



Lincolnshire NEWSLETTER

FALL 2013

Fall Leaf Collection to Begin Mid-October

The annual Leaf Collection Program begins on October 14, 2013. Leaves must be placed in the street by noon on Monday of your specified pickup week to guarantee collection during that week. Leaves placed in the street after the final collection that week will not be picked up until the next scheduled week of collection.

Leaf pickup is scheduled for Monday through Friday as follows:

Residents West of Riverwoods Road

October 14 to October 18
October 28 to November 1
November 11 to November 15

Residents East of Riverwoods Road

October 21 to October 25
November 4 to November 8
November 18 to November 22

Please do not mix foreign materials such as brush, garden waste, tree limbs, vines, lumber, etc. with the leaves. These materials can cause equipment failure or injury.

It is important to follow the schedule and not place leaves in the street more than two to three days before the scheduled pickup week. Residents can rake leaves and place them on the parkway near the curb, then rake them into the street during your scheduled week. Leaves raked in the street during off scheduled weeks may result in hazardous driving conditions and may clog storm sewer inlets causing localized flooding. Please notify your landscaper, if applicable, of the Village's leaf pickup schedule.

Your cooperation is important to the success of this program. If you have any questions regarding this program, please contact Wendy Moderhack, Public Works Facility Secretary at 847.913.2380.

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Access the Village Website on the Go

The official Village of Lincolnshire website is now mobile friendly! Access information anytime, anywhere from your mobile device, such as your tablet or Smart phone. Just go to the regular Village website and you will automatically be forwarded to the new mobile friendly interface.

Senior Citizen Tax Relief

If you are a senior citizen, sixty-five years or older, residing in a single-family residence, condominium or townhome and are obligated to pay real estate property taxes, you may be eligible for senior citizen tax relief. The amount refunded to you, from your Lake County property tax bill, will be the dollars paid to the Village of Lincolnshire Pension Funds. To qualify, your total adjusted gross income (which is the total dollars you receive from any source – dividends, pension, Social Security, etc.) CANNOT exceed the number the IRS designates as the maximum allowable Social Security benefit a household can receive. For example, in 2012 the maximum allowable social security benefit is \$45,240 for married couples and \$30,156 for single people. Therefore, to receive the senior citizen tax relief from your 2012 Lake County property tax bill, your total household income cannot be higher than \$45,240 (married) or \$30,156 (single). The application deadline is December 31, 2013. For more information, contact Sheri Beck, Account Clerk Supervisor, at 847.913.2301

Where Do your Property Tax Dollars Go?

Residents have recently received their annual property tax assessment notice from Lake County. This is the starting point in determining your property tax bill. Each taxing body prepares an annual tax levy, and property owners are billed a portion of each. The total of these levies makes up your annual tax bill. The dollar bill below illustrates the total tax bill of a Lincolnshire resident. The Village’s portion of the total property tax remains fairly small (3.3%).



36.2% School Dist. #103

34.1% School Dist. #125

9.1% LR Fire Dist.

7.6% Lake County

3.6% Vernon Area Library

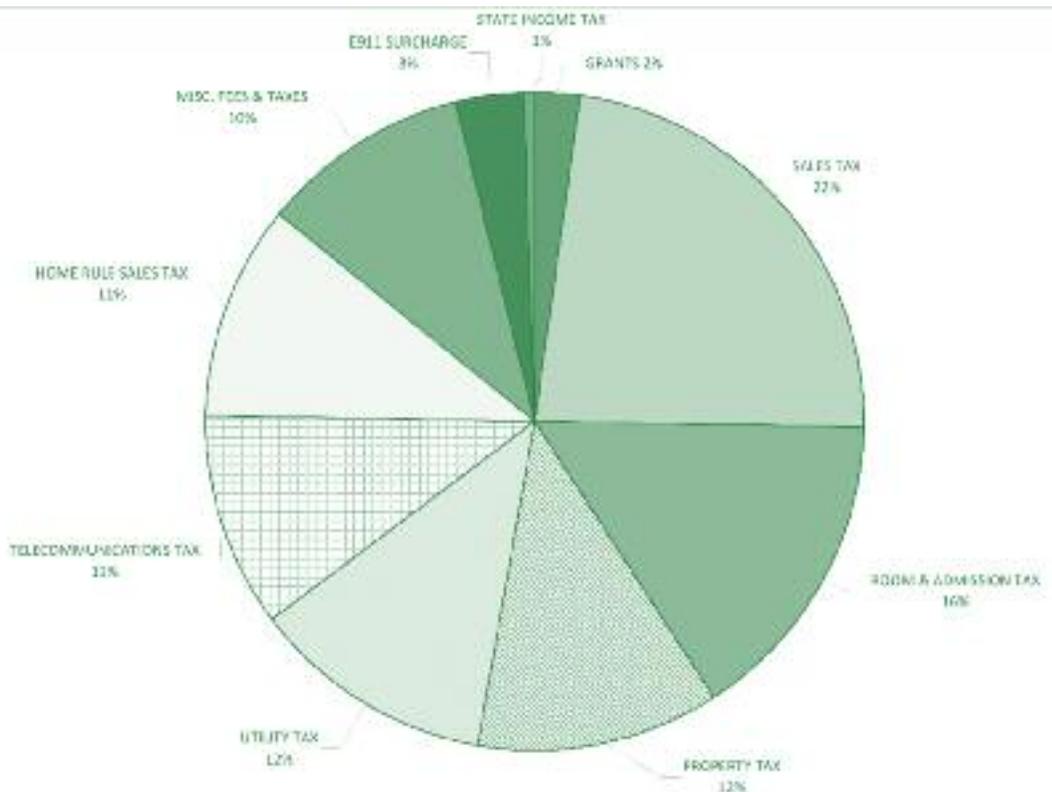
3.4% Lake Co. College

3.3% VILLAGE

2.6% LC Forest Preserve

1.0% Vernon Township

VILLAGE OF LINCOLNSHIRE 2013 BUDGET SOURCES OF VILLAGE REVENUE



This chart depicts the sources of revenue that fund Village operations for the current fiscal year. Please note that 88% of the Village’s general government revenues come from sources other than property taxes. Only 12% of the Village’s total general government revenue come from property taxes.

Preparing for the Future - 2014 Budget Process

Village Staff is working to develop the 2014 Budget. The budget document guides the Village in its activities from January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014. The following dates have been tentatively scheduled for resident input regarding this process:

September 9, 2013 - Residents and representatives of Village Organizations are encouraged to attend a Committee of the Whole Meeting to discuss particular projects or priorities they would like the Village Board to consider for Fiscal Year 2014. If you cannot attend, please send a written request to Brad Burke, Village Manager at bburke@village.lincolnshire.il.us.

October/November 2013 - The Mayor and Board of Trustees will establish special meetings to discuss the draft Budget. The dates of the special meetings will be posted on the Village website at www.village.lincolnshire.il.us once they are scheduled. The draft budget will be available at the Village Hall and the Vernon Area Public Library for your review as of October 11, 2013.

November 11, 2013 - Proposed 2014 Budget will appear as an item for discussion on the Committee of the Whole Meeting Agenda. This will be an opportunity for comments and to discuss previous Board comments.

December 9, 2013 - Final Budget consideration and approval is expected to occur at the last Village Board meeting of the year. If you should have any questions regarding the process, please contact Finance Director, Michael Peterson at 847.913.2303 or mpeterson@village.lincolnshire.il.us.

The First Steps to the Downstairs of Your Dreams

Are you planning to convert existing space in an unfinished basement to living space? The Village's Community Development Department encourages you to keep the following considerations in mind:

- Basements and every sleeping room within the basement must be provided with smoke detectors
- Every basement is required to provide an escape window. If a bedroom is planned, the escape window must be located inside the bedroom
- Lighting and receptacle outlets shall be spaced and installed in accordance with the 2008 National Electrical Code.
- A minimum of R-13 insulation and vapor barrier is required for exterior (perimeter) walls

To efficiently process your basement permit, your application should provide a scaled floor plan with the following information:

- Room locations and labels, i.e. laundry room, bedroom, closet, etc.
- Location of electrical outlets
- Size and location of existing basement ventilation and escape windows.
- Ceiling heights for all areas including dropped areas.
- A wall section showing construction materials such as framing, insulation, and drywall.

You do not need an architect to prepare the plans as described above, however, it is strongly recommended. An architect can help provide the appropriate detailed plans and is generally familiar with building codes and various requirements of municipalities.

Copies of the International Residential Code books are available for viewing at the Village Hall, Vernon Township Library, and online at <http://publicecodes.cyberregs.com/icod/index.htm>

Don't Fence Me In What You Need to Know About Fence Permits

If you are contemplating installing a new fence, keep the following in mind:

- All fence installations require an approved Building Permit Application prior to installation. A permit application can be picked up at the Village Hall or you can download a copy from the Village website at www.village.lincolnshire.il.us
- Include two copies of the plat of survey for your property with the location of the fence.
- Include a copy of the fence contractors proposal.
- Please note fences cannot be built in any portion of a conservancy area.
- If the fence is to be installed through any part of an easement, an easement waiver will need to be signed and stamped by a notary. For your convenience the Village has two notaries on Staff.

Fences are generally not permitted in a floodway. If you do not know if your home is in a floodway or floodplain, please feel free to contact Village Hall and a Staff member will gladly provide you with this information.

Fence permits are generally reviewed by staff and available for issuance 7 to 10 business days after submittal. All fence permits require a \$50.00 fee, payable at the time of permit issuance.

If you have questions pertaining to fence permits please feel free to contact Nicole Koleno, Code Enforcement Inspector at 847.913.2317.



Building Construction in the Floodplain or Floodway

If you are contemplating modification to your home, contact the Village before starting your design. Buildings located in the floodplain or floodway are subject to additional building regulations designed to protect not only the structure but also the floodplain. Any modification to these structures may require a permit. Your house may be located in the floodplain if it is located near a river or stream. Village Staff can help determine if your house is in or out of the floodplain.

Additions to Structures in the Floodplain: In general, the cost of the addition must be less than fifty-percent of the value of the structure itself. This regulation is known as the Substantial Improvement rule. It is designed to limit the exposure of damage to structures in the floodplain. If the cost of the proposed addition would exceed the fifty-percent threshold, then the entire structure must be brought into compliance with the floodplain regulations. Additions to structures in the floodplain may be located above the existing footprint or may expand the footprint of the structure. If the footprint is expanded, the additional area must comply with the floodplain requirements, which typically require that the addition be elevated. You may not expand the footprint of structures in the floodway.



For more information, contact the Public Works Department at 847.883.8600

When the Lights Go Out... Connect with ComEd

If your lights flicker or you have an outage, contact ComEd at 1-800-EDISON1 (that is 1.800.334.7661). ComEd does not know there is an outage at your home unless you tell them. Continue to call ComEd each day your service remains out. ComEd may have taken steps to restore the main lines feeding your area, but there may still be a downed line in your neighborhood which is unknown. For faster customer service, have your account number handy.

ComEd offers many ways to report outages, including text messages, Facebook, and mobile apps. For more information on these methods, visit

www.comed.com/customer-service/outage-information/Pages/report-an-outage.aspx.

AFTER you have contacted ComEd, send the Village an e-mail at electricity-outage@village.lincolnshire.il.us. Include the following information in your email: name, address, type of incident: outage, surge or flickering; date of incident, duration of incident and contact information (e-mail or phone number) where we may reach you if we have questions about the incident. We DO NOT use this information to report outages to ComEd. However, we use it to identify problem areas and will work with ComEd to improve service.

CLEAN OUT YOUR MEDICINE CABINET

The Lincolnshire Police Department will be participating in the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration's National Drug Take Back Initiative Saturday, October 26, 2013 from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. The take-back day provides residents an opportunity to safely dispose of expired, unwanted, or unused pharmaceutical controlled substances and other medications. During the last three take-back days, Lincolnshire residents disposed of nearly 300 pounds of liquid and solid drugs.

Drug collection will take place at the Lincolnshire Village Hall, One Olde Half Day Road. Controlled, non-controlled, and over-the-counter substances will be collected. All solid dosage pharmaceutical products and liquids in consumer containers will be accepted. Liquid products, such as cough syrup, should remain sealed in their original container. Please ensure that the cap is tightly sealed to prevent leakage. Participants may dispose of solid medication in its original container or by removing the medication from its container and disposing of it directly into the disposal box. You are not required to remove the Rx labels from the bottles. All material collected, including the Rx vials, will be incinerated. Used intra-venous (IV) solutions, injectibles, and syringes will not be accepted due to the potential hazard posed by blood borne pathogens.

Got Drugs?



BURGLARY PREVENTION

Burglars look for opportunities. A typical car burglar will pull on car doors until he finds one unlocked. Once inside your car, they will quickly search for items of value such as your garage door opener and your GPS device. These two items are the perfect combination for a residential burglary! With a GPS device, burglars have an easy time selecting "home" on the unit to effortlessly locate your residence. Once they are at your residence, it is as simple as pushing the garage door button to gain access into your home. Burglars are aware most people do not lock the door that leads from the garage to the inside of their home. Please do not give burglars the opportunity to strike. Lock the doors on your vehicles whether they are in your driveway or a parking lot. Keep your garage doors closed even when you are at your residence. Do not put your possessions on display for a thief with an unattended, open garage door. Burglars like to strike fast, and they cannot strike very fast when they are busy trying to pry through a locked door, or break the window of a car to unlock the door.



Also, do not forget Daylight Savings Time ends on November 3rd, which means it will be getting dark earlier in the evening. Remember to readjust the timers on your lights. This is the time of year our community experiences most of its residential burglaries. Do not advertise your absence from your home. Bring in your garbage bins in a timely manner, walk down the driveway to collect the newspaper, and make it appear someone is always home with adequate lighting. Limiting the opportunity will limit the number of burglaries!

Lincolnshire Connects with Residents During Emergencies

The Village strives to provide specific and timely information to the residents and businesses during emergency events. The Village uses a variety of communication methods to update residents on emergency events as they unfold, including: email newsletters, website updates, emergency warning sirens, Twitter (@Lincolnshire_IL), Facebook (Village of Lincolnshire), and automated telephone calls and text messaging – Blackboard Connect®.



Blackboard Connect® is Lincolnshire’s Village-to-Resident communications service. With Blackboard Connect®, Village staff can send periodic and personalized voice, text, or e-mail messages to residents and businesses within minutes. Blackboard Connect® is used to complement Lincolnshire’s emergency preparedness procedures and to alert residents about important issues during emergencies and community situations. Blackboard Connect® allows the Village to rapidly disseminate time-sensitive messages to every telephone number or email stored in the notification database. With this service, all resident information is kept confidential and only authorized users can send messages or access the system and database. Please visit our Website at www.village.lincolnshire.il.us and click on the Blackboard Connect® icon to learn more about this important community notification system.

Got E-News?



The Lincolnshire “E-News” is a weekly email newsletter providing timely information about Village programs and services as well as community events. To sign up to receive the Lincolnshire E-News, visit the Village’s website at www.village.lincolnshire.il.us today and click on the “Email Update Link” in the left-hand column. From there, you can sign up to receive either the Lincolnshire E-News, emails on construction updates, or both. Sign up today! The Lincolnshire E-News is the easiest way to automatically receive regular updates from the Village.

Join the Lincolnshire Community Association

Bringing Our Community Together

What a great summer in Lincolnshire! 4th of July at Spring Lake Park, Taste of Lincolnshire, National Night Out, Art Festival & the North Park 10th Anniversary Celebration. Now we’re back to all things Fall, including Halloween - and that means Lincolnshire's Boo Bash! Boo Bash is Saturday, October 26, 2013 from 4:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at North Park. The details are posted on our website at www.lincolnshirecommunity.org If you have any more questions, please contact Stephanie Hooper, LCA Communications Director at stephaniethooper@gmail.com



Are You Eligible for a Tree Credit

Residents who purchase and plant trees on their property may be eligible to receive credit for those trees. This credit will reduce any bond which may be required for the future removal of a tree. A record will be kept in the resident's property file of the trees that are planted. Should the resident need to remove a tree, and the tree is required to be bonded or replaced, this credit can be used towards those requirements. For more information please contact Brad Woodbury, Assistant to the Director of Public Works at 847.913.2361



Fall Storm and Tree Damage

Spring and fall are typically times when the Village experiences severe storms. In preparation for fall storm events, the Village recommends residents take a moment to walk your property and inspect your trees before the leaves start to turn color. Look for these ten warning signs:

1. Do you have dead trees?
2. Are there bare branches or dead sections on the tree where you have experienced a heavy loss of foliage?
3. Did you recently heavily prune or top the tree?
4. Are there broken or hanging branches?
5. Has the tree started to lean to one side more noticeable than before?
6. Are there holes or rotted sections in the trunk or limbs?
7. Has there been any excavation, compaction or other possible damage to root systems?
8. Are there mushrooms or other fungi growing on the bark or roots?
9. Have you had to remove other trees in the area?
10. Are there leaves and short branches appearing on the trunk of the tree?

If you answered yes to any of the above questions, a certified arborist should evaluate your trees. A list of ISA certified arborist's can be found at www.treesaregood.com

NOTE: Should there be a severe storm event this fall, residents will be required to remove downed limbs and landscape debris through Waste Management or another contracted service. The Village will not pick up any landscape debris. Additional tree related questions can be directed to Brad Woodbury, Assistant to the Director of Public Works at 847.913.2361 or bwoodb@village.lincolnshire.il.us.

Spring Lake Beach Closes

Spring Lake Beach will be closed for swimming from September 30, 2013 until Memorial Day weekend! There will be no lifeguards at Spring Lake Beach after September 2, 2013! When lifeguards are not present, children under the age of 17 are allowed to swim only with the supervision of an adult. This is a state regulation and one which the Village supports. For more information contact Brad Woodbury, Assistant to the Director of Public Works at 847.913.2361.



Labor Day Wastehauler Pick-Up Schedule

Because Labor Day falls on Monday September 2, 2013 single family residential homes garbage and recyclables will not be picked up by Waste Management on the normal pick-up date, but on Thursday September 5, 2013.

BMW GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT SEPTEMBER 9-15, 2013

The BMW Golf Championship will be held at the Conway Farms Golf Club in Lake Forest September 9-15, 2013. Golfers, golf fans, and media are expected to descend on Conway Farms during this major tournament event. The open fields north of Everett Road at Riverwoods Road will be used for staff, volunteers, and spectator parking. Shuttle buses will then transport people to Conway Farms. To accommodate tournament traffic, northbound Riverwoods Road will be closed daily from 6:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. at Everett Road. Patrons will only be able to access the tournament parking areas by traveling south from Townline Road (Rt. 60) on St. Marys Parkway to Everett Road. Riverwoods Road will be completely closed to public traffic between Townline Road and Everett Road. Local access to North Park will be only from the south.

Temporary "No Parking" signs for the affected hours will be posted on Brookwood Lane, Northhampton Lane, Farrington Drive, Brampton Lane (East & West), and Whitmore Lane to prevent tournament patrons from parking on village streets. Village staff will be present at North Park to monitor any unauthorized parking at that site.

FALL 2014 COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

- 9th** • **Riverside Foundation Golf Outing** - At White Deer Run Golf Club in Vernon Hills at 8:00 a.m. For more information call 847.634.3973
- 9th** • **Committee of the Whole Meeting** - Residents and Organizations are encouraged to attend to discuss particular projects or priorities they would like the Village to consider for Fiscal Year 2014 Budget
- 10th** • **2013-14 Village Club Kick-off** - Women from District 103 are invited to the Lincolnshire Swim Club, Coffee from 9:00 a.m to 11:00 a.m and Cocktails from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. For more information contact Robin Babbo at rbabbo@thevillageclub.info.
- 18th** • **Lincolnshire Morningstar Golf Outing** - At the Arboretum Club in Buffalo Grove at 9:00 a.m. For more information contact Neil Perlman at nbperlman@gmail.com
- 19th** • **SRALC Golf Outing** - At Steeple Chase Golf Club in Mundelein at 10:30 a.m. For more information call 847.816.4866.
- 22nd** • **Lincolnshire Community Nursery School 40th Anniversary**
- 28th** • **Olde Mill Park Resident Volunteer Day** - From 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. For more information contact Brad Woodbury, Assistant to the Director of Public Works at 847.913.2361 or bwoodb@village.lincolnshire.il.us.

OCTOBER

- 6th** • **Blood Drive** - Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit, 30 Riverwoods Road, from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Anyone weighing 110 pounds or more can donate. For more information call 847.945.1550.
- 25th** • **The Lincolnshire Garden Club Annual Fundraiser** - The fundraiser will be taking place at the Arboretum Club in Buffalo Grove from 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. For more information contact Dimitra Alexakos at alexakos@comcast.net
- 26th** • **Boo Bash** - At North Park from 4:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.



NOVEMBER

- 9th** • **Holiday Craft Bazaar and Bake Sale** - Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit, 30 Riverwoods Road, from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Profits are used to support a variety of Lake County programs for youth and children, the homeless and people in need. For more information call 847.945.1550.
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