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Your Community Newsletter Winter 2018



Welcome to the new look of Glencoe's community organization newsletter, *Inside Glencoe* (formerly the *Glencoe Quarterly*)!

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Dear Glencoe Resident:

Before I get into my message, I wanted to welcome you to the new look and feel of the community's combined newsletter, *Inside Glencoe* (formerly the *Glencoe Quarterly*). Also, welcome to our newest participant, the Glencoe Public Library.

This fall, my fellow Board members and I joined Village staff in a day-long workshop to begin discussing development of a strategic vision that answers the questions: "What is the ideal state of the Village in 20 years?" and "How do we get there?" With a comprehensive "current state of the Village" report in hand, participants engaged in a holistic discussion of Glencoe's strengths, challenges, opportunities and threats and began developing both short- and long-term goals for Village staff to work toward.

While the group recognized the Village's outlook is positive overall, much of our community's rapidly aging physical infrastructure is in need of accelerated investment as evidenced by the \$39 million price-tag for the 10-Year Community Improvement Program (CIP). The CIP is our planning tool for needed infrastructure investments, covering such things as sewer and water infrastructure (like our nearly 100 year old water tower west of the Edens Expressway), as well as roadways, sidewalks, Village facilities, vehicles and equipment. Complicating this challenge, there remain significant capital needs not yet addressed in the CIP, such as the deteriorating Glencoe Golf Club clubhouse and our water production facility on the Glencoe Beach, which is in need of extensive renovations or replacement within the next 10-15 years.

With Village revenues stagnant and costs rising across the board, the workshop participants discussed creative ways to fund infrastructure

moving forward. This is complicated by the State's threat to take tax revenues earmarked for local government, freeze property taxes and increase unfunded mandates – and now Congress is moving toward ending mortgage, income and property tax deductions – all of which would undoubtedly have an adverse effect on our real estate market.

The group discussed a range of options that when combined could allow us to meet these challenges in a fiscally responsible way that spreads the cost of the capital program over time, while still meeting the need to pay for ongoing operations. We are working on a plan that strikes a responsible balance between using cash-on-hand, fund balances, bonds and alternative debt financing structures.

Additionally, we need to analyze service fees and charges to ensure that our rates more fully reflect both the operational and capital costs of providing services. This last point is especially relevant to our water and sewer rates, as nearly half of the \$39 million near term CIP price-tag is attributable to water distribution and sanitary and storm sewer projects. Our water rate is at the bottom of the 150 some surrounding local governments and doesn't currently even cover our current operating costs. Following a rate analysis completed this fall, we anticipate needing to increase this rate as early as March 1.

As we continue to work on our strategic vision and the Fiscal Year 2019 budget, we will be sharing more information on how our long-range plan is developing. Please watch for further communications on these subjects.

In service,

Lawrence Levin
Village President

2017 Community Investments

Looking back on 2017, over \$5.25 million in infrastructure projects were completed as part of the Fiscal Year 2018 Community Improvement Program (CIP), in addition to an emergency cleaning of the Water Plant intake pipe and the relocation and replacement of the water main on the Perlman Boating Beach. Here's a look at some of what was accomplished:

Stormwater Drainage Improvements

The Madison Avenue and Park Avenue Storm Water Improvements, designed to improve storm sewer capacity and reduce street and private property flooding, were completed in September. The improvements included the installation of 3,500 linear feet of 12-inch to 48-inch diameter storm sewer pipe in each of these drainage basin areas. A storm water flood gate and pump station was installed on the lower east driveway of the Village Hall to keep floodwaters out of the basement. These projects complete the planned \$6 million of storm sewer improvements to five identified drainage basins approved by Glencoe voters in 2015.

Maintenance Street Resurfacing

Twenty-two Village street segments totalling 4.9 miles were improved in 2017 through the Maintenance Street Resurfacing Program. The scope of work included grinding and resurfacing with new asphalt, in addition to spot curb replacement and updates to sidewalk crosswalks to meet accessibility standards.

Water Main Improvements

Water main replacements were completed at four project locations in the Village as of late November. The improvements included over 1,100 linear feet of water main replacement on Brookside Lane, Sunset Lane and Mary Street east of Sheridan Road to improve reliability and fire flow. Additionally, the existing dead end water mains on Wentworth Street and Mary Street were looped to improve fire hydrant flow and water quality.

Rockgate Storm Water Outfall Improvements

The Rockgate Ravine Outfall Improvement, designed to replace two collapsed storm sewer outfall structures located in the ravine east of Sheridan Road between Rockgate Lane and Brentwood Drive, was completed in late November. In addition to reconstructing the outfall structures, eroded areas of the adjacent ravine slope were restored. The project used appropriate best management practices (BMPs) for the purpose of reducing long-term erosion while still maintaining the natural ecosystem of the ravine.

Residential Sidewalk Replacement

Residential sidewalk replacement for 2017 included the area generally north of Dundee Road and Beach Road east of Vernon Avenue. The goal of the annual sidewalk replacement program is to upgrade deficient and unsafe sidewalk conditions. This year over 14,000 square feet of sidewalk was replaced.



Glencoe is "Open for Business"

A Note from Sally Sprowl, Chamber of Commerce Executive Director

As we enter the New Year, the Board of Directors and members of the Glencoe Chamber want to wish you and yours a very happy and healthy 2018.

We also want to encourage you to think of Glencoe first when going shopping, running errands, looking for places to dine, making appointments and attending cultural events. Our businesses have so much to offer – knowledgeable, friendly staff, high quality goods and services tailored to the needs and wants of our community, plus the convenience of staying right here in town. It's important, too, to remember that a portion of the sales tax collected in Glencoe stays in Glencoe.

The Village has been very fortunate to experience the recent opening of a number of new stores, while our longer-term businesses continue to thrive. Your patronage of our business districts will continue this positive trend, adding to the overall quality of the life we enjoy in Glencoe.



Fast Fact: The current 10-Year Community Improvement Program includes over \$39 million in projects.

LEARN ABOUT HOW THE VILLAGE IS PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE AT WWW.VILLAGEOFGLENCOE.ORG/CIP



Fast Fact: Over 33,000 rounds of golf were played at the Glencoe Golf Club in 2017.

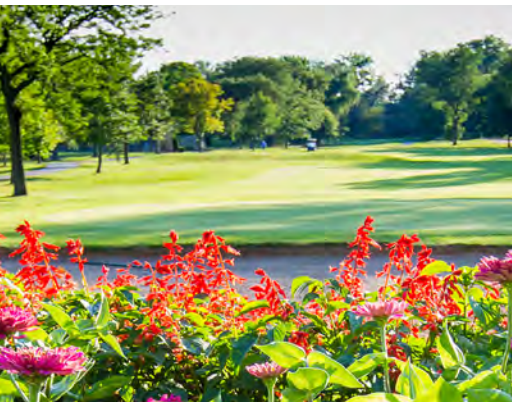
LEARN MORE ABOUT THIS THRIVING COMMUNITY ASSET AT WWW.GLENCOEGOLFCLUB.COM

Tee Time with Stella Nanos



The Glencoe Golf Club is your friendly, neighborhood golf course that provides a welcome escape from your busy schedules.

Join us to take advantage of the best conditioned golf course on the North Shore, right in your backyard. Partake in one of our many golf programs or enjoy the beautiful surroundings of this superbly maintained, Audubon Certified, golf course. Competitive greens fees, professional golf lessons, club fittings and a restaurant, featuring a spectacular patio, are all available. Come out and make the most of all the amenities of your local Golf Club; we are right around the corner.



The **Glencoe Golf Academy** offers private lessons, clinics and summer camps taught by our staff of PGA certified instructors. All private lessons utilize the latest in teaching technology including the V1 video coaching system

and the Flight- Scope 3D launch monitor to make the learning process faster and easier. Whether you are a beginner or an experienced golfer, we will create a personalized teaching plan to help you reach your goals.

Summer Golf Camps begin the week of June 11, 2018 and are geared toward juniors of all ages. There are half day morning camps for beginner and intermediate students as well as group afternoon programs for the competitive golfer. The camp curriculum includes crucial training time on the golf course and each student will receive a pass for an additional five free rounds of golf for use during the season.

Seniors golfers will enjoy savings at the Club all year long by joining the **Senior Membership Program**. This \$25 membership will allow senior golfers, at least 60 years old, to play at a discounted rate every day of the week, with some time restrictions. Stop in the golf shop to sign up for the program and start saving with your first round.

I encourage everyone to visit our website at www.glencoe golfclub.com and join our e-mail club to ensure that you receive all the current event information, as well as Golf Club specials. Whether you're stopping in to practice on our all-grass tee practice facility, enjoying a round of golf with your friends or grabbing a bite to eat on our patio – we look forward to welcoming you and your family out for a great season in 2018.

Stella Nanos is the General Manager at the Glencoe Golf Club

Business Spotlight: Runway

Nestled in the formerly-vacant storefront between downtown favorites Chalk and Valentina, Glencoe's newest local business, Runway, opened its doors in late November.

As part of a chain of clothing boutiques owned by reality television star (from CNBC's *The Profit*) and investor Marcus Lemonis, Runway is an upscale fashion retailer specializing in the latest trends from designers across the globe.

Selling women's clothing, handbags and accessories, Runway Store Manager Amy Moorman explained that the boutique offers high-end clothing options for shoppers of all ages and for all occasions. Runway's goal is to become the "go-to" trendy retailer in the community through its ever-changing style options.

Store Associate Lauri Salberg shared her excitement for the opening of the store right in the heart of the Village. A former resident, Salberg stated, "It's great to see a resurgence of downtown Glencoe."

339 Park Avenue | (847) 786-4178
www.shoprunway.com
www.facebook.com/shopatrunway

Hours: Open Monday – Saturday, times yet to be determined



Village Service NewsBites

Snow and Ice Control

Winter weather is here and Public Works is hard at work implementing the Village's Snow and Ice Control program. The goal of the program is to have all streets cleared and pavement in a safe, passable condition within four to eight hours following the end of a snowfall. The Village is divided into six routes and streets are assigned a priority, with major streets cleared first, followed by side streets and then cul-de-sacs. Here are some program details to keep in mind this winter:

The Village plows and salts streets on a priority basis.

Arterial streets and priority one streets are cleared and salted first. Priority two streets are cleared next and salt is used primarily at intersections, curves and hills. Our policy is to control salt usage to reduce its impact on infrastructure, equipment and the environment, while still maintaining safe winter roadway conditions.

Residential sidewalks are plowed only after a snowfall of three or more inches. Priority is given to sidewalks along major street routes, around schools and in the downtown business district. Clearing all residential sidewalks generally takes a few days. Residents are encouraged to help by clearing snow from the public sidewalks around their homes.



Driveways are often impacted by snow removal efforts.

During heavy snowfalls, plows may complete as many as three or four passes to clear snow, resulting in snow being pushed across driveways several times. Please consider this before you begin to clear your driveway. Remove snow from your driveway to the "downstream" side (the right side of your driveway as you face the street).

Winter parking restrictions. Parking on Village streets during a snow emergency (any accumulation of two or more inches of new snow or ice in a 24-hour period) is prohibited.

Help keep fire hydrants clear of snow. The Village asks that residents help keep fire hydrants accessible for Public Safety by clearing space around all sides of any hydrant in proximity to your home as you complete shoveling or snow blowing.

Questions? Contact Public Works at (847) 835-4134.

VILLAGE OF GLENCOE 2018



◀ This year's vehicle sticker features the Friends of the Glencoe Public Library, which is celebrating their 55th anniversary!

Get started with your renewal(s) online via the Village's Payment Center in March. Deadline is May 1.

2018 Vehicle and Pet Licenses

Spring is fast approaching, which means it's time to prepare to renew your vehicle and pet licenses for 2018. Village issued vehicle licenses are required for all motor vehicles registered in the State of Illinois with a Village of Glencoe address. Similarly, any person owning a cat or dog over six months old is required to purchase a license for that pet.

2018 applications are being mailed out shortly after March 1. If you do not receive a renewal application by mid-March, please contact Finance at (847) 835-4113. Passenger vehicle licenses are \$50, except for seniors who receive a discounted rate of \$25 and pet licenses are \$20. You can pay online (www.villageofglencoe.org/pay), by mail, via the white drop box outside Village Hall or in-person at Village Hall during regular business hours (8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday).

Licenses purchased after the May 1 due date will incur a \$50 late fee penalty. Public Safety will begin license enforcement on May 1. Village Ordinance requires that licenses be displayed and properly affixed to the passenger-side windshield. If you have any questions, please contact Public Safety at (847) 835-4112.

Holiday Recycling Programs

Holiday Lights Recycling: Don't throw out your unwanted lights after the holidays—drop them off at the Public Works Service Building (320 Hazel Avenue) during regular business hours for recycling through April 1, 2018. Accepted materials include all colors and lengths of: mini-lights (Italian lights), C7/C9 lights, rope lights, LED lights and extension cords.

Holiday Tree Recycling: On Wednesdays during the month of January, Lakeshore Recycling Systems (LRS) will pick-up holiday trees on your regular collection day at no cost (no sticker required). Questions? Contact LRS at (773) 685-8811.

Garland, live greens, wreaths or other non-recyclables are not accepted in either program.

INSIDE OUR PARKS



From the Park Bench

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Dear Glencoe Friends and Neighbors:

At the opening session of the National Recreation and Park Association conference, keynote speaker Matt Iseman quoted Theodore Roosevelt:

"It is not the critic who counts; not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles, or where the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly; who opens himself in a worthy cause; who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who neither know victory or defeat."

That morning, the winners of the National Gold Medal Award were announced. Founded in 1965, the Gold Medal Awards program honors communities in the U.S. that demonstrate excellence in parks and recreation through long-range planning, resource management, volunteerism, environmental stewardship, program development, professional development, and agency recognition. Agencies are separated into classes based on population and judged on

their ability to address the needs of those they serve through the collective energies of citizens, staff, and elected officials.

As a first year applicant, the Glencoe Park District was thrilled to be a finalist in the Class V category (less than 30,000).

Although we did not win the award, we were honored to be among the best of the best. After the announcement, a colleague came up and gave me a hug and said, "Congratulations for being a finalist...I know what a big deal that is and how hard you and your staff have worked to get to this place."

This is so true. Our team dared to look at how we did things and were not afraid to change. They looked at what could be and worked their way to make it happen. Every person on our team elevated their performance to better serve Glencoe. I am so proud of the community, Board, and staff for all the hard work to get us to this point. We are not done yet and will continue to strive for greatness in everything we do.

Our newest adventure starts this month with the opening of Glencoe Fitness. We invite you to take a tour, try the equipment, and learn about our membership options. Our friendly staff is excited to welcome you to Glencoe's newest gym, just in time for the New Year!

Remember to play!

Lisa Sheppard, CPRP
Executive Director





New Fitness Center Now Open

Glencoe Fitness is now open at the Takiff Center! Our new workout facility has 13 pieces of Precor cardio equipment and six strength machines. Free weights, dumbbells, kettle bells, and medicine balls are also available for self-guided fitness enthusiasts.

The inviting, unimposing and pristine fitness area meets all your training needs in a compact environment. You can even track your progress with our state-of-the-art Preva cloud-based fitness app.



Dedicated Staff

Our fitness staff will continue the excellent customer service you've come to expect from the Glencoe Park District. They'll assist you with your workout needs, including a Glencoe Fitness orientation and assistance with fitness program development.

Personal Training

If you want more instruction, enlist a personal trainer. It's an investment

in your fitness future that you will be glad you made! Our nationally certified personal trainers will develop a detailed personalized fitness plan for you. We'll work to define your fitness goals and keep you motivated and focused until you achieve them!

Childcare Room

We know that being able to count on quality, affordable childcare makes it easier to commit to a fitness regimen. That's why we're proud to offer professional childcare services for children ages 3 months to 6 years on weekday mornings. Parents must remain on-site while children are in the childcare room. For fee details and program hours, visit www.glencoeParkDistrict.com.

Group Fitness Classes

Glencoe Park District offers a variety of fitness classes each season, from favorites like yoga and Pilates to the latest in fitness trends like dance and barre classes. Start your fitness routine today or add in a new class or two to spice up your regular workout! Glencoe Fitness members get a 20% discount on group classes.

Join Today

Get in on the ground floor of fitness at the Glencoe Park District by becoming a member TODAY! Visit the Takiff Center to fill out an application and take a tour.

Be a Charter Member of Glencoe Fitness!

Glencoe Fitness is now open seven days a week! And, if you join before January 31, we'll waive the \$125 initiation fee. We'll also give you the month of December FREE! Membership forms are available to download at www.glencoeParkDistrict.com/glencoe-fitness

Memberships Include...

- Full access to fitness area
- Unlimited open gym
- State-of-the-art shower/changing rooms
- Online access to Preva fitness app
- 20% discount on group fitness classes
- Childcare available weekdays from 9 a.m. to Noon. You can purchase a 10-pass punch card (\$60) or pay the daily rate (\$9)
- Access to personal trainers*

**Childcare, personal training, and group fitness classes are available for an additional fee.*

Workout Equipment

The new Glencoe Fitness offers a great variety of state-of-the-art equipment, including:

- **Cardio Equipment:** 4 Precor Treadmills, 2 Precor Ellipticals, 1 Adaptive Motion Trainer (AMT), 2 NuSteps, 2 Spin Bikes, 1 Upright Bike and 1 Recumbent Bike
- **Weight Machines:** a Multi-press, a Leg Press/Calf Extension, a Leg Extension/Curl, Bicep Curl/Triceps Extension, a Functional Strength Trainer and a Smith Machine
- **Stretching Area:** A Stretch Trainer, Medicine Balls, Free Weights, Fitness Balls and Stretching Mats



Fast Fact: Five laps equals a mile on the new walking path behind the Takiff Center. Each lap is 12,000 feet or 0.2 miles.

LEARN MORE AT WWW.GLENCOEPARKDISTRICT.COM

New Playgrounds Coming in 2018

The Glencoe Park District is busy planning for playground renovations at three parks: Woodlawn Park, Old Elm Park, and Vernon and Jefferson Park.

“Each project requires nearly a year of planning and permitting before ground is broken,” said Chris Leiner, Director of Parks. The planning process started in the summer of 2017 with a Board brainstorming session. From there, landscape architects at AltaManu uses ideas to create conceptual plans which are then shared with staff. Conceptual plans are then reviewed at a community meeting and approved by the Board. Ideas are then further refined in the design development phase, with a final approval by the Board. Approved plans are then prepared for bidding and permitting. “Construction is really the shortest portion of the project,” said Leiner.

Throughout the process, plans are posted on our website and at the Takiff Center.

On December 5, architects from AltaManu shared conceptual plans for three playground renovations. Each playground is inspired by creative play, with materials and play pieces specially selected to encourage imaginative play, active play and movement. “When finished, each playground will include unique elements and fun features for kids to explore,” said Lisa Sheppard, Executive Director.

Under the current timeline, the new playgrounds will be sent out to bid in late winter with construction scheduled to start in late spring or early summer. All the new playgrounds will meet current ADA and CPSC codes.



Let's Go Skating!

Winter in Glencoe means one thing: outdoor skating at Watts Ice Center! With two lighted outdoor rinks located in the heart of Watts Park, skating has become a Glencoe institution! In the winter months, the sledding hill at Watts Park has also been a longtime favorite of Glencoe residents of all ages.

Glencoe Park District's outdoor refrigerated skating facility operates (weather permitting) the day after Thanksgiving through the first Sunday in March. This unique facility is the home of figure skating lessons, ice hockey,

and recreational skating. Amenities include a regulation hockey rink, a studio rink, a mini-pro shop, a recreation room and a program room.

The recreation room and ice are available for private party rentals. To learn more, visit www.glencoe parkdistrict.com.

Get Messy with Us! Preschool Open House

Preschool registration for next year is now open! Learn about the wonderful Glencoe Park District preschool programs while exploring our classrooms at Messy Morning. Your child will get to squeeze, squish, paint, swat, and do all the fun stuff you would never try at home. No need to pre-register; just put on your oldest duds and drop in for a messy good time!

Messy Morning will take place from 9:30-11 a.m. on Saturday, January 27. It is recommended for preschoolers, up to age 5, and their families. To learn more about Glencoe Park District preschools, visit www.glencoe parkdistrict.com.

Featured News

Strategic Plan

The Glencoe Park District Board is working on a new, five-year Strategic Plan. The District's previous Strategic Plan spanned from 2011-2015.

A Strategic Plan is different from a Master Plan, which the Board approved in 2015. A Master Plan deals primarily with physical assets, or the bricks and mortar of a district (including parks and facilities). A strategic plan focuses on an agency's leadership infrastructure, or the strategic direction of the organization, in alignment with the mission and vision. Strategy can include areas related to staffing and structure, future requirement for organizational competencies, the need for increasing business sophistication and technology, service delivery, operational excellence, and how to position the district in alignment with changing demographics and industry trends.

"It is time to embark on a new strategic planning process," said Lisa Sheppard, Executive Director. "The goal of the process is to transfer knowledge in creating a strategy-focused organization and a future vision."

Consultant Barbara Heller, of Heller & Heller Consulting, was hired to facilitate the process, which includes staff/Board focus groups, data review, online community survey, guided workshops, and group discussions. The final plan will include strategic themes, objectives, and initiatives for the District to focus on for the next five years.

A draft of the plan will be discussed at the Board's regular meeting in the coming weeks, and a final plan is expected to be approved by spring. Once completed, the Strategic Plan will be shared with the community on the District's website at www.glencoeParkDistrict.com.



More Parking at Takiff

If you visited the Takiff Center in the last year, you know parking is a problem. Programs, facility and field use at the Takiff Center has grown beyond the existing parking infrastructure. Due to the continual lack of parking, the Board authorized a master plan process to address the issue.

The first phase of the plan took place this fall with the development of two new parking lots, one in the former skate park area and one in the maintenance area. The now complete project netted 64 additional paved parking spaces, 14 additional bike parking spots, and a walking path around Reinsdorf Field.

To enhance site aesthetics and further sustainable water management, two large bio-swales were added to Reinsdorf Field. Bio-swales are used to partially filter run-off water, attenuate flooding potential, and convey storm water away from critical infrastructure. The bio-swales will increase bio-diversity and will eventually flower into a beautiful site amenity.

The Glencoe Park District is now working with landscape architects at AltaManu for the next phase. Construction for the second phase will start in August with a goal to improve site walkability, bike parking, and drop-off/Green Bay traffic. The project will also include re-sealing/stripping, new grading, new sidewalks, and a drop-off lane.



Summer Time is Camp Time

Despite the cold temperatures, it's time to start thinking about summer! Glencoe Park District staff is looking forward to another great season of camp. Registration is now open for 2018 summer camps, which will include new field trips, additional AM/PM care options, more extension camps for increased care, catered lunch options, and afternoon options for summer school participants. For more information, visit www.glencoeParkDistrict.com.

INSIDE GLENCOE COMMUNITY EVENTS

January

Martin Luther King Day Celebration

3 p.m., Sunday, January 14
St. Paul AME Church

Join St. Paul AME Church and the interfaith community for a celebration of the life and service of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

www.stpaulglencoe.org

Watts Below Zero

10 a.m.-Noon, Monday, January 15
Watts Ice Center

Celebrate everything winter with crafts, carnival games, ice sculpting and more!

www.glencoeParkDistrict.com

Tots-N-Tunes: Scribblemonster

10-10:45 a.m., Monday, January 15

Rock out to the fun "kindie rock" music of Jim and Jayne of ScribbleMonster! In the library's Johnson Room. For all ages with an adult.

www.glencoeLibrary.org

Visiting Professor Series: Gravitational Waves

7:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 16

Colliding neutron stars were observed in August 2017 for the first time, providing astronomers with game-changing data on gravitational waves. Astronomer Shane Larson returns to discuss what these ripples in spacetime are teaching us about the universe.

www.glencoeLibrary.org

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Vibrant Living Senior Discussion Group

1-2:30 p.m., Thursday, January 18
Glencoe Public Library

Glencoe seniors, join us for lively conversation and study on relevant topics in this important season of life. Facilitated by staff counselor Joan Merlo, LCSW. New attendees are welcome.

www.familyServiceofGlencoe.org

Hummingbirds & Spring Migrants

6:30-8 p.m., Thursday, January 18
Takiff Center

Join Friends of the Green Bay Trail as Tim Joyce, of Wild Birds Unlimited, shares the delights of spring migration, hummingbirds and how to create a refuge to attract a greater variety of migrating and native birds to your garden.

www.gbtrail.org

Business Before Hours

7:30 a.m., Tuesday, January 23
Village Hall

Glencoe business managers and owners are invited to learn about Village business services over breakfast.

www.villageofGlencoe.org

Thoroughly Modern Millie GJHP Play

7 p.m., Thursday, January 25
7 p.m., Friday, January 26
3 p.m., Saturday, January 27
1 p.m., Sunday, January 28
Misner Auditorium, Central School

Join in this high-spirited musical romp that took Broadway by storm.

Tickets are available at www.gjhp.org

Messy Morning

9:30-11 a.m., Saturday, January 27
Takiff Center Early Childhood Wing

Explore our classrooms while squeezing, squishing, painting and doing lots of other fun stuff not allowed at home!

www.glencoeParkDistrict.com

Beyond Wright: Glencoe's Notable Architecture

2 p.m., Sunday, January 28

Many Glencoe homes and buildings have connections to outstanding architecture in Chicago and around the nation.

Architectural historian Laurie Petersen, editor of the *AIA Guide to Chicago*, will present a slide lecture that sheds new light on familiar structures.

www.glencoeLibrary.org

February

Daddy/Daughter Dance

5-7 p.m., Sunday, February 11
Takiff Center

Join us for a special evening with your little unicorn! Dinner, dancing and magical fun!

www.glencoeParkDistrict.com

Vibrant Living Senior Discussion Group

1-2:30 p.m., Thursday, February 15
Glencoe Public Library

(See January 18 event description).

www.familyServiceofGlencoe.org

The White Album

7:30 p.m., Thursday, February 15
Glencoe Public Library

2018 is the 50th anniversary of the landmark White Album, the Beatles' only double album and the beginning of the end of the band. Dive deep into Beatlemania with Gary Wenstrup of the College of DuPage.

www.glencoeLibrary.org

Tots-N-Tunes: Jigglejam

10-10:45 a.m., Friday, February 16
Glencoe Public Library

Jodi Koplin will perform her high-energy, original tunes and a few old favorites. In the library's Johnson Room. For all ages with an adult.

www.glencoeLibrary.org



Tot Olympics

*2-4 p.m., Sunday, February 18
Takiff Center*

Get excited for the Winter Games with indoor speed skating, floor hockey, and more!

www.glencoeParkDistrict.com ●

Dragonflies, Fireflies and Bugs You Should Know

*6:30-8 p.m., Wednesday, February 21
Takiff Center*

Join Friends of the Green Bay Trail as Jane and John Balaban, amateur botanists, naturalists, photographers and Master Stewards for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, introduce you to the intriguing world of dragonflies, fireflies and bug habitats.

www.gbtrail.org

Summer Explorations

9 a.m., Tuesday, February 27

Online registration opens for the 2018 Summer Explorations program. Don't delay and register today!

<http://summerschool.glencoeschools.org> ●

March

Seuss Storytime

*10-10:30 a.m., Friday, March 2
Glencoe Public Library*

Celebrate Dr. Seuss's 114th birthday with Seuss stories and fun Seuss-themed activities! For ages 2-5 with an adult.

www.glencoeLibrary.org ●

Daylight Savings

Sunday, March 11

Remember to Change Your Clock, Change Your Battery® as clocks turn forward for the beginning of daylight savings time.

www.villageofglencoe.org ○

Family Fun Fest

*2-4 p.m., Sunday, March 11
Takiff Center*

Enjoy a wide variety of games, crafts, and activities.

www.glencoeParkDistrict.com ●●

Landscaping with Native Plants - Conservation @ Home

*2-4 p.m., Sunday, March 11
Glencoe Public Library*

Join Friends of the Green Bay Trail as Diane Greening, Master Naturalist, shares environmentally sustainable landscape practices for home properties and how to have your home certified and recognized by Conservation @ Home, a partnership of the Forest Preserves of Cook County and University of Illinois Extension.

www.gbtrail.org / www.glencoeLibrary.org ●

We Care for Our World

*5-6 p.m., Tuesday, March 13
West School*

K-4 children and parents are welcome to join in for one hour of civic engagement to support needs in our community and beyond. Join in and lend a hand to help others!

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Broken Beauty

*2 p.m., Sunday, March 18
Glencoe Public Library*

Enjoy a multi-media stage reading about the nearly forgotten 1918 tragedy of the steamboat Columbia. The play features a cast of 15 actors portraying 57 roles and an original musical score performed live. For adults and young adults.

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General Primary Election Day

6 a.m.-7 p.m., Tuesday, March 20

www.cookcountyClerk.com/elections ○

Spring Egg Hunt

*10 a.m., Saturday, March 24
Watts Park*

We're hiding eggs filled with surprises throughout Watts Park. Bring your basket!

www.glencoeParkDistrict.com ●

Spring Break

*Monday, March 26 -
Friday, March 30*

District 35 schools will be closed for spring break. The Board of Education office will remain open during this week.

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SAVE THE DATE!

Glencoe Under the Stars

*Saturday, May 19,
Skokie Country Club*

Learn more about Family Service of Glencoe's annual gala on page 17.

INSIDE OUR SCHOOLS



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Dear Parents and Community Members:

The launch of a new year always moves me to a place of reflection. How have we progressed? What goals have shifted and what may remain steady? Each year I also seem to get more nostalgic about the years which have passed. As we cross into 2018 and share a newly designed newsletter for our community, I am reminded of the technological accomplishments of our district and community in the last 20 years. When I started in Glencoe as a Technology Coordinator in 1996, I used floppy discs to install software and prepare 75 computers in lab spaces across our schools. When we received our first SMARTboards in 2005, we could only dream of a day when all classrooms would benefit from such tools. My, how we have progressed to support our students and teachers with 21st Century tools to allow the learning to flourish! In November of 2017, Central School students opened the new Spartan Genius Bar to provide

just-in-time tech support to students and staff. As our technology resources expand, I am proud to know that our focus has remained steady on the learning goals and purposeful use of these tools. As you will read across our pages, our students are educated to be socially aware, global citizens, and critical thinkers. We continue to consider ways for our students to engage and take action as members of this community. I am grateful to call District 35 my second home to support the mission of growing caring young adults.

On behalf of our Board of Education, teachers and support staff, thank you for joining us as a partner towards this mission. Wishing you well for the 2018 year!

In partnership,

Catherine Wang
Superintendent

2017 Tax Levy Hearing

The 2017 Tax Levy hearing was held on December 7, 2017, during the Board of Education meeting. In the Intent to Levy Report, District 35's Director of Finance and Operations, Jason Edelheit, identified the tentative tax levy as \$26,103,973 for operational purposes, an increase of 4.51% over the 2016 tax extension. This proposed increase is recommended in light of a tax cap limitation of 2.1% (Consumer Price Index) above the 2016 tax extension. The 4.51% proposed levy allows for significant new growth, while

only increasing existing property taxes, for operational purposes, by the tax cap level of 2.1%.

The tax levy is a request for dollars converted by the County Clerk into actual amounts once the value of all old and new property in a school district is determined. Tax cap laws limit the increase to either 5%, or the Consumer Price Index, whichever is less. We welcome residents with specific questions regarding the levy to contact Jason Edelheit at edelheij@glencoeschools.org.

Spartan Tech Team



Students on the **Spartan Tech Team** worked diligently to prepare for the grand opening of Central School's **Spartan Genius Bar**. Central students and staff members are able to visit and have their technology questions answered in the Crawford Learning Center. The Spartan Genius Bar opened on November 15 and is staffed by student volunteers during the lunch periods.

The idea of the Spartan Tech Team was born when Mr. Walter Pituc (Tech Integration Specialist at Central School) visited Barrington School District 220 during their Apple Showcase. During the visit to learn about iPad integration in the classroom, much of the tour was led by student guides from the middle school's student tech team. Students facilitated discussions, collaborated with their peers, and problem-solved technical issues. Mr. Pituc returned eager to provide a similar service in Central School. With the support of the Glencoe PTO, the Spartan Tech Team was launched as a morning club for students in 5th through 8th grade. In addition to expanding the students' knowledge of creative options with coding, 3D printing and general tech exploration, Mr. Pituc is committed to harnessing the students' skills to help others in the school. The Spartan Genius Bar became a goal for the 2017-2018 school year.

In preparation for the opening, Spartan Tech Team members were trained in the use of tech tools that many students and staff rely on at Central School. Members were also trained in customer service skills such as patience, communication, problem-solving, and active listening skills.

"What I love most about our new Spartan Genius Bar is that students are getting authentic problem-solving situations where the answer isn't necessarily clear cut. I liken our team to a start-up tech company. We have a team huddle every week to go over goals and ongoing projects and students maintain a task board to visually manage their individual tasks from conception to completion. Our students are experiencing real-world challenges and working together to find solutions. It is a powerful way to support others and celebrate the critical thinking skills of our students." – Walter Pituc

We thank Mr. Pituc and our student volunteers for sharing their talents with the staff and students of Central School. We welcome parents or community members to reach out to Mr. Pituc (pitucw@glencoeschools.org) with questions or technology needs.

Join in the Conversation

District 35 has launched the **One Book, One District** initiative and selected one book as the annual focus of our professional learning for staff and parents. Our opening selection is *Mindset*, by Dr. Carol Dweck.



ONE BOOK
ONE DISTRICT

Mindset is a simple idea discovered by Dr. Dweck, Stanford University psychologist, as she reflected upon years of research on achievement and success.

We welcome parents and community members to join us for **Conversation & Coffee** facilitated by AI Ross, Amy Holaday, and Catherine Wang. We will meet on January 23 from 9:30 - 11 a.m. in Young Auditorium at Central School. Please RSVP by January 16 at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/35mindset>.



Summer Explorations 2018

Summer Explorations will be held at South School from 9 a.m.-Noon, Monday, June 11 through Friday, July 6. Courses are available to students entering Kindergarten through 8th grade. A preview of the course offerings will be available Wednesday, February 15 at summerschool.glencoeschools.org. Online registration will begin at 9 a.m. on February 27 and end at 8 p.m. on April 6. For more information please contact Christine Pasquesi at (847) 835-7803 or pasquesc@glencoeschools.org.



Sustainability Update

From Jean Hahn, Board of Education Member

The mission of the Glencoe School District is to provide each child with an educational foundation for lifelong learning as a socially responsible member of a global society by dedicating resources toward the development of the whole child within a secure school environment. Our Board, administrators and staff realize that learning to be environmentally responsible citizens is a fundamental aspect of this mission. As the District's liaison to the Village of Glencoe's Sustainability Task Force, I am proud to share a sampling of the environmental initiatives being pursued throughout our schools.

In our classrooms, students at all three of our schools explore a variety of environmental topics ranging from fundamental concepts like weather and the seasons at South School, to native ecosystems at West School, to the relationship between human action and the environment at Central School. Outside of the classroom, students have the opportunity to participate in PTO-sponsored clubs that focus on environmental sustainability, including South School's Recycling and Native Plant Garden Clubs, West School's Go Green Club and Central School's Green Club. At the end of every lunch period, students from kindergarten through 8th grade experience first-hand the importance of environmental sustainability as they work with dedicated parent volunteers and staff to separate landfill and recyclable items on their lunch trays.

Teaching our children to be stewards of their environment is a vital aspect of our District's mission. To learn more about environmental initiatives throughout Glencoe, as well as how you can get involved, visit the Sustainability Task Force page at www.villageofglencoe.org/STF. Together, we can teach our children the importance of being responsible, global citizens.

What's Happening with the Green Club at Central School?

The Central Green Club meets twice a month and is a new addition to the special clubs offered to 5th through 8th graders at Central School. Staff members Jennifer Meyer and Theresa Dabney guide this dedicated group of students who care about the status of our planet.

The first mission for the Green Club was to educate Central School about composting. The Green Club created a commercial to teach all students and staff at Central how to compost. All at Central are now able to participate in composting fruits and vegetables during the lunch periods. Members of the club are in charge of maintaining the compost area in Central's courtyard. Visit <https://tinyurl.com/35compost> to view the tutorial created by the students. The club also hosted a **From Trash to Treasure** recycled water bottle craft during 6th grade lunch recess, where they made penguins out of water bottles! Please watch the Central School website to see future projects to support our care of the earth.

Did you also know that our Green Club supports the TREX donation in our schools? We welcome parents and all community members to bring their plastic bags, dry cleaning bags and any plastic wrap to the collection boxes at any of our school entrances. Visit www.trex.com to learn more about this earth friendly program.

A Fond Farewell to Ms. Sanders

Have you entered the front door of South School during the morning arrival and been greeted with a smile and a warm welcome from a staff member? Chances are your day was kick-started by Ms. Vicki Sanders. Ms. Sanders has dedicated 16 years to the students of South School while serving in a Teacher Associate role at the 1st grade level. She has shown care, compassion and a genuine gift for understanding the needs of our early elementary children. We share our well wishes with Ms. Sanders as she retired on December 22, 2017. She will move on to enjoy her own passion of writing and share her talents with many beyond the bounds of District 35.



2018-2019 School Calendar

The Board of Education approved the 2018-2019 school year calendar at the November 2017 Board of Education meeting. Each year the District Calendar Committee, comprised of teachers, teacher associates and administrators, meets to draft a proposed school calendar for the coming year. A one-page calendar reflecting major events and breaks for the coming school year is posted online at www.glencoeschools.org. The dates for winter break and spring break are common across the New Trier Township schools.

INSIDE FAMILY SERVICE



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Dear Friends and Neighbors:

Sexual abuse and harassment – our 24-hour news cycle is filled with troubling stories of gender violence, allegations of misconduct, civil litigation, and firing of prominent individuals. All over the country, #MeToo has empowered women to stand up and name the perpetrators of harassment and abuse they have suffered.

Here on the north shore, we are not immune to these types of concerns. Consider the following statistics:

Every six minutes a child is sexually abused in the U.S. One in every 4 girls and 6 boys will be sexually assaulted before they turn 18 – over 90% by a family member or friend. But only 1 in every 10 sexually abused children ever tell anyone about it. –www.erinslaw.org

Parents are understandably concerned about keeping their children safe and the question is raised as to how Family Service of Glencoe can help. Our role in this arena is twofold. FSG is first and foremost a social work agency, with a specific focus on mental health prevention, intervention, and treatment. As such, FSG plays a vital role by treating individuals in psychotherapy or counseling sessions. There are times in treatment where life traumas are revealed and our skilled therapists

help individuals face those traumas and develop skills, strengths, and resiliencies to cope in healthy ways. In our prevention role, we raise awareness and provide opportunities for parent education through discussion groups and public talks.

FSG collaborates with many organizations that support community engagement on these topics. Chief among these partners is Glencoe School District 35. They are addressing childhood sexual abuse prevention through the implementation of Erin's Law, an Illinois statute that mandates the education of children, parents, and teachers through a sex abuse curriculum. For more information, visit the District 35 website at www.glencoeschools.org/district/legal-notice. In our partnership with the district, FSG staff assists with developing and facilitating the sex-education curriculum for middle-school students, which incorporates Erin's Law.

As the statistics cited above make clear, sex abuse is very difficult to talk about, especially for children. In our prevention and treatment roles, FSG will continue to support the community by facilitating courageous conversations. At any time, if you have specific concerns regarding a sensitive issue with a family member or friend, please call us for a free consultation.

At the heart of our community,

William (Bill) Hansen
Executive Director



Together we are destigmatizing negative perceptions about mental health, removing barriers to treatment, and caring for those who are hurting.

Your Social Service Agency

FSG strengthens our community by meeting individual and family needs through services that identify, prevent, and resolve social and emotional problems. Confidential services are available to all who live or work in Glencoe regardless of ability to pay. From early childhood to older adults, FSG provides care for all life stages.

Core Services: Individual & family counseling, parent consultations, information & referral, crisis care, outreach & education, senior housing aid & supportive services, emergency assistance, scholarship assessment.

To receive help or become a supporter, please contact us today at (847) 835-5111.

SAD: Not Just the Blues

Every winter, a friend of mine hibernates. She's too tired to go out, isn't interested in activities, and gains her "winter weight." She just goes through the motions. My friend has Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD) and it's not just the blues.

SAD is a type of Major Depressive Disorder that reoccurs most commonly in winter. According to the National Institute of Mental Health, up to 9% of Americans suffer from SAD. Another 10-20% may have a mild form of SAD. Women are four times more likely to be affected.

What causes SAD? The exact cause is unknown but there are several theories. One is that the circadian rhythm (your internal clock) is affected by sunlight reduction which may lead to feelings of depression. Another theory is that the brain chemical affecting mood (serotonin) drops which may also contribute to depression. Yet another hypothesis is that the melatonin level drops which affects sleep patterns and mood. Additional risk factors include family history, having a previously diagnosed mood disorder, and living in Chicago (northern cities experience SAD at higher levels).

How is SAD diagnosed? Consult with your doctor to rule out medical issues such as low thyroid. If there isn't a medical problem, you and your doctor need to determine whether there is a pattern of depression each year. Does the depression subside when the season changes? Do you sleep and/or eat more than usual? Do you feel overwhelming sadness or have difficulty concentrating? These may be signs that you have SAD.

How do you treat SAD? Treatment options are developed on a case-by-case basis to help alleviate the effects. They may include a combination of antidepressants and talk therapy to help with underlying depression issues. Light box therapy, which mimics daylight, has been proven to help if used consistently. Some have success with natural remedies such as Vitamin D, St. John's Wart, melatonin and exercise. The key is finding the right plan with the guidance of a doctor or therapist.

SAD doesn't have to be debilitating. Encourage those who are struggling to reach out to FSG. A complimentary consultation is available to all community members.



The Legacy Project

The Legacy Project, a collaborative exchange between Family Service and Glencoe Junior High Project, returns in 2018. The project aims to help students and seniors see each other's lives through different lenses while acquiring a new sense of curiosity about the world and each other.

We are currently recruiting local seniors to engage with students through interviews and other social interactions. If you are interested, please contact staff counselor Chuck Hutchcraft, LCSW, at chuck@familyserviceofglencoe.org or (847) 835-5111.

legacy project
CONNECTING GENERATIONS
THROUGH STORY



Visit Family Service of Glencoe's website for a list of 10 ways to stay in front of technology.

WWW.FAMILYSERVICEOFGLENCOE.ORG

Technology Is Here to Stay

“The sort of intercourse that people formerly carried on at cross-road stores or over the back fence, has now attained the dignity of print and an imposing system. That we absorb a flood of this does not necessarily mean that our minds are degenerate but merely that we are gratifying an old appetite in a new way.”

This was written about newspapers in 1909 by sociologist Charles Cooley. Much like that newspaper, TV, or darned rock ‘n’ roll music, technology is here to stay.

Some say technology has affected how we interact and has taken away physical and imaginary play so important to developing young minds. However, Sara DeWitt of PBS Kids, believes “that we as a society . . . are letting our fears hold us back from realizing (technology’s) potential as a positive in children’s lives.” Like most things in life, moderation is the key. As parents, it is up to us to set the example and (do our best to) consistently uphold these boundaries while staying up to speed with the ever-changing, sometimes-alarming, world of technology.

According to a new study by The American Heart Association, “while most teenagers (60%) spend on

average 20 hours per week in front of television and computer screens, a third spend closer to 40 hours per week, and about 7 percent are exposed to more than 50 hours of ‘screen-time’ per week.” The National Institute of Drug Abuse found that, “teens who spend more than average on screen activities are more likely to be unhappy . . . There is not a single exception.”

How do we combat the ills of technology? We counter it through human connection.

Connection is the thread of humanity, and technology can help us engage. Just like when our kids were little and we watched over them at Friends Park, we have to continue to keep an eye on them and engage with them. Rather than remaining ignorant, we must learn the skills to deal with technology in healthy ways and teach these strategies to our kids.

Nothing can replace human connection. As Jean M. Twenge, psychology professor and author of *iGen*, states, today’s teens are spending most of their free time “on their phone, in their room, alone, and often distressed.” However, through the responsible acceptance of technology in our lives, we can embrace it and possibly, it will allow us to flourish.

If you or your children are struggling, reach out to FSG for confidential support. Contact us for a consultation at (847) 835-5111 or *info@familyserviceofglencoe.org*.

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Dear Glencoe Patron:

The library is pleased to help launch *Inside Glencoe*. It's a welcome opportunity for us to speak to the community alongside the other institutions that serve Glencoe so well. We plan to use our pages to keep you informed and proud of your library.

A library is often measured by its intangibles: the expertise of the readers' advisers, the eagerness of the children at storytime, the coziness of reading by the fireplaces. But it doesn't hurt to be aware of the things that can be counted. The Glencoe Public Library consists of seven trustees, 36 staff members (mostly part-timers), 18 Friends board members, and the support of thousands

of library cardholders. It's a busy hive of collections and services, programs and events, tradition and innovation.

Our mission is to enrich the lives of Glencoe's residents by delivering materials and services that meet your informational and recreational interests. We advocate lifelong learning and we aspire to be a center for all ages. We provide a rare "third space" in the heart of town that is not home and not commercial. Whether you need a place to gather, work, learn, or be amused, we're here for you!

Andrew Kim
Executive Director

Staging a Forgotten Piece of Illinois History

The worst maritime accident in the history of the Illinois River, the wreck of the steamboat *Columbia* is today a mostly forgotten tragedy. On the evening of July 5, 1918, nearly 500 passengers embarked from Pekin, Illinois, on the *Columbia* for a midnight cruise on the Illinois River. On the return trip a hole was torn in the ship's hull, the *Columbia* foundered, and 87 souls were lost. Part of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library research collection in Springfield, author Ken Zurski's book, *The Wreck of the Columbia*, recounts the compelling true story of the ill-fated ship.

Local writer Mark Henry Larson has adapted Zurski's work for the stage.

On March 18, at 2 p.m., the Glencoe Public Library will host a performance of Larson's new play, *Broken Beauty: The Wreck of the Steamer Columbia*. Presented as a multi-media stage reading, *Broken Beauty* features a cast of 15 actors portraying 57 roles and an original musical score performed by live musicians.

Mr. Zurski and Mr. Larson will be on hand for a question-and-answer session after the performance. Copies of *The Wreck of the Columbia* will be available for purchase and signing.

The 90-minute production is for adults and young adults and will be staged in the library's Johnson Room.



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3D Printing Builds Momentum

They look like a pair of blue microwave ovens, but they're no good at making popcorn. They're building objects. Visitors stop by to watch as they trace layer after layer, following digital directions to create something new.

In April, the library purchased the two Dremel 3D printers that flank the bay window of the Young Adult area. They've been working most of our operating hours ever since. The average print takes 1-3 hours depending on the complexity of the shape. We've had about 500 print requests so far.



Objects printed range from useful to silly to artistic. We've created jewelry, scale models of the Eiffel Tower and the Sydney Opera House, figurines, parts of costumes, a chess set, and a steampunk puzzle box with moving parts. There have been mini paint rollers, replacement knobs, and game pieces. When fidget spinners were all the rage, we made a lot of them. We have plans to print a new set of the plastic letters that are used on the

outdoor sign on the library's lawn, which are no longer commercially available.

Many area libraries have 3D printers, but ours are a little unusual because they are completely encased. This feature allows us to leave them in a public area so they can be observed. The printing process really is kinetic sculpture and it's fun to watch.

The prints are available in seven colors, with glow-in-the-dark being the most popular. They're comprised of polylactic acid filament, a type of plastic derived from plant starch. They can be biodegradable under certain conditions.

If you'd like to give this emerging technology a try, you can either speak with one of our staffers or upload your design from our website (go to "Digital Content/3D Printing.") Some patrons choose ready-made designs from websites such as Thingiverse, while others like to design their own, original objects. We recommend starting with TinkerCad, a simple-to-use, free, web-based 3D design program. For simpler, enclosed shapes, you can scan an existing object and modify it if you like. Objects with fine details turn out better if you design them yourself.

Patrons have just begun to tap the potential for the 3D printers. They could be used for school projects, educational models, prototyping, and more mechanical or practical items.

3D printing is available only to Glencoe residents and is a free service. The library offers introductory classes in 3D design to adults and children.

Friends Indeed

Friends of the Glencoe Public Library Celebrates 55 Years of Service to the Community

Out of sight in the library's lower level, the Friends of the Glencoe Public Library work steadily and cheerfully. They empty the donation bins by the front door—which are often overflowing—and twice a week sort, price, and organize the materials that make up some of the best used book sales around.

Since 1962, the Friends have put their loyal support for our community's library into action. They started by soliciting financial contributions only, then launched their book sales in the 1990s. At first the books were stored in their basements and sold from tables on the library lawn. On one occasion the ground was so soft from rain that the tables sank deep into the mud!

The devotion of the Friends, helped by enthusiastic shoppers and generous donors, has been Glencoe's gain. In the past 25 years, the Friends have given a remarkable \$632,000. It's made a substantial difference in the library's collections, services, and physical structure. The Friends have made it possible for a small suburban library to deliver outsized service.

So please: consider joining the Friends, shopping at or donating to their thrice-yearly sales (the next one's coming up March 3-5), making a financial contribution, or getting your hands a little dirty in their book room.

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COMPOST: NATURE'S WAY OF RECYCLING

Composting Tips from the Glencoe Community Garden

Just because the Village's new combined yard waste and composting program with Lakeshore Recycling Systems

(LRS) doesn't begin until April 1, you don't have to wait to get started on your composting efforts. The Glencoe Community Garden (GCG) is excited to be composting again this winter and we invite you to participate!

Whether you've already been composting with GCG, or if you're new to the game, winter time is a perfect opportunity to get an early start on an important home ritual. Together, we can impact our community's collective effort



towards a cleaner planet and a better environment by composting.

Until the program through LRS starts in April 1, save your kitchen scraps from the landfill by simply collecting them and dropping them off in the GCG bin at the Takiff Center on Sunday mornings anytime between 9:30 and 11:30 a.m.

Your participation makes a difference—in 2017 alone, the GCG saved about 3,000 gallons of waste from landfill! Community members brought their kitchen scraps to the Garden where volunteers chopped them, layered them with dried leaves and turned them into amazingly rich compost for growing the Garden's food. Over 4,000 pounds of organic veggies were produced for those in need as well as endless service learning opportunities for local families, teens, kids and multiple other groups.

Join us by reaching out to gcgarden18@gmail.com for winter composting details.

Don't miss the Garden's winter programming at the Takiff Center:

- 6:30 p.m., Thursday, January 11: *Roasting Vegetables*
- 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 30: *Foraging Wild Edibles on the North Shore*
- 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, February 28: *Growing Hydroponically at Home*
- 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 20: *Zero Waste 101*

Learn more about the GCG at www.glencoecommunitygarden.com, or by e-mailing gcgarden18@gmail.com.

For ideas of other ways to foster sustainability in your household or business, visit the Sustainability Task Force's webpage at www.villageofglencoe.org/STF.



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