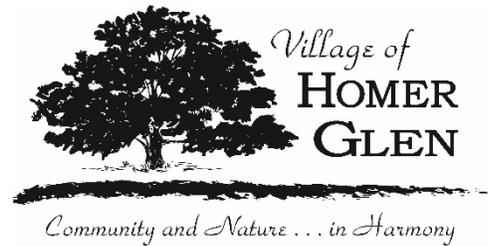


# Mayor Yukich's Blog

October 9, 2015



## EMA Receives Safe Community Grant from Enbridge

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I am happy to announce that the Homer Glen Emergency Management Agency has received a Safe Community grant from Enbridge in the amount of \$1,000.00 (see **attached** letter). Through the Enbridge Safe Community Program, Enbridge supports emergency responders in their areas of operations throughout the United States and Canada. The grant can be used for training or equipment for the Homer Glen EMA.

## Woodbine Area Regional Drainage Improvement Project- Update

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As you may know, the Village is continuing to work with the engineering firm HR Green on the completion of the Woodbine Area Regional Drainage Improvement Project plan and recommendations. On Tuesday, October 6, Village staff met with representatives from HR Green to review preliminary findings and initial thoughts on improvements to address drainage issues in the Woodbine area. Staff also provided the results of the resident surveys to HR Green. To date, we have received 145 completed surveys which amounts to a 35% return rate. I want to thank all those residents who participated in the survey and provided critical information for this very important improvement project.

I invite you to attend a public information meeting / community workshop on Thursday, October 29 from 4 – 7 p.m. at the Village Board Room, located at 14917 S. Founders Crossing. This meeting will allow HR Green to present its findings as well as allow residents the opportunity to provide feedback on the plan.

## ComEd Project at Goodings Grove Substation

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This week ComEd started work to cut a temporary stone access road on their property crossing the Village's Heroes Trail on Bell Road, going West and North to an area that is behind the existing substation complex. Plans include the installation of seven (7) steel monopoles similar to the one that was installed on the Bell Road side of this complex in 2013.

Matting will be installed over the Village's Heroes Trail where the construction equipment enters into the ComEd property from Bell Road. Barricades will be installed on the Heroes Trail, preventing use of this portion by pedestrians and bicyclists.

Future work at the substation will require the Heroes Trail to be temporarily closed near Founders Crossing at the West side of the ComEd substation to allow for the installation of new overhead cables.

I will provide updates to the community regarding this project as they become available from ComEd.

## Spring 2016 Elections- Election Judges Needed

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Help play a vital role in the election process and perform an important civic function! The Will County Clerk's Office is looking for residents interested in serving as Election Judges for the spring 2016 elections. There is a two-hour training class required. The Will County Clerk's Office also participates in a program permitting High School Seniors to serve as Election Judges. Contact the Will County Clerk at 815-740-4617 or visit [www.thewillcountyclerk.com](http://www.thewillcountyclerk.com) for more information.

## Secretary of State to Suspend Mailing of Vehicle Registration Renewal Reminder Notices

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Due to the state budget, the Illinois Secretary of State will be suspending the mailing of vehicle registration renewal reminder notices. This savings will enable the office to mail vehicle registration stickers, titles and license plates to vehicle owners for a few more months. Visit [www.cyberdriveillinois.com](http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com) for more information.

## Upcoming Events

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### **FOOD DRIVE / NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS**

(October 1<sup>st</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>). As part of National "Make a Difference" Day, the Homer Glen Junior Women's Club is holding a food drive. Donation bins will be available at Big R, 15830 S. Bell Road, and Jewel, 14200 S. Bell Road, Homer Glen. Contributions will benefit the Lockport FISH Food Pantry, which serves the hungry in Homer and Lockport Townships. Non-perishable food items and basic toiletries will be accepted; a list of most needed items is posted at [lockportfoodpantry.org](http://lockportfoodpantry.org). For more information, contact Kathy Byars at (708) 977-8723 or Mary Lee at (708) 301-2136.

### **YOUNG SCHOOL PUMPKIN FUNDRAISER**

(Friday, October 9<sup>th</sup> & Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup>). The Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) at Young School is selling pumpkins this weekend in the school parking lot. Stop by between 3 and 6 p.m. on Friday, October 9<sup>th</sup> or between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup>.

Pumpkins are \$5 each. Cash or check only, please. Young School is located at 16240 S. Cedar Road in Homer Glen.

### **LOCKPORT TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL BAND SPAGHETTI DINNER**

(Sunday, October 11, 2015). The event will be held from 3 – 7 p.m. at the Lockport Township High School East Café, located at 1333 E. 7<sup>th</sup> Street in Lockport. Admission at the door is \$10 for adults, \$7 for seniors, kids under 3 are free. The dinner will be all-you-can-eat with dessert, coffee, water, and lemonade. Raffles and door prizes are also planned for the dinner. Proceeds from this event support the LTHS Band program.

### **INFORMATIONAL SESSION & UPDATE ON IDOT'S 159<sup>TH</sup> STREET CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT PROJECT FOR HOMER GLEN 159<sup>TH</sup> STREET BUSINESS AND PROPERTY OWNERS**

(Tuesday, October 13, 2015 at 8:00 a.m.). This meeting will be held in the Village Board Meeting Room, 14917 Founders Crossing. With utility relocation underway, IDOT's long-anticipated road improvement project for 159<sup>th</sup> Street is underway. Please join us at Village Hall to hear about the road project status and updates from IDOT's resident project representative Mike McCoy.

### **STARGAZING EVENT**

(Friday, October 23, 2015). Experience Stargazing at the Trantina Farm and celebrate the International Dark Sky recognition of the Village of Homer Glen by spending an autumn evening with the stars! The Village of Homer Glen and Homer Township will host a fall stargazing event on Friday, October 23 from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Homer Township's historic Trantina Farm in Homer Township. The Trantina Farm is located at 15744 West 151st Street in Homer Township east of the intersection of Gougar Road and 151st Street.

### **HOMER TOWNSHIP'S ANNUAL CHILDREN'S HALLOWEEN PARTY**

(Saturday, October 24, 2015). Come join the spine tingling fun at Trantina Farm, located at 15744 W. 151<sup>st</sup> Street in Lockport. There will be games, crafts, snacks by the campfire, an inflatable haunted maze, donut eating contest and costume contest. This is an outdoor event, please dress for the weather. For children ages 0-10.

### **BI-CHAMBER WOMEN'S MONTHLY NETWORKING EVENT**

(Friday, October 30, 2015 from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.). Lemont and Homer Township Chambers have joined together to create a monthly networking event for women in our business industry. This month's speaker will be Heather Tomola- Premier Designs Jewelry. The monthly event is held at Mullet's Sports Bar and Restaurant, located at 14903 S. Bell Road in Homer Glen. For more information and to register, please visit [www.homerchamber.com](http://www.homerchamber.com).

### **ANNUAL MIKE HIKE- SPONSORED BY THE HOMER GLEN FOUNDATION**

(Saturday, November 7, 2015 from 8 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.). The Mike Hike 5K Run/Walk is an annual event honoring PFC Michael Olivieri. The friends and family of Mike Olivieri have joined forces with the Homer Glen Foundation to preserve the memory of this hometown hero who tragically lost his life while serving in Iraq on June 6, 2011. Proceeds raised

through this event will commemorate our local heroes while supporting improvements to our community trails and parks. To register to run, walk, or volunteer, visit [www.mikehike5k.com](http://www.mikehike5k.com).



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July 28, 2015

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To Whom It May Concern:

Enbridge Energy Company, Inc. is pleased to support the Homer Glen Emergency Management Agency with a \$1,000 grant from the Enbridge Safe Community Program to help your department purchase training.

Also, Enbridge collects photos of organizations like yours utilizing the equipment and training materials the grants fund. Please send your photos to me at [francesca.deleon@enbridge.com](mailto:francesca.deleon@enbridge.com). These photos may be used on our external website and for internal publications to promote our Safe Community program.

Organizations are eligible to apply for a Safe Community grant once per calendar year. Grant amounts may vary from year to year, depending on the organization's need and Enbridge's funding availability.

Through the Safe Community Program, Enbridge proudly supports emergency responders in our areas of operations throughout the United States and Canada.

Enbridge also supports its neighbors through its philanthropy and the active involvement of employees in those programs in our host communities that focus on health & safety, education, environment, and culture & community.

Please acknowledge this contribution with a receipt, per IRS regulations.

Thank you for serving the citizens of your community.

Sincerely,

Francesca DeLeon  
Public Affairs

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