



Schillergram

SCHILLER PARK UPDATES

Mayor's Update

Happy New Year!

2014 was a productive year and now it's time to look back on our accomplishments and forward to 2015's goals. Here are some of the highlights from 2014:



- Free Property Tax seminars were held for our residents such as the one on November 19th when Commissioner Mike Cabonargi came out with his office staff and gave step by step instructions on how to appeal residents' property taxes. These seminars have resulted in significant tax savings for property owners. I will continue to offer these in the future.
- I have been a proponent and driving force for the Zero Percent Tax Levy for the Village's portion of property taxes for the second year in a row. I will continue to work with the Village Board to keep our budget balanced and at the same time keep the programs and services our residents are accustomed to.
- Community Development is alive and well in Schiller Park. We have had several successful grand openings of businesses such as PreFlight and Wally Park. We anticipate these openings will bring in a new revenue stream for our Village. Wally Park also has a letter of intent to open a restaurant in their location.
- Job fairs, which were held in town, resulted in many new jobs for residents.
- Our Centennial year celebration was a complete success with our parade, picnic, and Gala, along with other events such as Santa's Work Shop, the Car Show and Concerts in the Park. T-Ball is also back and we have high hopes of expanding to a Little League. We will continue to promote community spirit.
- The expansion of our Senior Snow Plow Program along with the implementation of our Senior Grass Cutting program has been a popular service and convenience to give back to our residents.
- Although unpopular with some residents, the passing of the video gaming ordinance has helped give a competitive edge to our local businesses, without being detrimental to our Village. At the same time, it has brought in additional revenue which has allowed us to make a sizeable donation to Leyden Family Services in support of the great work they do.
- I continue to work with State and local representatives and neighboring mayors to find an amicable solution and relief to our residents from O'Hare's noise.
- Working closely with our police, fire and public works department. I am making sure our town provides the best possible protection and services. We continue to work with our Parks and Recreation department to enhance our current programs and offer new ones as well for our children and adults.
- Although they said it couldn't be done, after numerous letters and phone

calls, I have a letter from IDOT that states their intent to place a traffic signal at the corner of Old River Road and Irving Park Road. I will continue to push to get this installed ASAP to secure the safety of our residents who live and travel in that area.

- We refinanced our outstanding bonds, which saved the Village over a million dollars.

As far as goals for 2015; we are excited with the prospect of a new development at Irving Park and Mannheim Roads with a letter of intent in place. This project will include two new high end hotels, two restaurants and retail. We also have several potential buyers for the vacant lot north of the BP on Mannheim Road. Several other vacant lands in Schiller Park such as Lawrence and River Road and River and Irving Park have good prospects, but the owners of the land may be road blocks. Community Development is proactively working to find the right developers for these properties and end the eyesores that have been in place too long.

With the successful completion of the 2nd phase of the Crystal Creek project, we are currently working with the Village of Franklin Park and FEMA on the remapping of the flood plain. We are hopeful this remapping will eliminate many residents out of the flood zone.

There are several capital improvement projects in the works for the town such as the painting of our water tower, repairs to streets and additional sidewalk repairs. We also will be planting new trees in the parkways at no cost to our residents whom lost trees to the emerald ash borer.

We will actively work with Cook County, the State of Illinois and the Federal Government to pursue all available grants for the betterment of Schiller Park and continue to market our wonderful town to potential businesses and new residents. We have already received several grants that will benefit the Village both in safety and aesthetically.

I remain committed to working towards our goal of being one of the best places to live in the USA. As Mayor, I look for support from the Village Trustees and the residents to achieve this goal. As I have said in previous letters, if everyone works together towards a common goal, anything is possible and can be achieved.

I wish only the best of prosperity and health for all of our residents and businesses in 2015. Don't forget to pick up a 2015 Village calendar at Village Hall, Community Center, Library or Recreation Center. You won't want to miss any of the important dates we have planned for this coming year.

As a reminder, my door is open to you. Feel free to call, email or write with any concerns, suggestions or even complaints. Let's work together for a better Schiller Park.

Working for you with a vision.

Mayor Barbara

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Police Chief's Corner



As I write this article, the holidays have come and gone. That being said, I want to take a moment to reflect on this past year, which has been one of the most rewarding and exciting times in my law enforcement career. The opportunity to serve as the Schiller Park Chief of Police is a true honor. I have had the occasion to meet so many wonderful individuals, co-workers, residents and business owners alike. They are truly an inspiration to me.

Throughout this year, the Schiller Park Police Department has worked tirelessly towards a shared vision of improving services to the residents and enhancing our ability to protect the community, we are sworn to serve. I am very proud of my staff and the Police Officer's demonstrated commitment to the community policing initiative and their accomplishments over the last year. They never cease to amaze me.

Some of the goals of community policing is to maximize transparency, improve dialogue and share information with the public. I think that this approach is necessary to successfully build rapport between the police and citizens. I further believe that transparency has the potential to increase resident involvement in the community. If residents sense that the police are more accessible, they may become more motivated to participate in community affairs. This transparency also encourages residents who have intimate knowledge of neighborhood problems, contribute to their solutions. All in all, I think it is important to demonstrate to residents that you want to build trust. By working together, I believe that constructive dialogue will foster public participation and facilitate collaboration to make our community safer.

Meet Your Police Officers

Sergeant **Jim Schieb** graduated from Illinois College in 1994 with a Bachelor of Arts degree. Then in 1995, Jim began his law enforcement career and was promoted to Sergeant in 2009. During his 20 year tenure, he had the opportunity to serve as an instructor in firearms/rifle, taser, PR24, straight baton, rapid deployment, EVOC, Multiple Assault Counter Terrorism Action Capability (MACTAC) and Management of Aggressive Behavior (MOAB).



Jim has also been assigned to NIPAS mobile field force since 2002 and currently is the supervisor of the unit. As the supervisor in NIPAS, Jim is responsible to train arrest and weapon teams in field force operations. Other training includes field training officer (FTO), evidence technician and director of officer development instruction. Furthermore, Jim was elected president of the Police pension board in 2006 and has been a past member of the FOP lodge 170, involved in contract negotiations. Jim brings a wealth of experience, knowledge and leadership to the police officers under his command. He states that he enjoys working with the community to solve problems.

Detective **Frank DeSimone** joined the Schiller Park Police Department in 1995, as a reserve officer. Then in 1999, he was hired as a full time sworn Police Officer. In this capacity, he worked as a patrol officer, community police officer, evidence technician, tactical officer, juvenile officer and is currently assigned to the Detective Division. Frank is also

a state certified homicide investigator and a current member of the West Suburban Major Crimes Task Force (WESTAF). Frank has compiled this extensive investigative experience into a common sense approach to solving cases.



Moreover, Frank grew up in Schiller Park and has a great sense of pride for the community. However, his greatest reward is raising money for local charities and families through the annual FOP golf outing. As President of the FOP, he ensures that Santa visits Schiller Park schools and coordinates a local toy drive to benefit children at Lutheran General Hospital. Frank's commitment to community policing and intimate knowledge of the village directly benefits residents. Frank can be reached at fdesimone@schillerparkil.us.



Police Officer **Michael Rosenstein** is a 23 year member of the Police Department. He is currently assigned to patrol and has previous tactical experience. Mike is also a decorated U.S. Army combat veteran, who served our country with distinction. Mike has many certifications which include Field Training Officer (FTO), breathalyzer operator, firearms instructor, evidence technician and gang crimes specialist. Furthermore, Mike is skilled in the Reid technique of interview and interrogation and the recipient of the Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists award for DUI enforcement. As a resident of Schiller Park, Mike brings extensive knowledge and experience as a street cop to community policing. This unique understanding of the village allows him to assess neighborhood problems and deescalate incidents before they occur. Mike states that service to the community is a top priority.

Steve Lima joined the Police Department in 1981 as a reserve officer. He served in that capacity until 1983, when he was hired as a full-time dispatcher. Then in 1992, he became a full-time sworn Police Officer and has proudly served the village for the past 23 years. Steve is a firearm's instructor, overweight truck enforcement officer and has also been recognized for his exemplary service on many occasions. Steve also spearheaded the effort to revamp and modernize the village's truck enforcement ordinances to current standards. Furthermore, Steve's passion and commitment to truck enforcement efforts is vital to prevent the premature deterioration of village streets. The truck enforcement program generates approximately \$70,000.00 per year in annual revenue.



Police Officer **Rogelio Orozco** began his law enforcement career in 2001 with the Schiller Park Police Department. Prior to becoming a Police Officer, Rogelio worked in the Illinois Department of Corrections and also served 4 years in the United States Marine Corps. Rogelio's previous military experience makes him an excellent Field Training Officer (FTO), a superb rapid deployment instructor and defensive tactics trainer. He also has other certifications in firearms and taser instruction.

Moreover, Rogelio earned a Bachelor's degree in Spanish and is currently working on obtaining a Master's Degree in Latin American Literature. Rogelio states his life experiences help him have a compassionate approach to community policing.



Police Officer of the Year

The Schiller Park Police Department proudly announces that Sergeant Mark DiCosola was recognized by the Lion's Club as Police Officer of the Year. As this year's recipient, Mark demonstrated a consistent and sustained pattern of exceptional performance, while enhancing Village wide public safety. Mark's vast experience on the front lines and in the trenches during some extremely challenging times provides invaluable guidance, leadership and training to the Police Officers under his command. He continually boosts morale, performance and inspires confidence in others. Thus, we congratulate Sergeant DiCosola on receiving this prestigious award. Mayor Barbara Piltaver and the Village Board sponsored the award dinner.



Firefighter of the Year

On November 12th, Schiller Park held their first annual Volunteer Appreciation dinner at Tuscano's Restaurant to honor all those tireless volunteers who help out in our Village. At the same time, The Schiller Park Lions club presented their award for Firefighter of the Year to Firefighter/Paramedic Adam Niemand.

According to Fire Chief Tom Deegan FF/PM Niemand was recommended for this award because "he went above and beyond his normal firefighting duties. During this past year \$3,000 was budgeted for an online fire prevention service. Using his computer skills, Adam developed a computerized inspection program that was user friendly, designed using our existing forms. This program has been very successful in bringing our fire prevention process into the digital age, reducing the amount of paper being generated. This entire process was developed well below budget and there is not an annual fee to an outside service. Much of this work was developed by Adam on his own time, while off duty."



We congratulate Adam Niemand on this prestigious award and thank the Lions Club for continuing their service to the community.

Can We Contact You?

The Village has been using a notification system capable of calling designated phone numbers to deliver an emergency or informational message. Many of you may already be receiving these messages. This phone system is capable of contacting all phone numbers within a designated area, or all phones within the Village to deliver a pre-recorded message. The message may be an emergency evacuation request due to a chemical release, a notification of a pending water shutoff due to a main break giving the resident time to prepare before the water is actually shut off, or possibly a request to help police find a missing child. According to Fire Director Tom Deegan, "we have found many uses for this system. It's another tool to improve our homeland security efforts and to keep our residents informed of Village events".

We want to make sure that everyone knows this system exists and is able to receive pre-recorded messages from the Village. This system is used periodically for emergency issues but also is utilized to inform residents of upcoming community events. It is also important to note that the Village pays a flat yearly fee for the ability to use the system and therefore it does not cost the Village any money to use the system for Village events. If you would like to add your phone number, additional phone number or an e-mail address for notifications, go to our web site, www.villageofschillerpark.com and click on the Connect-CTY link provided on the main page. If you have any questions about this notification system, or would like to verify the information we have on file, feel free to contact the Fire Director at 671-8545 or via email at tdeegan@schillerparkil.us.



Memorial Bricks for Sale

As part of our 100 year anniversary the Village of Schiller Park added a memorial sidewalk using bricks created by our community. The bricks are located at Clock Tower Park adjacent to the September 11th Memorial.

Space is still available for more bricks to be added. Orders will be taken until April 15 for this year. Personalized bricks purchased by contributors will be incorporated into the walk and sitting area. A brief ceremony will be held on June 14 to unveil the added bricks.

For more information about the Memorial, please call (847) 678-2550; email: tdeegan@schillerparkil.us, visit our website, www.villageofschillerpark.com. Order forms are available at the Village Hall or on our website.

Engraved bricks are not only a show of support, they are a permanent way to commemorate a special event in someone's life, honor a friend or family member, or memorialize someone special.

The 4x8 bricks are available for \$40. Each brick will hold up to three lines with up to 18 characters per line. Checks should be made payable to "Village of Schiller Park"



2015/16 VEHICLE STICKER CONTEST

Mayor Piltaver has announced that the Village of Schiller Park will again conduct a contest to design the next vehicle sticker for the 2015/16 vehicle sticker season. Since the Village will be launching a campaign in the spring, in conjunction with our disposal company, to encourage more recycling, the theme for the stickers will be "Recycling." The contest is open to all children in the Schiller Park school District 81. Entry forms will be sent to all the schools or pick one up at Village Hall. 1st place winner will receive the honor of having their design on our vehicle stickers along with a \$50 gift certificate. 2nd and 3rd place winners will receive free passes to the waterpark. Entries must be received at Village hall by February 27th. Winners will be announced soon after. So get your thinking caps on and get drawing! Any questions, contact Village hall at 847-678-2550.





Public Works Update

Winter is here...
Bringing Snow, Snow and more Snow!

Everyone's cooperation and patience with Public Works during snow plowing and salting operations is greatly appreciated.

Below are a few reminders:

- It is unlawful to place snow (by shovel, snow blower or plow) on cleared streets.
- In order to minimize a windrow of snow from a Village plow at the end of your driveway please place snow on the parkway.
- For snowfall over 3 inches, it is unlawful to park any vehicle or to allow any vehicle to remain parked on snow routes until snow removal operations are completed.

Another concern is frozen water pipes!

There are several common causes we find in homes with frozen pipes. Among the most common is one that is not easily controlled – Mother Nature can leave your pipes very vulnerable with quick drops in temperature. Exposed pipes are most susceptible to freezing so insulate pipes in your home's crawl spaces and attic. The more insulation you use, the better protected your pipes will be. Heat tape or thermostatically controlled heat cables can be used to wrap pipes. Seal up any leaks that may allow cold air inside near where pipes are located. Look for air leaks around electrical wiring, dryer vents, and pipes, and use caulk or insulation to keep the cold out. With extreme temperatures, even a tiny opening can let in enough cold air to cause a pipe to freeze. Disconnect garden hoses and, if possible, use an indoor valve to shut off and drain water from pipes leading to outside faucets. This reduces the chance of freezing in the short span of pipe just inside the house.

When the cold hits

Even when well insulated, extreme cold can still harm your pipes. A trickle of hot and cold water might be all it takes to keep your pipes from freezing. Let warm water drip overnight. Open cabinet doors to allow heat to get to un-insulated pipes under sinks and appliances near exterior walls and keep your thermostat set at the same temperature during both day and night.

If you are traveling

Set the thermostat in your house no lower than 55°F if possible. Have someone check your house daily to make sure it's warm enough to prevent freezing.

Hometown News moves into the Schillergram

As announced in the last Hometown News, with the cost of postage increasing, Hometown News will now be a part of the Village's Schillergram. Hometown News is published by the Historical Society and offers the "homey" side of our Village along with tidbits of happenings around town. This is the medium to announce anniversaries, birthdays or the passing of loved ones. You can contact them at (847) 671-8513.

BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR

If you have a fire hydrant in front of or near your home, please be a good citizen and keep it free of ice and snow. It can be a matter of life or death for firefighters to be able to locate and get to the hydrants quickly in a fire emergency. If possible, please help elderly neighbors with their sidewalks and by clearing snow from school bus stops and school crossings.

Around Town – Community Development News



La Taquiza Grill • 4318 River Road, Schiller Park, IL

We are very excited to welcome a new business to the Village of Schiller Park: La Taquiza Grill. La Taquiza Grill is a catering service located at 4318 River Road, and is ready to help make your next corporate, or social party a success by taking the cooking and preparation out of your hands. La Taquiza Grill offers a full catering service that provides an authentic Mexican flavor for your party/event. Not only does La Taquiza Grill provide the cook and fresh food, for your party, they also offer all of your party necessities including tables, chairs and tents. The next time you're ready to plan an event and want to avoid some of the stress call La Taquiza Grill for all your party needs!

More information is available at:

<http://www.lataquizagrill.com/index.html>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/La-Taquiza-Grill/209802385734448?ref=hl>

Email: raul@lataquizagrill.com • Phone: 773-440-7285.

Parkway Regulations Refresher

The Village has regulations governing the use of the parkway in front of your home. Generally the parkway is the land area between the sidewalk and the street. This area constitutes public property even though we count on residents to help maintain it.

The main purpose in regulating the use of the parkway is to promote safe sight lines for cars backing up onto the street and to maintain a consistency of appearance. There is also a desire to keep the area clear of most obstructions so that if utility (water, gas, etc.) digging needs to occur it can be done with a minimum of damage to property.

The main parkway regulation is the prohibition of any plantings (trees, bushes, etc.) in the parkway without express approval from the Village. There is also a ban on any brickwork or other flatwork (i.e. paving stones) in the parkway without Village approval. Lastly no sprinkler system should be placed in the parkway without Village approval to avoid the possibility of damaging the sprinkler system should any digging need to occur.

If you have any plans to put anything in the parkway near your home please contact the Community Development Dept. at (847) 671-8555 to seek permission and if needed get a permit. Thank you for your cooperation with these regulations as they are designed to minimize problems and promote safety.

Schiller Park's Best Decorated House

The Recreation Department hosted the contest for a second year with the number of participants increasing. The judges travelled the streets of Schiller Park looking at festive houses decorated with holiday lights. The best houses were 1. Richard Elwardt 2. Diane Grassi 3. Karen O' Day.

Thank you to all of the residents who participated.



O'HARE NOISE COMPLAINTS

Below is a copy of the November O'Hare Noise Complaint Report supplied by the Chicago Department of Aviation (CDA). December's report was not available at the time of the ONCC meeting on January 9th in which the Mayor attended. The Chicago Department of Aviation reported that a good majority of the calls were coming from only 12 addresses. Mayor Piltaver at the meeting made a statement, and in that statement she said, "... even though a majority of the calls are coming from just a few addresses, they are representing all the residents who either can't call, get hung up on, can't get through, or simply have given up the fight and don't have the time or energy to get up out of bed, go to a phone or computer and try to tell some uncaring operator why they are so upset; then try and go back to sleep. She stated to the members of the ONCC and the CDA that many of our residents are now walking zombies because of lack of sleep; some are even going through deep depression. The only thing that should be measured is how many calls they are receiving; period. It shouldn't matter if they are all coming from one address or a hundred addresses. They are representing all those who can't call in."

Mayor Piltaver urges residents to continue their calls whenever possible. She also encourages residents to sign the petition which can be found on line and at Village Hall. These figures and signatures will be used to substantiate our need for further sound insulation, new environmental studies, and lowering of the 65 DNL standard.

In addition, as reported in past Schillergrams, in other efforts, the Village is part of the Suburban O'Hare Commission (SOC) which is currently working with an independent organization to put together viable solutions to address noise related concerns created by O'Hare. However, it takes time to gather true facts, figures and data to make informed decisions that will make a difference. As such, SOC is currently working with nationally recognized technical and legal aviation experts who are going through the process of gathering all the necessary information. With this, the Suburban O'Hare Commission will be in the best position to formulate viable recommendations and solutions to better the region through a well-thought plan of action. The Suburban O'Hare Commission maintains the position that all community groups, grassroots organizations and elected officials approach the City of Chicago with substantiated information and one unified voice. This will avoid proposing unsubstantiated recommendation that would ultimately be unviable and counterproductive.

Mayor Piltaver will personally continue to represent the residents of Schiller Park and voice their concerns over O'Hare Noise at the ONCC meetings and through our attendance at Suburban O'Hare Commission meetings. We will keep you updated with any developments. And remember, ONCC meetings are open to the public. The next meeting will be held on March 13, 2015, 8 am, Café la Cave, 2777 S. Mannheim Road, Des Plaines.

More detail on the chart at right can be found at: <http://www.oharenoise.org/>



ALLIANCE TO END HOMELESSNESS in Suburban Cook County

The Alliance to End Homelessness in Suburban Cook County is the official coordinator for the federally-mandated, biennial Homeless Count in suburban Cook County. They count all the persons who are homeless, whether in shelters or unsheltered. Their goal is to count every person who is homeless in suburban Cook County to generate the support they need and deserve. The Alliance will conduct the unsheltered ("street") count during the night of January 28, 2015. The sheltered count will also be conducted at all pre-identified shelters and other places serving homeless persons. Someone who has no home but lives with a friend or family member or pays to stay in a motel is not considered homeless by the federal definition of "Homelessness."

Unsheltered homeless can be found in any location that is not intended for residential habitation or that is outdoors. These are locations where the homeless person is not a legal occupant.

Examples of unsheltered locations are:

- Vehicles
- Garages
- Underpasses
- Bridges
- Tents
- Abandoned homes or businesses
- Doorways, stairwells, foyers
- Transportation shelters
- Parks and forest preserves
- Any exposed area

Why do they need a homeless count?

- To gain person-specific information for prioritizing individuals for housing placements
- To establish a baseline for our homeless population and to track our progress as we endeavor towards ending homelessness
- To increase public awareness of homelessness throughout Cook County
- To improve the ability of the Alliance and homeless service providers to plan and implement efficient and effective services for the homeless
- To preserve our current federal funding for homeless services in suburban Cook County and enhance our ability to raise new funds in the future.

If you would like to volunteer – the Alliance needs plenty of help! Over one hundred volunteers across the suburban county area will be crucial to a successful 2015 Count. If you or someone you know would like to participate, the Alliance will provide all necessary materials and training for those willing to volunteer in their communities. Who can volunteer? Anyone! The Alliance often looks for volunteers via civic groups, faith communities, interested individuals and student groups. Visit homelesscount.org to learn more and sign up to volunteer.

If you would like to donate, the Alliance can use donations from businesses or individuals. Donations would be given to the people who are homeless on the night of the Count. Suggested donation items include:

- Socks, hats, scarves and gloves
- Gift cards to purchase food and/or clothing
- Donations of toiletries, healthy dry-goods and first-aid supplies

For further information on the Alliance To End Homelessness, contact Anna at anna@suburbancook.org or visit the official Homeless County website, www.homelesscount.org for more information. Phone 708-236-3261 ext. 06 Schiller Park's contact is Police Sgt. Joseph DiSimone who can be reached at 847-678-4794.

Chicago Department of Aviation

Chicago O'Hare International Airport
Period: November 2014

Monthly Complaints by Community¹

Community	Complaints		Complaints	
	Callouts	Urgent	All Hours	Urgent
Addon	269	18	4	2
Arlington Heights	3	0	0	0
Bloomington	1,312	477	25	14
Berkeley	3	1	3	1
Bloomington	18	6	11	3
Carle Place	1	1	1	1
Chicago ²	6,767	1,896	638	386
Ward 36	588	132	16	8
Ward 38	232	36	26	15
Ward 39	948	408	81	39
Ward 40	171	72	15	14
Ward 41	2,290	362	76	42
Ward 45	863	311	84	53
Ward Other	1,479	450	182	82
Ward Unknown	175	125	159	113
Quentin Hills	1	--	1	--
Shawnee Hills	476	43	6	1
Sign	4	1	1	1
Park Grove Village ³	1,560	378	368	331
Elmhurst	16	1	3	1
Franklin Park	3	2	2	2
Franklin Park	21	7	9	6
Geneva	13	4	3	1
Geneva	7	6	3	3
Harvester Park	1	--	1	--
Harwood Heights	94	52	13	8
Harwood Woods	12	5	1	1
Hillside	10	3	2	1
Itasca	498	127	25	16
Itasca	4	3	3	2
Lincolnwood	12	4	5	2
Mount Prospect	17	11	2	2
Northbrook	2	1	1	1
Northridge ⁴	12,869	1,315	43	23
Northlake	1	--	1	--
Park Ridge	273	79	67	30
River Forest	2	1	1	1
Roselle	7	3	3	2
Schaumburg	6	2	5	2
Schaumburg	78	11	39	14
Skokie	5	--	3	--
St. Charles	2	1	1	1
West Chicago	20	9	4	3
Westchester	1	1	1	1
Wheaton	9	1	6	1
Wilmette	8	3	1	1
Wood Dale ⁵	2	--	2	--
Wood Dale ⁶	5,475	722	1,884	241

Nature of Noise Complaints

All Hours⁷

Frequency of Operations 18%

Vibration 8%

Low Fling 13%

Aircraft Noise 59%

Urgent: 10:00 p.m. - 7:00 a.m.

Frequency of Operations 20%

Vibration 8%

Low Fling 14%

Aircraft Noise 58%

Notes:

1. Complaints made within the State of Illinois.
2. 3,356 of 3,762 complaints in Bensenville came from 1 address.
3. 1,723 of 6,767 complaints in Chicago came from 3 addresses.
4. 262 of 2,862 complaints in Oak Grove Village came from 2 addresses.
5. 15,285 of 15,883 complaints in Northridge came from 2 addresses.
6. 3,162 of 5,429 complaints in Wood Dale came from 5 addresses.

November 2014 Total: 36,748 5,600 3,333 966
Previous Month Total: 33,856 8,095 2,843 1,059





Calendar of Events

Village Board Meetings

Thursdays, February 5th and 19th
and March 5th and 19th
Village Hall 2nd Floor Boardroom 7:00 PM

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Monday, January 19th
Village Offices Closed

Autumn Leaves Senior Club Meetings

Tuesdays, February 10th and 24th
and March 10th and 24th 1:00 PM
Community Center

Presidents Day

Monday, February 16th
Village Offices Closed

Blood Drive

Tuesday, February 17th
1:30 PM – 6:30 PM
Community Center

Daylight Savings Time

Sunday, March 8th at 2:00 AM
Set Clocks Forward & Change Smoke Detector Batteries

25th Anniversary Historical Society Open House

Saturday, March 14th
Schiller Park Library

*The Village welcomes your comments
and suggestions.*

Please email your comments to mayor@villageofschillerpark.com
or send them via regular mail to Schillergram Comments,
Village of Schiller Park, 9526 W. Irving Park Road,
Schiller Park, IL 60176.

*If you would like a response to your comments
please include your return address and phone number.
All information will be kept confidential.*

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SANTA'S WINTER WONDERLAND AND TREE LIGHTING



Santa and Mrs. Claus along with all his elves again hosted Santa's Winter Wonderland at the Community Center on December 6th. He visited with over five hundred children and families. Everyone had smiling faces and a great time. Afterwards, Santa and his elves were escorted to Clocktower Park by our fire department to do the ceremonial lighting of our holiday tree. Members of the St. Beatrice Choir (accompanied by Santa's Elves and children in attendance) sang Christmas carols both new and old. About a hundred people showed up to do the countdown to the lighting. After a few more carols, prizes were given out to lucky winners of the raffle. Under the light of a full moon that night, community spirit shined!

A BIG THANK YOU - This year's tree was generously donated by a Schiller Park resident who wished to remain anonymous. However, we'd like to thank the family for the beautiful tree that graced our gazebo. We hope you had a chance to view it before it was taken down.

HOLIDAY FOR HOPE TOY DRIVE



The Village of Schiller Park participated in the Holiday for Hope Toy Drive coordinated by Mayor Piltaver and Chief Brzezniak. Over **200 toys** and contributions of **\$5,600** were collected for Dreams for Kids' 2014 Holiday for Hope. Also, arrangements were made for Santa to personally pick up toys from some of the Schiller Park residents who wanted to donate to the cause. Santa and his "elf" were escorted by Schiller Park's finest in a police car and the children were so excited to see him.

Major contributors to the drive were **Russo Power Equipment** and **O'Hare BP Super Gas Station**. We also received a very large toy donation from Mike Klaric of Schiller Park. The gifts donated went towards providing a traditional holiday celebration to more than fifteen hundred local children that were currently living in shelters or transitional homes in Illinois. Holiday for Hope is the largest holiday celebration of its kind in Illinois for severely at-risk youth.

We'd like to thank all of the generous residents and businesses that helped make this toy drive such a success. You all made the holiday season a special time for so many children. Thank you again for your generosity.

SCHILLER PARK BLOOD DRIVE



December is traditionally a rough time to collect blood donations. With holiday parties, shopping and so much going on, it's difficult to get donors in. However, Schiller Park had one of its best blood drives ever on December 16th thanks to the efforts of the dedicated volunteers who made calls and a push by the mayor to get village employees to donate too. The village arranged for a free lunch to all donors and gave away two \$50 gift cards. Although the goal was to reach 60 donors that day, we came close with 58 coming in (15 being new donors), 45 draws and 13 deferrals. Besides receiving the usual mini check-up, all donors received a heart stress ball proclaiming "I pumped for lives!" Winners of the gift cards were Clara Dattolo (a new donor) and Jackie Vendegna. **THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO CAME OUT!** Our next blood drive will be held on February 17th from 1:30 to 6:30 pm at the Community Center. Hope to see you there.

HEATING SEASON HELP FROM NICOR GAS GAS SHARING PROGRAM

If you or someone you know is in need of help with their heating bills, please consider the following: Help is available at 877-411-9276 or liheapillinois.com or #LIHEAP. Nicor Gas Sharing Program provides a one-time annual grant for heating bills: 773-205-3520 or nicorgas.com. Certain restrictions apply.



CC-UP Citizens Cleaning Up

Last year, the mayor started a committee of people who were interested in helping to keep Schiller Park clean. Citizens Cleaning Up or CC-UP did a fantastic job getting together and picking up garbage and debris throughout our town on different occasions. The mayor is looking for one or two interested residents who would be willing to take charge of the committee and organize clean-up events throughout the year. It doesn't take any special skill, only a willingness to keep Schiller Park clean and looking its best. If you are interested, please email the mayor at mayor@villageofschillerpark.com or call her at 847-671-8502. We would like to find a volunteer before spring so we can organize a spring cleanup.