



# LINCOLNWOOD CONNECTIONS



November/December

Village of Lincolnwood

2016

## 40th Annual Turkey Trot

A Lincolnwood tradition since 1976, the 40th Annual Lincolnwood Turkey Trot will be held this year on Sunday, November 20. This race sold out a week ahead of time last year, so we recommend early registration. Lincolnwood residents receive a \$2 discount on the registration fee and will also receive a \$5 "early turkey discount" by registering before Friday, November 4 at 5:00 p.m. This CARA Certified 5K/10K race and 5K fitness walk features a flat, fast course perfect for novice and experienced runners and walkers. To make the 40th anniversary even more special, there will be extra surprises and goodies, including pumpkin pie and apple cider at the finish line, and fun turkey headgear for the first 1,500 runners and walkers to arrive on race day.

Register now at [active.com](http://active.com), in-person, or by mail at the Parks and Recreation Department, in Village Hall, 6900 N. Lincoln Avenue. Please remember to register early to reserve your place at this historic event.



## New Finisher and Place Medals

New 40th Anniversary place medals (picture below) will be awarded for 1st through 3rd place finishers in each age division, male and female, and in each race. New finisher medals (picture on the right) will be awarded to everyone who crosses the finish line. Our finisher medals last year were a big hit, and this year they will embrace the founding year of the event, 1976, with some sparkles reminiscent of the disco era. All pre-registered runners and walkers will also receive a moisture-wicking long-sleeve running shirt.



## Register Now and Save

Lincolnwood residents and Chicago Area Runners Association (CARA) members can save \$2 off the registration fee and also receive a \$5 discount by registering by November 4 at 5:00 p.m.

## Don't Forget the Raffle

Whether running, walking or just cheering on your favorite athlete, make sure to bring a non-perishable food item or monetary donation to be included in the post-race raffle for a chance to win fabulous prizes. All non-perishable food items and a portion of the proceeds from this event will benefit the Niles Township Food Pantry.

## For the Littlest Turkeys

For our youngest athletes (6 years and under), the Drumstick Dash 50 and 100 yard dash is the perfect way to round out this historic running event. All pre-registered racers are guaranteed a long sleeve cotton t-shirt, new finisher medal, goody bag, and a selfie with the Turkey Trot mascot!



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## President's Message

Dear Residents and Friends,

At last, the Holidays approach! This is a wonderful time of the year. Many of us yearn for this season, awaiting the many ways one celebrates this season of joy. Whether it is about a visit from Santa Claus or lighting the candles for Hanukkah, Diwali, Kwanza or some other traditional way, it all centers around our children! Not that I am looking for a place to go over the holidays, but if you want me to attend a celebration of the season of which I may not understand, invite me. I am always open to a new opportunity for friendship and celebration. For me the holidays are a time of brotherhood in the spirit of doing good deeds which motivates all who cherish the importance of giving. In January's *Connections* I'll share any new experiences I have over the holidays.



Mayor Turry

With the national election almost behind us we will face many new challenges. One thing is certain, the holiday season is an especially good time of the year for all of us to remember the not-for-profit charities who need our help. So I call upon everyone to make this your special emphasis to help bring joy this season to those who you might know need help and to our seniors. You will be rewarded tenfold for your efforts.

**Shoppes at Lincoln Pointe:** The developer has declared bankruptcy and we will be closely watching the property for possible development in 2017.

**New Lincolnwood Chamber Director:** Julie Morley has been named the new Executive Director of the Lincolnwood Chamber of Commerce. We wish her well in her new position. You will have a chance to meet her at the Annual Toys for Tots Luncheon, which will be hosted for the 23rd consecutive year by Lincolnwood's John and Dee Barbino along with our great Police Department. It is currently on our calendar for Tuesday, December 13th beginning at 11:30 a.m. at Wildwood Tavern, 6480 W. Touhy in Niles. When plans are finalized, we will announce it. For tickets, contact Julie Morley at the Chamber at (847) 679-5760 or by email at [director@lincolnwoodchamber.org](mailto:director@lincolnwoodchamber.org).

**Lincolnwood Chamber of Commerce Salute to Business:** The Chamber's Salute to Business will be held on Thursday, January 9th, 2017 at Monastereo's Banquets. Save the date! For tickets contact Julie Morley at (847) 679-5760.

**The Village-Wide Hanukkah Party:** Tentatively scheduled for Monday, December 26th at 5:30 p.m. at the Lincolnwood Community Center. If you have never attended a Hanukkah party, but want to experience the lighting of the candles, eating the traditional Hanukkah latkes, then make this the year! Rabbi Moshe Wolfe, and his wife, Elka, as well as Rabbi Joel Gutstein and his wife, Fran, will lead the festivities. They are delighted to present this celebration and invite all Lincolnwood residents to join in the fun with your families to experience this ages old Festival of Lights! Join my wife Nancy and I on this third night of Hanukkah 5777.

**Lincolnwood Holiday Blood Drive:** Another great way to support those in need is by donating at this winter's blood drive. LifeSource will be at Village Hall in Council Chambers on Thursday, December 15th from 1:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Remember, donating can save three lives! Harvey Weinberg and Amy Kaniff are doing a wonderful job running the Village's Blood Drives. If you are in good health, please make an appointment by calling LifeSource at (847) 677-3100.

**Binny's Beverage Depot Comes to Lincolnwood!** Binny's is open and ready to help you find all of your holiday beverages. The Lincolnwood store is the largest in the Chicago area of all the Binny's Beverage stores. They are located at Lincoln and Kostner in case you haven't been watching the Cubs games.

**Rescue Rangers:** Don't forget our Rescue Ranger program. Rescue Rangers are students over the age of 11 who provide help to our senior citizens by shoveling snow from walks and entries (no driveways) or assisting with other light household tasks. Parents of interested students should send an email with the contact information to [jturry@lwd.org](mailto:jturry@lwd.org). Let's work together and not let any neighbors in need go without help this winter.

I want to extend our warmest holiday wishes from Nancy and I to you and yours. May your holidays be joyous and peaceful and may your New Year be filled with peace, health and prosperity!

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gerald C. Turry".

Gerald C. Turry, Village President

## News and Events

### Shop Small Business Saturday

Shop Small Business Saturday on Saturday, November 26 in Lincolnwood. Small Business Saturday is celebrated nation-wide to encourage shoppers to make holiday purchases at small businesses the day after Black Friday. Or if you would rather dine out at a local restaurant, Lincolnwood is home to some great original restaurants. For more information about businesses in Lincolnwood, please visit the Lincolnwood Chamber of Commerce & Industry website at [lincolnwoodchamber.org](http://lincolnwoodchamber.org).

### Business Resource Center

The Village has recently launched a new Business Resource Center on the Village website which provides valuable information and resources to current and prospective businesses. Information includes available commercial space, traffic counts, business demographics, and building and construction fillable applications. Please visit [linc.business](http://linc.business) to view the Business Resource Center.

### Art Gallery Exhibit

The artwork of Laurie Walker will be on display in the Art Gallery beginning November 1. A public reception will be held on November 9 at 5:00 p.m. in the Art Gallery in Village Hall. All are invited to come meet the artist and celebrate her work. Refreshments will be served.

Laurie is best known for her detailed wildlife paintings and pet portraits. "I want to help raise awareness of the beauty and importance of all living creatures," Laurie explains. "I have always felt a close connection to nature and the feeling of joy it brings me..." For Laurie's complete artist's statement, please visit [www.lincolnwoodil.org/art-gallery](http://www.lincolnwoodil.org/art-gallery).



### Fire Department Welcomes New Engine

In September, the Fire Department welcomed the Village's newest fire engine. This vehicle was purchased last year to replace a vehicle that has served the community since 1999. The new engine was built on a 2016 Spartan Chassis and the body was fabricated by US Tanker out of Delavan, Wisconsin.



This vehicle has a 750 gallon water tank and a 1,500 gallon per minute pump. This allows the fireman to immediately put water on a fire before connecting the engine to a fire hydrant. This engine will be equipped with Advanced Life Support equipment so the paramedic/firefighters can administer care to the patient before the ambulance arrives. Another advancement is the addition of two 100-foot hydraulic hose reels that allow for the quick deployment of the "Jaws of Life" which the department uses during vehicular extrication.

### Village Improves ISO Rating

The Insurance Services Organization (ISO) conducted a field survey in June to observe and evaluate the Lincolnwood Fire Department, the Village's Water Supply, and Emergency Communications. After reviewing all components of fire suppression they assigned a class rating from 1 to 10. Class 1 represents exemplary fire protection, and a class 10 indicates that the area's fire suppression does not meet minimum recognition criteria. Lincolnwood received a rating of a class 3 with an effective date of December 1, 2016. This was an improvement over our previous rating of a class 4. Lincolnwood now ranks in the top 9.46% of communities nationally, and in the top 8.4% in the State of Illinois.

This improvement in Lincolnwood's ISO rating is in direct relationship to the planning that has been happening in the Village over the last 26 years beginning with the 1989, 2002, and 2008 Water Distribution System Analyses and the most recent 2015 Water System Analysis. These documents have provided the guidance for capital projects involving Lincolnwood's infrastructure during this period. (Please see page 8 for more information)

# Public Works

## Snow Plowing and Parking Restrictions

The Public Works Department asks all residents to assist the department in snow removal by parking vehicles in driveways or garages and refraining from blowing snow into the street. Snow plowing operations begin when snow accumulates to more than two inches deep and freezing temperatures indicate that no melting will occur.

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 dates of the month, motor vehicles may only be parked on the side of the street with even-numbered addresses. On odd-numbered dates 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. to 3:30 p.m. Monday to Friday. Parking is always prohibited along Pratt Avenue when two inches or more of snow accumulates. When alternate side parking is in effect, a notice is posted on the Village's website and cable channel.



## Snow Blower Safety

Each year, thousands of people are injured while snow blowing. When snow blowing, please remember the following safety tips:

- Turn off the engine on a gas machine or unplug the motor on an electric model before clearing a clog at the auger or discharge chute. Use a clearing tool to remove the clog.
- Wear ear plugs or other hearing protection especially with gas powered models.
- Wait until a gas model's engine is cool before refueling.
- For electric models, use an outdoor extension cord with an outlet that has ground-fault-current-interrupting (GFI) protection. Keep the cord safely away from the spinning auger while working.

## Fall Leaves Collection

Each autumn, large piles of leaves are found in public streets throughout the Village. 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.

- Wet leaves down when they are piled to reduce the likelihood of them blowing away.
- Keep areas around fire hydrants free of leaves.
- Rake leaves away from parked cars.
- Rake leaves into piles so that they can be easily placed into yard waste bags for pickup by Groot.

Yard waste bags are available in the Finance Department, bundles of five bags are \$2, or at local home improvement stores.

## Recreation Path Projects

The Valley Line Trail, which runs along the Commonwealth Edison right-of-way between Devon and Lincoln Avenues, has been completed and a ribbon cutting ceremony was held on October 15. Thank you to everyone who attended the ceremony (picture on the right, photo courtesy of Steve Lasker). The construction of a bridge over Touhy Avenue is planned to start in the fall of 2017 and be completed the following spring. In the meantime, users of the path are reminded to cross Touhy Avenue at the traffic signal in front of 4545 Touhy Avenue (Barclay Place).



The recreation path on the former Union Pacific right-of-way is nearly complete. It is expected that Alliance Contractors will be finished with the work in mid-November. This asphalt path will be 12-foot wide with two-foot stone shoulders on each side. A trailhead parking lot is being designed for construction in the spring and will be located at the north end of the path between Lunt and Morse Avenues. Updates on this project and all other construction projects are available at [lincolnwoodil.org](http://lincolnwoodil.org).



# Public Works

## Stormwater Improvements

Construction of the stormwater pilot project is well underway. The project includes installation of street berms and submerged catch basin restrictors to control the storage of stormwater in the public right-of-way. The project is designed to keep stormwater in the street for up to two hours after a rainfall to allow the sewers to drain properly and minimize the risk of basement backups.

Upon project completion, the Village will review the efficacy of the program and determine whether it is worthwhile to roll out the surface storage project Village-wide. The project is expected to be completed by the end of November. Updates on the project are available at [lincolnwoodil.org](http://lincolnwoodil.org).



## Garbage, Recycling and Yard Waste

Groot picks up refuse, recycling, and yard waste on Mondays. If a pick-up is missed, residents must call the Public Works Department at (847) 675-0888 before 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday. Groot containers (refuse and recycling) must be removed from the street by 8:00 a.m. the day after collection. Violators are subject to a citation. The last yard waste collection of the year will be held on November 28 and will resume in the spring.

## Frozen Water Meters

As winter approaches, Public Works reminds residents to prepare water lines for freezing temperatures. Here are a few simple tips to protect your water line:

- Disconnect garden hoses from all faucets.
- Leave a trickle of water run from a faucet to keep water moving through the line.
- If your water meter is located in a furnished area of your basement, check to be sure that the meter has been insulated properly and has protection from freezing during winter months.

Please contact Public Works at (847) 675-0888 if you suspect that your meter may be frozen.

## Fire Hydrant Accessibility

In cases of emergency, seconds count. This winter, help out by adopting a fire hydrant. Adopting a fire hydrant near your home includes clearing the snow between the street and the hydrant following a storm. When you adopt a fire hydrant, you ensure that it is accessible to the Fire Department during an emergency.

## Holiday Light Recycling

Beginning November 14, the Village will continue to offer a free holiday light recycling program in conjunction with the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County and Elgin Recycling. Accepted items include: mini-lights (or Italian lights), C7 lights, C9 lights, rope lights, LED lights, and expansion cords. The Village will not accept garland, live greens, wreaths or other non-recyclables. Containers will be available at the Public Works Department, 7001 N. Lawndale Avenue, Monday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. The program ends on January 31.

## Pratt Avenue Resurfacing

Pratt Avenue resurfacing between Lockwood and Crawford is nearly complete. The contractor is expected to have completed all work by mid-November. This project includes removal and replacement of deteriorating asphalt, crosswalk improvements, and replacement of failing curb and gutter. A parking lane was striped along the street to help delineate where cars are allowed to park.



# Parks and Recreation

## Turkey Trot Sponsorship Opportunities

If your business or service would like to be part of this historic event as a sponsor or donor, please contact Linda Vering at [lvering@lwd.org](mailto:lvering@lwd.org) or (847) 745-4726. We have many sponsorship packages available and being at the Turkey Trot as an official sponsor is a great way to help the community and promote your product or service to 2,000 attendees. More information is available at [www.lincolnwoodil.org/sponsorship](http://www.lincolnwoodil.org/sponsorship).



## Family Fun with Parks and Recreation

The holiday season is almost upon us, so mark your calendars for some of the great family activities in Lincolnwood coming up in the next few months:

**Lincolnwood Lights** — (Monday, December 5 at 5:00 p.m. in front of Village Hall) Celebrate the holiday season with hot chocolate, music, ceremonial lighting of the holiday lights, and a visit from old St. Nick.

**Santa Letters** — (Wednesday, November 9 – Friday, December 9) Share some holiday magic with your little ones by giving your child the chance to receive a letter from Santa himself! Santa will be sending replies to all letters sent by Lincolnwood children (make sure to include your name and address). You can drop off letters at the Santa Letters Mailbox located in the mail circle of Village Hall starting November 9.

**Daddy Daughter Dance** — (Friday, February 3 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Monastero's Ristorante) Save the date for this memorable night of dinner, dancing, and fun at one of the sweetest events of the year. This year, the theme will be "Let Love Glow."

## New Programs from Parks and Recreation

### Gingerbread House Decorating and Wine Tasting (21+)

Adults get a chance to explore their creative side by decorating a gingerbread house for the holiday season with Whole Foods Market Sauganash. Create frost icicles, make gumdrop windows, and design your gingerbread house to create the perfect holiday decoration. No experience or supplies necessary. The event will be held at the Lincolnwood Community Center on Wednesday, December 14 from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Advance registration required. To register, visit the Parks and Recreation Department or register online at [www.recreation.lwd.org/registration](http://www.recreation.lwd.org/registration).



### Hip Hop / Break Dance (Grades 5-8)

Kids will be introduced to the street dance style that evolved as a part of the hip hop movement in Manhattan and the South Bronx of New York City in the 1970s, to pop, funk or hip hop music. This class will be held on Wednesday nights from November 2 through December 21 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. in the Lincolnwood Community Center. Advance registration is required. Please register early to ensure your preferred class will run.

### Ballet (Grades K-2)

Ballet enriches mental and physical dexterity and enhances a sense of artistry in children. Children will gain self-esteem while working on coordination skills, strength, rhythm, creativity and body awareness. This class will be held on Sunday from November 6 through December 18 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. in the Lincolnwood Community Center. Advance registration is required. This class is perfect for beginners. Please register early to ensure your class will run.

# News and Events

## Lincolnwood Pride

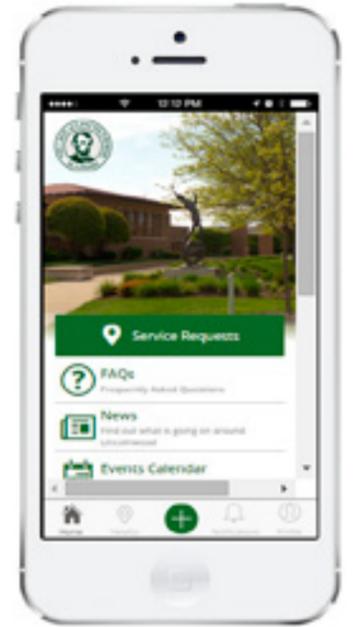
Do you love Lincolnwood and want everyone to know it? Now you can show your Lincolnwood pride on your ride! The license plate holders are available in the Village Hall for \$5.00, cash or check only please. Start showing your Lincolnwood pride today!



## New Mobile App

The new Village mobile app is now available to download for free through the Google Play Store on Android devices or Apple App Store on iPhones. The app features custom push notifications so that you can customize which items you would like delivered instantly to your mobile device! Simply search "Lincolnwood" in the appropriate store to find the app.

Through the app, you can submit a request for service - from reporting potholes to requesting a replacement garbage toter - and your request will be submitted directly to the Village and automatically routed to the appropriate staff member to respond to your request. You can also track the status of your requests and receive updates from staff.



## STEM in Lincolnwood 74

Lincoln Hall's new STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) labs are a beautiful addition to the historic middle school building. Each grade level has its own STEM lab and daily instruction is now part of the core curriculum. The new STEM labs are conducive to student learning and allow for instructional flexibility, greater teacher collaboration, and include more abundant space for student team explorations, technology, and supplies.

At the start of the school year, STEM curriculum included the following: 6th grade students were learning about spastic hemiplegia, resulting in designing a prototype orthotic for children with this condition; 7th grade students were using the "Design Process" to build launchers for small zoo animal figurines; and, in the 8th grade STEM lab, students were focusing on 21st Century STEM Skills which include critical thinking, creativity, communication, and collaboration.

## Get to Know a Retail Area – David's Square

Shop local! As you may know, the Village relies heavily on sales tax to fund the daily functions of our municipal operations. In total, sales tax is responsible for 35% of the Village's General Fund. Each dollar collected through sales tax is one less dollar that needs to be collected through other means. Lincolnwood is fortunate in that the Village has a wide variety of commercial areas with different retail and restaurant options.

David's Square, 4370 W. Touhy Avenue, is located east of Lincoln Avenue and features Starbucks, The Animal Store, Annaj Beauty Salon, Baladna Jewelry, and Doc's Place Customized Fitness Solutions. Located within a mile of the Edens Expressway, this strip mall offers a convenient stop for residents as they travel in and out of the Village. Also, remember to shop Small Business Saturday at one of the locally owned shops in Lincolnwood on November 26.



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### Village Improves ISO Rating

*(Continued from page 3)* Some of the projects that contributed the new improved rating include:

- Upgrade and automation of the pumping facilities
- Installation of the 1.3 million gallon standpipe, booster pumping station and pump replacements
- Four year replacement of every fire hydrant
- Systematic addition and replacement of new watermains
- Unidirectional flushing of our complete water system
- Emergency water supply and connections with other communities
- Risk assessment plan for the water distribution system
- Developed a water leak detection survey and analysis

The Village's ISO rating to class 3 goes in effect on December 1, 2016. Contact your fire insurance company and inform them of the new classification. You should see a reduction in your fire insurance rate.

#### **Board and Commission Meetings**

Village Board (TV)	1st, 3rd Tuesday of the month
Plan Commission (TV)	1st Wednesday of the month
Human Relations Commission	2nd Monday of the month
Park and Recreation Board	2nd Tuesday of the month
Zoning Board of Appeals (TV)	3rd Wednesday of the month
Economic Development Commission	4th Wednesday of the month
Traffic Commission	4th Thursday of the month

Village Board meetings are held in the Council Chambers in Village Hall at 7:30 p.m. on the first and third Tuesdays of the month. Please check the Village's website at [lincolnwoodil.org](http://lincolnwoodil.org) for Board and Commission meeting dates, agendas, and minutes. To receive meeting agendas, send an email to [subscribe@lwd.org](mailto:subscribe@lwd.org).

(TV) = Broadcast live on Comcast Channel 6, RCN Channel 49, AT&T U-Verse Channel 99 and [lincolnwood.tv](http://lincolnwood.tv). Plan Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, and Village Board meetings are also re-broadcast one week following the scheduled meeting on Comcast Channel 6, RCN Channel 49, and AT&T U-Verse Channel 99, and are also available on-demand at [lwdtv.org](http://lwdtv.org).



### Welcome New Businesses!

Forget Me Not Boutique  
Women's Clothing  
3333 W. Touhy Avenue  
(847) 710-7558

Long John Silvers  
Fast Food Seafood  
3901 W. Touhy Avenue  
(847) 674-7040

Aperion Care, Inc.  
Management Company  
4655 W. Chase Avenue  
(847) 673-6767



Leo's Tacos  
Mexican Restaurant  
3333 W. Touhy Avenue

### Recent Board Actions

- Approved a new Comprehensive Plan that is designed to guide the Village for the next 10 to 20 years. This is the culmination of nearly 18 months of work by the Village and community members to draft this plan.
- Approved an amendment to the zoning code to revise fence regulations to allow for taller fences for residential properties along the west side of the Valley Line Trail.
- Approved a special use and certain variations of the zoning code to permit a new and reconfigured off-street parking area at the Airoom Plaza.

### Village Hall Closed

Village Hall will be closed on Thursday, November 24 and Friday, November 25 for Thanksgiving. Village Hall will also be closed on Friday, December 23 and Monday, December 26 in observance of Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.