



MANAGER'S REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 15, 2013
GENERAL INFORMATION AND RESPONSES TO MAYOR & COMMISSIONER REQUESTS

Places to be this Week...

Village Council Meeting - The next Village Council meeting will be held **November 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers** at Village Hall.

Future Calendar Reminders...

Solar Panel Workshop - A workshop for residents interested in learning more about solar power will be held at the Downers Grove Library on **Monday, November 18 at 7:00 p.m.**

Tree Lighting Ceremony - The Tree Lighting Ceremony will be held **Friday, November 29 at 4:30 p.m.** at the Main Street Train Station.

Village Council Meeting - The Village Council meeting will be held on **December 3 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers** at Village Hall.

Cooking Oil Collection - Residents can bring their used cooking oil to the back of Village Hall on **Saturday, November 30 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

Green Business Recognition - Good Samaritan Hospital was recognized by the Environmental Concerns Commission as a Downers Grove Green Business on November 14. Good Samaritan was recognized for its extensive green practices in recycling and waste reduction, stormwater mitigation and energy usage reduction. Good Samaritan will receive a mayoral proclamation at an upcoming Village Council meeting.

Upcoming Mayoral Proclamations - There is one proclamation scheduled for the upcoming Village Council meeting:

- November 19 - Small Business Saturday (November 30)

Tree Lighting Ceremony - The Village Tree Lighting Ceremony festivities will take place on Friday November 29, 2013 at 4:30 p.m. at the Main Street Train Station. There will be complimentary cookies and cider in the train station beginning at 4:00 p.m. One of each type of ornament, made by the children, will be on display in the station. At 4:30 p.m. the Mayor and Santa will perform the countdown and light the tree. The District 99 Band will perform at the ceremony along with singing performances by the Choral Society and many girl scouts and boy scouts. NEW for this year, there will be a photo booth in the train station. Attendees will have an opportunity to pose in front of a backdrop with holiday-themed props. The photos will be uploaded to the Village's Facebook page. Staff did a similar successful photo booth at the Village's Public Works Open House.

DMMC Concealed Carry Report - As part of the newly formed DMMC Managers Committee, Downers Grove staff collaborated with the Village of Winfield and the DMMC to produce a comprehensive report on how municipalities should prepare for the implementation of Illinois concealed carry. The report can be found on the DMMC website at: <http://www.dmmc-cog.org/news-detail.aspx?id=167>.

Cooking Oil Collection - The Village is partnering with SCARCE and Green Grease Environmental to collect cooking oil from residents on the Saturday after Thanksgiving. Cooking oil sticks to sewer pipes, causing clogs and breaks that are costly for residents and municipalities to fix. Residents can bring their used cooking oil to the back of Village Hall on Saturday, November 30 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. The oil will be converted into diesel fuel. Residents will take home their containers.