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RCN Launches Village Cable Channel

Lincolnwood, IL -- Residential Communications Network (RCN), a cable, internet, and telephone service provider, recently expanded to Lincolnwood and as of March 11, 2016 is broadcasting the Village’s cable broadcast live on RCN Channel 49. The Village’s broadcast content includes scrolling community messages depicting information about the community, public service announcements, and the following public meetings: Village Board, Committee of the Whole, Plan Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, and the School Board. RCN Channel 49 joins the Village’s cable channel feeds along with Comcast Channel 6 and AT&T U-Verse Channel 99. In addition to cable broadcasting, the Village also hosts online live streaming at lincolnwood.tv and on-demand content at lwdtv.org.

RCN installation in Lincolnwood began in October 2015, and RCN is approximately 90% complete with their project. Lincolnwood joins the Village of Skokie, City of Chicago, and other major metropolitan areas such as the City of New York as RCN customers. For questions about RCN, please call RCN at (800) 746-4726.

In June, RCN notified the Village that they had applied for a state-wide franchise agreement. AT&T used a similar process in 2007 and 2008 to launch AT&T U-Verse. State-wide franchise agreements do not require local franchise negotiations or agreements with the Village. Instead, RCN applied to the State of Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC) for a blanket franchise agreement which was approved on July 8, 2015.

If you have questions regarding RCN, AT&T U-Verse, or Comcast Xfinity, please contact Douglas Petroshius, Assistant Village Manager at (847) 745-4711 or depetroshius@lwd.org.

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