



## Upcoming Events

January 27 - Brown Deer Foundation

## Quote of the Week

"My country is the world; my countrymen are mankind."

- William Lloyd Garrison

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## Manager's Office

- The Village Manager conducted employee evaluations for all department directors. The Village Manager attended the North Shore Managers meeting to discuss issues between the seven communities.
- A special Village Board meeting was held last week to pass a resolution consolidating the three (3) voting locations to one common polling location at Village Hall. The Spring Primary election will be held on February 18th for the position of Village Trustee.
- The Assistant Manager received a network rack that will house the Village's patch cables and network switches. The installation of the rack will help organize the network hardware and identify network connections.



## Library



- On January 20th, the Library staff had an in-service training day while we were closed for server upgrades and Martin Luther King Day. The North Shore Fire Department was a great partner for this informative day.
- [Football Fans meet the Author!](#), Wednesday January 29th, 6:30 p.m. – Meet Jim Rice and hear him speak about his two books '[Giant Cheeseheads!](#)' and 'Great Games of the Gridiron', just in time for the Superbowl!
- [Preschool Story Time](#) restarts Monday January 27th – Join us for stories and crafts, registration is required.
- [Lego Club](#) restarts Tuesday January 28th, 6:00 p.m. - Come in, hang out, and build awesome stuff out of Legos!
- [Family Movie Night](#) restarts Thursday January 30th, 5:30 p.m. - We'll watch Turbo. Feel free to bring your own snacks and beverages.

### Current programs for kids and teens:

- [Make it from CDs-an Upcycled Art Contest](#), now - January 25th – stop by the Library to pick up a pile of CDs and see what you can make, the top 3 will win a prize!
- [2014 Milwaukee Bucks Read to Achieve Reading Challenge](#), now - February 27th - Visit the Library to sign up...score a point for every page you read, score 500 points to receive a voucher for a free ticket to a Bucks game!

### Other upcoming programs include:

- [Night Owls-Who Hoots for You?](#) Saturday February 8th, 11AM – come see beautiful, living owls from the Audubon Nature Center.

## Public Works



- The Director attended the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD) Technical Advisory Team (TAT) meeting last week on Thursday, at MMSD. Every month all municipalities located within MMSD's service area are invited to attend the technical meeting which discusses topics related to the sanitary sewer collection system. Items discussed at last week's meeting were related to stormwater and the National Weather Service's update to rainfall depths associated with recurrence interval storm events (i.e. 10-year & 100-year recurrence). Additional topics discussed were related to the Private Property Inflow & Infiltration (PPI/I) projects and how municipalities are implementing the program.
- The Director completed a final review of the proposed development plans for a new Dunkin' Donuts north of the Fox 6 studios in the southwest quadrant of Deerwood Drive and Green Bay Road. The Director reviewed the plans to ensure compliance with the Village's, WDNR, and MMSD stormwater rules and regulations are met.
- The Director and Administrative Assistant met with the new Zoning & Planning Specialist who is working in the Community Services Department to discuss overlapping work tasks and how the new Zoning & Planning Specialist can assist DPW and vice-versa.
- Work remains halted in the Original Village and will resume again in the spring of 2014. Remaining work includes, but is not limited to, shrub planning, tree planting, mulching, topsoiling, seeding, and sodding. We-Energies will continue to install the black light poles and fixtures in the north half of the neighborhood along Deerwood Drive (north of Larry's Market) and along River Lane over the winter months. We-Energies will also be installing (trenching) the electrical service to the new pedestal at the west end of River Lane, which will provide power for the new Original Village electronic message board sign at Deerbrook Trail and Brown Deer Road.
- Winter operations remain busy at DPW. DPW crews salted the Village roadways on Friday evening last week and over the weekend on Sunday morning after the light snow events. DPW was back salting the Village mains and collector streets Monday afternoon after the latest light snow event. The Village, like many other North Shore communities and communities in southeastern Wisconsin, is very closely monitoring our salt supply. DPW will be salting the roadways as efficiently as possible in order to ensure our salt supply lasts through the remainder of the winter.
- Visu-Sewer crews are back in the Village trying to finally wrap up the remaining testing and sealing work. The extreme cold temperatures last week have caused the crews delays. Visu-Sewer crews are currently testing and sealing the 15-inch and 18-inch sewer main in Cedarburg Road and at Parkland Avenue and Teutonia Avenue. Visu-Sewer crews are also testing and sealing the 8-inch sewer mains in Basin 7, which is the neighborhood north of Tripoli Country Club bounded by 51st Street, Parkland Avenue, Sherman Boulevard and Calumet Road. The crews are working when the temperatures aren't too cold which can affect the grouting equipment. Work is slowly progressing with a completion date by the end of January.
- The Sanitary Sewer Technician, Mechanic, and Director met with a representative from Northern Sewer Equipment Company who is a distributor for Super Products of America to discuss the specifications for a new sewer jetter, CJ 1600. DPW will be purchasing a new sewer jetter in 2014 to replace the aging jetter that is currently shared with the City of Glendale.
- The Recycling Center has switched to Winter Hours. **PLEASE TAKE NOTE THAT THE RECYCLING CENTER HOURS HAVE CHANGED FOR 2014.** The Recycling Center is now open only on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for the months of January, February and March.
- DPW crews are continuing to fill pot-holes on streets throughout the Village with cold-patch asphalt and also assisting the Water Department with cold-patching asphalt in locations of water main breaks. DPW crews are also repairing damaged street signs and regulatory signs throughout the Village. DPW has placed a temporary crosswalk sign on 60th Street while the damaged flashing crosswalk sign is being repaired by TAPCO. The flashing crosswalk sign on the east side of 60th Street, adjacent to the Brown Deer School Campus, was damaged after a car-accident over the New Year's holiday.

## Recycling Center on Winter Hours

Saturday  
10:00 AM to 5:00 p.m.

### Weekly Health Tip

More home fires occur in winter than any other time of the year and most can be prevented. Maintain your fireplace and heating systems, and follow all safety tips for portable heaters. Make sure you have working smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Do you know how you would get out of your home if there was a fire? Plan several escape routes and practice them!

## Administrative Services



- The Administrative Services Department held their monthly team meeting.
- The Administrative Services Department continued to take in tax payments for the January 31st due date.
- Administrative Staff continues to work on the budget compilation, year-end reports, and audit work papers.

## North Shore Health Department



- The Board of Health met to discuss the Brown Deer Farmers' Market, e-cigarettes, the formula for determining community contributions, flu vaccine options for 2014, a freedom of information act request for our environmental health records, the teleconference with the Center for Disease Control for the Cryptosporidium outbreak, and our community health improvement plan.
- The health officer met with the North Shore Managers to discuss possible formula options for determining community contribution amounts.
- Staff met with Interfaith and the Shorewood Senior Resource Center coordinator to determine how to better target vulnerable populations to ensure that vulnerable adults and elders have access to services that enable them to live in the community safely.
- We've been busy doing car seat installation checks! The North Shore Health Department continues to partner with the North Shore Fire Department through the health department's injury prevention grant. If you need to request a car seat installation check, visit the Fire Department's web site at <http://www.nsfire.org> to schedule an appointment.
- Flu cases are on the rise! Did you get your flu shot yet? It's not too late if you haven't already done so. The North Shore Health Department has a limited supply of flu shots for only \$15. Please call us to schedule an appointment at 371-2980.
- A staff nurse passed the State of Wisconsin lead risk assessors test! This certification is required to take paint samples and investigate the homes for those children who have elevated blood lead levels.
- Staff attended the Safe Kids Coalition meeting with other community partners.
- Staff is working on collecting data for the several reports: the community health improvement plan, the annual report, and the health department's upcoming State of Wisconsin review.
- Upcoming clinics are:
  - January 28th: Blood pressure checks at the North Shore Library, from 3:30-4:00 p.m. No appointment is necessary. Adult health risk screening at our Shorewood office, 8:00-10:00 a.m. Appointment is required.

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## Park and Recreation



- **Residents and Nonresidents can register for Winter/Spring programs.** A listing of the Winter/Spring programs can also be viewed on the Village's website. Four ways to register for recreation programs; on-line, in-person at the office, by mail or drop box located in the front of Village Hall.

- **Youth Programs;** Swim Lessons, Water Safety Instructor Course, Junior Swim Club, Life Guard Training, Introduction to Cartooning, Sketching, Learn to Wood Carve, Kids Ltd., Rock Climbing, Youth Soccer Clinic, and MiKrosoccer.

- **Adult Programs;** Water Fitness, Fitness Dance, Strong & Fit, Lap Swim, Hatha Yoga, Zumba, Softball Leagues, Indian Cooking, Digital Camera Classes, Modern Square Dancing, Indoor Walking, Learn to Wood Carve,

Sheepshead Tournament, Beginning Mah Jongg and Senior Exercise.

- **Sheepshead Tournament, Saturday, March 22nd at the Lois and Tom Dolan Community Center.** Participants must register in advance for the tournament at the Park and Recreation Department. Tournament begins at 9:00 a.m. consisting of three rounds of fifteen. Registration fee is \$8.00 with a registration deadline of March 14th.
- **Village Park Permits are now being sold for the 2014 picnic season that runs from May 1st – September 30th.**

The facilities include a shelter area, grill, volleyball court, horseshoe court and children's play area. Park Permit fees must be paid in full at the time the reservation is filled. Pond Admission Fees will be charged in addition to the Permit Fee and will be assessed the day of the event. A Clean Up Deposit Fee will also be charged the day of the event and will be returned if the shelter and park area are left in good condition.

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## Police

- ❑ On January 15th, Chief Rinzel attended the monthly meeting of the North Shore Chiefs held in Glendale.
- ❑ On January 18th, the department conducted patrol officer entry level written testing for 50 candidates.



### Criminal Investigations/Youth Services

- ❑ During the past week, the Investigative Bureau conducted follow-up investigation on 15 cases.
- ❑ The Juvenile Officers reviewed five juvenile cases and counseled three juveniles.
- ❑ The Juvenile Officers referred one juvenile to the Milwaukee County Children's Court Center for charging and two juveniles to the Brown Deer Municipal Court.
- ❑ The Investigative Bureau took five cases to the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office for charging.
- ❑ The School Liaison Officers spent twelve hours at the Brown Deer Schools.

### Training

- ❑ Officer Morgan and K-9 Vader attended Milwaukee County K-9 Group training held in Greenfield on January 12th.
- ❑ Sergeant Michael Carver is attending Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command in West Allis from January 13th to February 10th.

Captain Halverson attended the Wisconsin Law Enforcement Executive Development Association Conference held in Wisconsin Dells from January 14th to 16th.

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## Water



- ◆ The “polar vortex” has maintained a below freezing weather pattern in the area over the last few weeks, which has resulted in continued water main breaks. Field crews have repaired breaks at the following locations: 6229 West Goodrich Lane, 5332 West Donna Drive, and 8616 North 58th Street.

- ◆ Here are a few “Simple Tips” to Avoid Winter Water Pipe Disasters this winter.

A burst pipe can cause \$10,000 in home damage. Preparing pipes for cold weather costs much less.

A much colder winter this year predicted by The Old Farmer’s Almanac threatens to cause even more frozen pipe damage to homes than last year unless home owners fight back the cold with simple steps to protect homes.

Frozen water can cause pressure buildup leading to pipes bursting. Pipes in attics, crawl spaces, and outside walls are particularly vulnerable to freezing, where holes in the home’s outside wall for television, cable, or telephone lines allow cold air to reach them.

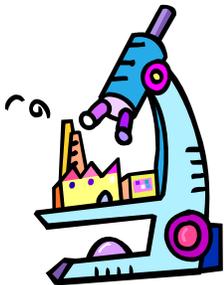
Try these tips to keep water in your home’s pipes from freezing:

- Keep cabinet doors open during cold spells to allow warm air to circulate around pipes (particularly in the kitchen and bathroom).
- Keep a slow trickle of water flowing through faucets connected to pipes that run through an unheated or unprotected space. Another option is to drain the water system, especially if your house will be unattended during cold periods.
- Fit exposed pipes with insulation sleeves or wrapping to slow the heat transfer, often times the more insulation the better.
- Seal cracks and holes in outside walls and foundations near water pipes with caulking.

Source: HouseLogic, Allied Insurance and Nationwide Mutual Insurance

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## Community Services



- The Inspection Department issued the following permits this week: 2 Building permits: (1) Kitchen remodel, and (1) KinderCare repair from water damage due to ruptured sprinkler pipe; 2 Certificate of Compliance for residential real estate sale; 2 Electrical permits: (1) wiring new furnace/AC, and (1) dishwasher; 4 HVAC permits: (2) new residential furnace, and (2) new residential furnace/AC unit; 4 Plumbing permits: (1) new dishwasher, (1) kitchen sink, (2) bathroom and kitchen remodels.
- The Inspection Department also conducted the following inspections: (2) rough Building inspections, (2) final Building inspections, (3) rough Code Compliance inspections for real estate sales, (2) rough Electrical inspections, (2) final Electrical inspections, (3) final HVAC inspections, (1) rough Plumbing inspection, (1) final Plumbing inspection, and (2) Enforcement inspections for junk/abandoned car on premise, and couch left at curb for over a month.
- The Building Inspection Department received plans for an office space build-out of 3,000 feet at the vacant tenant space adjacent to Levine Dental. The plans call for an office space for the Sisters of the Sorrowful Mother at 8858 60th Street. The use will be strictly office and no assembly.
- The Community Development Director met with the new owner of the 8200 Teutonia Avenue property. The property was acquired at a foreclosure auction. The new owner, Prairie Care LLC is seeking to complete the development of a CBRF and adult day care on the site. The owner discussed the review process and possible financial assistance for the project.
- The Community Development Director and Parks Director met with representatives of the Granville Brown Deer Chamber to discuss the schedule, setup and sponsorship of the 2014 summer concert series: Community Vibes. The Vibes will return with at least 3 dates in 2014 on the third Wednesday of June, July and August from 6:00-8:30 p.m.

- The Community Services Department's Zoning and Planning Specialist set up an office number (414.371.3032) to handle resident's questions and complaints concerning maintenance and nuisance complaints. He also began a daily Village patrol to address code violations and to begin identifying and quantifying vacancies and foreclosures within the Village.
- The Zoning and Planning Specialist also attended meetings with the Department of Public Works and the Police Department to begin coordinating a more pro-active and comprehensive approach to code enforcement activities. In the future the Zoning & Planning Specialist will also be meeting with the Health Department to further explore these types of coordinated efforts.
- The Engineering Manager continues to update maps and data in the aftermath of a busy 2013 construction season. But as is customary every year as the days grow longer despite the bleak scene outside, thoughts and efforts soon turn to planning for this year's construction of roadways and underground infrastructure such as watermain replacement and sewer upgrades. The Community Services Department is also involved to an extent with the private development that is increasingly happening in the Village. Most private development infrastructure that is connected to public utilities, such as a connection to a watermain or sewer must be catalogued and mapped for future reference.