

# LINCOLNWOOD CONNECTIONS



November/December 2023

Village of Lincolnwood

## 47th Annual Turkey Trot - November 19

Be part of the tradition and join us for the 47th Annual 5K/10K race on Sunday, November 19, 2023, at 8:45 a.m. This chip-timed, CARA-certified 5K/10K race through scenic Lincolnwood features a flat, fast course. A Kid's Drumstick Dash and a 5K fitness walk will round out the event. The entry fee for the chip-timed 5K or 10K race and the untimed 5K fitness walk is \$44 until November 12 at 5:00 p.m. and \$49 on November 13 to November 19. The entry fee for the Drumstick Dash is \$25 until November 12 at 5:00 p.m. and \$30 from November 13 to November 19. To register, visit [www.runsignup.com/Race/IL/Lincolnwood/LWTurkeyTrot](http://www.runsignup.com/Race/IL/Lincolnwood/LWTurkeyTrot).



## Turkey Trot Volunteers Needed

Volunteering for the Lincolnwood Turkey Trot is a terrific way to give back to the community and participate in all the fun. As a volunteer, you have the choice of assisting with gear checks, water stations, or as a Course Marshal. To join the volunteer team for this year's race, visit [www.runsignup.com/Race/Volunteer/IL/Lincolnwood/LWTurkeyTrot](http://www.runsignup.com/Race/Volunteer/IL/Lincolnwood/LWTurkeyTrot). For additional questions or information, please contact Recreation Supervisor Kandice Newton at [knewton@lwd.org](mailto:knewton@lwd.org) or 847-745-4723.



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# President's Message

## My fellow residents,

As the year begins to wind down it is good to look back at what has been accomplished and to begin to look forward to next year.

This year we saw a return to our infrastructure improvement program with the replacement of streets, sewers, water mains and our first state-mandated replacements of lead water service lines with new copper lines. The portion of the MWRD sludge line replacement project along McCormick Blvd in Centennial Park has been completed and the full mile of trail from Touhy to Devon has been replaced at no cost to the Village. The project continues to progress Westbound on Devon to Cicero where it will then turn South and continue into Chicago. This year we also completed Stage III of the Street Storage construction to complete the Stormwater Management Plan adopted more than a decade ago. This year we also added License Plate Readers in strategic locations of the Village to assist in preventing and solving crimes, introduced our on-line system for obtaining building permits, revised fencing regulations, added electric car charging stations, updated the intergovernmental agreement with our School District 74, installed our first grant-funded green alley, and re-named the Village Council Chambers to the Gerald C. Turry Village Board Room in recognition of Mayor Turry's many years of service to the Village. We also hired new Finance Director John Risko and new Public Works Department Director John Welch, the first engineer to hold this position.

We have expanded our flag program so that we will continuously fly American flags along Pratt each year from Memorial Day through Independence Day, we also approved a Pride Flag display along Lincoln Ave during the month of June and will continue the Flags of Diversity in August. Additionally, we formalized revisions to the lighting program for the Touhy Avenue Pedestrian Bridge recognizing a host of holidays and other significant dates which warrant recognition throughout the year.

Fall events and programming are underway and the Parks and Recreation Department shares that program enrollment is strong with many programs close to selling out. As a reminder, registration for the 47th Turkey Trot is open. The event will take place on Sunday November 19th and we will again welcome the voice of racing, Dave Kappas, to announce the day's events. There are races for every age and ability, and there are also opportunities for sponsorship and volunteers. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Kandice Newton at [knewton@lwd.org](mailto:knewton@lwd.org) or 847-745-4723.

The tennis courts at Proesel Park have been updated and striping for Pickle Ball has been added. Central Park court striping will be completed soon as well. Users of the Pickle Ball courts are welcome to bring their own pickle nets or we have them available for use to be checked out at the Parks and Recreation Department Office. The Village Board held initial meetings to discuss the Parks Master Plan and Facilities and Space Needs Assessment and we will work over the next year to develop strategies to implement the needs identified in the plans. The Parks Master Plan included a Village-wide survey

which showed that residents have high usage rates of our principal park features such as playgrounds, ball fields, trails, and of course the swimming pool and so those will surely be given the most attention in the planning process. The survey also showed that there is a strong desire of our residents to add a Rec Center with facilities like sports courts, exercise rooms, and an indoor track. A Rec Center is certainly a challenge for a community of our size but challenges are what we are here for.

In September, Tucker Development hosted a ribbon cutting ceremony for District 1860 on their residential amenity deck. The resort-like setting truly makes this development a unique living arrangement for the area and offers even more options for new and relocating residents of Lincolnwood. In my last President's Message, I shared that there were more than 50 people living in the building, and that number has already topped 100! Fat Rosie's is off to a great start, and work continues on the other commercial spaces. We are looking forward to the opening of the Italian restaurant, Davanti Enoteca, before the end of the year and other businesses which will be opening soon as well. The hotel component of the site is on track to begin construction later this year too.

The Village Board and Staff are always looking for ways to enhance Lincolnwood. We value the input of our residents and businesses alike and are here to serve you. Please feel free to reach out to me or any member of the Board or Staff with questions, comments, or concerns.

On behalf of the entire Village Board, I wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and a joyous, safe and healthy Holiday Season with loved ones.



*A stand of Colorado Quaking Aspen Trees taken while on a hike in the Rocky Mountains this Fall*

*"Let me tell you the secret that has led to my goal. My strength lies solely in my tenacity."*

*-Louis Pasteur*

Sincerely,

Mayor Jesal Patel

# Village News

## Understanding Your Water Bill

There are five components to your water bill: Water Usage, Capital Improvements, Water Meter Fund, Debt Service Fund, and Sewer Use. The basic water user charge is calculated quarterly based on consumption. Each unit is 1,000 gallons of metered water consumption. The current base rate is \$6.17 per unit. Each bill includes a monthly charge of \$3.33 to fund large capital projects, such as water main replacements. Water bills for residential properties are issued quarterly and reflect a cost of \$9.99 for the three-month period. Residential properties are charged a water meter fee of \$4.76 quarterly. Commercial properties are charged a water meter fund fee of \$9.51 per month. These fees are assessed for the use of the Village's water meters. The Debt Service Charge is calculated quarterly at \$3.60 per unit. This charge is allocated to pay debts incurred to improve the water delivery system for projects such as new water main replacements. The Sewer user fee is \$1.06 per unit. Funds generated from the sewer user charge are utilized for maintenance of the Village's combined sewer system and any improvements or repairs needed.



For more information on the components of your water bill, visit [www.lincolnwoodil.org/understandingwaterbill2023](http://www.lincolnwoodil.org/understandingwaterbill2023).

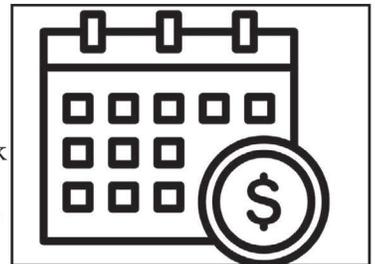
## Artist Spotlight

The November/December featured artist is Raya Dukhan. Raya is an intuitive artist who explores what is inside through art. Her ideas and thoughts bubble up and are released into textural, organic shapes and colors. She works with her photography, texture-building materials, color, and movement to express what can't easily be translated into words. Raya's art inspiration comes from her travels, the people she meets, and the experiences that are created through that transpiration. Raya's art can be found at [rayadukhan.com](http://rayadukhan.com) or on Instagram at [\\_rayart\\_](https://www.instagram.com/_rayart_).



## New Budget Year Starts January 1

Earlier this year the Village began the process of transitioning its budget year from May 1 through April 30 to a calendar year-based budget. This process has involved the Village operating on a stub year budget from May 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023 to establish the new budget year cycle. The transition for budgeting on the calendar year will help the Village to better prepare for construction projects that normally start in the spring and work through the summer and to align any property tax modifications with the budget year. The public is welcome to participate in the budgeting process and the Village's meeting schedule where the budget will be discussed is available at [www.lincolnwoodil.org](http://www.lincolnwoodil.org).



## Rescue Rangers

The Village is seeking volunteers for the Rescue Rangers program. This is a great opportunity to get involved in the community and provide help for those in need. The Rescue Rangers program is a resource for seniors and residents with disabilities who lack the physical or financial ability to complete daily tasks such as shoveling snow, walking pets, or bringing out and returning garbage bins. Rescue Rangers is intended for local middle and high school students who have signed up to earn approximately \$10 per hour (the exact amount is negotiated between the resident and student).

If you are a local student interested in becoming a Rescue Ranger or if you are interested in hiring a Rescue Ranger, email Executive Secretary Carrie Dick at [cdick@lwd.org](mailto:cdick@lwd.org) or call 847-745-4717.



# Parks & Recreation News

## Santa's Mailbox

Share the holiday magic and have your child receive a letter from the Jolly Old Elf himself! Santa will reply to all letters received in the special Santa Letters' Mailbox that will be located in the Village Hall Mail Circle from November 27 to December 8. Be sure to include your name and address so Santa can mail a reply!



## Lincolnwood Lights

Join us for the 10th annual Village of Lincolnwood Holiday tree lighting celebration at the Village Hall Promenade on Thursday, November 30, from 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. The celebration will feature music and stories. Complimentary hot chocolate and cookies will be available.



## Gingerbread House Decorating

Decorate your very own gingerbread house with frosting and embellish with a selection of candy and goodies. This fun-for-all-ages event will be held at the Community Center on Friday, December 1, from 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Pre-registration is required. The cost is \$30 for residents and \$38 for non-residents. All supplies are included.



## Breakfast With Santa

Join Santa for his annual visit to the Village of Lincolnwood. Santa will be stopping by the Community Center on Saturday, December 2, from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. to enjoy breakfast and take pictures with the children. Register early, as spaces fill up quickly. All adults and children in attendance must pre-register for this event. The cost is \$28 for residents and \$34 for non-residents.

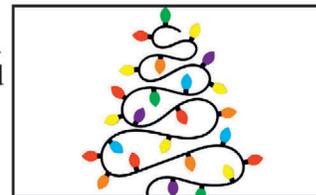


## Hanukkah Cookie Decorating

Join us as we celebrate Hanukkah by decorating some beautiful dreidel, menorah, and donut cookies for you to take home on Wednesday, December 6, from 5:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. at the Community Center. The cost for residents is \$5 and \$7 for non-residents.

## Holiday House Decorating Contest

We are looking for some of Lincolnwood's most festive and creative houses. Houses entered in the contest will be voted on by staff in the following categories: Most Original, Best Theme, and Best Use of Lights.



The winning house will receive a prize. Participating homes must pre-register by December 11 and have their lights turned on at 5:00 p.m. on December 13.

## Noon Year's Eve

Join us at the Community Center on Friday, December 29, from 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. as we ring in the New Year! Enjoy DJ music, games, noisemakers, party favors, and more! The party begins at 11:00 a.m. with a big balloon drop at noon. This event is ideal for children up to the age of 12. An adult must accompany all children. The cost per person is \$6 for residents and \$7 for non-residents.



## Pickleball Net Rentals

Pickleball nets are available for use at Proesel Park. Stop by the Lincolnwood Community Center at 4170 Morse Avenue Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Players who wish to rent a net must leave a \$30 refundable deposit (paddles and balls are not included with the rental). Net rentals are good for up to 24 hours (Friday rentals are expected to be returned the following Monday).



## Community Center Rental

Residents interested in hosting an event should consider the Lincolnwood Community Center! Weekday rentals are available outside of regularly scheduled programming. Weekend Rentals are available with a four-hour minimum. Registration includes access to the Facility's large room, kitchen, tables, and chairs. Visit [www.lincolnwoodil.org/178/Lincolnwood-Community-Center-Rental](http://www.lincolnwoodil.org/178/Lincolnwood-Community-Center-Rental) for rental information, or call the Parks and Recreation Department at 847-677-9740 or 847-475-4719.



To register for the mentioned programs, or to view a complete list of programs, visit <https://secure.rec1.com/IL/lincolnwood-village-il/catalog>.

# Public Works

## Snow Removal



The Public Works Department requests all residents assist the Public Works Department in snow removal by parking vehicles in driveways or garages and refraining from blowing snow into the street. Plowing operations begin when snow accumulates more than two inches, and freezing temperatures indicate that no melting will occur. Parking is always prohibited along Pratt Avenue when two inches or more of snow accumulates.

## Alternate Side Parking

The Village has an Alternate Side Parking Program to assist with snow removal. When there are two inches of snow or more on even-numbered days of the month, motor vehicles may only be parked on the side of the street with even-numbered addresses. On odd-numbered days of the month, motor vehicles may only be parked on the side of the street with odd-numbered addresses. Alternate Side Parking is in effect from 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Monday to Friday.



## Recycling



Groot collects recycling in conjunction with garbage collection on Mondays. The following items are recyclable: newspapers, magazines, paper bags, cardboard, paperboard (tissue boxes, cereal boxes, etc.), plastic food/beverage containers, milk/juice bottles, soap/detergent bottles, metal food/beverage cans, and glass food/beverage bottles. The following items are NOT recyclable: wire hangers, lightbulbs, mirrors, window glass, ceramics, soiled cardboard or paper (such as pizza boxes, napkins, etc.), batteries, Styrofoam, wood, plastic wrap, diapers, and electronics. It is important that recyclable materials are properly sorted from non-recyclable materials to reduce the likelihood of the recyclable materials becoming contaminated and unusable.

## Missed Refuse and Recycling Pick-Up

The Village's waste hauler, Groot, picks up refuse and recycling on Mondays. Residents should call the Public Works Department before noon on Tuesdays at 847-675-0888 if a pickup is missed.



## Leaf Collection



The Public Works Department requests that residents assist Village crews by not raking leaves into the street to reduce the possibility of clogging storm drains. Yard waste, such as leaves, can be disposed of by collecting them in brown yard waste bags. Sticks and branches should be bundled together, not exceeding four feet in length and four inches in diameter. The maximum weight for each bundle is 50 pounds. Yard waste should be set out with your refuse and recycling on Mondays.

## Holiday Light Recycling

Beginning on November 1, 2023, the Village will offer a free holiday light recycling program with the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County and Elgin Recycling. Accepted items include mini-lights, C7 lights, C9 lights, rope lights, LED lights, and expansion cords. The Village will not accept garlands, live greens, wreaths, or other non-recyclables. Drop-off will be available at the Public Works Department at 7001 N. Lawndale Avenue Monday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. The program will end on January 31, 2024.



# Fire Department

## Enjoy A Fire Safe Holiday Season

A joyous season for the Village of Lincolnwood is a fire-safe season. According to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), New Year's Day, Christmas, and New Year's Eve are the top three days for home candle fires. The top three months for heating fires occurring in the home are December, January, and February. Below are tips and suggestions for an enjoyable, fire-safe holiday season.

### Have Your Chimneys and Vents Checked

Fireplaces produce creosote, which may ignite. If you light fires frequently, consider hiring a chimney sweep service at least once a year. Please ensure you use dry and seasoned wood, which produces less smoke. (Don't burn trees, wreaths, or wrapping paper in the fireplace.)

### Test All Smoke Alarms

Make sure they are in working condition. Replace smoke alarms that appear too old, have an expiration date, or are not working properly. If necessary, add smoke alarms in bedrooms, kitchens, and the laundry room.

### Use a Screen for Your Fireplace

Tempered glass or a metal screen helps protect sparks from finding their way out and burning a hole in your carpet or sofa.



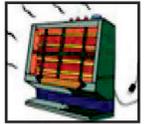
### Don't Leave Candles Alone

Candles can set the mood for relaxation, which is how kids or pets forget or knock them over. Light the candle only when you plan to occupy the room. Blow the candle out before leaving the room.



### Space Heaters Need Space

Keep children and pets at least three (3) feet away from a space heater. This will prevent injury or even burns. Don't place space heaters near curtains, tablecloths, or fabrics. Before purchasing a space heater, check for a tip-over switch, a thermal protection system, and a power light.



### Fire Extinguisher's Save Kitchens

Store one under the kitchen sink and in the hall closet near the bedrooms. Make sure you purchase an ABC fire extinguisher: A is for paper, wood, and trash, B is for grease and flammable liquids, and C is for small electrical fires. Water does not help a grease fire and can make it worse. Keep baking soda close by in case of a pan fire. Keep lids handy to put on top of pots and pans that get too hot. Lids also help tremendously when needing to smother a fire inside of a pan on the stove. Always turn the gas or electricity off first before using the fire extinguisher.



### Practice an Escape Route

Have a fun family fire drill. Teach your family to crawl to the nearest exit from every room. Show them how to stop, drop, and roll if their clothes ever caught fire.

# Police Department

## Package Theft Prevention

Tis the season...to PREVENT porch package theft! When having packages delivered to your home, beware of "porch pirates." Porch pirates are thieves who steal delivered packages from doorsteps and porches. The following safety tips will reduce the chances of your packages being stolen.



- » Have your packages delivered to a location where they can be received in person, such as a neighbor or your workplace.
- » Ask the shipper to require a signature confirmation of delivery to prevent packages from being left when no one is home to sign for them.
- » Provide delivery instructions so packages can be left out of sight from your yard or the road, such as on a back porch.
- » Remove packages from the porch in a timely manner.
- » Take advantage of delivery alerts so you can be notified when a package arrives at your home.

# BUSINESS CONNECTIONS



## District 1860 Construction Update

Construction began in the Fall of 2021 and is nearing completion. Over 30 percent of the 299 residential units within the mixed-use building are occupied. Fat Rosie's Taco and Tequila Bar is open for business, and interior buildout construction continues for Lee Nails, LensCrafters, FatPour Tap Works restaurant, and Davanti Enoteca, an Italian wine bar and restaurant that will be located at the corner of Touhy and Lincoln.

Building permits have been submitted for the next development phase, a 5-story, 152-room dual-branded Marriott Hotel. The developer, Lakhani Hospitality, hopes to break ground before the end of the year.



## Small Business Saturday

Saturday, November 25, 2023, is Small Business Saturday. Small Business Saturday is a day to celebrate and support small businesses and all they do in our community. This year, small businesses need the community's support more than ever as they navigate, retool, and pivot from the effects of the coronavirus pandemic. Please join the Small Business Administration (SBA) and organizations nationwide to support local small businesses.



## New Businesses

### **Paulina Medical Center**

6677 N. Lincoln Ave.

Paulina Medical Clinic is a family practice clinic since 1983, emphasizing integrative medicine.

### **Dript IV Therapy**

7358 N. Lincoln Ave.

Dript is a new innovative Hydration Health Company designed for nursing homes. They use IV Hydration and vitamin Nutrient Therapy to help prevent dehydration, improve clinical outcomes, and reduce unnecessary hospitalizations.

### **Dash Link**

7080 N. McCormick Blvd.

Dash Link is a service by DoorDash that delivers local goods from their warehouse location.

### **Block Advisors**

7101 N. Cicero Ave.

Small business-certified tax pros at Block Advisors handle small business tax preparation needs.

### **Bouncy City**

3333 W. Touhy Ave.

Bouncy City hosts birthday parties and provides childrens recreation and bounce houses at the Lincolnwood Town Center.

### **Bog Remodeling**

4433 W. Touhy Ave.

Bog Remodeling is a general contractor.

### **LS Care Inc**

6421 N. Hamlin Ave.

LS Care is a home healthcare agency.

### **Holy Buckets**

7150 N. McCormick Blvd.

Holy Buckets is a Zabiha/Halal restaurant famous for the Holy Bowl and Zinger chicken sandwich.

### **Le Lam Nail Salon**

6451 N. Cicero Ave.

At Le Lam Nail Salon, you can discover a relaxing nail care experience at its modern salon.

### **Combat Pro**

6419 N. Cicero Ave.

Combat Pro provides martial arts instruction.

### **Fat Rosie's**

4504 W. Touhy Ave.

Fat Rosie's Taco and Tequila Bar, part of the Scott Harris Hospitality Group, serves Mexican eats & cocktails in an upbeat, festive setting with whimsical decor & outdoor seats.

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## Board and Commission Meetings

**Village Board:** 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the Month\*  
**Plan Commission:** 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the Month  
**Park and Recreation Board:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the Month  
**Zoning Board of Appeals:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the Month  
**Economic Development Commission:** 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the Month  
**Traffic Commission:** 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the Month  
**Environmental Commission:** 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the Month

Village Board meetings are held in the Gerald C. Turry Village Board Room at 7:30 pm. Please check the Village's website at [www.lincolnwoodil.org](http://www.lincolnwoodil.org) for our most up to date Board and Commission meeting schedule, agendas, and minutes. To receive meeting agendas, send an e-mail to [subscribe@lwd.org](mailto:subscribe@lwd.org). All meetings listed above will be broadcast live on Comcast Channel 6, RCN Channel 49, AT&T U-Verse Channel 99. Live meetings are also available at [www.lincolnwoodil.org/mediacenter](http://www.lincolnwoodil.org/mediacenter), where you can also find them on-demand one week following the scheduled meeting. Every public meeting includes a "Public Comments" section in which the public can speak on a topic.

## Village Hall Closures

Village Hall will be closed in observance of the following holidays:

**Thanksgiving Day - November 23**  
**Day After Thanksgiving - November 24**  
**Holiday Observance - December 22**  
**Christmas Day - December 25**  
**New Years Day - January 1, 2024**

## Stay Connected

Do you know of all of the ways that you can stay in touch with the Village?

- » Download our App – Visit the Apple Store or Google Play and search "Lincolnwood"
- » Subscribe to Our Bi-Weekly E-Newsletter – Visit [www.lincolnwoodil.org/getlincolnwoodlocal](http://www.lincolnwoodil.org/getlincolnwoodlocal)
- » Register for our Reverse 9-1-1 Program – Visit <https://lincolnwoodil.org/reverse911>
- » Subscribe to receive our Construction Updates - [www.lincolnwoodil.org/getconstructionupdates](http://www.lincolnwoodil.org/getconstructionupdates)
- » Follow us on your favorite social media platform by searching for "Lincolnwood"

## Keep in Touch

Have questions about a Village service? Contact us at one of the numbers below or follow us on social media.

Village Hall	(847) 673-1540
Public Works	(847) 675-0888
Community Development	(847) 673-7402
Parks and Recreation	(847) 677-9740
Police Non-Emergency	(847) 673-2167
Fire Non-Emergency	(847) 673-1545
Groot	(800) 244-1977
ComEd	(800) 334-7661
Nicor	(888) 642-6748