

The PRIDE

VILLAGE OF LOMBARD, IL

Live, Work & Play Purple



That is the slogan of The Lombard Town Centre (LTC), part of the Illinois Main Street program and the organization that is responsible for stimulating economic development and making downtown Lombard a vibrant destination. Over the past ten years, the Center has worked to bring new businesses to our downtown and to promote the area as an excellent destination for dining, shopping and working.

The Village Board decided to financially assist this public – private partnership in 2004. Since then, due to the organization’s success, they have been able to decrease the amount of Village funds to the organization. Village funding comes through the Downtown TIF District. Besides the investment made by the Village, the Center supports itself through memberships, sponsorships and donations. This year, through the efforts of the Board of Directors and the staff, they increased

memberships by over 200%. They are also looking to merchandising as a funding source, using Sean McMenemy’s water colors on a variety of media to promote the Village.

It is an investment that has paid great dividends as we have seen the downtown revitalized with new stores, offices and restaurants. But the vitality is enhanced by the events sponsored by the Lombard Town Centre that brings people from around the region to our Village. These events have created vitality downtown, increased foot traffic and helped our businesses remain viable.

This year the Lombard Town Centre broke even or made a profit on every event produced. With twelve events from the Arts & Crafts Show to Lego Movie Night, Jinglebell Jubilee, downtown viewing events, and Spooktacular, downtown saw over 5500 attendees come to PLAY in our downtown.

The Centre has also increased their social media presence with over 2000 subscribing to their weekly e-newsletter. The e-news, along with Facebook, updates activities and events and gives members a forum for advertising. They are also hosting a variety of forums and mixers allowing for increased networking, an exchange of best practices and an opportunity to showcase their business to their neighbors.

New businesses and existing ones are improving the facades and the interiors of spaces, making downtown even more attractive for new investment. The historic Lombard Hotel has just been privately purchased and we look forward to the new development at this site. Mesa Electronics has made a major investment, rehabilitated an eyesore and is now looking to purchase more property in the area.

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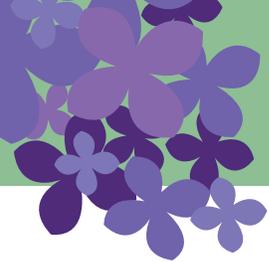
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"The Mission of the Village of Lombard is to provide superior and responsive governmental services to the people of Lombard."

The PRIDE

The Lombard PRIDE is the official newsletter of the Village of Lombard. It is also a joint publication with the Helen Plum Library and the Lombard Historical Museums. Personnel from the respective governing bodies are responsible for the content of their sections. The views expressed by the Library and the Historical Museums are not necessarily those expressed by the Village. Correspondence can be addressed to any of the groups at the following addresses:

Village: 255 E. Wilson Ave.
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355 E. Parkside Ave.

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Dear Residents,

In the midst of winter, it warms my heart to see the Metra pedestrian underpass nearing completion. This major improvement will increase safety at this crossing as well as increase foot traffic in our downtown. Please read the complete story on page 4. Speaking of downtown, the Lombard Town Centre, has become an additional commercial focal point for our town. New retail establishments and restaurants are opening and commercial businesses show renewed interest. The many festivals and events produced by the Centre have increased the vitality of the area and are attracting customers and potential investment.

One of my favorite events, to shake off winter's cabin fever, is the Park District's Winter Carnival. This is an event the whole family can enjoy, so join me for some hot chocolate and some winter fun.

I believe we are fortunate to have the best Police and Fire Departments in the region. They keep our families and business safe and our neighborhoods strong. It is so inspiring to see all that they do to support our community. This year's Shop With A Cop, supported by the Lombard Citizen's Police Academy Alumni Association was a huge success. Twelve students earned a trip with our officers to shop for their families. Our firefighters are always on the front lines for our safety, but they are also the first in line to donate blood. Our next Blood Drive will be April 15 from 1:30 PM until 7:00 PM at Village Hall. Please bring a photo ID and join in this life-saving endeavor.

I hope you will join me, February 18 at the Lombard Chamber of Commerce luncheon, as I deliver our 2015 State of the Village. I will update our progress on infrastructure improvements, new business attraction, community relations and our Village's finances.

Tickets for the luncheon can be obtained by calling the Chamber at 630-627-5040. Those unable to attend the luncheon can watch the address on Comcast Channel 6 or AT&T Channel 19 later in the month and it will also be on our Village's website.

I hope you and your family have a safe, healthy, prosperous and Happy New Year. On behalf of myself and the Board of Trustees, I pledge to do our part in making 2015 a great year for our residents.

If I can offer any more information, or answer any questions you may have, please phone my office at 630-620-5710 or email me at giagnoriok@villageoflombard.org

Sincerely,

Keith T. Giagnorio

Lombard Village President



FEBRUARY

February 7

Annual Winter Carnival
Sunset Knoll Recreation Center

February 9

Community Relations Meeting
Economic & Community Development
Village Hall

February 10

Community Promotion & Tourism
Village Hall

February 16

Plan Commission
Village Hall

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State of the Village

February 19

Board of Trustees Meeting
Village Hall

February 25

Zoning Board of Appeals
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MARCH

March 5

Board of Trustees Meeting
Village Hall

March 8

Daylight Saving Time begins at 2 a.m.

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Community Relations Meeting
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First Day of Spring

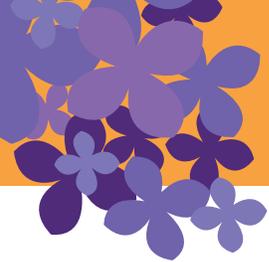
EVENT SPOTLIGHT: *Winter Carnival*

Don't let the winter weather cool your enthusiasm for our Annual Winter Carnival. Brush off the snow and your cabin fever and come out to Sunset Knoll Recreation Center on Saturday, February 7 from 1:30 PM until 4:00 PM.

Bundle up, this event is both indoors and outdoors, and enjoy carnival games, balloon artists, snow painting, and an arts and crafts show. There will be popcorn, s'mores and hot chocolate to keep the chill away and train rides on the Gold Medal Express.

For more information call, 630-620-7322 or email info@lombardparks.com





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Nine other new businesses were also welcomed his year. Besides bringing new business in, the LTC assists business as a conduit to the Village, making sure they have what they need to prosper and thrive in Lombard.

Lombard Town Centre presented the Board of Trustees with their updated 2015 goals designed to maintain downtown as the heart of Lombard and becoming a first rate retail destination.

“2014 was a banner year for the Lombard Town Centre,” said Walter Smith, Board President. “We have added needed stability with our professional Executive Director, Sarah Richardt, and we have proven that we are moving in the right direction and leading the way for a better and more vibrant downtown.

This year we will see our downtown continue to expand and thrive.”

In 2015, the Centre hopes to continue to work with business owners to enhance their properties, strengthen their partnerships with community groups, expand their marketing efforts both of the downtown and the promotional events and increase volunteer involvement.

“I am so proud the Board decided to invest in our downtown. This is a true success story as we have seen the downtown restored and revitalized,” said Trustee Laura Fitzpatrick, who chairs the Economic and Community Development Committee. “Our investment has revitalized an important area of our Village. This organization has been

good stewards of the taxpayers’ dollars and I look forward to their continuing progress. In a very short time, downtown Lombard has become a retail and dining destination. This summer with all the exciting events planned, including a BBQ fest, more people will PLAY PURPLE than ever before.”

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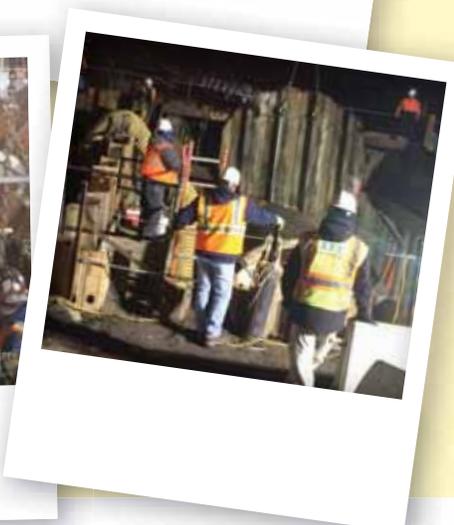
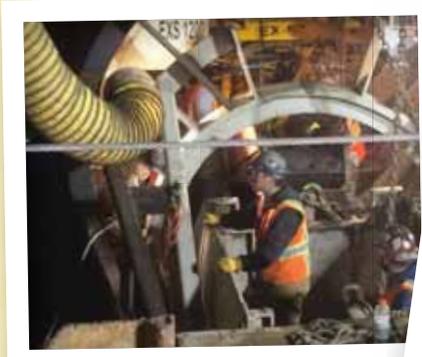
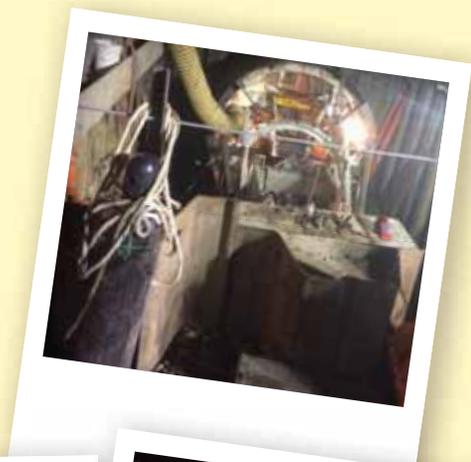
Metra Underpass Project

The work at the Lombard Metra Station is near completion. The new pedestrian tunnel, ADA compliant ramps, retaining walls, new stairways and platform shelters, and the canopies over both inbound and outbound platforms, is expected to be completed by this spring. Landscaping and final punch list items will be completed in the Spring, as soon as weather permits.

Highly anticipated is the pedestrian underpass, which will result in the elimination of the at-grade pedestrian crossing. This will greatly reduce the potential for pedestrian/train accidents. The pedestrian tunnel will increase access to the downtown and will be a link to many historical and significant sites in Lombard. Access will be improved to the Library, Lilacia Park, Maple Street Chapel and the Victorian Cottage/Carriage House.

The total cost of the pedestrian

underpass was \$8.1 million total. The breakdown of the funding was Metra (\$3.8 million), Union Pacific Railroad (\$3.3 million), Illinois Commerce Commission (\$750,000) and Village of Lombard (\$294,000). The Village’s contribution went towards upgraded finishes and treatments in the exterior and interior of the tunnel.





Spring is Coming—Almost!

Looking forward to Spring, residents should plan to get outside and walk and bike throughout the Village. In addition to the well-known Illinois Prairie Path, the Great Western Trail just north of downtown features beautiful new bridges over Grace Street, the railroad tracks and St. Charles Road.

Increasing the opportunity for all means of transportation, the Village's Board of Trustees has adopted a Complete Streets Policy that includes ensuring that all streets can offer bike and pedestrian options. In addition, the Village will be developing a

Village-wide Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan in 2015 and, will seek input from a variety of stakeholders. Additional information will be posted on the Village's website as it becomes available.



Until Spring does arrive, please remember that on-street parking is not allowed after one-inch of snowfall.

When it has snowed over one inch, Public Work's trucks will be out with plows down. This increases the risk for an accident with a parked car and also impedes the ability to clear the entire roadway. Police are authorized to issue tickets or tow vehicles that obstruct snow removal.

Complete information on winter operations can be found at www.villageoflombard.org, or by contacting Public Works at 630-620-5740 or publicworks@villageoflombard.org.

Better Lighting, More Savings

The Village of Lombard is taking part in a six month pilot program to convert ComEd owned streetlights to Smart LED fixtures. ComEd will upgrade their streetlights in Lombard to LED and incorporate a smart meter device on each pole.

The conversion will provide significant savings to the Village for energy costs. The smart meters will allow ComEd and the Village to be notified immediately of an outage. It will offer the ability to remotely manage and operate the lighting systems.

Installation began in mid-January. Once the pilot project expires, the Village will retain the LED fixtures. If the Village opts desires to retain

the smart meters, the Village would be responsible for the monthly fee.

In addition to the ability to detect outages, the Village will benefit from the reduced operating expenses for the streetlights. Public Works staff used a conservative approach and used the more expensive rate structure of \$.03723 per kWh to estimate the expected savings. Based upon 375 poles, the Village will save 20% or \$4,502.02 per year.



District Trustee Update

District 1 Trustee Dan Whittington (630) 518-2457



The Community Relations Committee successfully launched the Lombard Youth Leadership and Junior Fire Academy Programs in 2014 and we are proud to say that the Village is offering these valuable programs once again this year.

Lombard high school students interested in learning more about local government or public service are invited to join our Youth Leadership Program. Offered at Village Hall, there will be four, 2-hour sessions on Thursday nights, giving students a chance to learn about all aspects of local government from staff and elected officials through interactive presentations.

High school students, 14-18, who are Lombard residents considering a career in the fire service or emergency medical services (EMS) can participate in a Junior Firefighter Academy, led by personnel from our Fire Department. Classes are a combination of lecture and hands-on drills, held on Saturdays. Students will gain an understanding of how the Department is structured, how equipment is used, and the teamwork required for fire service.

Class size in both programs is limited so students can get close personal attention from instructors. We are proud to continue to offer these unique learning experiences to the Lombard community and encourage all interested students to apply. Please spread the word to any qualified students in your lives and look for more information on both these programs on the Village website.



District 2 Trustee Mike Fugiel (630) 212-0040

As we begin 2015, I am reminded of "self-improvement" resolutions that fill our health clubs and workout rooms for the first six weeks of a new year. While I wish you great success with your resolutions, I am also offering up another challenge. Why not give back to a worthy cause in our community? The Village, Library, Schools, Historical Society, YMCA and Park District all provide for volunteer opportunities as noted in their respective websites. Consider lending a hand to the many upcoming Lilac Time events to share your enthusiasm and skillsets. You will be enhancing our Village and meeting more of your neighbors. A small donation to a local food pantry or participating in the blood drive will make you feel better at the end of the day.

If you're looking for an inexpensive evening out, I encourage you to check out these offerings at Glenbard East High School. Upcoming Choral Concerts are slated for March 19th and May 12th. The Winter Play "Mousetrap" is being staged over the weekend of February 11th while the Spring Play "Macbeth" will take place on the weekend of May 6th.

Thank you for helping me to best serve our community. Kindly feel free to contact me anytime either by phone or at fugielm@villageoflombard.org

District 3 Trustee Reid Foltyniewicz (630) 621-2861

It is great to see the pedestrian tunnel and other improvements at the Metra station coming to completion. We continue to make improvements to our commuter parking as well, adding bill and credit card payment options to the daily fees machines and soon the ability to pay by an app. So many of the continued improvements throughout Lombard come from suggestions and input from our residents.

I want to thank everyone who comes forward to participate in our community. I also want to thank all who attended my third, "Coffee with your Trustee, Reid" event. I will hold another event later this year and I hope you can make it. If you were unable to attend my January event, please feel free to contact me anytime. Let me know what we are doing well and what we can do to improve our community. My cell number is (630) 621-2861, e-mail foltyniewiczr@villageoflombard.org, or through Facebook Reid Foltyniewicz



District 4 Trustee Vacant

District 5 Trustee Laura Fitzpatrick (630) 426-0621



Our downtown district has become a thriving destination for shopping, dining and business. To watch the progress made through the Lombard Town Centre is truly inspiring. The Centre is a great example of a successful public-private partnership. Our Board of Trustees wisely made the decision to invest in the downtown area, and then let the private sector come together to attract and expand business.

Please read our cover story and learn more about our on-going efforts to make Downtown Lombard the 'jewel in the crown.' I look forward to increased investment, continually improving facilities and facades and welcoming new business.

With all the new activities and events, Downtown Lombard is fulfilling its mission of creating the ultimate location to 'Live, Work and Play PURPLE.'

District 6 Trustee William Ware (630) 319-5805



Two new important neighborhood reconstruction projects, funded in the 2015 Capital Improvements Plan are in District 6. The Circle Avenue Reconstruct Project is budgeted at \$1,800,000 for the reconstruction of the existing roadway (including curb and gutter and storm sewer) to the current Village standard. This project will be bid in conjunction with the Lombard Meadows Phase II project.

The second major project in District 6 is the Lombard Meadows II: Lodge Lane & Lilac Lane. This project is estimated at \$2,865,200 for the reconstruction of existing roadway (including curb and gutter and storm sewer) to the current Village standard. The scope of work includes replacement of the water and sanitary sewer mainline and services. Replacement of the lighting system is also included. As part of this project, Lilac Lane will be narrowed to a width of 28' back of curb to back of curb. We look forward to both projects being completed this summer.



Firefighters Jack Schafer and Matt Oreske practice life-saving rescue maneuvers (Below)



Carol Bauer thanks retired Lombard Police Officer Lt. Dan Neustadt for donating blood at the January 14th Community Blood Drive (Below)



The Lombard Fire Department held it's 14th annual Toy Parade to benefit local charities. New unwrapped toys were collected at both fire stations and the firefighters collected toys along the parade route. (Below)



Shop with a Cop (Below)

The sixteenth annual Shop With A Cop was held on Saturday December 13, 2014. Thirteen officers volunteered their time alongside two dozen members of the Lombard Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association with taking twelve children out shopping for their families. The children were selected (one from each school in Lombard) based on their good grades, hard work and ethics. The LCPAAA funds the program through their own fundraisers and also donations from the public and local businesses. Ace Hardware donated goodie-bags and the Tri Town YMCA donated Christmas trees.





Business is Blooming!

The Village of Lombard continues to thrive with new businesses, improved facilities and increased development permits as evidence of a vibrant business environment.

In 2014, the Village issued over two thousand permits seeing the largest development season since 2007.

Lombard continues its reputation as a dining mecca as more new restaurants have chosen to open in our town. Casa Real Restaurant serves made from scratch authentic Mexican food at 569 E. Roosevelt Road at High Point Center.

Noon Whistle Brewing will be a great addition to our dining options as they open a brewery and tasting room at 800 E. Roosevelt Road.

Coffee lovers will have two new spots to grab a cup. Dunkin' Donuts will be breaking ground soon on a new building at 401 E. North Avenue. Downtown will also have a new bakery and deli with outdoor seating, Balkan Bakery and Coffee, opening soon.

The popular family owned pizza and casual dining restaurant, Armand's, is completing their interior build out and should be opening soon at Yorktown Mall. While at Yorktown, don't miss the recently updated AMC Movie Theatre. AMC has enhanced the movie-going experience with more leg room, wider aisles, and enhanced food and beverage options.

ClaSha, a unique boutique shop, at 19 W. St. Charles Road, featuring fashion, handicrafts and gift items moved to downtown Lombard in November 2014.

Speaking of blooming, Native Floral Group has relocated and expanded on Lombard Road. They built a new built-to-suit office and warehouse building and moved in December.

Joining the Roosevelt Road business corridor is Drive Time, a car dealership new to the Chicago market at 500 E. Roosevelt.

The senior housing market is expanding in Lombard. Beacon Hill's new building will offer more services to their existing residents including enhanced dining options. Spectrum Development is building Lombard Place, an assisted living and memory care facility at 300 W. 22nd Street.

The Yorktown Apartments received approval to build a new apartment building at 22nd and Highland. The new building will be 7 stories tall and house 78 apartment units.

A major façade renovation is taking place at 130 E. St. Charles Road. Three new businesses will be occupying the building: Mesa Electronics, Mesa Home Video, and Lori's Jewelry.



More Transparency, More Convenience

As part of our continuing efforts to make Village government more accessible and convenient, development petitions can now be found on-line. Petitions for both the Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals can be found on their dedicated webpage. The items are described as per the original public notice as well as in easy to read language. Residents will be able to track a development petition throughout the entitlement process. The webpage will include any pertinent attachments, such as building plans, what the recommendation was, and the status or final vote of the Village Board.

Please go to <http://www.villageoflombard.org/developmentpetitions> to track status.



Lombard's Water / Utility Rate Lower Than Average

Despite a recent raise in Lombard's water rates that went into effect on January 1, 2015, the Village of Lombard's utility rates remain below average among comparable communities in the DuPage Water Commission system.

The new rates were a result of an increase imposed by the City of Chicago. The DuPage Water Commission purchases Lake Michigan water from the City of Chicago and then sells it to the suburban communities.

The DuPage Water Commission also increased its Operating & Maintenance rate for supplying Chicago water to its customer communities.

The City of Chicago has indicated that they will use the increase to improve infrastructure and increase reliability and efficiency. This will help the Village control operating costs and also allow us to reserve funds for future system maintenance.

The average residential customer that uses 4,000 gallons of water per month will see an increase of approximately \$4.35 on a bi-monthly bill.

Here is a brief breakdown of the residential customer rate change:

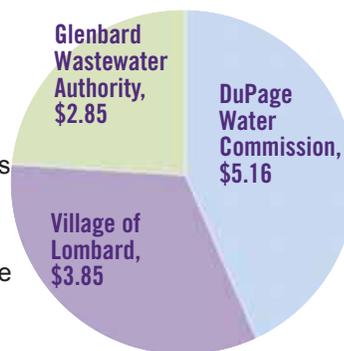
- Water: Base charge is \$6.61 per 1,000 gallons
- Sewer: Base charge \$5.25 per 1,000 gallons
- Service Charge: \$9.05 per bill
- W/S Capital: \$1.20 per 1,000

The capital rate portion of the water and sewer rates will remain the same at \$1.20 per 1,000 gallons of water until May 31, 2016.

Residential customers are charged based on consumption. Please read our article on conserving water and saving money in this newsletter. Additional conservation tips and more information on the new utility rates are available on the Village's website, <http://www.villageoflombard.org/378/Water-and-Sewer-Rates>.

Residents may also call the Water Billing Division at (630) 620-5920 with questions.

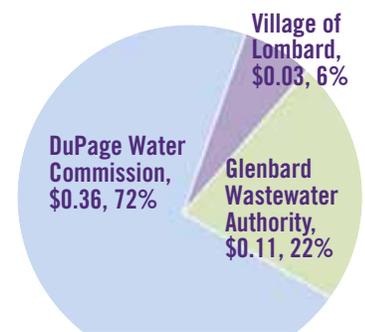
Where Does My Money Go?



The FY 2015 Water & Sewer O&M Rate is \$11.86 per 1,000 gallons.

The Village of Lombard will receive \$3.85 per 1,000 gallons for operating and maintenance activities.

FY2015 Rate Increase by Entity



The Village will receive an additional 12¢/month from the average residential customer

The FY 2015 Water/Sewer rate increase is \$0.50 or 3.98% per 1,000 gallons.

The Village's portion of the \$0.50 increase is \$0.03 per 1,000 gallons.

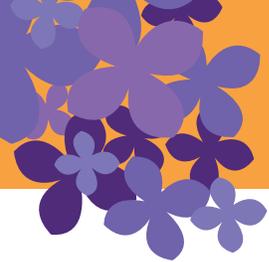
For the average customer that uses 4,000 gallons/month, this increase of \$0.50 will cost an additional \$2.00/month.

Saving The Planet / Saving Money

We all know water is one of our most precious resources. We also know that the cost of water has risen around the nation and local governments do not have control over the rising prices. But we do have control over the amount we use. There are many ways to lessen the impact of water use on our environment and our wallets. Managing your water use and developing an in-home conservation program can save your family money.

- Repair leaking faucets and toilets; this is the number one water waster in homes;
- Turn-off the water while brushing your teeth;
- Install low-flow showerheads and shorten your shower by a minute or two, saving up to 150 gallons per month;
- Utilize rain barrels to collect water for lawn and garden use;
- Use quick wash options on washing machines and dishwashers and only run when full-- you can save up to 1,000 gallons a month;
- Water gardens in the morning or evening when temperatures are cooler.





Election News

Tuesday, April 7, 2015 is the date for the Consolidated General Elections, the municipal elections for local office. Recent changes in election law make it more convenient than ever before to vote. Mail-in ballots, absentee ballots, can now be requested by any registered voter. Applications are now being accepted through the DuPage County Election Commission website. Ballots will be mailed beginning February 26. The DuPage County Board of Elections will again have a variety of sites for in-person Early Voting and the sites will open March 23.

The last day to register to vote in the April 7 election is March 10.

For complete information on voter registration, mail-in ballot applications and a list of Early Voting sites, when available, can be found at www.dupageco.org/election or phone 630-407-5600.

We would also like to remind you that no political signs may be on the parkways and no signs over 2' in height may be located within the clear line of sight at driveways or street intersections.

There are no restrictions on the number of signs on residential properties of less than one acre, but signs may not exceed nine (9) square feet in area. Campaign signs on commercial and residential properties larger than one acre, may have signs up to 32 square feet, but only one large sign per street exposure. There is no limit for signs up to 16 square feet on commercial and large residential properties.

Campaign signs must be removed within ten days following the election.

The full sign ordinance and updated election information can be found can be found at www.villageoflombard.org.

You Can't Vote if You Are Not Registered

You can register in person at the Village Hall during normal business hours.

When registering, please bring two forms of identification with you (one of which must have your current residence):

- Photo identification
- Utility bill, bank statement, government check or paycheck
- Other government document that shows your current name and address

Registrants must be 18 years old by the next election (OR for a General Primary, must be 17 and will be 18 by the General Election), a United States citizen, lived in your precinct at least 30 days before the next election, must not be convicted of a crime or in jail and have not claimed the right to vote anywhere else. If you are presently registered, you only need to register again if you move or change your name.

The last day to register to vote at Lombard Village Hall is Tuesday, March 10. After this date, voter registration is accepted at the DuPage Election Commission Department in Wheaton until Saturday April 4, 2015.



Trustee Breen Resigns - Takes Office as State Representative



Trustee Peter Breen, District 4, resigned from the Board effective December 31, 2014. Breen was elected as State Representative for the 48th District in November, 2014 and was recently sworn in, January 14.

Trustee Breen served on the Village Board from May 2011 through December 2014, including serving as Acting Village President after the death of longtime President William "Bill" Mueller.

"It has been my honor to serve the citizens of Lombard and I thank them for trusting me with that responsibility. But I will continue in service to Lombard as a State Representative. I leave Lombard with gratitude to the

other elected officials with whom I served as well as our Village staff for the outstanding relationship we shared being accountable to the residents of the Village of Lombard," Representative Breen said.

President Keith Giagnorio stated, "I wish to thank Representative Breen for his years of service to the Village of Lombard. The Village Board and I wish him all the best as he begins his new position and service at the state level. The Village Board and I look forward to continuing to work with him at the State level."

Constituents of District 4 may contact Village President Giagnorio with their issues and concerns until the District 4 Trustee office is filled. To reach President Giagnorio, please email giagnoriok@villageoflombard.org or phone (630) 620-5710. Representative Breen may be reached at 630-403-5963.



Village of Lombard News Briefs: *Feb./Mar*

Change A Life-Donate Blood

Please consider donating blood at the Village of Lombard's Community Blood Drive, Wednesday, April 15. The drive will take place at Yorktown Center, entrance 5, from 9:30 AM until 1:00 PM and at Village Hall, 255 East Wilson from 1:30 PM until 7:30 PM. Winter donations are usually slower so your donations are much needed at this time. Your generosity can change the life of someone waiting for your lifesaving blood donation. A photo ID is required.

Door-To-Door Energy Sales

There have been some concerns about the guidelines that govern door-to-door salesman and specifically those attempting to sell energy. No salesman has the authority to enter your home, see your bill or read your meter.

ONLY ComEd employees, who will have proper identification are supposed to look at your meter. If you feel the salesman is employing deceptive practices or you feel threatened in any way, you should dial 911.

ComEd does not have any authority over these alternative energy sales operations. If you have any complaints about the conduct of such a salespersons, if you feel they are taking advantage of seniors, or are in an apartment or community illegally, call the Illinois Commerce Commission at 1-800-524-0795. You must note the date, time and location of the complaint.

Security Alarm Licensing Guidelines

All security alarm systems within the Village of Lombard require alarm permits. These permits are valid from Sep.1 to Aug. 31 each year. Annual fees are \$30 for residential alarm permits and \$50 for business alarm permits. After March 1, fees are pro-rated to \$15 for new residential alarm permits and \$25 for new business alarm permits. Questions? Call (630) 620-5913.

Planning a Move?

Before you move, be sure to notify the Village concerning your water/sewer account. Give ample notice for a final reading; a week is preferred. New owners should contact water billing two to four days prior to possession to avoid disconnection of service.

No Solicitors, Please

Residents may post a "No Peddlers/Solicitors Allowed on Premises" seal on their front door. Seals are available at Village Hall for \$.50. It is a violation of Lombard ordinance if peddlers or solicitors fail to leave at your request.

Special Lot A – North Broadway Municipal Lot

The Village offers residential parking in Special Lot A off of North Broadway Avenue just east of Grace Street on a semi-annual basis. Permits are valid from January-June and July-December. The cost of a permit for six months is \$40. For less than the six month period, permit cost will be pro-rated at \$6.75 per month. Parking in this lot is enforced by the Lombard Police Department. Vehicles that do not display a current parking permit will be ticketed.

If interested in purchasing a Special Lot A parking permit, please visit the Village Hall during normal business hours. If there are additional questions, please feel free to contact our Customer Service Representatives at (630) 620-5700.

Water Billing

Feel free to use the drop box for your water bill. Please use the envelope that is provided with your water bill, or any generic envelope you may have at home. This drop box is located next to the mailbox, in the Village Hall parking lot. Also, for your convenience, you will notice that in the same area, we have placed a drop box for disposal of unserviceable American Flags. The flags that are deposited in this box will be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning, according to the U.S. Flag Code.

Vista Pond Expansion

The Village has recently completed the expansion of Vista Pond, which is located in the northeast area of the Village surrounded by Prairie Avenue, View Street, Westwood Avenue and Edgewood Avenue. Construction began in October, 2014 and was completed in late December, 2014. The project has provided 6.5 acre-feet of additional storm water storage volume to reduce flooding in the neighborhood south of the pond.

The project also extended the walking path and added more pond area and volume to benefit fish and other aquatic life. The Vista Pond Expansion Project was funded in part by a \$500,000 grant from the State of Illinois.





Wintertime fun with the Lombard Historical Society

Thursday, 2/26 – 7pm at the Sheldon Peck Homestead: Music from the Civil Rights Movement

From “We Shall Overcome” to “This Little Light of Mine,” music played a vital role in the Civil Rights Movement of the 1960s, spreading the message of equality and justice and rallying people to the cause. Songs both old and new spoke of the yearning for freedom and the struggle and determination to attain it in ways that engaged and energized the movement and the nation. Join us for this engaging program as award-winning folk singer Chris Vallillo performs essential songs that inspired and sustained participants in the Civil Rights Movement and discusses the importance of music to this vital chapter in American history. This is a free event open to the public but due to limited space RSVPs are requested; call 630-629-1885.

Tuesday, 3/3 – 10am at the Carriage House: Children’s Story Time with the Helen Plum Library

It should come as no surprise that the historical society is full of book worms. As much as we enjoy cracking the spines on new books, even better is getting to share a great read with others, especially children. That’s why we’re thrilled to partner with the Helen Plum Library on the Timeless Tales program. This drop in program focuses on classic children’s literature (the oldies are goodies!) and is open to all kids with a participating adult.

Sunday, 3/8 – 2pm at The Helen Plum Memorial Library – Women Heroes of World War I

In celebration of Women’s History Month in March, the Lombard Historical Society and the Helen Plum Library are hosting author Kathryn Attwood, who will be discussing her book Women Heroes of World War I. Attwood’s presentation will examine how the mobilization of millions of women for World War I forever changed the role of women during wartime. Illustrated with nearly 70 archival photographs, this is sure to be a fascinating trip through history. Please join us in the Helen Plum Library’s auditorium. This is a free event open to the public.

Lombard Historical Society: Peek at the Past!

This photo from the Lombard Historical Society’s Archive shows Mary Novak, longtime Lombard resident and champion speed skater. Mary won the junior girls division of the National Speed Skating Championship in 1952 when she was 14 years old; it was her fourth consecutive win in nationals. Mary was inducted in the Speed Skating Hall of Fame in 1972 with a record of 387 wins out of 438 races. She first began skating at the age of 3 and set many local and regional records. Skating is just one popular winter sport or pastime, what were some of your favorites growing up? The Lombard Historical Society is interested in photos of residents participating in winter sports and activities in Lombard over the years. Please share your photos with us on our Facebook page and we will create a photo album to share with all of our fans.





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LIBRARY HOURS
 Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-9 p.m.
 Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
 Sunday 1 p.m.-5 p.m.

FREEDOM RIDER THOMAS ARMSTRONG SHARES HIS STORY

February 27 at 7 pm
 In 1961 Thomas Armstrong joined the Freedom Rides, becoming the first of three black Mississippians to purposely walk into the white waiting room at the Trailways bus station in Jackson, and challenge the law of segregation.

WOMEN HEROES OF WWI

March 8 at 2 pm
 Learn how millions of women worldwide mobilized for the war effort in a variety of ways, becoming powerful symbols both in their governments' propaganda efforts as well as in the women's rights movements of the day.

SENIOR MEDICARE & HEALTH INSURANCE (SHIP) COUNSELING

February 10 & March 10 at 9 am-Noon
 On 2nd Tuesdays a Senior Health Insurance Plan (SHIP) Counselor will be here to answer questions about Medicare, Medicare Supplement, long term care insurance, Medicare HMOs, private fee-for-service and other health insurance; assist in filing Medicare and Medicare Supplement claims; and analyze Medicare Supplement and long term care policies. Call 630-469-2300 to schedule your 30-minute appointment.

DROP-INS

HELEN PLUM QUILTERS

February 11 & March 11, 6-8 pm

PLUM NEEDLECRAFTERS

February 25 & March 25, 7-8:30 pm



LOOK! R=Registration Required!
 Register at helenplum.evanced.info, or by phone at 630-627-0316, Ask for Adult Services.

GENEALOGY

Genealogy Club 4th Tuesdays at 7 pm **R**

REGULAR MEETING

February 24 at 7 pm
PINS AND NEEDLES: PINNING DOWN YOUR PAST USING SOCIAL MEDIA

March 24 at 7 pm
 When it comes to Genealogy, lots of social media sites like Pinterest, Flickr, & History Pin make searching for ancestors fun.

DAR GENEALOGY ASSISTANCE
2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 6 - 8 pm

SENIOR SOCIALS

Senior Socials 3rd Mondays at 1 pm **R**

BATTLE OF THE BULGE: THE FORGOTTEN HEROES

February 16, 1 pm
 Presented by Robert Mueller, author of *Fields of War: The Battle of Normandy*. Featuring maps and photos of battlefield locations.

IRISH MUSIC ON THE HAMMERED DULCIMER

March 16, 1 pm
 Phil Passen performs traditional Irish music ranging from beautiful slow airs to rousing reels and jigs, including some very recognizable melodies such as *Irish Washerwoman* and *Danny Boy*.

INSIDE WRITING & PUBLISHING

WHAT EVERY WRITER NEEDS TO KNOW ABOUT THE LAW WITH REJEAN A. MORGAN, JD **R**

Tuesday, March 24, 7-8:30 pm at Glen Ellyn Public Library

Whether it is a novel, screenplay, or poetry collection, fiction or nonfiction, stand-alone or serial, illustrated or not, you want to do everything you can to protect your work. Rejean A. Morgan — a specialist in intellectual property, contract, and publishing law — will help you understand the different forms of intellectual property protection, such as copyrights and trademarks. She will discuss referencing other writers' work in your own and hiring others to do work for you. She will also cover what to do if you believe someone is infringing on your work. This program will benefit novices as well as seasoned professional writers and publishers. Register here: <http://gepl.evanced.info/signup/EventCalendar.aspx> or call 630.469.0879.

BOOK & FILM DISCUSSIONS

LIBRARY LOUNGE

March 3 at 7:30 pm
The Violets of March by Sarah Jio
April 7 at 7:30 pm
Station Eleven by Emily St. John Mandel

HPL BOOK DISCUSSIONS

The Poisoner's Handbook by Deborah Blum
February 18, 1 pm
February 19, 1 pm & 7:30 pm

The Night Circus by Erin Morgenstern
March 18, 1 pm
March 19, 1 pm & 7:30 pm

GREEN READIN'

Presented in Partnership with the Sierra Club Prairie River Group.

February 15, 2 pm
Never Cry Wolf by Farley Mowat
March 15, 2 pm
The Ecology of a Cracker Childhood by Janisse Ray

HISTORY BOOK DISCUSSION

Sponsored by Helen Plum Library & Lombard Historical Society
 LHS Carriage House at 2 pm
February 15, 2 pm - *Duel with the Devil: The True Story of How Alexander Hamilton and Aaron Burr Teamed Up to Take on America's First Sensational Murder Mystery* by Paul Collins

FILM DISCUSSION - Sundays

Winter's Bone - **February 22, 2 pm**
History of the World Part 1 - **March 22, 2 pm**

JOB SEEKERS

Job Seekers 2nd Thursdays at 7 pm **R**

PREPARING FOR THE INTERVIEW

February 12 at 7 pm
 Get some expert advice about how to prepare for an interview, what to do and not to do, and how to make yourself stand out.

JOB SEARCH FOR 55+

March 12 at 7 pm
 You have a lot of valuable experience and knowledge to offer your next employer. Management and Career Consultant Thomas Cunningham will share his expertise to help you navigate your job search.



Youth Services

Family Fridays!

T Up, Up and Away

Families with children of all ages

Friday, February 20 at 7:00 PM

Free tickets are available beginning **Saturday, February 7**

This spellbinding science presentation introduces children to the principles of air and pressure. Hot air balloons, vortex generators and even a hovercraft will help children understand the power of air.

T Dragon Feathers

Families with school age children

Friday, March 20 at 7:00 PM

Free tickets are available beginning **Saturday, March 7**

Merlin, the world's foremost authority on dragons, leads the puppet cast through three classic dragon tales and invites selected members of the audience to join in an authentic Chinese dragon dance.

We Love Crafts!

P Penguin Craft

Children of all ages

Friday, February 6

10:00 AM, while supplies last

D Valentine Craft

Children of all ages

Wednesday, February 11

4:15 PM, while supplies last

P Hedgehog Craft

Children of all ages

Friday, March 6

10:00 AM, while supplies last

D Pot of Gold

Children of all ages

Wednesday, March 11

4:15 PM, while supplies last

D Paper Airplanes

Recommended for grades 1 & up

Friday, March 18

4:15 PM

Winter Storytimes

Storytimes feature rhymes, songs, stories, and playful early literacy activities. Each storytime runs approximately 30 minutes.

D Night Owl Stories

Family storytimes for all ages

Mondays, February 9, 16, 23

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7:00 PM

R 1, 2, 3! Storytime

Ages 1 – 3, with an adult

Tuesdays, February 10, 17, 24

Tuesdays, March 10, 17, 24

9:30 AM

Or

Wednesdays, February 11, 18, 25

Wednesdays, February 11, 18, 25

9:30 AM

R Together Time!

Ages 3 – 5, with an adult

Tuesdays, February 10, 17, 24

Tuesdays, March 10, 17, 24

10:30 AM

Or

Wednesdays, February 11, 18, 25

Wednesdays, February 11, 18, 25

10:30 AM

D Stories to Grow On

Family storytime for all ages

Thursdays, February 12, 19, 26

Thursdays, March 12, 19, 26

9:30 AM

D Oh, Baby! Storytime

Birth – 15 months, with a caregiver

Thursdays, February 12, 19, 26

Thursdays, March 12, 19, 26

10:30 AM

D Go Nuts for Donuts!

Family storytime for all ages

Saturdays, February 14 & March 14

10:00 AM

Be sure to pick up the February/March Plum Jam for more information about our storytimes and events!



R Meet the Masters

Grades 3 & up



Wednesday, February 18
4:15 PM

Learn about Alexander Calder and then make a 3-D mobile inspired by his artwork.

R 3-D Roller Coaster

Grades K - 2

Wednesday, February 25
4:15 PM

Create twists, turns, loops, and giant drops on your very own roller coaster!

LEGO® Club

Ages 5 and up, with a caregiver

Saturday, February 28
Saturday, March 28
10:00 AM

Use our LEGO® bricks to build anything you can imagine.

D Timeless Tales

Family storytimes for all ages

Tuesday, March 3
10:00 AM

Enjoy classic stories at the Lombard Historical Society's Carriage House.



Make Your Spring Break

R Stomp Rockets

Grades 3 & up

Monday, March 30
3:00 PM

Make and launch stomp rockets!

R Toddler Try-Its

Ages 2 - 3, with a caregiver

Tuesday, March 31
9:30 AM

Bring your toddlers for a story and a hands-on experiment. Plan to dress in something that can handle a spill or splat!

R Messy Mad Scientist

Ages 3 - 5, with a caregiver

Tuesday, March 31
10:30 AM

Get ready for science fun! Our experiments may be a bit untidy so plan to dress for a mess.

D Maker Mania

Children of all ages

Wednesday, April 1
2:00 - 4:00 PM

Test, tinker and play with amazing tech toys like MaKey MaKey, LEGO® WeDo, Little Bits, 3Doodler & more!

R Marble Run

Grades K - 2

Thursday, April 2
10:00 AM

Fast or slow - how will your marble go?

P Drive-Thru Science

Children of all ages

Friday, April 3
10:00 AM, while supplies last

Bring home a fun experiment to try!

Teens



Register online, at the Adult Services desk, or by calling (630) 627-0316 today. You do not need a library card to register for Teen programs.

R ACT Practice Test

For high school students

Saturday, February 21
Saturday, March 21
1:00 - 4:30 PM

Wondering what the ACT Test will be like? Find out by taking a free ACT Practice Test proctored by Kaplan. Bring #2 pencils and an "approved" calculator. Find out if your calculator is approved by going to ACT.org.

T Tickets Required

D Drop-in - No Registration Needed

P Craft Pick Up - No Registration Needed

R Registration Required - Registration begins **Saturday, January 24** for February storytimes and events. Registration begins **Saturday, February 21** for March storytimes, events, and April's *Make Your Spring Break* events.

Helen Plum Library cards are required for ticketed and registered events. Register in person at the Youth Services desk, by phone at (630) 627-0316, or online at <http://helenplum.evanced.info>.





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Commuter Parking

Commuter parking spaces are offered at several locations in the Village of Lombard, all in close proximity to the Lombard Metra Station. Regular commuters may purchase quarterly parking permits on a first-come, first-served basis, based on availability. Persons wishing to purchase a permit for the first time for any of the permit only parking lots should contact the Village at (630) 620-5907 for availability information. Once you become a commuter parking permit holder, permits are renewable by mail before the start of each new quarter.

For both regular commuters and occasional commuters, daily fee parking spaces are available in several locations near the Lombard Metra station. The cost to park in a daily fee space is \$1.25/day. There is no fee if parking after 3:00 pm, on Saturdays or Sundays, and on certain Holidays. (see Village website for specific Holiday information) Overnight parking is prohibited in all lots.

While the Village does offer commuter parking for residents and non-residents, to be eligible to purchase a permit for a resident only parking lot, or to park in a resident only daily fee lot, you must be a resident of incorporated Lombard. Please refer to the Commuter Parking Map on the Village website for locations of the resident and non-resident permit only, and daily fee lots.

For complete commuter parking information, visit the Village website at [www.villageoflombard.org/commuter parking](http://www.villageoflombard.org/commuter_parking). You may also call (630) 620-5907 or email commuterparking@villageoflombard.org with any questions.

For updates and notifications specifically related to the Metra Tunnel Construction Project, you may go to www.villageoflombard.org/metraemail to sign up.



New Daily Fee Pay Stations Coming This Spring!

The Village of Lombard will be removing the current cash/coin daily fee pay boxes this Spring.

The new payment terminals will accept coin, paper bill and credit/debit card payments. The parking rates will remain the same.

In addition, commuters will also have the option to pay by phone or app (a transaction fee will apply in addition to the parking fee).

Be sure to check the Village's website in March 2015 for more information on these exciting changes!