

Northbrook!

November/December 2011

Northbrook's New Water Tower



As our new one-million-gallon water tower is incrementally brought online in December, water main pressures in the Village will gradually increase.

What You Should Know

Residents may experience temporary rusty or discolored water as a result of the increased water pressure loosening minerals that have built up in water lines over time. **If this occurs:**

► Run the cold water on your faucet for 5 minutes or until water runs clear. This

should purge the lines of stirred up minerals.

► If, after several attempts, the rusty or discolored water continues to come out from the faucet, please contact the Public Works Department at 847/272-4711 between the hours of 7am and 3pm or the Police Department at 847/564-2060 between the hours of 3pm and 7am.

As water system pressure increases, local water main breaks may occur. The water mains within our distribution system are rated to handle the increased pressure, but over the decades, some pipes may have developed weak points. At least initially, higher pressures may increase the frequency of failure due to these weak points. To help prevent water main breaks, the Village crews will be installing pressure relief valves on hydrants in key locations. These devices act as "shock" absorbers that dampen pressure spikes. It is normal for a hydrant with a pressure relief valve on it to exhibit slowly leaking water.

You Can Help

If you see water coming from the pavement or parkway, or notice significant amounts of water running/ice build-up in the gutter of your street, it could be a main break. Please contact the Public Works Department at 847/272-4711 between the hours of 7am and 3pm or the Police Department at 847/564-2060 between the hours of 3pm and 7am. Normally someone will be able to respond within one hour. For more information, visit www.northbrook.il.us/WaterTower. ☀

Northbrook Maintains Class 7 Status with National Flood Insurance CRS

Once again, the Village has received good news from FEMA! Following the annual recertification review, the Village has maintained a Class 7 Rating with the National Flood Insurance Program's Community Rating System (CRS). The CRS program allows communities to achieve certain credits (i.e. reduction in flood insurance policy premiums) by implementing specific floodplain outreach activities and development regulations. Currently, there are only 18 communities in Illinois with a Class 7 rating out of over 200 participating communities nationwide! *continued on page 3*

Veterans Day Celebration

Friday, November 11, 10:30am

Northbrook Jr. High, 1475 Maple Ave.

Remember our Veterans, as well as those currently serving, at this year's Veterans Day Memorial Service. The American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars invite all to assemble in the Northbrook Jr. High gymnasium for a ceremony which will include presentations from local veterans as well as featured speakers Commander John Goldcamp and Village President Sandy Frum. Plan to attend this special service complete with Color Guard and a Rifle Salute.

Come out and thank our Veterans! ☀

Holiday Refuse Schedule

Thanksgiving

Thurs. customers, pick-up Fri. Fri. customers, pick-up Sat.

Christmas and New Years

As Christmas and New Years fall on Sun., there will be no pick-up Mon. Regular pick-up will be delayed by one day. Christmas trees will be picked up starting the week of Jan. 2 based on your recycling day.

Last Chance for Yard Waste Pickup

Tues., Nov. 30. ☀

Notes from Village President Sandy Frum



❖ Happy Holidays – Wrapping Up an Eventful Year

With the winter holidays just around the corner, I'd like to wish everyone a happy holiday season. It's that time of year to be thinking about Thanksgiving and other seasonal festivities! This newsletter features a variety of opportunities to celebrate, either by attending an event, such as the Northbrook Interfaith Service (to be held at St. Peter's Church, Willow and Pfingsten, on Wed., Nov. 23 at 7pm) or by giving to one, or more, of the local organizations preparing for the holidays, including the U.S. Marines' Toys for Tots, Youth Services Holiday Gift Program, and the Northfield Township Food Pantry. See pages 3 and 7 for more details.



❖ Status of the Downtown Northbrook Plan

Thank you to the nearly 150 members of the community that participated over the four days of the downtown Northbrook planning charrette. There were many great ideas shared and, if implemented, they would make downtown Northbrook an even more vibrant place. Visit the project website, www.northbrook.il.us/DowntownPlan where you can view project ideas. The consultant's draft of the Downtown Northbrook plan will also be posted mid-December.

❖ Live Shop Dine Northbrook

Please continue to support our local businesses. Remember, 1^{3/4} cents of every dollar spent in Northbrook benefits the Village. Northbrook's wonderful shopping venues offer something for everyone. The holidays are the perfect time to make plans with your friends and family to dine at our many new restaurants or your local favorites. I'd also like to welcome some new businesses to town that have opened or will be opening soon:

Hickory Farms – Northbrook Court – seasonal
S.A. Elite Sports Authority – Northbrook Court
See's Candies – Northbrook Court
Sur La Table – Northbrook Court
Northbrook Family Eye Care – 2750 Dundee
Once Upon a Bagel (formally Kaboff's Deli) - 2744 Dundee Rd.
Pear Tree Catering – 630 Dundee Rd.
Wags on Willow – Willow Festival
Caribou Coffee – 1347 Shermer (opening Dec.)

❖ Keeping Connected During Times of Rain, Sleet and Snow, and Local Emergency Situations: Northbrook Notify and Facebook

During last winter's heavy snowfall and this summer's storms and power outages, Village staff was able to provide residents with up to the minute notices via phone calls, texts and email – mostly emails! If you have not already done so, I strongly encourage you to sign up your family's cell phone numbers and email addresses on Northbrook Notify at www.northbrook.il.us You'll have the option to receive emergency alerts (our most popular category which is occasionally used for special non-emergency notices), in addition to road construction notices, weekly meeting reminders and timely updates on other Village news and events. **If we can't reach you... We can't notify you!** We also post timely information on our Facebook page. Like us at www.facebook.com/NorthbrookIllinois

Speaking of storms...staff has been working closely with ComEd on issues specific to Northbrook; in fact, ComEd will be presenting a report to the Board, at the rescheduled Board meeting on November 29. Please check our website at www.northbrook.il.us/Meetings for agendas as we get closer to the date, or make sure you've signed up to receive meeting agendas from Northbrook Notify as a reminder.

❖ November is Drug and Alcohol Awareness Month

Throughout the month, the Park District, Schools, Northbrook Library and NCTV will be participating in prevention activities. Parents are also encouraged to attend a variety of educational lectures and workshops at Parent University on Saturday, November 5. A registration form was included in last month's newsletter. For more information, call Northbrook Citizens for Drug and Alcohol Awareness at 847/272-7870 or visit www.ncdaa.org 

Messages from the Village Hall

Toys for Tots



The Toys For Tots program has been helping underprivileged children since 1947 by collecting toys and distributing them to those in need during the holiday season. Please visit a collection center at the Northbrook Police or Fire Department headquarters or Village Hall by Friday, December 16, with a new and unwrapped toy and place it into the collection barrel. Your donation will be greatly appreciated. ☃

Holiday Gift Program

The Youth Services of Glenview/Northbrook is holding their annual Holiday Gift Program. To sponsor a child, a group of kids or a family, call 847/724-2620. ☃

Village Treasurer's Report

Please note that the Annual Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2010, and ending April 30, 2011, is on file and available for inspection and/or copying during normal business hours in the Office of the Village Clerk at the Village Hall and at the Northbrook Public Library reference desk. You can also go to www.northbrook.il.us/TaxDollarsAtWork ☃

Northbrook Maintains Class 7 Status with National Flood Insurance

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What Does This Mean for Village Residents?

Residents who live in a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) continue to qualify for a 15% reduction on flood insurance and those who do not live in a SFHA area can qualify for a 5% reduction. Additional information can be found on the FEMA website at www.fema.gov/business/nfip/crs.shtm

However, there are two cases where residents who have federally-backed flood insurance do not receive the CRS discount:

- ① If they have a Preferred Risk Policy (people outside the 100-yr. floodplain who never had a previous flood claim).
- ② The first floor of the structure is 1' or more below the Base Flood Elevation on a Post-FIRM building (non-compliant structure).

How Are Residents Notified?

All residents and business owners with properties located within a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) were notified by letters mailed late September. This letter was mailed to approximately 280 commercial and residential properties that meet the SFHA criteria. In addition, this information is posted once a year in our September Village Newsletter.

Since Northbrook participates in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), a federal program that offers flood insurance which can be purchased through property and casualty insurance agents, rates are set and do not differ from company to company or agent to agent. If a property owner's insurance agent does not offer flood insurance or the NFIP policy discount, additional flood insurance agents can be found by visiting www.floodsmart.gov

If you have any questions regarding the Village's participation in the Community Rating System, please contact Jim Baxa at 847/664-4056. ☃

Village Board Highlights

Highlights of Recent Village Board Actions

● Recognized

- Rick Brust for his Service on the Plan Commission.
- Dick Turner for his Service on the Industrial & Commercial Development Commission.
- Father Francis J. Kamp, SVD, posthumously, for his contributions to the Northbrook Community.

● Authorized

- Agreement for the replacement of Fire Sprinkler pipes at Fire Stations 10 & 12, \$94,000.
- Agreement for Document Scanning Services, \$29,000.
- Purchase and Installation of Ten Walk-in Shower Units at Crestwood Place, \$39,900.

● Approved

- Site Improvements and Maintenance Agreement for Techny Estates Subdivision.
- Agreement for the use of a portion of the 4201 Lake Cook Road property as a Satellite receiver site.
- Donation of Surplus Ambulance by the Fire Department to North Regional Major Crimes Task Force (NORTAF). ☃

Most Board of Trustees and Plan Commission meetings are cablecast live on NCTV-Cable Channel 17, and replayed the following day at 9am and 7pm and the following Sunday at 9am and 7pm. Tune in and watch your local officials in action. AT&T subscribers can view NCTV on channel 99, search "Northbrook." Meetings are also streamed live and archived on-line. Visit www.northbrook.il.us/Meetings

NCTV Cable Channel 17 November/December Programming

7am & 3pm

“Veterans Day Highlights” (Nov.)

“Northbrook, Illinois: An American Tapestry” (Dec.)

A look at Northbrook’s history.

7:30am & 3:30pm

“Fallen Soldier Memorial: Groundbreaking & Dedication” (Nov.)

“Northbrook: The Fabric of our History”

Panel Discussion with the Authors. (Dec.)

8:30am & 4:30pm

“Radio Guys and a Gal” (Nov.)

“Musical Memories of the Cypress Inn” (Dec.)

9:30am & 5:30pm

“Spotlight on Northbrook Arts with host Terry O. Luc” -

Northbrook resident and artist Judith Joseph discusses her signature exhibition “The Owing Project.” (Nov.)

Enjoy a play-by-play interview with Walt Sherman, former GBN football coach and longtime Northbrook resident. Who picked the school colors for both Glenbrook High Schools? Find out! (Dec.)

11:30am, 7:30 & 11:30pm

“Northbrook! The Video Newsletter”

12pm, 8pm & midnight

“Talk Around Town with Jack & Susan”

Northbrook Police Department Animal Control Officer Gina Manski discusses strays, skunks, coyotes and more.. (Nov.) Alex Bond discusses his Eagle Scout project for the Share Your Soles Foundation (Dec.)

12:30pm & 8:30pm, 12:30am

“NCDAAC FOCUS”

‘Poor Jennifer, She’s Always Losing Her Hat.’ (Nov.)

‘Drug Wars: The New Marijuana.’ (Dec.)

1pm & 9pm

“NCDAAC Parenting Series”

Dr. Michael Maniaci, 2010 Parent University Keynote:

“Raising Ethical Children in a Competitive World.” (Nov.)

Dr. Susanne Swisher: ‘Step By Step; Navigating the Challenges of Step-Parenting.’ (Dec.)

Village Receives Budget Award for 17th Consecutive Year

Northbrook’s Fiscal Year 2010/11 budget has received the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officer’s Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA). This marks the seventeenth consecutive year the Village has received this award, which recognizes the Village’s commitment to meeting the highest principles and standards of governmental budgeting. Congratulations to Finance Director Jeff Rowitz and the Finance Department on a job well done. ☘

The Historian’s Corner

“There is a Place”

A place where you can step into another world – a world of discovery.
It speaks volumes – its character shaped by those who have crossed over it.
It is showing its age – worn down by 1,000s of footsteps planted firmly upon it.
Oh, the people who have passed over it – the history absorbed into its grain.
For more than 115 years it has been a gateway.
It has been a community landmark for all its life.
It has had several facelifts and purposes.
In its newest form it has welcomed our community since 1976.
If it could talk, what stories it could tell of others who have crossed over it.
Won’t you please step inside and add your story?

Historical Society Family memberships are just \$20.

NEW this year... Gift Certificate Memberships for the Holidays:

The Perfect Gift for someone that has “everything!” A place in history!

More information at www.northbrookhistory.org or come to the Historical Society.

Open Thursday 10am - 2pm or Sunday 2 to 4pm.



Celebrate Northbrook’s 110th birthday at the Northbrook Historical Society Open House, 1776 Walters Ave., from 2-4pm on Sunday, November 13.

The picture on the back cover is the well worn threshold of the Historical Society’s front door. ☘

Northbrook Wildlife Survey

If you reside in an area within the Village of Northbrook that is inhabited by deer or have been impacted by deer in some way, please complete this survey or the online version at www.northbrook.il.us/DeerSurvey.

The Village of Northbrook is adjacent to several Forest Preserve areas that provide a natural habitat for wildlife. Our well-developed office parks and residential subdivisions often include ponds, waterways, open areas and lush landscaping that encourage wildlife to settle. Some of our parks are planted as natural prairie restoration sites, also welcoming certain species of wildlife.

The Village of Northbrook has recognized that the ecological carrying capacities of the land must be considered in facilitating these areas and maintaining a balance for both our residents and our wildlife.

In 1991, the Village Board of Trustees passed a resolution urging the Illinois Department of Conservation (IDOC) to develop and coordinate a program which will keep the deer population of Cook County in ecological balance with the available food supply.

In 1995, in an effort to reduce damage and accidents while providing a healthy environment for all, the Village applied to IDOC for its first Deer Population Control Permit. The Village's concerns were based on numerous deer sightings within the Village limits (not including Forest Preserve property), property damage and motor vehicle vs. deer accidents. Many residents responded to the first Deer Survey included in the September 1995 **Northbrook!** Newsletter which provided supporting documentation for this program. Subsequent surveys have continued throughout the years to provide updated information and support for additional Deer Population Control Permits.

The Deer Population Control Program must be justified each year based on current statistics. There are some areas in the Village where we have made a positive impact on the ecological carrying capacity of the land, however, in order to continue to monitor deer activity and provide support in other areas of the Village, we are again asking for your input. Your response is CONFIDENTIAL, but please include your name, address and phone number so that we may properly locate specific areas of activity and can contact you if additional information is required. **Your assistance and prompt response in completing the survey is appreciated. Surveys are due by Monday, December 12, 2011.**

Address _____

Name _____ Phone number _____

The following questions refer to January-December 2011
(This survey is also available online at www.northbrook.il.us/DeerSurvey)

1. Please estimate the number of times that you observed deer on your property:

daily _____ (or) # weekly _____ (or) # monthly _____

2. When you observe deer on your property, approximately how many deer at one time do you see? _____

3. How does this activity compare with the previous year (2010): (Please check one)

Decreased substantially _____ Increased a little _____

Decreased a little _____ Increased substantially _____

Same _____ Don't know _____

4. On a seasonal basis, when do you see the most deer on your property? (Rank from 1 to 4 with 1 being the most frequent; if sightings are equal, rank with equal numbers. If you never see deer, rank 0.)

Summer: _____

Fall: _____

Winter: _____

Spring: _____

Northbrook Wildlife Survey continued

5. In 2011, did you observe any effects of deer activity on your property? (Please check the box of all that apply; then please rank the most problematic from 1-6, with 1 being the most severe.)

No evidence _____

Deer feces _____

Deer rubbings on vegetation _____

Other _____

Hoof prints _____

Feeding on vegetation _____

(Please describe other):

6. What measures have you taken in 2011 to deter the deer from entering/remaining/damaging your property? Please also indicate if you feel the techniques have been helpful (Y/N)

No deterrents because:

Fencing (height and type):

Y / N

Repellents (specify brands and application):

Y / N

Netting (describe):

Y / N

Noisemakers (describe):

Y / N

Deer Resistant Plants (names):

Y / N

Other (please describe):

Y / N

7. Have you been involved in a car accident with a deer in Northbrook in 2011? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please complete the following:

Date: _____ Location: _____

Estimated damages to your vehicle: \$ _____

8. Additional comments or concerns:

This survey may be faxed to 847/564-8390, placed in any of the green, postage free Village drop boxes located at the Village Hall, Commuter Lot, Wood Oaks Jr. High or Police Department, or mailed. Please tri-fold this survey for mailing purposes. You may also email any comments to roger.adkins@northbrook.il.us

SURVEYS MUST BE RETURNED OR COMPLETED ONLINE NO LATER THAN MON., DEC. 13, 2011. *



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Community Bulletin Board

The 12th annual Parent University will be held on Sat., Nov. 5 at GBN. Parents choose three workshops to attend. Free childcare is available. Register at nbparks.org or call 847/291-2995.

The Northbrook Community Choir (formerly Y'All Come Choir) will present a holiday concert on Mon., Dec. 12, 7:30pm at the Northbrook Public Library.

Annual Community Turkey Dinner at St. Peter Community Church, 2700 Willow Rd., Sun., Nov. 13 at 4:30pm, \$15/adults and \$5/children, under 5/ free. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Call 847/272-2246.

Holly Fair and lunch at Covenant Village, 2625 Techny Rd., on Sat., Nov., 5, 9am to 3pm. Booths will offer German and Swedish collectibles, antiques, Christmas decorations and more. Proceeds benefit local agencies. Call 847/480-6380.

The Northbrook Community Art Associates of the Chicago Art Institute will hear a lecture by award winning architect Jeanne Gang on Thurs., Nov. 10. On Dec. 7, there is an armchair tour of behind the scene arrangements of how art treasures move from one place to another. Tea following at the Drake. Call 847/564-1051.

Northbrook Community Nursery School will be hosting an Open House on Sat., Nov. 5 from 10-11am. Call 847/272-5430 or visit www.ncnskids.org for details. Nursery School enrollment applications due by Nov. 21.

Alice in Computerland is on stage at the Northbrook Theatre at 10:30am and 1pm on Saturdays through Nov. 19. All seats reserved: \$8/advance or \$10/online and at the door. Tickets are on sale at northbrooktheatre.org, at the Box Office in the Leisure Center, and by phone at 847/291-2367.

The Lyric Opera Corps of Chicago will discuss operas on Sundays at the Library: "Boris Godunov" Nov. 6; "Ariadne Auf Naxos" Nov. 13; and "The Magic Flute" Dec. 4, Enhance your opera experience with these introductions.

The Northbrook Symphony Orchestra presents "The Beautiful Era" featuring Thomas Pandolfi, piano, on Sun., Nov. 13 at 4pm at the Sheely Center for the Performing Arts at GBN. The concert will be preceded by a pre-concert lecture by resident lecturer, Jim Kendros, at 2:30pm. For tickets and more information, visit www.TheNSO.org or call 847/272-0755.

The Low Vision Study Group meets on Tuesdays, Nov. 8 and Dec.13 at 10am at the Northbrook Public Library.

The Illinois Poetry Society meets on Sun., Nov. 13, at 1pm at the Library. New members welcome. Bring 10-12 copies of your poems.

The Essential Tremor Support Group meets on Saturdays, Nov. 12 and Dec. 10 at 10am at the Northbrook Public Library.

Caregiver Seminar, conducted by Wisdom Flame, on Tues., Nov. 29, 7pm at Northbrook United Methodist Church, 1190 Western Ave. Learn how to prepare for your caregiving journey. Free admission. For reservations, call 847/272-2442.

The Library's Fine Arts Fall Concerts feature a stellar array of artists on Sundays at 2pm. Nov. 20-Manabu Takesawa; Nov. 27-Andrew Schultze accompanied by Svetlana Belsky; Dec. 11-Heather Johnson, Claire Happel, and Alisa Seavey; Dec. 18-Lunae Duo. Pick up a brochure at the library for a full listing of this season's concerts.

Parisian Salon Concerts. First Fridays at 7:30pm at the Northbrook Public Library. Please call 847/272-6224 for performance details.

The New Tradition Chorus Annual Holiday Concert is at 2:30pm and 8pm on Sat., Dec. 3, and 2:30pm on Sun., Dec. 4, at GBS. For ticket info, visit www.newtradition.org or call 800/746-9246.

A two-session AARP Driver Safety Program will be held on Saturdays, Nov. 12 and 19, from 9:30 am-1:30pm at the Library. Call 847/272-2958 to register. AARP members \$12; \$14 non-members.

An AARP driving program on Mon. and Tues., Nov. 14 and 15 from 9am-1pm can steer adults toward safer driving habits. AARP members, \$12; non-members \$14. Register at the Senior Center, 847/291-2988.

Job Interview Strategies for Success will be presented by Oscar Adler on Sat., Dec. 3, at 10am at the Northbrook Public Library.

"Secrets of the Royal Families." Retired scientist Hal Tinberg will describe DNA testing and data used to determine the fate of some of history's most famous personalities on Tue., Dec. 6, at 7pm at the Northbrook Public Library.

Good Books for Holiday Giving. Staff from our local Book Bin suggest both adult and children's book titles as gift ideas on Wed., Dec. 7 at 1pm at the Northbrook Public Library.

Northbrook Girls Softball is the premiere softball program on the Northshore. Register for the 2012 spring season now at www.northbrooksoftball.com

Northbrook Action Baseball registration is open for pre-school thru 2nd grade boys and 3rd grade girls. Register for the 2012 season at 847/564-9849.

The hit musical "13" will rock the Northbrook Theatre on Sat., Dec. 3 and 17 and Sun., Dec.11 at 12:30 and 4pm. For ticket information, visit www.northbrooktheatre.org or call 847/291-2367.

The Park Board of Commissioners will hold its regular monthly meeting on Wed., Dec. 14 at 7pm at the Leisure Center, 3323 Walters Ave. The public is welcome to attend. Agendas for monthly meetings are posted online at nbparks.org in the About Us section, under Board of Commissioners.

The Northbrook Park District Senior Center, 3323 Walters Ave., offers a wide variety of programs and trips for adults age 55 and over. For information and reservations, call 847/291-2988, visit nbparks.org or stop by the Senior Center.

Singers Wanted. The Park Larks are looking for new members to join the Northbrook Park District Senior Center choir. For more information, call 847/291-2988.

The Northbrook Woman's Club/Foundation Holiday Boutique and Luncheon will be held on Thurs., Dec. 1 at 10:30am, Skokie Country Club, 500 Washington Ave., Glencoe. Come shop and dine to the music of the String Quartet from Orchestra of Exploration. \$40 per person. For reservations, call 847/559-8997.

Are You Related to Any Armed Forces Service People Serving Overseas? The Northbrook Civic Association will send a pre-paid phone card to those serving our country overseas. Please send their name, branch and military address to Hank Hojnacki, c/o Northbrook Civic Assoc., 2002 Walters Ave., Northbrook, IL 60062. This is a year-round program.

Visit the Village Hall and enjoy beautiful artwork in the Village Gallery. Paintings by Northbrook Artist **Elizabeth Lafnitzegger** are featured thru Nov. Artwork by **Susan Dienhart** will be featured Dec.-Jan. In Nov., enjoy artwork by **Judy Bloom** in the Lobby Display Case and works by **Northbrook Arts Commissioners** in Dec.!

Great Holiday Gifts for sale at the Inn Shop of the Northbrook Historical Society, 1776 Walters Ave. Hours: Thurs.-Sat., 10am-4pm, and Sun., 2-4pm. Consignments received Wed., 11am-2pm. Call 847/498-0884.

Free Blood Pressure Testing at all Northbrook Fire Stations every Sat., 8am to noon. 

The Northbrook Arts Commission (NAC) encourages you and your family to enjoy the arts events highlighted in color.

The Village of Northbrook

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1225 Cedar Lane, Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:30am – 4:30pm

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Deadline for the January 2012 newsletter is December 5.

**To: Postal Customer
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Don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour at 2am on Sunday, November 6.

The Fire Department encourages you to change the battery in each smoke detector when you adjust your clocks. *

LET IT SNOW, LET IT SNOW, LET IT SNOW!

What a year it has been!

So far this year, the Public Works Department responded to two serious wind storms, record rain falls, and a 22-inch blizzard. As we prepare for this winter, it is reassuring to know that the Public Works Department is ready to help keep our roads safe.

Our snow removal operation begins with seven or more trucks spreading de-icing materials on main and secondary streets. As snow begins to accumulate, standby personnel are called in to plow the 532 plow lane miles of Village owned and maintained streets, municipal parking lots and designated sidewalks.

Here are some important snow plowing facts:

* A complete "Plow-Cycle" can take 6-7 hours depending on weather and traffic! Please be patient. Snow and ice control efforts give priority to Village maintained arterial and collector roadways such as Walters Avenue, Cherry Lane, Pfingsten Road and Shermer Road.

* Main Arterial roads such as Lake-Cook, Dundee, Techny, Willow, Sanders, Landwehr and Waukegan are plowed by either the Illinois Department of Transportation or the Cook County Highway Department.



Help Our Crews – Keep Your Vehicles Off the Streets. You can help Public Works crews clear our roadways as quickly as possible by not parking on the street during snow removal operations.

Remember... The Village's number one concern is the safety of those using our streets.

* Keep plowed snow out of shoveled driveways. Residents can help keep their driveway clear by shoveling snow to the right side of their driveway (as viewed from the home looking at the street). *Please note: The Public Works Department does not clear private driveway entrances.*

* Parking Ban: When 2 or more inches of snow fall, it is illegal to park on Northbrook streets until plowing operations have been completed. If you park in the street you can be ticketed and towed. If your vehicle has become disabled or if you would like to find out if the parking ban is in effect, please call the Police Department at 847/564-2060. *