



COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

Tuesday, February 4, 2020



Greetings!

With February comes one of my favorite events! It's not Valentine's Day, but the Glen Ellyn Community Awards. As residents, employees and volunteers who take pride in our community, we have the ability through the Glen Ellyn Community Awards to acknowledge all the amazing individuals who make this this village a great place to live, work, learn, shop, dine and play.

The Chamber is a catalyst for the awards in three categories: Business, Civic and Service. We have received nominations from 1,000 residents! The top 5 nominations for our businesses of Restaurant, Retail, Business Services and Non Profits are mentioned below and the winner will be revealed the night of the awards.

The Second category, our civic partners is decided upon by the department leaders with the assist of your nominations. We are very proud to help showcase the accomplishments of these civic heroes. All the nominations we collect, we forward to the businesses and department leaders so the accolades you give, will be received by the individual and your thoughts will not be unnoticed!

Lastly, as Glen Ellyn is known for the Village of Volunteers, we acknowledge all the Service Awards for those who have devoted volunteering time and energy to significantly impact the betterment of all Glen Ellyn. We thank them by acknowledging them as the

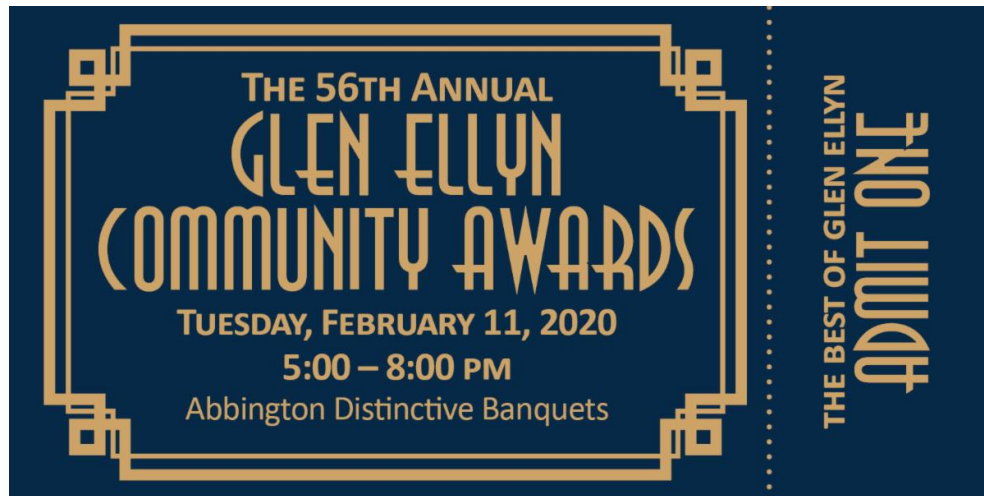
Youth, Senior and Citizen of the Year. This year, I'm excited to give a hint that we will additionally give a Distinguished Service Award to a Home Town Hero!

I hope to see you all next Tuesday night on February 11th to help me in celebrating these deserving recipients. It takes a village!

Dawn Smith
Glen Ellyn Chamber Executive Director

Community News & Events

Celebrating The 56th Annual Glen Ellyn Community Awards



Representing the Best of Glen Ellyn!

RSVP today to learn how these deserving recipients make us Glen Ellyn Proud.

It is time to honor our hard working public servants, our dedicated educators, store fronts that go the extra mile and all the amazing residents, both young and young at heart, who volunteer their time and talents to make Glen Ellyn a wonderful place to live, learn, work, dine, shop and play. It is through their efforts that Glen Ellyn continues to generate the quality of life we have come to enjoy in our community.

We encourage all residents, employees and volunteers of the Village of Glen Ellyn to join in the celebration of the awards ceremony and hear all the wonderful stories of these amazing people and what they do for Glen Ellyn. These community awards truly showcase the spirit of Glen Ellyn.

Tuesday, February 11
5:00 - 6:00pm Reception & Cash Bar
6:00 - 8:00pm Dinner & Awards

Abbington Distinctive Banquets
3 South 002 Route 53
Glen Ellyn IL, 60137

\$40 Individual Ticket
\$300 Table of 8

RSVP By Thursday, February 6th

[Event Details & Registration](#)



CIVIC CATEGORY:

District 41 Educator of the Year: Ryan Ignacio, Lincoln School Teacher

District 89 Educator of the Year: Nadia Bardack, Westfield Elementary School

District 87 Educator of the Year: Haresh Harpalani, Glenbard South High School

Firefighter of the Year: Tom Hefler

Library Employee of the Year: Tom Malinowski

Park District Volunteer of the Year: Ron Aubrey

Police Officer of the Year: Sergeant Norman E. Webber

Village Employee of the Year: Eva Patricia Taves

SERVICE CATEGORY:

Paul Herwaldt Senior Citizen of the Year: George Mueller

Youth of the Year: Claudia Pyka, Glenbard West High School

Distinguish Service Award: Announced evening of the Awards Ceremony!

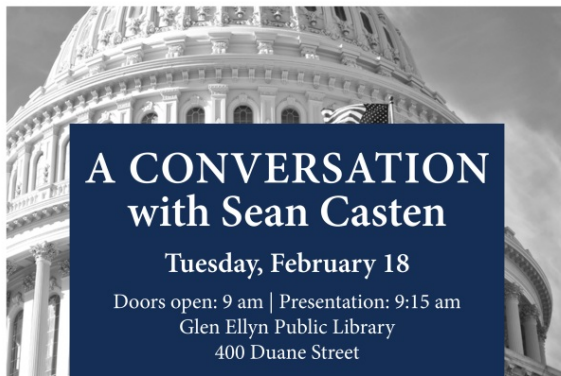
Stuart S. Stone Citizen of the Year: Announced evening of the Awards Ceremony!

A Conversation with
U.S. Congressman Sean Casten

Tuesday, February 18, 2020

Doors open at 9 am
Presentation at 9:15 am

Location: Glen Ellyn Public Library



A CONVERSATION with Sean Casten

Tuesday, February 18

Doors open: 9 am | Presentation: 9:15 am
Glen Ellyn Public Library
400 Duane Street



U.S. Congressman Sean Casten
will update constituents on recent
developments and legislative matters.
A Q&A will follow.

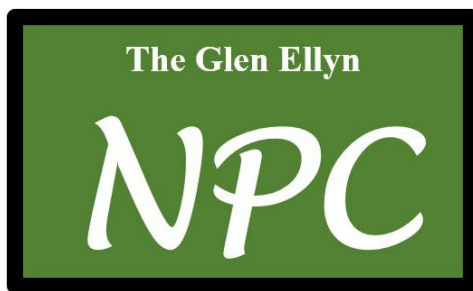
EVERYONE WELCOME



Listen to Congressman Casten talk
regarding his work, such as trade
policy, the USMCA, minimum wage,
and anything else that is pending
before the House.

There will be time for Q & A after his
remarks. Open to the business
community and to the public.

**ALL ARE WELCOMED
THIS IS A FREE EVENT**



The Glen Ellyn
NON PROFIT CONNECTION

Wednesday February 19, 2020
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM
Glen Ellyn Public Library
400 Duane Street
Glen Ellyn, IL

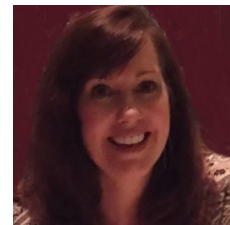
[Register Here](#)

This event is **FREE** and open only to
Non Profit Organizations

The Glen Ellyn Non-Profit Connection
Grant Writing For Non- Profits

Speaker: Marcia Frank

Ms. Frank has worked
in the Grants
Department at College
of DuPage since 2016,
writing grants for
governmental,
corporate, and
foundation funders for departments
throughout the college. She brings
experience in grant management and non-
profit administration with a background in
social services, education, psychology and
the performing arts.



The *Glen Ellyn Non-Profit Connection* is a
resource to connect non-profits through
networking and education. Non-Profits
have similar issues and struggles. All
attendees are asked to provide updates on
their NPO, and after the speaker to share
Best Practices.

Together we can make each other
stronger.

The Enclave Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting



Saturday, February 22, 2020

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Enclave
One block from train station
Address will be shared after RSVP

ALL ARE WELCOMED
THIS IS A FREE EVENT

ALL Must RSVP at
members@enclave535.com



The Enclave is celebrating their grand opening! Come learn about The Enclave while enjoying live music, signature cocktails and more!



Hosted By:



Third Thursday Business After Hours

Bring your co-workers and friends to network with your neighbors and business owners. Come and learn about Lee n' Eddies Catering and all they do! Snacks and beverages will be served.

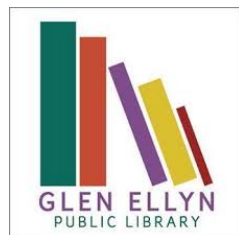
Thursday February 20, 2020
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Lee N Eddie's
682 Roosevelt Rd, Glen Ellyn

ALL ARE WELCOMED
THIS IS A FREE EVENT

[RSVP Here](#)

Community Events

Glen Ellyn Public Library
We Love Our Book Clubs



[Event Details](#)

Friday, February 7
7 PM - 9 PM
Glen Ellyn Public Library
2nd Floor

College of DuPage
FREE Income Tax Preparation and
Electronic Filing at College of
DuPage 2020



College of DuPage

[Event Details](#)

February 8 - April 11
425 Fawell Blvd,
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Glen Ellyn Park District Senior Luncheon



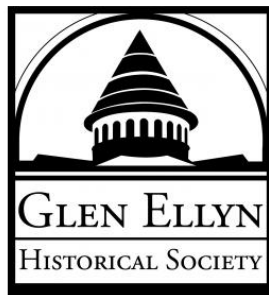
Let's Do Lunch

Valentine's Day
Senior Luncheon

Event Details

February 11
12:00 PM - 2:00 PM
Maryknoll Clubhouse

Glen Ellyn Historical Society Project 231: A Story of Elgin's African American Heritage



Event Details

Saturday, February 22
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Glen Ellyn Historical Society

GPS GLENBARD
PARENT SERIES
Navigating Healthy Families

Andrew Solomon: The Secret Sadness of Depression



Event Details

Tuesday, February 11
7:00 pm - 8:30 PM
Glenbard West High School
Free

Alliance of Downtown Glen Ellyn Glen Ellyn Cares



Village of Glen Ellyn

Village Board Approves Civic Center Parking Garage and Pedestrian Access to Main Street

At the Glen Ellyn Village Board meeting on Monday, January 27, the Village Board voted to approve the Civic Center public parking garage project and the construction of a pedestrian access way to Main Street.

The \$16.1 million project includes a four-story public parking garage, enhanced access improvements from Main and Duane Streets, and other associated public improvements directly behind the Civic Center at 535 Duane Street. Additionally, the plans include the demolition of 423 N. Main Street, more commonly known as the Shonkwiler building, and the construction of a small plaza area directly off of Main Street.

“The Village Board voted to make a significant investment in our Central Business District to support the restaurants and retail shops, nearby residents, commuters and visitors of the downtown,” said Village President Diane McGinley. “In addition to the garage, downtown projects including private developments, local business investments and multiple Village projects will equate to over \$120 million invested into the downtown over the next five years.”

The public parking garage is designed to have 277 stalls within five tiers of parking, one of which is underground. In addition to the garage, a row of ten surface parking stalls are proposed along the west side of the driveway from Duane Street. A total net gain of 212 additional parking stalls will serve Metra commuters, businesses, residents, visitors to Glen Ellyn, as well as Civic Center employees and other Civic Center tenants.

“With the federal grant the Village received for a new train station and pedestrian tunnel on Forest Avenue, commuters will benefit from mostly covered parking at the new Civic Center garage,” said McGinley. “It’s a short walk north on Forest, through the tunnel to the new train station, once that project is complete.”

In 2017, six sites for a future parking garage were evaluated with the Village Board ultimately concluded that constructing a Village-owned parking garage to the south of the Metra line at the Civic Center site was the best alternative. This site was owned and controlled by the Village and considered to be the least visible and least obtrusive location of those that were proposed as alternatives.

The garage was designed to complement the historic architecture style of the Civic Center through the use of similar building materials and design features. As a landmarked property, the Village’s Historic Preservation Commission reviewed and unanimously recommended approval of the parking garage to the Village Board in September 2019. Additionally, part of this project includes the demolition of the Shonkwiler building, located at 423 N. Main Street, and the residential building to its rear. This demolition will allow for the creation of a public space to serve as a connection point from Main Street to the public parking garage. This improvement will provide better access for customers and employees between the public parking garage and businesses in the downtown.

This decision by the Village Board follows a Public Hearing held in December 2019 by the Village’s Plan Commission. The Commission voted 5-1 to recommend approval of this project to the Village Board.

The project is expected to break ground in the spring of 2020. Construction will begin with underground utility work and the pedestrian connection to Main Street, followed by the construction of the parking garage. The project has a targeted completion date of spring 2021.

For more information on this project, including renderings, site plans and a traffic study, please visit the Village of Glen Ellyn’s website at <https://www.glenellyn.org/684/Parking-Garage-and-Main-Street-Pedestria>



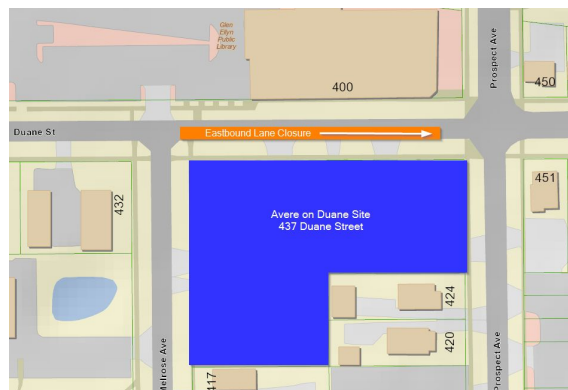
Duane Street Eastbound Lane Closure to Begin February 4

Due to significant construction activity occurring at the Avere on Duane project, located at 437 Duane Street, motorists should expect eastbound lane closures on Duane Street beginning Tuesday, February 4 and continuing for approximately 10 days.

Precast concrete construction materials will be delivered to the site, with trucks parking and unloading in the eastbound lane of Duane Street while this work occurs. Additionally, the construction crane will be delivered to the site on Monday, February 3 with the likelihood that flaggers will be in place to help navigate the crane into the construction site.

This construction activity will be limited to Monday through Friday, during the hours of 7 a.m. and 2:45 p.m. While the trucks are being unloaded, eastbound traffic on Duane Street, from Melrose Avenue to Prospect Avenue will be closed. Once the last truck leaves the site for the day, the eastbound lane will be re-opened to traffic. To enhance safety during this work:

1. The contractor will provide flaggers to help direct traffic around the parked delivery trucks.
2. The westbound lane of Duane Street will be closed at times during the course of the work, but only for the



period of time it takes to lift the precast sections off the truck and to the building.

3. The delivery truck will be set back from the intersection of Duane Street and Prospect Avenue to provide a clear line of site for those looking to turn westbound onto Duane Street from Prospect Avenue.
4. There will be no left turn permitted while exiting the Library parking lot which aligns with Melrose Avenue during the time of lane closures. Right turns out of the lot at this location will be permitted. Entry from the westbound lane of Duane Street will not be affected.

What is the 2020 Census?

The census is a count of every person who lives in the United States and its territories. It happens every 10 years. In early 2020, you will be asked to count everyone who lives in your home as of April 1. Responding to the 2020 Census is a chance to shape your future. Learn more about the census and why it's important [here](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Syg4zqb0iCU&list=PLewV-zKXDZki3m8jrb0VJcnPatHEkkZDm&index=56&t=0s)



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Save the Date



Shredding Day
Saturday May 2, 2020



Taste of Glen Ellyn
Thursday May 28, 2020 - Saturday May 30, 2020



Annual Chamber Steak Fry
Wednesday September 2, 2020



Annual Community Golf Outing
Thursday October 1, 2020



Halloween Festival & Parade
Saturday October 31, 2020



Holiday Walk
Friday November 27, 2020

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