



## THE BRIDGE NEWSLETTER

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

#### Volunteers Wanted!

#### ***Help needed on Architectural Commission and Conservancy Committee***

Long Grove is different from a typical suburb in many unique ways. One of the by-products of having a minimal government philosophy and no property tax is that we employ a very small staff of only four full-time and one part-time employees. Some essential services are contracted out such as police protection, building inspections, snowplowing, etc...but many of the elements that help our Village function are dependent on residents to step in and provide their time and talents as volunteers.

Most residents are already aware that our Long Grove elected officials (Village President, Village Clerk, and six Trustees) are volunteers. But did you also know that we have three separate commissions, also staffed with resident volunteers, who meet monthly to provide advice and recommendations to the Village Board in various capacities? The Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals serves to review plans for new development and issues relating to our current zoning or zoning changes. The Architectural Commission looks at building requests with a finer eye towards details such as aesthetics, lighting, landscape and signage. The Conservancy Committee serves to educate, advise, and act as a resource to the Village and residents on matters relating to conservancy districts and scenic corridors. Residents serving on all of these committees are appointed by the Village President, with consent of the Village Board.

The Village also has opportunities for you to become involved from time to time on special committees or projects. Our current infrastructure review workshops are being conducted with input from interested community members as workshop participants. We can always use help with clerical tasks such as folding and stamping for special mailings. If you have a special skill that you would like to share with your community, please let me know.

**We are currently in need of volunteers to serve on the Architectural Commission and the Conservancy Committee.** If you would like more information about these jobs, or would like to fill out a volunteer profile form, please contact me at [angie@aunder.com](mailto:angie@aunder.com). Or feel free to stop by Village Hall. The petitions will be available soon for municipal elections in Spring of 2015, and three of the Trustee positions will be on the ballot. Whether you are motivated to make a large commitment or small, your Village can use you!

--Angie Underwood, Village President

## **BOARD MEETING AND VILLAGE BOARD WORKSHOP**

The Village Board Meeting, which usually meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month, has been scheduled for Monday, September 22 instead of Tuesday, September 23, and will be held at Kildeer Countryside School (3100 Old McHenry Road). This meeting will precede the Village Board Workshop; the Board meeting will address regular Village matters and will start at 7 p.m. and end at 7:30 p.m. The Special Board Workshop will begin at 7:30 p.m. and will focus on Economic Development. The workshop will be led by Bridget Lane of Business Districts Inc (BDI). This is a public meeting and all residents are encouraged to attend and participate.

## **GEWALT HAMILTON ASSOCIATES, INC. PRESENTS REVIEW OF LONG GROVE ROADS**

Gewalt Hamilton Associates (GHA) presented their Pavement Condition Study and Proposed 15-year Maintenance Program at the first of three public workshops on August 18.

The GHA approach used the PAVER™ software and visual inspection of Long Grove roads to determine a Pavement Condition Index (PCI) number which ranked the condition of the roads on a scale from "Good" to "Failed." According to the GHA study, 3.5% of Long Grove roads were ranked as Good and 43% were ranked as "Failed." GHA noted during the presentation that the PAVER™/PCI approach grades roads more severely than other methods. The study did not include core sampling of roads.

GHA presented that a number of Long Grove roads qualify for designation as Federal-Aid Urban (FAU) routes, making federal highway funds available. Projected total savings from FAU federal grants over the 15-year program totaled \$1,926,000 or \$128,000 per year. Other potential annual savings presented were \$43,000 via coordination of the road program with other agencies and \$18,000 via engineering fee reduction.

With consideration of the projected cost savings above, the total projected cost of the 15-year road maintenance program is \$21,831,000. That number includes a 7% annual inflation of paving costs and is based on a relatively flat annual expenditure in 2015 dollars. Optimization of the paving program to further reduce costs by timing road maintenance prior to significant road degradation was not included in the GHA study.

The text of the GHA presentation is available on the Village website at [www.longgrove.net](http://www.longgrove.net).

The second workshop will be held at 7:00 pm on Monday, September 22 at Kildeer Countryside School and will focus on Economic Development. The public is invited to attend.

## **UPCOMING ELECTION**

November 4, 2014

### *Voter Registration*

Residents who are new to Lake County, moved to a new county address, turn 18 on or before November 4, 2014, or have a name change need to register by Tuesday, October 7 if they would like to vote in the upcoming election. To register you must be a U.S. citizen, 18 years old on or before the November election, and a precinct resident for 30 days immediately prior to Election Day. Bring two forms of current identification such as a driver's license, passport, bill, or other form of identification that has your current address. Registration can be done at the Village Hall (3110 Old McHenry Road) or at the County Clerk's office (18 N. County Street, Room 101, Waukegan). For more information go to [www.LakeVoterPower.info](http://www.LakeVoterPower.info).

### *Voting by Mail (available until Oct. 30)*

Voters who choose to vote by mail may visit [www.LakeVoterPower.info](http://www.LakeVoterPower.info) to complete an E-request or download a paper form to receive a ballot by mail. Ballots will be mailed beginning September 25. Voted ballots must be returned to the Clerk's office postmarked no later than November 3.

### *Early Voting (10/20 - 11/2)*

To locate your early voting site go to [www.LakeVoterPower.info](http://www.LakeVoterPower.info).

## **CONSOLIDATED ELECTION CANDIDATE PETITIONS**

Petition packets for the Consolidated Election to be held April 7, 2015, can be picked up at the Village Hall beginning September 23 through December 22, 2014. Pick up hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Residents will be electing three Village trustees. Nomination petitions can be filed at the Village Hall beginning on December 15, 2014 at 8 a.m. and ending on December 22, 2014 at 5 p.m. For questions, call the Village Office at 847-634-9440 and ask for Village Clerk Heidi Locker-Scheer or call the Lake County Clerk's office at 847-377-2310 and ask for Debra Nieto.

## **AGGREGATION PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS TO RECEIVE CREDIT ON COMED BILL**

This past spring, the Village of Long Grove renewed its community electric aggregation but switched from Integrys to Constellation. The Village, along with other surrounding communities, was able to negotiate a fixed rate at 6.529¢ per kWh through May 2017.

It came to the Village's attention that Constellation errantly charged residents 6.621¢ per kWh on the first and some second meter read cycles. Constellation has corrected this error and arranged for a credit to appear on the ComEd bills of all affected ratepayers. It will appear as a miscellaneous credit of *approximately* \$1.75 per account. Participants in the aggregation program can expect to see this credit on their ComEd bill in the next few weeks.

## **CONSERVE LAKE COUNTY**

Conserve Lake County (CLC) is a non-profit organization whose purpose is to preserve open land, restore natural areas, and inspire a commitment to land conservation for the benefit of people and wildlife in Lake County. Through their Conservation@Home program, CLC will visit a resident's property to evaluate native plants, rainwater, lawns and invasive species that exist on the property. After the visit, a follow-up email with key recommendations and resources for an eco-friendly landscape - cleaner water, richer soils, and more resilient ecosystems - is shared with the resident.

Trustee Joe Barry sought out the advice of Conservation@Home to help transform and restore his property. He enhanced both the woodland and the prairie sections of his property with native plants from the Long Grove-Kildeer Garden Club plant sale and from the Conserve Lake County plant sale. His property has now earned certification for eco-friendly landscaping from CLC.

Currently, CLC has a special offer for Long Grove residents who are interested in eco-friendly landscaping. Ordinarily the fee for CLC to come out, evaluate, and offer suggestions for an eco-friendly landscape would cost a resident \$179. From now through the end of the year, the Village has made special arrangements with CLC to offer residents a special price of \$99. As further encouragement, the Village will rebate half of the \$99 cost to residents who take advantage of this opportunity.

For more information on Conserve Lake County or to set up a home visit go to <http://www.conservelakecounty.org/conservationhome/schedule-a-property-visit>.

## **RECYCLING EFFORTS INCREASE IN LONG GROVE**

Waste Management recently reported that recycling in Long Grove over this past year has increased by 26%. During the first six months of 2013, recycling in Long Grove totaled 27,981 tons, while recycling during the first half of 2014 was 28,981 tons. Why such a huge increase? The answer can be attributed to the cart program that was introduced earlier this year. The new wheeled carts that Village residents are using hold more recycling materials and are much easier to place at the roadside than the old yellow bins. Kudos to the residents of Long Grove for making a concerted effort to recycle!

## **ODDS AND ENDS**

### **PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE BACK DAY**

On September 27 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., residents can bring unwanted or unused prescription drugs for proper disposal to a public drop off at one of these locations:

- Fremont Township Office - 22385 W. Route 60 Mundelein
- Beach Park Village Hall - 11270 W. Wadsworth Rd. Beach Park
- Volo Village Hall - 500 S. Fish Lake Rd. Volo

Prescription drug drop off boxes are available year round, 24/7 at these Lake County locations:

- Hawthorn Woods Police Dept - 2 Lagoon Drive, Hawthorn Woods
- Lake Zurich Police Dept - 200 Mohawk Trail, Lake Zurich
- Mundelein Police Dept - 221 N. Lake Street, Mundelein
- Vernon Hills Police Dept - 740 Lakeview Parkway, Vernon Hills

For more information, visit the SWALCO website at [www.swalco.org](http://www.swalco.org).

# Got Drugs?

## Prescription Drug Take Back Day

Saturday, Sep 27th, 2014

10:00am – 2:00pm

Fremont Township office

located at

**22385 W. Rt. 60, Mundelein**

### Accepted Items:

Expired Solid Prescription Drugs  
Unwanted or Unused Prescription Drugs  
Over the Counter Drugs (pills)  
Controlled and Non-Controlled Substances

### Not Accepted Items:

Liquid Products  
Intravenous Solutions  
Injectable Drugs  
Syringes

The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked.



Sponsored by the Lake County Sheriff's Office  
and the Coalition for Healthy Communities.

Questions? Contact Deputy Roman Buchberger 847-377-4211

Email: [RBuchberger@lakecountyil.gov](mailto:RBuchberger@lakecountyil.gov)

## HOUSEHOLD CHEMICAL WASTE COLLECTION DAY

SWALCO will be holding a household chemical waste collection event in Lake Forest (Municipal Services Center - 800 N. Field Drive) on September 27 from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Accepted materials include aerosol products, antifreeze & motor oil, fertilizers, varnishes, gasoline, oil-based paints and paint removers, prescription and over-the-counter medicines/supplements). To learn more about what items are accepted visit the SWALCO website at [www.swalco.org](http://www.swalco.org).

## LONG GROVE PARK DISTRICT'S 5th ANNUAL BUILD YOUR OWN SCARECROW EVENT

Start planning your scarecrow outfits now in preparation for the Long Grove Park District's 5th Annual Build Your Own Scarecrow Event on Saturday, October 11. This family event will be held at the Reed-Turner Nature Center (3849 Old McHenry Road) from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. There is a \$20 fee per family.

To help with constructing your scarecrow, the Park District will provide a scarecrow skeleton, head, stuffing, and lots and lots of trimmings. Bring clothing to dress your scarecrow as well as gloves, shoes, hat, belt, scarf, and jewelry to accessorize - use your imagination.

Space is limited at this very popular event, so register early - advance registration is required. To register, send a \$20.00 check payable to Long Grove Park District, 3849 Old McHenry Rd, Long Grove, IL 60047. Include your name, address, and telephone number.

After you make your scarecrow, take time to stroll through the Woodland to see the display of beautiful fall colors.

If you have questions, call the Park District at 847-438-4743 (leave a message and the staff will return your call as soon as possible).



## LONG GROVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

### Author Kathy Kruse Presents

### *A Chicago Firehouse: Stories of Wrigleyville's Engine 78*

On Sunday, October 5 at 2 p.m. at Reed Turner Woodland, Long Grove Historical Society will host a talk by Kathy Kruse, author of, "A Chicago Firehouse: Stories of Wrigleyville's Engine 78." The book is a historically accurate account of a firehouse, Engine Company 78, located near Wrigley Field, that was first established in 1884 and is still going strong today.

The program is open to the public.

## Ghost Walk - October 24

When you think of Long Grove's history, do you think of happy farmers in a little country village, all working hard, practicing the "Golden Rule" and generally leading a calm, peaceful, agreeable life together? Well, that's one way of thinking of Long Grove history. BUT, if you want to know some of the underlying truths, previously unrevealed rumors and realities, and secret stories of the past, plan to attend the Ghost Walk on Friday, October 24. There will be spooks, kooks and fascinating truths about the former residents of our town. Nothing too gory; many an unknown story will be revealed at this 45 minute guided tour down memory lane to recall some of the lesser-known facts and fantasies about our town. Be sure to make reservations (847-634-6155) so your departure time will be reserved for you. Donations of \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under are suggested. Please join us for an evening of fun. For m

## **NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS SLCR CERT TRAINING**

Did you know that some of your neighbors have volunteered to become members of a local Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)? CERTs operate under federal guidelines provided by FEMA. The South Lake County Regional CERT (SLCR CERT) works directly with Ela Township, Hawthorn Woods, Kildeer, Lake Zurich and Long Grove Fire Departments in support of emergency and non-emergency events. All CERT members are trained in First Aid and medical triage, CPR, fire suppression, search and rescue, damage assessment, traffic control, and use of CERT equipment. Since its inception in 2006, the SLCR CERT has been called out to assist with train derailments, structure fires, fatal traffic accidents and directing traffic, missing persons, natural disasters, and community events.

SLCR CERT is always looking for new recruits. Would you like to learn valuable skills to help protect yourself, your family and your community? Consider supporting your community by joining CERT and attending CERT training classes. Training classes are held on Tuesday evenings, 2-1/2 hour sessions over a 7 week period. The training consists of the following:

- Session I. Disaster Preparedness
- Session II. Disaster Fire Suppression
- Session III. Disaster Medical Operations
- Session IV. Disaster Medical Operations
- Session V. Light Search and Rescue Operations
- Session VI. Disaster Psychology and Team Organization
- Session VII. Course Review and Disaster Simulation

SLCR CERT will provide new recruits with required safety equipment (gloves, goggles, mask) and disaster supplies (bandages, dressings, flashlight, tools), which will be used during the training sessions and form the core of individual disaster preparedness.

For more information, contact the CERT team by email [slccert@gmail.com](mailto:slccert@gmail.com) or phone 847-208-1621.

## **STAND STRONG**

Stand Strong Coalition is an anti-drug community group that seeks to educate the community on teen alcohol and drug use and abuse.

On September 30, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Stevenson High School, Stand Strong is holding an event featuring a panel discussion with top experts in the field of youth addiction and prevention. Among the panelists are Stevenson High School principal Troy Gobble, Dr. Laura Parise from NorthShore University HealthSystem, Bruce Johnson, CEO, NICASA and Chair of Lake County Underage Drinking and Drug Task Force, other professionals as well as former students and family members who have struggled with addiction issues. This program is free to all. To register, visit <http://notmykid.eventbrite.com>.



## Presents: **NOT MY KID!?**

*What's the reality of your teen's exposure to the drug and alcohol culture?  
What can you do to keep your teen safe and on the path to success?*

Tuesday, September 30, 2014 | 7 - 9 pm  
Stevenson High School, Performing Arts Center  
**REGISTER HERE: <http://notmykid.eventbrite.com>**

### *Panelists & Exhibitors:*

Moderated by **Bruce Johnson**, Executive Director of Nicasa  
**Troy Gobble**, Principal of Stevenson High School  
**Stuart and Laurie Kessler**, parents of a recovering child  
**Sarah Comm**, recent high school graduate in recovery, and her mother  
**Dr. Laura Parise**, Addiction Psychiatry, NorthShore University HealthSystem  
**Maura Mooney**, LCSW, CADC, NorthShore University HealthSystem  
**Claudia Kasten**, Chief, Juvenile Division, Lake County State's Attorney's Office  
**Officer Tom Branick**, Lincolnshire Police Department and Stevenson High School Officer  
**Dr. Cristina Cortesi**, LCSW, CADC, Substance Abuse Prevention Coordinator at Stevenson  
**Chelsea Laliberte**, Executive Director of Live4Lali, Overdose Prevention Trainer  
**Chief George Filenko**, Round Lake Park PD and Head of Major Crimes Task Force  
**Mike Ledvora**, In recovery from opioid addiction/Co-founder of The Other Side sober nightclub  
**Director Chris Sullivan**, Lake County Metropolitan Enforcement Group, providing drug sample exhibition

*In memory of all the young lives  
lost to drug and alcohol use in our  
community including...*



**Alex Laliberte**  
SHS Class of '07  
9.12.88 - 12.15.08

*Sponsored by:*





## CALENDAR OF EVENTS - OCTOBER

### Conservancy/Scenic Corridor Committee

**October 1** 7 pm Village Hall

### CPR/AED Class

**October 2** 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*

### OKTOBERFEST

**October 4, 5** 10 am - 6 pm Historic Business District

### FARMERS' MARKET

**October 5** 9 am - 1 pm Historic Business District

### LONG GROVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

*Presentation: "A Chicago Firehouse: Stories of Wrigley Engine 78" by Karen Kruse*

**October 5** 2 pm Reed-Turner Woodland

### Long Grove Park District

**October 6** 7 pm Reed-Turner Woodland

### Plan Commission & Zoning Board of Appeals

**October 7** 7 pm Village Hall

**LONG GROVE PARK DISTRICT  
BUILD YOUR OWN SCARECROW**

**October 11** 2 pm - 4 pm  
Pre-register - \$20 per family

Reed-Turner Woodland  
847-438-4743

**OKTOBERFEST**

**October 11, 12** 10 am - 6 pm

Historic Business District

**FARMERS' MARKET**

**October 12** 9 am - 1 pm

Historic Business District

**Long Grove-Kildeer Garden Club**

**October 13** 9:30 am

Reed-Turner Woodland

**Board of Trustees**

**October 14** 7 pm

Village Hall

**Long Grove Historical Society Meeting**

**October 15** 10 am

Historical Society Farmhouse

**LONG GROVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

*Ghost Walk*

**October 24**

For information call:  
847-634-6155

**Architectural Commission**

**October 20** 7 pm

Village Hall

**Board of Trustees**

**October 28** 7 pm

Village Hall

**HAPPY HALLOWEEN!**

**October 31**