

# The Village Report

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## Flood Control Project Status

After battling the two major snow storms of February (hopefully the last we'll see this year), residents of Glenview can start thinking about the next season: spring. Spring in this part of the world means flowers, birds, and an end to heavy snowfalls (usually). However, living in a densely populated urbanized area along the banks of a river, residents can expect some other not-so-enjoyable side effects which come with the spring: floods.

A common reaction is often to say, "you can't fight Mother Nature", although people watching the waters rise in their yards may have some stronger words to use. However, while we can't fight Mother Nature, there are some things we can do to improve our position within Mother Nature's realm. Glenview, along with other local governments, has worked together with the Army Corps of Engineers and the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago to mitigate the damage caused by flooding along the North Branch of the Chicago River.

In the mid-seventies, local suburbs and townships, and the Metropolitan Sanitary District (now the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District) built a series of reservoirs north of Glenview to contain excess floodwaters on the West Fork of the Chicago River during heavy rains in the area. One is located east of Glenview Naval Air Station south of Willow Road. One is north of Willow Road, and another is north of Techny Road. These basins fill with water diverted from the river, hold that water until the river has a chance to go down, and then the water is pumped back to the West Fork. Without these reser-

voirs, which hold a total of 1400 acre feet of water (an acre foot being an acre of land covered uniformly with a foot of water), the overbank flooding which occurred in the Village in 1982, and 1987 would have been much more severe.

Since rain falling in the areas outside Glenview, specifically north and west, affects areas downstream, other basins are being constructed as part of the flood control plan for Lake and Cook Counties.

Three new basins currently under construction on the West and Middle Forks of the North Branch of the Chicago

River in Lake County will serve to hold back an additional 1600 acre feet of flood water upstream from Glenview.

Of the two reservoirs on the West Fork, the one located in Bannockburn is essentially complete. Pumping equipment is not yet installed, but it could serve flood control purposes, now if needed. In fact, during the rapid snow melt and significant rainfall during the week of March 12-16, 1990, it captured an estimated 45 million gallons of storm-water runoff. The Bannockburn reservoir, which has a storage capacity of

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*This is a photograph of the reservoir under construction in Deerfield, on the southwest corner of Lake Cook and Pfingsten Roads. The reservoir system improvements will help reduce the possibility of overbank flooding in Glenview.*



*Glenview conducts a contest each year to design the Village's vehicle sticker. The theme of this year's contest was the Glenview Recycling Program. This year's winning entry is used for a number of purposes, including the cover of the Village's 1990 Annual Budget, the cover of the 1990 Capital Improvements Program, and of course, the vehicle sticker. There were over 200 entries in this year's contest. The winners of this year's contest are shown above. Congratulations to all participants! Top Row, left to right: Michael Hawes (runner up), Rob Morrison (winner), Heather Mayoros (runner up), and Karin Bornmann (honorable mention). Lower Row, left to right: Andrea Herzog, Eli Schmidt, Jennifer Herzog, and Becky Mayoros (all honorable mention). Judy Zis and Brian Lynn also won honorable mention, but are not pictured.*

## Ninth Annual Michelle Meier Memorial Run

On January 3, 1982, Michelle Meier, a seventh grade student at Glenview's Springman Junior High School, died of Cystic Fibrosis. Those who were close to Michelle drew strength from her positive attitude toward life, as well as death, and decided that such a beautiful example should not go unheralded. It is for this reason that friends and neighbors organized the first annual Michelle Memorial Run in the spring of 1982. Since that time, the Run has grown consistently, contributing approximately \$50,000 to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation to help find a cure for this dreaded childhood disease.

The First Annual Run was actually a walk created by Dorothy Crow, the Physical Education teacher at Hoffman School, and former teacher of Michelle Meier. Dorothy was one of the many who helped Michelle by "clapping" her lungs daily, by being a friend, and by loving her and wanting to do something to help eradicate this fatal disease. Dorothy, along with Michelle's doctors, nurses, friends, and family (a total of 55 people), walked the first year. Every succeeding year the Run has attracted more participants . . . in 1989, there were 600 runners.

The race is special in that it is oriented toward all members of families who participate in either the one mile (fun walk/run), three mile, or six mile race. The Ninth Annual Michelle Meier Memorial Run will be held on May 20, 1990, beginning at Hoffman School, 2000 Harrison Street, at 8 a.m. (check-in at 7 a.m.). This Run is a great example of Glenview people pulling together for a common goal, whereby all contributions go directly to the cause.

For more information and/or entry forms, call or write Hoffman School, 2000 Harrison St., Glenview, IL 60025, 708-998-5040.

## Cable Corner



Glenview Television (GVTV), Cable Channel 61, is part of your basic cable service and comes to you at no additional charge. If you subscribe to cable and do not receive Channel 61, or are having any cable problems, please call Mary Bennin, the GVTV Administrator, at 724-1700, ext. 265.

April features include: "In the Lighthouse"; a variety of programs sponsored by the Glenview Park District (including: "The Civil War Reenactment at the Grove", "The Spring Dance Show" (the dance recital at Glenbrook South High School), "Judo - Self Defense", "The Park District Exercise Tape", the Senior Center "Hobby Show - 1990", "Composting at the Grove", and "Theater . . . Behind the Scenes"); "Glenview Civic Awards"; "GVTV Awards, 1989"; "Recycling Program"; "Celebration of Library Art"; and "Quiet Half Hour - Spring in Glenview".

As always, GVTV brings you the Plan Commission meetings LIVE on April 10 and 24 at 7:30 p.m., and replays each of these Tuesday meetings on the following Thursday at the standard times of 9 a.m., 5 p.m., and 10 p.m. Viewers should check the Community Bulletin Board (CBB), which is cablecast between programs on Channel 61, 24 hours a day, for local government meeting agendas and results, as well as cablecast dates and times.

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# Community Bulletin Board

As space permits, we will include announcements of upcoming nonprofit, nonsectarian, nonpartisan events of interest to a large part of the community. Items for the May issue should reach the Village by noon April 1, or call the editor (724-1700 Ext. 203) by April 2, 1990.

## Night of 1000 Stars

★ On Wednesday, April 25, the Glenview Public Library, located at 1930 Glenview Road, will present a family read-aloud with celebrity guests and Glenview residents Brian Bashnagel, former Chicago Bear, Harry Volkman, Channel 2 Weatherman, and Jack Mabley, Newspaper Columnist, plus Jim Smirles, Paul McCarthy, Bill Attea, and John Blegen all reading from a favorite book. Come enjoy the fun and entertainment with your family, and help celebrate NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK (APRIL 22 TO 28). Call 729-7500 for details on this and other exciting Glenview Public Library activities.

## Yard Waste Workshops Planned

One-hour workshops on "Composting and Managing Yard Waste" will be presented from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Saturday, April 7 at the Interpretive Center of the Grove National Historic Landmark, 1421 Milwaukee Ave. The workshops will be designed to help residents comply with the new Illinois law, Public Act 85-1430, which prohibits landfills from accepting landscape wastes in Illinois effective July 1, 1990. Registration is required. To reserve a place, call The Grove, (708) 299-6096.

In addition to the workshops, The Grove staff will host an exhibit featuring displays of composting equipment and lawnmower attachments, demonstrations, publications and question and answer sessions on "How to Best Use Grass Clippings, Leaves and Wood Chips." No reservations are required for visiting the exhibit.

## Senior News

The Village Senior Services Coordinator's office is located in the Village Hall, 1225 Waukegan Road (lower level). The Coordinator is available Tuesday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., for consultation with elderly residents and/or their families. For more information call 724-1700, Ext. 232. See the "Senior News" display in the Finance Department (upper level) for important literature.

"Getting Your House in Order", an estate and tax planning seminar will be conducted by Henry Grannan, J.D., C.P.A., and co-sponsored by the North Shore and Glenview Senior Centers on March 31 and April 7, from 9:30 A.M. to 12 P.M. at the Glenview Senior Center. Cost is \$30 which includes financial planning notebook, \$5 additional family members (no notebook provided). Reservations required, call 446-8750.

The 1989 Illinois Department of Revenue "Circuit Breaker" forms are now available. If you received a grant last year, you should automatically receive a new application in the mail. Tax relief is available to

The Glenview Building Department recently conducted a survey of residents who obtained a building permit during the past year, for the purpose of evaluating department services and resident satisfaction. As part of the survey process, a survey respondent was chosen at random to receive a token of appreciation for taking the time to respond to the survey.

The drawing winner was TOMASZ KLOSOWIAK, 308 Greenfield Dr. Survey results will be reported in upcoming editions of *The Village Report*.

Make your reservations now for the Glenview Area Historical Society's Annual Spring Fling. Samantha Smith, Chairman of the event, announces that the dinner dance will be held Thursday April 12 at 7:45 p.m. in the ballroom of the Radisson Suite Hotel, 1400 Milwaukee Avenue, Glenview. Cost is \$15 per person. Cocktail hour begins at 6:30 p.m. in the Garden Atrium of the hotel. Call Martha Ness at 298-4083 to reserve a spot.

The 39th Annual Glenview Antiques Show, sponsored by the Glenview Community Church, will be held May 1, 5 to 9 p.m.; May 2 from 10:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.; and May 3, 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. 35 quality dealers, as well as Woman's Association Treasure Trove will be present. Lunch, tea, and dinner are available, in addition to bake sales all three days. Admission is \$4 at the door, pre-show tickets at the church office, 1000 Elm Street, Glenview, for \$3 until April 27. Proceeds benefit many Chicago area charities.

The Glenview Travelers Girls Softball Program will conduct tryouts Apr. 3, 10, 17, and 24 for girls age 10 - 16. Call 657-9499 for more information.

seniors and disabled persons, including renters, homeowners, and mobile home owners, as is help in paying for approved prescriptions for heart disease, abnormal blood pressure, arthritis, and diabetes. To qualify you must be at least 65 and have a household annual income under \$14,000 for 1989. Claims for the tax year must be filed no later than Dec. 31. If you wish to apply for the first time, forms are available from Carol Karol or the Illinois Department of Revenue (1-800-732-8866).

Walkers, shower benches, commodes and other items are available at the Village Hall for short term use. Call Carol Karol at 724-1700, ext. 232 for details.

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525 acre feet of water (or 172 million gallons of water), is being constructed by the Army Corps of Engineers and will be maintained and operated by the Lake County Forest Preserve District and the Union Drainage District.

The other basin along the West Fork will be built in Deerfield on the southwest corner of the intersection of Lake Cook and Pfingsten Roads. The lake that originally existed on the property was created when soil was removed from the site for the construction of the highway which connects the Tollway to the Edens Expressway. The land was purchased by the State of Illinois and Village of Deerfield. The use of the site necessitated the relocation of the stream channel to enter the site. According to the Army Corps of Engineers, more soil must be excavated, and a site to dump the soil removed must be developed before construction begins. The Army Corps of Engineers plans to advertise for construction bids this spring with construction to begin in June. This basin is scheduled for completion in September 1991, and will be operated by the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District.

A third reservoir, on the Middle Fork, will be located in Lake County north of Route 176 and the Tollway. The Corps of Engineers is finalizing plans and anticipates going out for bids this summer with completion scheduled for 1991. Referred to as the Green Oaks Reservoir, this will have a floodwater storage capacity of 500 acre feet and will require relocation of approximately 800 feet of the channel. The State owns the land for this basin which will be operated by the Lake County Forest Preserve District.

All three basins will be excavated forty to fifty feet deep. The water from the normal channels will be diverted into the basins and detained there until the flood danger downstream has abated. Gauges located downstream will sense the drop in water levels and the stored water will be pumped out into the stream channel downstream.

These reservoirs are not the total answer to river flooding, but the basins currently in place have been a tremendous help in reducing the flood threat for the Village. Of course additional floodwater storage capacity upstream represents a further benefit to Glenview.

## Village Board Highlights

Village Board meetings are held the first and third Tuesdays of each month, in the Village Hall, at 7:30 p.m. Residents are always welcome at the Board meetings. Those wanting to speak on agenda items may fill out cards at the door and hand to the secretary; those wanting to speak on nonagenda items must make advance arrangements with the Village Manager's Office.

Approved traffic code change to provide a tow zone on the north side of Maplewood Lane at Waukegan Road.

Approved purchase of 9 squad car light bars from Ray O'Herron Company, Oak Brook Terrace for \$6,297.75.

Approved purchase of replacement air compressor from Portable Tool Sales and Service, Mt. Prospect for \$9,950.

Accepted proposal from Daniel Creaney, Co., Northbrook, to provide engineering services for the storm sewer and paving of Pfingsten Road from East Lake Avenue south to the Railroad right-of-way, in an amount not to exceed \$8,400.

Approved requests from the Glenview Area Historical Society, and Public Library to display promotional banners.

## *It's Important, Fill it Out, Send it Back!*

Glenview is "counting" on you! On April 1, 1990 the Bureau of Census will conduct the 1990 Census. The Census is the 21st in a sequence of censuses that have taken place every 10th year since 1790, as required by the United States Constitution.

In the week prior to April 1, 1990, every household in Glenview will be mailed the 1990 Census questionnaire. This questionnaire will contain seven population questions and seven housing questions. The population questions are designed to obtain information on household relationships (husband/wife, brother, sister, roommate, etc.), gender, race, age, and marital status. The housing questions request information on type of housing unit, unit size, ownership, lot size, whether the housing unit contains any business use, estimated market value and rental rate. Approximately 17% of the households will be asked to answer an additional 26 population and 19 housing questions. The information you provide is confidential.

It is important that Glenview residents complete and return the Census questionnaire because data from the census will be used to:

- ☆ Apportion seats in the U.S. House of Representatives
- ☆ Designate state and local election boundaries
- ☆ Allocate state and federal funds to local areas, including state income tax revenue and motor fuel tax revenue which are based on population.
- ☆ Plan public services, programs, and development activity
- ☆ Provide useful demographic data

Please complete and return the census questionnaire as soon as possible. Again, census information is confidential. A postage-free return envelope will be provided with the questionnaire.