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Building Permits Insure Safety

Safety measures for building construction have been a priority for civilization through recorded history. The development of regulations for construction in the U.S. was underway even during the presidencies of George Washington and Thomas Jefferson.

Two centuries later in the 1980s, buildings are erected with regard to standards of public health and safety. Codes assist in safeguarding against fire, structural defects and deterioration of the building stock. They also help to insure that construction is energy-efficient.

On a practical level, a building code is the government's official statement on building safety. For technical purposes, it is a group of laws and ordinances setting minimum safety standards and arranged in a systematic manner (codified) for future reference.

The code takes into account plumbing, electrical and mechanical systems along with essential fire and structural aspects.

Building permits serve as formal and legal

permission to start any construction project. In Glenview, a building permit is required for construction of new buildings regardless of size or use, sheds, inground pools, spas, hottubs, garages, decks, concrete work, driveways, and any electric or plumbing work done which involves adding or altering a fixture.

A permit is also required for the installation of a hot water tank or of a heating or air conditioning system. Also, before any building is demolished, either in part or in whole, the applicant is required to apply for a demolition permit from the Village's code official.

An application for a building permit is available through the Village of Glenview Building Department, located at 1225 Waukegan Road. Sketches, building drawings, plans or other documents must be submitted for review, in addition to the completed application.

A fee for services including water connection and surveys may be required of the applicant. In select cases, an architect or engineer will

be needed to design the building and prepare necessary drawings and detailed plans.

A positive aspect of applying for the permit is that homeowners have access to the code official's knowledge and experience when and if they have any inquiries about their projects or the permit itself. Glenview staff members review submitted applications to make sure they are in accordance with the building code, local zoning and other applicable laws.

If problems occur with the proposal, building officials meet with the applicant to discuss the needed changes or alterations prior to issuing a permit.

A condition of a building permit is that the applicant completes the work as approved by the Village, in accordance with the building code and the plans as approved by the code official. Applicants are also required to give advance notice to the code official at key points in the construction.

Inspections required under the building code are listed on the building permit. Such inspections are performed by a building inspector, who checks each major phase of construction and makes certain that the work conforms to the building code, the building permit and the approved building plans.

The inspector must be able to see the part of construction required to be inspected, and normally 24 to 48 hours of advance notice is required. Should an inspection find work that does not conform to approved plans, the inspector will advise and possibly send a notice asking that the situation be remedied.

Another inspection may be necessary before work is resumed. If the work continues without resolving the problem, applicants can be subject to legal action.

Applicants are also required to post their building permit in a window or other prominent place on the site, keep a copy of the building plan at the site and bring any pro-



The Glenbrook South High School boasts two champion debate teams. Gina (far left) and Vicky Bokios (far right) earned a third place finish in the Illinois High School Debate Competition. The team of Jeff Bloom (left of Village President James W. Smirles) and Ryan Goldstein were the top debate team in the state. For the first time in history, the two teams from Glenview matched wits in the finals of the competition.

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Bicycle thefts are a historically persistent and growing problem on the North Shore. Because of the convenience and mobility of bicycles they are often left unattended and unlocked by their operators. Since bicycle thefts are primarily a crime of opportunity, owner attention and responsibility is the key to prevention of this crime.

Protect your property. Effective crime prevention techniques involve quality locks, chains, or bolt mechanisms affixed to a solid object, and, main frame component of the bicycle. Selection is the key word when speaking of bicycle theft.

Selection of sturdy, secure, lock mechanisms;

Selection of solid, secure, objects to affix the bicycle and lock to; and,

Selection of well lit, heavily traveled areas when leaving the bicycle unattended.

Following these general guidelines will hinder bicycle thieves. Your bicycle will not be such an easy target! Also, registering your bicycle with the Police Department will enable it to be returned if it is lost or stolen, and it is recovered. Stop by the Police Department today to register your bicycle.

RESPONSIBLE PET OWNERSHIP ENCOURAGED

Compliments are due to those who keep their pets on leashes, and clean up excrement after the animals conduct business. However, several canines have complained that their owners are tarnishing their reputations, and actually breaking the law! It is against the law to allow Rover to roam--(s)he must be on a leash. Also, pet owners must provide some means for pet waste removal. Violators face fines of between \$10 and \$500.

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Village Welcomes New Social Worker

Ms. Connie Cooper has recently joined the Village team as a social worker in our police department. Ms. Cooper, who attained her Bachelor's Degree in Law Enforcement and Sociology from Western Illinois University and her Masters Degree from Jane Addams School of Social Work, University of Illinois, Chicago, comes to Glenview well recommended.

She has worked at "The Harbour", which is a North Shore shelter for teen-age girls, and more recently with the Cook County Social Service Department of the Cook County Court System.

She has a solid background working with families and children, and is not unfamiliar with Glenview, as she served her internship at our own Pleasant Ridge School. We anticipate she will be a valuable community resource. Ms. Cooper may be contacted at 729-5000, 9 AM - 5 PM, weekdays.

Drainage Inspection Program to Begin

Beginning May 1, 1989 the Village of Glenview Public Works Department will begin a comprehensive building to building survey. This survey will locate sources of storm water inflow to the public sanitary sewer system that originate on private property. This program complies with Environmental Protection Agency and Metropolitan Water Reclamation District requirements.

Informational letters will be sent to each building shortly before the survey will begin. The letter will include an expected time frame for surveying the buildings and will explain procedures. The area to be surveyed will extend from Long Road on the east to Prairie Lawn on the west and from Wildberry Lane on the north to Golf Road on the south. If you have any questions or need further information, please call the project coordinator, Norb Kalas at 724-0002, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Glenview Residents With Swimming Pools . . .



A friendly reminder comes from the Village of Glenview. Please be considerate of your neighbors. Sometimes in the enjoyment of swimming pools, we forget about the disturbance we may be creating for our neighbors. Thank you for continuing positive neighborhood relations by showing courtesy for fellow residents.



Village President James W. Smirles and Coach Mike Greenberg (top) proudly pose with the Glenbrook High School Hockey Association, winners of the 1989 state tournament. Pictured from the top are Coach Greenberg, Scott Brostoff, Rich Kruse, Mark Fiedman, Jason Ori, Tim Morgan, Tim Byrne, Eric Dessner, Terry Kasdan, Brian Opensky, Jim Goldberg, George Tsoutsias, Charles Pusateri, Mike Eskuchen, Matt Jones, and Mike Sondag. Not pictured are Bob Martin, John Stevens, Assistant Coach Tim Scott, and Manager Rick Opensky.

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 next issue should reach the Village Hall by noon (5/21/89), or call the editor (724-1700 Extension 203) by (5/23/89).

The **8th Annual Michelle Meier Run for Cystic Fibrosis** will be held Sunday, May 21, 1989. Call Judy Wallace at 998-5006 for details.

The **Glenbrook Hospital Health and Safety Fair** will be held from 10 AM to 3 PM on Saturday, June 10 on the hospital grounds, 2100 Pfingsten Rd., Glenview. There will be several demonstrations, clowns, music and refreshments highlighting the day's events. Call 729-8970 ext. 649 for more information.

Glenview Television, the Village Cable Station, will be offering free video production classes for residents interested in being part of its volunteer staff. Classes begin the 2nd week of June. Call Mary Bennin, 724-1700, ext. 265 for more information.

"Fair 89" will be presented by School Dis-


trict 29, Sunset Ridge-Middlefork Schools on Saturday, June 3, 1989 from 10 AM to 4 PM at Middlefork School and Willow Park, located at the corner of Willow and Wagner Roads. Lorna Widdes has more information at 446-2683.

The Les Turner ALS Foundation will hold its annual **Mammoth Music and Record Mart** from May 15 to Sept. 15. Citizens wanting to donate records, cassette tapes and video tapes may do so at the Glenview Fire Station, 1815 Glenview Road, or the Bank of Glenbrook, 2801 Pfingsten Rd. Call 679-3311 for additional information.

From the Library . . .

International Night: Wed., May 17, 7:30 PM, "Canada" by Malvine and DeNux La-Blanc.

Senior News

 *The Senior Services Coordinator's office is located on the lower level of the Village Hall. She is available on Tuesday through Thursday from 9 AM to 4 PM for consultation with senior residents and/or their families by calling 724-1700 ext. 232. See the "Senior News" display in the Finance Department (upper level) for important literature.*

Homestead Tax Exemption

Homewoners 65 and older are entitled to a Homestead Exemption in addition to the Homeowner Exemption for dwellings they have owned and occupied before January 1 of the taxable year, and for which they paid real estate taxes. Senior homeowners must apply for the exemption --it is not automatic.

To apply, take the following documents to your township office:

1. **Proof of age** (any one of the following): Birth or baptismal certificate, passport, naturalization papers, or Social Security form SSA 2458 showing birthdate. A married woman applying must also submit a marriage certificate to validate name change.

2. **Proof of ownership of the property** (any one of the following): Warranty Deed, Quitclaim Deed, Trust Deed, Torrens Certificate, Proprietary Lease, Articles of Agreement to Purchase, Owner's Policy Schedule A, or deed in Trust with Trust Agreement.

3. **Copy of a paid tax bill.**

Glenview properties are in the following 4 townships; office numbers in parentheses: **Maine** (297-2510), **New Trier** (446-8202), **Niles** (673-9300), and **Northfield** (724-8300).

Free Social Security Publications

An Introduction to Social Security: A brief overview of the Social Security programs.

Financial Planning and Social Security: A look at the role Social Security benefits should play in a person's financial planning.

When and How to Contact Social Security: Tells the times a person should contact Social Security.

Retiring? Remember Social Security: Information of interest to people approaching retirement.

Retirement: A detailed explanation of retirement benefits for people ready to retire.

Survivors: An explanation of survivor benefits.

Medicare: Describes the major features of Medicare hospital insurance and medical insurance.

SSI: Explains briefly who can qualify for these payments.

To get any of these publications, just call 1-800-234-5772.

Seniors Book Discussion Group, Mon., June 5, 12:30 PM, Clyde Edgerton's Walking Across Egypt.

Feature Film: "Working Girl" (R), Fri., June 16, 7 PM. Free tickets available Sat., June 3, at 9 AM.

From the Park District . . .

AYSO soccer registration for fall season at Rugen Center, 901 Shermer Rd., Sun., May 28 and June 4, 12:30 to 4:30 PM; Mon., June 5, 6 to 9 PM. Call 724-5670 for details.

Swimming Pools open Sat., June 10, 1989.

Free outdoor concerts, Wednesdays at 7:30 PM at Jackman Park bandstand across from the Glenview Post Office. Performances at Rugen Center if it rains. Call 724-3337 after 5 PM for location.

Legislative Update

Governor Thompson signed House Bill 1491 which establishes minimum standards for long-term care insurance policies. The law provides that an outline of coverage be made available at the time of application and regulates cancellations, waiting periods, pre-existing condition clauses, prior institutionalization requirements and rights to return the policy.

The legislation also amends standards for medicare supplement policies, including extending from 10 to 30 days the "free-look" period during which a premium must be refunded if requested. The measure takes effect immediately and applies to all policies issued for delivery, renewed or amended on or before January 1, 1989.

Governor's Senior Day

The topic of this event held on Tuesday, May 16, 1989 from 9 AM to 2 PM at the State of Illinois Center, 100 W. Randolph, Chicago, will be "Celebrating Age and Independence". Contact Carol Jones at 917-2633 for further information.

May is "National Older Americans Month"

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posed changes to the attention of the code official as soon as possible. These changes will require review and approval in the same manner as the original building plans.

Finally, failure to secure a building permit prior to the start of construction can result in either a fine determined by the courts or a double permit fee depending upon the severity of the violation. In some cases, work completed without a permit may have to be removed in its entirety. The costs justifying why work was started without a building permit are unnecessary. The builders' time, effort, and money is better spent complying with the requirements.

Further information concerning building permits and the building code is available by contacting the Building and Zoning Department at 724-1700.

**IN OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL
DAY VILLAGE OFFICES WILL BE
CLOSED MAY 29, 1989.**

Vehicle Stickers and Pet Licenses on Sale

The 1989-90 vehicle stickers and pet licenses are available. If you had a sticker last year, you should have received an application in the mail. Please complete the application and return *both* portions to the Finance Department, Village Hall, upper level. If preprinted information is incorrect, please correct. If you receive an application for a vehicle which is no longer in your possession, please indicate reason and return it to us so we can remove that vehicle from our records. If you did not receive an application in the mail, you may pick one up at the Finance Department, or call (724-1700) and we will mail them to you. Penalties will be enforced as of July 1, and increase after August 1. Contact the Finance Department with any questions.



The Winners of the 1989 Vehicle Sticker Design Contest are pictured above with Village President Smirles. From left to right, top: Brad Henwood, Kelly Mayoros, Shannon Middleton; middle row: Sarah Burch, Libby Kruger, Shawna Godzik; front row: Demetri Papachristopoulos, Tracey Gold (Runner Up), Heather Mayoros (Winner), and B.J. Burch (Runner Up). The Honorable Mention winners received a ribbon and certificate. Both Runners Up received \$25 and a certificate. The Grand Prize winner received \$100 and a plaque containing the winning vehicle sticker.

Village Board Highlights . . .

The next Glenview Village Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 16, in the Village Hall, at 7:30 p.m. Residents are always welcome at Village Board meetings. Those wanting to speak to 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.

Rezoned the J.C. Penney property (4740 W. Lake Ave.) from R-1 to B-2 General Business District.

Annexed area between Greenwood Rd. and Glendale Rd., north of Glenview Rd.

Rezoned the Lake Ave. and Milwaukee Ave. area from R-1 to B-2 General Business District.

Rezoned the Keenan Subdivision property (3605 Lawson Rd.) from R-1 to R-4 residential District.

Adopted an ordinance rewording the responsibility of payment provisions regarding water bills.

Ratified bid in the amount of \$7,755 from Lenny Hoffman Excavating, Wilmette, providing for the demolition of the structure at 1400 Waukegan Rd.

Passed a resolution supporting Glenview Child Safety Day which was held April 29, 1989.

Passed a resolution in the amount of \$7,000 for Glenview's share of the cost of engineering services for the North Shore Council's Intermittent Resurfacing Project (Waukegan Rd).

Waived sprinkler requirement for the Best Scavenger Service Transfer Station Facility in exchange for a fire alarm system, and due to the nature of the building's use.

Accepted public improvements in Indian Ridge subdivision.

Gave permission to Glenview Paint, Glass and Wallpaper to display ladders outside.

Approved request to display French flags commemorating the visit of French students participating in the French/American Back-to-Back program.

Approved an engineering agreement with Harza Environmental Services, Chicago, in an amount not to exceed \$60,000, re: detailed study areas for the SWAMP Plan.

Awarded contract to Lo Verde Construction Company in the amount of \$84,210 to construct the watermain interconnection at Milwaukee Rd. and Greenwood Rd.

Awarded Annual Sidewalk Extension, and Curb and Gutter Replacement programs bid to Trialta Construction, Niles, in the amount of \$106,213.50.

Accepted low bid from Elmwood Ford Motors of Elmwood Park in the amount of \$14,026 for the purchase of a 1989 1/2 ton 4X4 pickup truck, and low bid from Northwest Ford Truck Center, Franklin Park, for a 1989 one ton dump truck. Bid price was \$18,552.

Approved purchase of 26 fire hydrants for \$17,705 from low bidder, Joseph D. Foreman, Lake Barrington, Illinois.

Resolved support to an Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) Letter of Understanding with respect to Willow Road improvements, and approved the agreement between IDOT and Glenview re: the Chicago Area Transportation Study liaison program.