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NEW STREET SIGNS

Have you noticed the new street signs on our Village public roads? The old gray and white street signs have seen better days - some were virtually impossible to read. The new signs have a whole new look - made of reflective with large black lettering on a white background and displaying the Village logo. The reflective material will make it easier for people to read the street signs at night.

TOBIN FRALEY EXHIBIT AT BARRINGTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Looking for something to do? Tobin Fraley, an accomplished photographer, writer and member of the Long Grove Artists Guild, is exhibiting his breathtaking photographs of the Reed-Turner Woodland Nature Preserve in Long Grove at the Barrington Area Library (505 N. Northwest Hwy). Also on display are Tobin's works that combine photographic images in juxtaposition with his writings.

The two-part exhibit, titled "A Study of the Reed Turner Woodland Nature Preserve" and "Black & White Images with Words," will be on display at the Barrington Area Library through the end of November.

CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING

With both Christmas Day and New Year's Day falling on Thursday, garbage pickup will be delayed by one day (ex.: Thursday's pickup will be Friday; Friday's pickup will be Saturday).

During the first two weeks of January, Waste Management will pick up Christmas trees for recycling on your regular garbage pickup day beginning January 5 and ending on January 16.

When disposing of your tree, make sure it is no longer than 6 feet in length, otherwise cut the tree in half and then place it at curbside. Any tree that is placed in a bag or that has tinsel on it will be taken as trash and will not be recycled. Should you dispose of your tree after the recycling dates, the tree will be picked up and disposed of as garbage.

NEW FACES AND PLACES

In the last several months, some new businesses have opened in Long Grove, while other businesses are under new ownership. Here is a list of new shops and restaurants in the Village:

Beans and Leaves (320 Old McHenry Road) has changed owners. The new owner is Ethel Berger. When the weather seems to get you down, why not stop by Beans and Leaves for a hot cup of coffee or tea and perhaps a little nosh - guaranteed to lift your spirits!

Broken Earth Winery (219 Robert Parker Coffin Road) is the newest shop in the historic downtown. Broken Earth offers wine tastings, video gaming and full service dining featuring appetizers, burgers, and small plate samplings, as well as beer and other beverages. Private dining is available.

Chatterbox (330 Old McHenry Road) serves local and seasonal products, and offers delicious small plates of food, local craft beer and cocktails, as well as video gaming. Stay for the music!

Kawa 3 (4196 IL Route 83, Suite B) is a carry-out restaurant that recently opened, featuring Japanese and Asian cuisine. Stop in for an order of sushi or pad thai, two of Kawa 3's mouthwatering specialties.

Long Grove Cafe (235 Robert Parker Coffin Road) is now owned by Pam Besbeas. The Long Grove Cafe has an extensive menu offering seafood, steaks, pasta, sandwiches, salads and much more. The restaurant overlooks a pond and during warm weather there is seating outdoors. Drop by for video gaming.

Peet's Coffee (4196 IL Route 83, Suite A) is located in what was formerly Caribou Coffee in the Sunset Grove shopping center. Drop in to see the newly remodeled store, or on those cold days when you don't want to get out of your car, pick up a cup of freshly brewed coffee at the drive-thru window.

Sherwin Williams (4194 IL Route 83, Suite A) is a brand new store in the Sunset Grove shopping center. For paints, stains, color ideas or decorating advice, stop by and be inspired.

Upcoming Openings

Watch for the following businesses soon to open in Long Grove:

Coldwell Banker (Sunset Grove shopping center) Long Grove will be welcoming a new realty company for people interested in buying or selling a house.

Galena Canning Company (217 Robert Parker Coffin Road). Perhaps you've already tasted some of the Galena Canning Company's products at one of our popular festivals? Now you won't have to wait for a festival to try their delicious products including bar-b-que sauces, rubs and seasonings, salad dressings, jams, and fruit butters to name just a few. Galena Canning will be open just in time for Christmas shopping.

The Grooming Lodge (3976 Route 22, Suite C) located in Long Grove Commons shopping center is a full service dog groomer. Services range from trimming nails to haircuts and everything in between.

New Projects in 2015

Harborchase Senior Care Facility - Demolition of the old Fairfield Bank building on Rts 53 and 83 will take place in order to build a new senior care memory center, which will be called Harborchase Senior Care Facility.

Long Grove Senior Living and Memory Care - a new senior care memory center is planned to be built at IL Rte 53 between Mardan Drive and Long Grove Road.

IT'S ALL ABOUT COMMUNICATION - STAY CONNECTED

- ◆ Send your email address to Administrative Assistant Sherry Shlagman (sshlagman@longgrove.net) to receive Board and Commission meeting agendas and minutes as well as other timely information.
- ◆ For emergency and other important notifications, visit the Village website (www.longgrove.net) and click on the Connect CTY icon to sign up.
- ◆ Go to the Village website (www.longgrove.net), on the left side of the screen is Quick Links, scroll down until you see e-Newsletter sign up, click on it and sign up for newsletter notifications through Constant Contact.

ODDS AND ENDS

LONG GROVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

THE VELVETEEN RABBIT

Kirk Players, in cooperation with Long Grove Historical Society, will present a dramatization of the heartwarming children's classic, *The Velveteen Rabbit*, on Sunday, December 7 at noon and 3:00 p.m. at the Village Hall (3110 Old McHenry Road, behind Kildeer School). Ticket prices are \$5 for children 12 and under, and \$10 for adults.

The original children's book by Margery Williams has been rewritten as a play by Scott Davidson. Kirk Players, a professional drama company now in its 49th season dedicated to "Community Service Through the Arts," is performing this interactive play for children to benefit the Long Grove Historical Society. The Society is also asking that people bring a non-perishable food item to be donated to the St. Francis de Sales Food Pantry in Lake Zurich. The St. Francis de Sales Food Pantry distributes bags of groceries and provides free meals to hundreds of people each week, without regard to religion.

Tickets are available on-line at www.kirkplayers.org or by calling 847-521-6192.

LONG GROVE-KILDEER GARDEN CLUB

Holiday Luncheon

The Long Grove-Kildeer Garden Club will be holding their annual Holiday Luncheon on December 8, beginning at 11:30 a.m. The celebration is at Concorde Banquets, 20922 N Rand Road, Kildeer. In addition to the program, guests are encouraged to bring mitten, hats, scarves and toiletries to be donated to the Vernon Township Food Pantry. There will be a charge for the luncheon, and reservations are required. For more information, please contact Jane at laystrom1@comcast.net or 847-302-0991

The Garden Club welcomes new members. Meetings are held at Reed-Turner on the second Monday of each month. Please contact Gerri at [847-550-6292](tel:847-550-6292) if you wish to join or seek additional information.

LONG GROVE PARK DISTRICT

Winter/Spring Recreation Programs

The Long Grove Park District Winter/Spring 2015 Recreation programs will be posted on their website (www.lgparks.org) the first week of December. Be sure to check it out to see if there will be something of interest to you or someone in your family.

There are a few new programs that started this fall that are being offered again such as Science Made Fun and After School of Rock Guitar Lessons. Friday Night Fun will be offered again on Friday evenings at Kildeer Countryside School. There have been so many great comments about this program, the kids just love it. If your children have not attended, have them try a class.



KIRK PLAYERS

www.kirkplayers.org

49th Season of Community Service Through the Arts

Founded by John W. Lynn -- Artistic Director Paddy Lynn

The Velveteen Rabbit

by Scott Davidson



This program is partially supported by a grant from the Illinois Arts Council, a state agency.

Sunday December 7, 2014

Matinees at 12:00 & 3:00 pm

at **Long Grove Village Hall**, 3110 Old McHenry Rd.
(behind Kildeer Elementary School)

Adults: \$10 ~ Children 12 & under: \$5

Tickets available on-line at www.kirkplayers.org

or by calling 847-521-6192.





Santa Claus Is Coming To Reed-Turner Woodland in Long Grove

On Sunday, December 14th, Santa will be at the Reed-Turner Woodland from 1:00-3:00pm. Boys and girls be sure to bring your wish list because Santa is ready to talk with you.

Santa would like everyone to bring an unwrapped gift for a boy or girl that will be delivered to the Toys for Tots program. We look forward to seeing all of you for this special visit.

Don't forget your cameras!



Tis the Season to Visit Long Grove Shop Local. Shop Long Grove.

Long Grove, Illinois (November 2014) – Charming, historic downtown Long Grove invites you to experience a winter wonderland this holiday season as you stroll quaint, festively decorated cobblestone streets and enjoy one-of-a-kind shopping, dining, and family fun!

This year Long Grove is “**Smitten with Mittens**”! The Long Grove Business and Community Partners will collect mittens (new or gently used and clean), between Thanksgiving and December 24 to donate to those in need. Drop off your donation at the Visitors’ Center at 308 Old McHenry Road.

Make Long Grove your Thanksgiving weekend shopping destination and support Long Grove’s independently-owned businesses on **Small Business Saturday, November 29**. Shop Local. Shop Long Grove.

Shop for unique gifts, jewelry, apparel, art, collectibles and more at Long Grove’s specialty shops, plus enjoy dining, entertainment and festive fun for the whole family. Collect & present receipts between Nov. 28 - Dec. 24, totaling \$150 (excluding tax and gratuity), and receive a **free gift from The Visitors’ Center**, while supplies last!

Holiday Weekend Festivities:
Weekends Beginning Saturday, December 6 - Sunday, December 21.
(Events subject to change.)

Holiday **horse-drawn carriage rides** return Saturdays and Sundays from 1 - 4 p.m., starting at Mill Pond Shoppes, just outside of Galena Canning Company, on Robert Parker Coffin Road. Buy tickets at the Visitors’ Center.

Pricing: adult, \$10; couple, \$15; children, \$5 (age 3 and under seated on parents’ lap are free); private carriage ride, \$25, (seats 4 adults or a family of 5). Sponsored by the Forsythe Family. Other events include:

- **Santa Visits Long Grove** Saturdays & Sundays from 1 - 4 p.m.
- **Cookie Walk** – weekend of December 6 - 7
- **Storytelling** at 2 p.m. Saturdays & Sundays. Most readings will be done by famous Long Grove author Tobin Fraley.
- Stop by the Visitors’ Center for **Humbug scavenger hunts** and **coloring contests** for kids.
- **Jack Eiler** sings and plays festive holiday music at the Visitors’ Center from 1 - 4 p.m. (excluding 12/13)

- View the **historic 40-foot flagpole** on Towner Green, cheerfully decorated with lighting to resemble a holiday tree. Previously, Terry Druggen, an Al Capone associate, erected the flag pole on his Long Grove farm during prohibition. Druggen's assistant would raise the flag (originally double the size, and visible from a mile away) if it were safe to return; if the flag was lowered, it meant someone was looking for Druggen and he should stay away. Lightning struck the flag pole in the 1950s reducing it to its more modest 40-foot height.

Upcoming Merchant Events

(Events subject to change.)

- Enjoy live holiday music from Bill Robinson & Friends, weekends, beginning Friday, November 28 - Sunday, December 21 from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. at **Mangel Gifts**.
- **Mangel Gifts** opens early at 7 a.m. on Small Business Saturday, November 29 and will offer 20% off all purchases until 10 a.m. Plus, free coffee and doughnuts for holiday shoppers.
- Feast on a Holiday Wine Pairing Dinner at **The Long Grove Café Restaurant** on Wednesday, December 3 at 6:30 p.m. Guests will be treated to a four course meal with five different wines for each course, plus a "welcome wine" upon arrival. The four-course meal includes salad, an appetizer, entree and dessert. \$35 per person. Limited seating available. Reservations are required. Please call (847) 955-9600 to secure your spot today.
- Bring the family for a visit with Santa at **Ma & Pa's Candy** on Saturday, December 6 & 13 from 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. Shop for stocking stuffers & holiday treats for the candy lover in your life. Don't miss their famous apple cider doughnuts!
- **The Village Tavern** invites you to Lunch with Santa – December 13 & 20 beginning at 11 a.m. (reservations are required.) Call (847) 634-3117.
- **The Long Grove Café Restaurant** invites you and the family to come in and have breakfast with Santa on Sunday, December 14 and 21! Make your reservation today by calling (847) 955-9600.

Visit www.visitlonggrove.com for more details.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS - DECEMBER

Plan Commission & Zoning Board of Appeals

December 2 7 pm Village Hall

CPR/AED Class

December 4 6 pm—10 pm Long Grove Fire Dept.
For information, call Katie at 847-634-3143
\$15 *In-District Residents* \$30 *Out-of-District Residents*

Long Grove Historical Society

The Velveteen Rabbit - presented by the Kirk Players

December 7 12 pm and 3 pm Long Grove Village Hall

Long Grove-Kildeer Garden Club

Annual Holiday Luncheon

December 8 11:30 am Concorde Banquets (Kildeer)
Reservations Required - contact Jane at
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Board of Trustees

December 9 7 pm Village Hall

Long Grove Park District

Visit from Santa

December 14 1 to 3 pm Reed-Turner Woodland

Architectural Commission

December 15 7 pm Village Hall

