

**Village of Willowbrook
Parks & Recreation
Winter/Spring Fun Guide 2015**





Save the Date!

Village of Willowbrook's Earth Day - Go Green

5K Run and Children's Race

Sunday, April 26

Borse Community Park – Race Start Time: 8:00 a.m.

Look for updates at www.willowbrookil.org



Easter Egg Hunt

Borse Community Park

Saturday, April 4

11:00 a.m. Sharp

Please call the Village to pre-register at 630-323-8215

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Community Newsletter

Mayor Trilla's Letter to the Residents

Dear Residents,

It has been a hectic year, with the Village taking an aggressive approach in completing a multitude of projects and programs that were identified during our budget process for the 2014/15 fiscal year. Being a new mayor, there are many areas that I wish to focus on during my term to bring about positive changes to our community, in addition to continuing to provide quality services to our residents and businesses. Each of these ideas were thoroughly reviewed by our Village Board and I am pleased for the support many received. Here is a short summary of several items of interest, along with an update on several other projects:

Police CALEA Re-Accreditation: On November 20th, several Village trustees and I will travel to Albuquerque, NM to receive reaccreditation recognition from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA). This marks the 7th reaccreditation of our police department as well as the 5th time the department was recognized with a Law Enforcement Advanced Accreditation Gold Standard Assessment (GSA). The Willowbrook police department is one of very few police agencies nationally that has achieved this prestigious level of award from CALEA. We are very proud of our department.

Resurfacing of Kingery Highway (Illinois Route 83): In October, the Village received notification from IDOT of their intent to resurface IL Rt. 83 from Butterfield Road (IL Rt. 56) south to the Cook County line. The overall project will be split into two construction contracts to enable two contractors to work simultaneously. The estimated start date of this \$15.13M project is April 2015 with completion in October 2015. The scope of the work includes resurfacing only – no road widening.

Pete's Fresh Market (Redevelopment of the former K-Mart site): At long last, on November 10th, the Village received a 90% project submittal for a retail development on the former K-Mart site. The project includes an approximate 134,000 square feet mixed use retail development with two new outlot buildings. The plan will be considered by the Village Plan Commission in the coming months before final consideration by the Village Board. The developer hopes to break ground in the spring with businesses opening in late 2015. The project will also include a new traffic signal at the Plainfield Road access drive.

New Village Hall, 835 Midway Drive: Renovation work began in mid-July. Although the project has experienced several delays due to unforeseen construction issues and extended lead times in receiving materials, it is really starting to come together. We are still hopeful for an end of the year move in date. Next year's facilities project includes the renovation of the current Village Hall to function exclusively as the police station. Conceptual design work is underway for that project, which will go out to bid in the spring.

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Water System MTU Replacement Program: The FY 2014/15 budget includes funding to replace 1,845 meter transmitting units (MTUs) throughout the Village's water system. The batteries within the existing wireless remote reading units are beginning to fail prematurely, which, can impact our ability to obtain an accurate water reading. Our installing contractor, Calumet City Plumbing, has begun sending letters to account locations where change outs must occur requesting that an appointment be made to complete the change out. The project should be completed by March of 2015.

Emerald Ash Borer Infected Tree Removal/Replacements: As you may have heard, in January 2013, the Village received notification from the Illinois Department of Agriculture confirming the presence of the emerald ash borer (EAB) within the Village limits. The emerald ash borer is a small (1/2 inch long, 1/8 inch wide) metallic green beetle native to Asia that is responsible for destroying more than 20 million ash trees since it was first found in Michigan in 2002. The Village contracted with an arborist to provide an inventory of all village owned trees. The inventory identified roughly 700 ash trees, which represents over 20% of the Village's publicly owned tree population. In response, the Village Board approved a multi-year EAB Abatement Program which includes the removal and replacement of all publicly owned ash trees within the Village. The Village is currently in the midst of Year 2 of the program, which includes the removal and replacement of roughly 230 trees. The removal portion of the program for this year is nearly complete and the replacement trees are scheduled to be planted during the spring of 2015.

Willow Pond Park Renovation: In April, the Village received an Open Space Lands Acquisition and Development (OSLAD) grant from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) in the amount of \$400,000. Willowbrook was the only jurisdiction in DuPage County to receive such a grant in 2014. We are continuing to work with our park consultant, Landtech Design, to complete a comprehensive renovation of Willow Pond Park, located at the northeast corner of Plainfield Road and Adams Street. Although Phase I of the project was to occur this year, it is questionable whether the pond dredging work needs to be completed. We are seeking an opinion from IDNR in that regard. If it is determined to be needed, the pond dredging will be bid in the spring and be completed prior to the construction of the new park amenities, which will include a splash pad, new pavilion shelter, playground, permanent restrooms, fishing sites, exercise pods, and site landscaping.

Streetlight Conversion to LEDs: The Village previously received a \$92,000 grant from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) to convert Village streetlights to current LED technology. Our engineering consultant has recently completed a Village-wide streetlight inventory and is working on the bid documents to enable the project to be publicly bid early next year. The project will be completed during the 2015/16 fiscal year and should vastly improve illumination consistency throughout town, aside from reducing carbon emissions.

ComEd Green Region Grant: The Village was awarded a \$10,000 grant from ComEd to complete passive recreational improvements to Lake Hinsdale Park, located south of 63rd Street behind

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Whole Foods. In addition, \$12,000 was included in the FY 2014/15 budget to enable the completion of the full project, consisting of the construction of a new walking path, landscaping, and sitting benches. The Village is now considering completing the project as a joint venture with the Midtown Athletic Club to enable a larger renovation. The project is tentatively scheduled to start next spring.

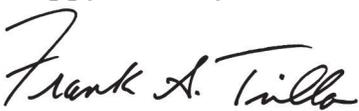
Willowbrook Parks Department 5k Run: The Village plans to hold its first 5k Run next spring. Our Park & Recreation Commission formed an ad-hoc race committee, which has met over the last several months to design a 5k race as well as a modified children's race. The proposed 5k course route will begin at Borse Community Park and continue through several residential neighborhoods and Village Parks. The run will culminate back at Borse Community Park. We look forward to this community event which will benefit the Gower Foundation and the Kiwanis Club of Willowbrook/Burr Ridge.

Prairie Trail Park Grant: In September, the Village received initial approval notice from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) on a \$50,000 grant, which is earmarked for improvements to Prairie Trail Park. This park is located at the southeast corner of Clarendon Hills Road & 59th Street. I'd like to thank State Representative Patti Bellock for her support in endorsing the Village for this grant. Since 2010, the Village has received five such grants from the DCEO resulting in nearly \$300,000 in state funding to complete various worthwhile projects.

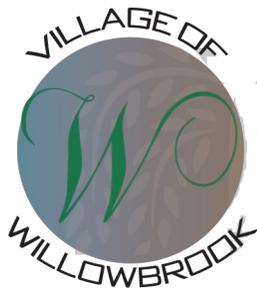
I hope the above information is welcome news and helps illustrate how hard Village elected officials, appointed officials, and staff are working to make Willowbrook a special community that we can all be proud of. Last of all, I would like to thank former Trustee Dennis Baker for his years of service on the Village Board. Dennis resigned from the Board on September 23, 2014 after serving the community for over 11 years. On October 13, 2014, Lake Hinsdale Village resident Gayle Neal was appointed as trustee to fill the vacancy. Gayle is also community driven and we are pleased that she expressed an interest in serving the residents of Willowbrook.

I am by no means out of ideas, and as always, would welcome any and all input from you on other projects or suggestions to consider in the future. Please feel free to contact me directly at frilla@willowbrook.il.us.

Happy Holidays,



Frank A. Trilla, Mayor



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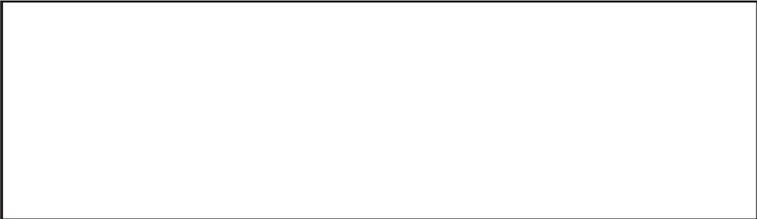
IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Animal Control	630-407-2800
Anna Emery Hanson Center	630-325-3857
Anna M. Jeans School	630-325-8186
Burr Ridge Middle School	630-325-5454 ext 6
Clarendon Hills Post Office (60514)	630-323-0309
College of DuPage	630-858-2800
Commonwealth Edison	1-800-334-7661
Downers Grove Township	630-719-6600
DuPage Co. Forest Preserve Dist.	630-933-7200
DuPage Co. Information	630-407-6500
Flagg Creek Reclamation District	630-323-3299
Gateway Special Rec. Assoc.	630-325-3857
Good Samaritan Hospital	630-275-5900
Gower Middle School	630-323-8275
Gower West School	630-323-6446
Hinsdale Central High School	630-570-8000
Hinsdale Hospital	630-856-9000
Hinsdale South High School	630-468-4000
Holmes School/District #60 Office	630-323-2086
Humane Society	630-323-5630
Indian Prairie Library	630-887-8760
LaGrange Memorial Hospital	708-245-9000
Maercker School	630-968-6165
NICOR Gas	1-888-642-6748
Oak Brook Post Office (60523)	630-990-4224
Secretary of State (Lombard)	630-629-0380
States Attorney	630-407-8000
Suburban Hospital	630-323-2372
Westmont Post Office (60559)	630-968-0855
Westview Middle School	630-963-1450
Willowbrook Carrier Annex (60527)	630-323-3950



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