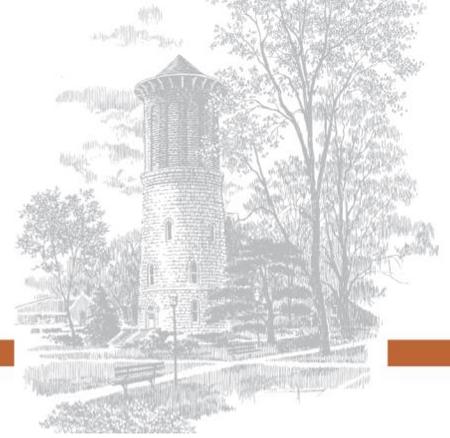


TUESDAY TOPICS

November 10, 2020



Veterans Day:

- November 11 is Veterans Day - a day to celebrate and honor America's veterans for their patriotism, willingness to serve, and sacrifice for the common good. While we will not gather in groups this year to lay wreaths and observe a moment of silence, I hope that each of us will take a quiet moment to reflect on the meaning of the day.

Executive Order Tolling Permits During Pandemic:

- At last night's Board meeting, the Trustees approved a restatement and extension of the Village's prior declaration of a state of emergency, due to the local governance challenges brought on by the pandemic. Pursuant to the authority granted by that declaration, I issued Executive Order No. 2020-06 that will toll the application review and approval period for small cell wireless facility permits until the state of emergency has ended. Under the Illinois Small Wireless Facility Deployment Act, the time period for applications may be tolled by "a local, State, or federal disaster declaration or similar emergency that causes the delay." 50 ILCS 840/15(d)(10)(B).

Holiday Refuse and Recycling Schedule:

- Thanksgiving, Christmas, and the New Year holiday will affect the LRS pickup schedule for some residents. The LRS holiday schedule can be found on the Village [website](#). Please note that the final yard waste pickup of the season will take place on Saturday, November 28. Be sure to have your stickered brown craft bags at the curb on the collection day prior to that date.

Snip Your Mask Straps:

- Many people are wearing disposable surgical masks to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. As a result, reports of wildlife entangled in discarded face masks are increasing. Before disposing of your mask, please remember to cut the ear strings to prevent the strangulation of wild animals and birds. Alternatively, consider a fabric face covering, which results in less waste (and should be washed after each wear).

Increased Mitigation Measures Against COVID-19:

- According to the [Covid Dashboard](#) (published by Northwestern using data from IDPH) Western Springs has a 7-day rolling average positivity rate of 18% - up significantly from just a week ago. Covid-19-related hospital admissions are also on the rise and could trigger additional restrictions. Please continue to be vigilant and observe the increased mitigation measures to stem a resurgence in our area. Read more about additional mitigation measures at [Illinois.gov](#) and on the [Village website](#).

Until next week,

Alice Gallagher,
Village President

*Wear a Mask, Socially Distance, Wash Hands, Be Safe
Take Care of Yourself, Protect Others, Support our Community*