Wilmette Public Works Facility, located at 711 Laramie Avenue. The recycling boxes will be located in the visitor's parking lot, accessible 24 hours a day.

The recycling program will accept all holiday string lighting (all colors and lengths); includes:

- ★ Mini-lights (or Italian lights)
- ★ C7 lights
- ★ C9 lights
- ★ Rope lights
- ★ LED lights
- ★ Extension Cords

***Garland, live greens, and wreathes are **not** accepted with this program. These items should be disposed of through the regular solid waste program.

If you have any questions regarding the Holiday Lights Recycling Program, please contact Public Works at (847) 853-7500 or pubworks@wilmette.com.

CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION

During the first two weeks in January, Advanced Disposal will collect Christmas trees for composting on Wednesdays. Please place your Christmas trees at the location of your regular recycling pickup. Residents with alley access should place trees in the alley to ensure timely collection. **Only residents without alley access should place trees at the curb for collection.** Trees must be devoid of any ornaments, tinsel, garland or plastic/fabric bag wrap. Other holiday decorations, such as wreaths and garland may be bagged with garbage and set out as refuse.



SALE OF 611 GREEN BAY ROAD

The Village and M&R Development have reached a tentative agreement on the terms of sale of 611 Green Bay Road, presently owned by the Village, for \$4.1 million. M&R is planning to construct a new, luxury mixed use apartment and retail development at the site of the former Ford dealership in accordance with the Village Center Master Plan.

A target date of mid-2015 has been set for the groundbreaking of the new development. The planned development will be six stories, with approximately 94 residential units and retail space on the first floor. The approval of a sales contract with M&R Development is the very first step in a lengthy public process that is anticipated to take between six and nine months. That process will include multiple public hearings and opportunities for residents and business owners to provide feedback.

In addition to the \$4.1 million purchase price for the property, M&R has voluntarily agreed to donate \$80,000 to the Village's housing assistance fund. These funds will allow the Village to continue funding housing assistance for low income seniors and persons with disabilities for approximately two additional years.

For more information on the proposed contract, renderings, and the Village Center Master Plan, visit www.wilmette.com/611GreenBayRoad.aspx.



611 GREENBAY ROAD
WILMETTE, ILLINOIS

East Elevation



WELCOME TO NEW BUSINESSES

The Village welcomes its newest businesses and thanks them for choosing Wilmette. Please remember to visit these and other Wilmette businesses while shopping this fall. We have a strong group of local merchants who are committed to you and appreciate your commitment to them. By supporting our businesses and buying locally, your sales tax dollars help pay for public services.

NEW RETAILERS

- Exhibit**
1148 Wilmette Avenue
Opening Soon
- Sports Authority**
3232 Lake Avenue
(847) 251-6357
- Studio 817**
817 Ridge Road
(847) 906-4216
- Wilmette Wine Cellar**
1100 Central Avenue
Opening Soon

NEW RESTAURANTS

- Firefly Kitchen**
111 Green Bay Road
Coming this Fall
- Koya in Wilmette**
1116 Central Avenue
(847) 256-6783
- Valley Lodge Tavern**
1141 Central Avenue
(847) 724-7440

PERSONAL SERVICES

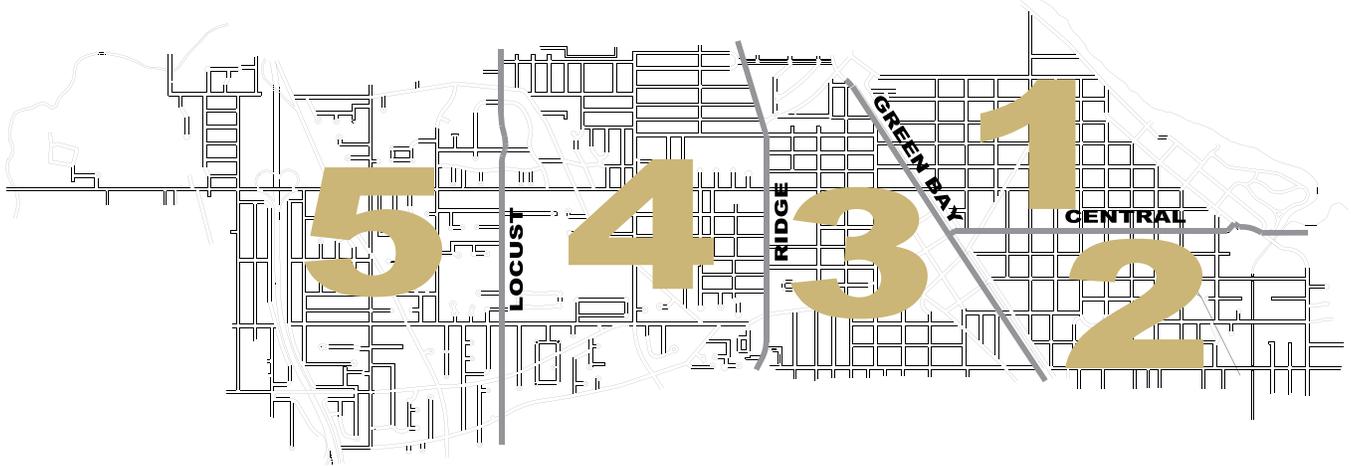
- Hurley Law Offices**
1000 Skokie Boulevard
(847) 491-9160



Leaf Collection



2014 LEAF PICK-UP ZONES AND SCHEDULE



SCHEDULED LEAF COLLECTION DAYS

OCTOBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
12	13 ZONE 1	14 ZONE 1	15 ZONE 2	16 ZONE 2	17 ZONE 3	18
19	20 ZONE 3	21 ZONE 4	22 ZONE 4	23 ZONE 5	24 ZONE 5	25
26	27 ZONE 1	28 ZONE 1	29 ZONE 2	30 ZONE 2	31 ZONE 3	

NOVEMBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
2	3 ZONE 3	4 ZONE 4	5 ZONE 4	6 ZONE 5	7 ZONE 5	8
9	10 ZONE 1	11 ZONE 1	12 ZONE 2	13 ZONE 2	14 ZONE 3	15
16	17 ZONE 3	18 ZONE 4	19 ZONE 4	20 ZONE 5	21 ZONE 5	22
23	24 ZONE 1	25 ZONE 2	26 ZONE 3	27 HOLIDAY	28 HOLIDAY	29

DECEMBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
30	1 ZONE 4	2 ZONE 5	3 ZONE 1	4 ZONE 2 & 3	5 ZONE 4 & 5	6

****PLEASE NOTE:** During a two-day collection period, only **one** collection is made for each street and will occur on **either** the first **or** second day of scheduled collection. Residents must have their leaves raked out no later than 7:00 a.m. on the **first** scheduled collection day.



HEALTH BEAT

The Health Department is offering the following programs for its residents:

Cholesterol and Glucose Screening

The Health Department is offering a Lipid Profile and Glucose screening for residents on November 19, 2014 and January 21, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. in the Training Room of the Village Hall. This screening is by appointment only and requires a 12 hour fast. The Lipid Profile includes tests for total cholesterol, HDL cholesterol, LDL cholesterol, Triglycerides, and HDL/LDL ratio. The glucose screening is for the detection of diabetes. The test requires blood drawn from the arm and the results are sent in the mail within 48 hours. The cost of this test is \$20.00. To make an appointment for the screening, please contact Health Nurse Dianne Bader at (847) 853-7507 or email at baderd@wilmette.com.

CPR Course Offered

A CPR course for residents will be offered at the Village Hall on Wednesday, November 19, 2014 and Thursday, January 22, 2015 from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. There is a fee of \$20 for class materials payable prior to the class. To register for the course, please call the Health Nurse Dianne Bader at (847) 853-7507 or email baderd@wilmette.com.

Blood Pressure Screenings

Blood Pressure Screenings are held on Tuesdays, 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Health Department office located on the second floor of the Village Hall. No appointment is necessary.



FIRE STATION OPEN HOUSE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11TH

Fire Prevention Week, October 5th – October 11th, 2014, marks the anniversary of the Chicago Fire. “Sparky the Fire Dog” and the Wilmette Fire Department invite all youngsters to bring their parents to the Fire Department Open House on Saturday, October 11, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to noon at Fire Station 26, located at 1304 Lake Avenue. Fire Trucks, firefighting and paramedic equipment, as well as water rescue, special rescue and hazardous materials response equipment will be on display. Kids, don’t forget to bring a teddy bear. Specially trained paramedics will be available to perform a “checkup” on your teddy bear so you can experience what it would be like to be a patient.

In addition, families can visit the Family Safety House, a mobile home designed to teach home fire safety.

The Fire Dept. is also hosting a Blood Drive through Life Source that day from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Help save lives – donate. You can register online at www.lifeforce.org, but walk ins are welcome. Contact (847) 251-1101 for any questions.

Free parking is available in the Metra lot adjacent to the Fire Station.

PEDESTRIAN AWARENESS REMINDER

It is the Village’s longstanding goal to promote a pedestrian friendly community. The following tips are presented as important reminders to enhance pedestrian safety.

The Village has a high number of alley entrances that traverse the public sidewalk in addition to many residential and commercial driveway entrances. These areas present a potential point of conflict between vehicles and pedestrians. In most cases the drivers have poor sight lines when backing out of or pulling out across a public sidewalk. Therefore, the pedestrian will often see a vehicle before the driver sees the pedestrian.

Knowing this, please proceed slowly and with caution when approaching alley or driveway entrances and be prepared to stop when necessary.



ARTS AWARENESS MONTH

In celebration of Arts Awareness Month, the Village of Wilmette Human Relations Commission presents a Community Photography Exhibit, *'Collective Photographic Memories'* featuring several Wilmette photographers at the North Shore Community Bank, 1145 Wilmette Avenue, Wilmette from Wednesday, October 1st to Friday, October 31st. Bank Hours are Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

UPCOMING MUSEUM EVENTS

Exhibit Opening

"The Wide World of Fashion" Opening October 5, 2014

From hoop skirts to hot pants, extremes in fashion are nothing new. Eras are defined by a "look," and that look usually embodies excess. More often than not, that means going *wide*, whether it is giant leg-of-mutton sleeves of the 1890s or *Saturday Night Fever* lapels and bell bottoms of the 1970s. Pulled from the Museum's extensive collections, the items on display will span more than a century. Don't miss a glimpse of these huge (and hugely popular) styles from the past when the exhibit opens in October in the Museum's Lower Level Gallery.

Programs

"Seeking Racial Equality on the North Shore" Sunday, October 26, 2014 • 2:00-3:30 PM

Co-hosted with the Winnetka Historical Society.
Members of both museums will be admitted free,
non-members \$5/person.

Dr. Mary Barr will discuss her new book *Friends Disappear: The Battle for Racial Equality* in Evanston. In it she writes about a group of childhood friends growing up in Evanston during the 1960s and 70s at the very height of local civil rights activism. In *Friends Disappear* Barr tracks down her old friends to find out what happened. Dr. Barr will also discuss her current research on the 1965 North Shore Summer Project, a civil rights campaign that challenged discriminatory housing practices in Wilmette and Winnetka.

"Building the Canal to Save Chicago" Sunday, November 9, 2014 • 2:00-3:30 PM

Free for Members, \$5 for Non-Members

Join us for a presentation by Richard Lanyon, author of *Building the Canal to Save Chicago*. Mr. Lanyon will explore the construction of the canal that reversed the flow of the Chicago River using his research and historic images. He will also provide insight into the North Shore Channel, built between 1908 and 1910. Stay after the talk for a book signing.

VOTER REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION

Voter Registration for the November 4, 2014 Gubernatorial Election ends on Tuesday, October 7th. Village Hall is open for registration Monday through Friday, 7:30–4:30.

Illinois voters may vote early – before the November 4th Gubernatorial Election – without needing a reason or excuse to do so. Registered voters can vote early from October 20th through November 2nd. The times and locations will be determined by the Cook County Clerk and posted on their website, www.cookcountyclerk.com

By law, individuals who vote early must display a government-issued photo identification (driver's license, state identification card or passport) before receiving a ballot.

Any registered suburban Cook County voter may request a mail ballot using the Cook County Clerk's online application found on their website, www.cookcountyclerk.com.

APRIL 7TH CONSOLIDATED ELECTION INFORMATION

At the April 7, 2015 Consolidated Election, the Village of Wilmette will have three Village Trustee positions on the ballot, each for a four-year term.

Petitions for candidacy for these offices may be filed with the Village Clerk at the Wilmette Village Hall, 1200 Wilmette Avenue starting at 8:30 a.m. on December 15th and ending at 5:00 p.m. on December 22nd. The hours for filing petitions for candidacy with the Village Clerk are Monday, December 15th through Friday, December 19th, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Monday, December 22nd from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Illinois State Board of Elections has prepared the *Candidate's Guide for 2015*, to provide information for candidates seeking public office. It provides information on the proper completion and filing of nomination papers and lists the qualifications required for candidates seeking specific offices. The *Candidate's Guide for 2015* is available through the Illinois State Board of Elections in Chicago (312-814-6440) or through the agency's website www.elections.state.il.us.



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FIRE DEPARTMENT

fire@wilmette.com 251-1101

MUSEUM

museum@wilmette.com 853-7666

POLICE DEPARTMENT

police@wilmette.com 256-1200

PUBLIC WORKS

DEPARTMENT

pubworks@wilmette.com 853-7500
After Hour Emergency 256-1200

WATER PLANT

853-7535

VILLAGE HALL 251-2700

Community Development 853-7550
Engineering 853-7660
Finance 853-7609
Health 853-7507
Clerk 853-7511

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OTHER

Park District 256-6100
Library 256-5025
Comcast 1-866-594-1234
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NICOR Gas 1-888-642-6748
Commonwealth Edison 1-888-334-7661
Advanced Disposal Services 272-4145

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

The Village Board meets on the second and fourth Tuesday each month at 7:30 p.m.

The Zoning Board of Appeals meets on the first and third Wednesday each month at 7:30 p.m.

The Plan Commission meets on the first Tuesday each month at 7:00 p.m.

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VILLAGE E-MAIL LISTS

You can now sign up for one of the many e-mail lists provided by the Village on your smartphone. To sign up, either text the word "WILMETTE" to 22828 or use your QR code reader app to scan the QR code on this page. You can also sign up online on the Village's homepage at www.wilmette.com.



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VILLAGE HOLIDAYS

Village offices will be closed on Thursday, November 27th and Friday, November 28th for Thanksgiving, Thursday, December 25th for Christmas, and Thursday, January 1st for New Year's Day. Refuse and recycling collection will be affected during those weeks.

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