

VILLAGE VOICE



ACE HARDWARE TO OPEN NEW LOCATION IN LINDENHURST CENTER, BRINGING CONVENIENCE AND COMMUNITY VALUE TO THE VILLAGE

The Village of Lindenhurst, Ace Hardware, and the owners of Lindenhurst Center are pleased to announce that Ace Hardware will be joining the Lindenhurst Center at 2080 Grand Avenue. This will bring a new 20,000-square-foot location to the heart of the community. The projected opening is set for the spring of 2025.



Residents and local business owners eagerly anticipate the return of a hardware store in Lindenhurst and are thrilled with the news of Ace Hardware's opening. For many, the prospect of having a convenient and reliable source for building supplies, tools, and household essentials has been a long-standing need. The addition of Ace Hardware will provide a one-stop shop for residents' everyday needs and support the local economy by creating new job opportunities and stimulating local commerce.

Ace Hardware has established itself as a trusted and reliable brand in their communities with over 100 years of experience. With a strong focus on community and customer relationships, Ace Hardware has built a loyal following and remains a trusted destination for homeowners, DIY enthusiasts, and professionals alike.

The revitalization of Lindenhurst Center continues to gain momentum as the recent addition of Ace Hardware joins a growing roster of new businesses, including Sammie's, Three-Legged Brewery, Lucia's Taqueria, Sky Line Food, Damashkey Cuisine, Salon Luxe, Villari's of Illinois, and Subway. This thriving commercial hub has become a magnet for community activity, boasting a prime location, ample parking, and a range of amenities that cater to the needs of residents and visitors alike. In addition to these new arrivals, long-standing businesses such as Lindenhurst Laundromat, Natural Care




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FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK



Dominic Marturano
Good News and Bad News

First, the good news!

The helpful hardware folks are coming to Lindenhurst! Ace Hardware is set to open in the Lindenhurst Center, with a tentative launch planned for Spring 2025. We've been eagerly inviting the Laskowski family to join our community for years, and it's finally happening! If you've shopped at any of their stores, you know they offer top-notch customer service, and I'm confident their Lindenhurst location will be no different.

Now, for the not-so-good news.

In late May, the Illinois state legislature approved a budget that didn't include an increase in LGDF dollars for our community. Originally, communities were supposed to receive 10% of these state-collected revenues,

but we're currently only getting 6.47%.

Additionally, the grocery tax instituted during COVID by the Governor has been eliminated. While some communities will lose millions, Lindenhurst will see about \$80,000 less in revenue.

And if that wasn't enough, the state budget also includes over \$1 billion in additional taxes. It's important to stay informed about how the state allocates your hard-earned money. We're always here to help you understand how the Village spends your contributions.

Enjoy the summer, and we look forward to seeing everyone at Lindenfest!

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Chiropractic, Linden Cleaners, Steps, H&R Block, US Navy, Chopstix, Pretty Nails, Aqua Pools and Spa, and Linden Liquors have continued to thrive and serve the community. With its unique blend of convenience, accessibility, and small-town charm, Lindenhurst Center has established itself as a vibrant destination for shopping, dining, and socializing.

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“We're proud to welcome Ace Hardware to our community. Their commitment to customer service and community involvement will undoubtedly positively impact our residents and local businesses in our community. We're excited to see the benefits that Ace Hardware will bring to our community.”

Village of Lindenhurst Mayor Dominic Marturano

Revitalization of the Lindenhurst Center (former Linden Plaza) has been a long-time goal identified by the community through the results of the Village community-wide survey and strategic plan. Over the past year, the Village has worked to revitalize the property by offering grants and incentives to existing and new businesses in hopes of creating a central gathering point for the community. For more information on the Village's economic development efforts, please visit www.lindenhurstil.org/businessresources.

VILLAGE PARTNERS WITH SAFEbuilT FOR CODE ENFORCEMENT

Beginning in June, the Village will begin a partnership with Safebuilt to perform code enforcement services on behalf of the Village. Our Safebuilt inspector will be identified with clothing embroidered with the Safebuilt logo and will arrive in a vehicle with Safebuilt's and the Village's logo. The inspector will be in the Village three days a week to follow up on the code enforcement requests that are received in person, over the phone, and through the Village's website.

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LINDEN NOTES



YARD WASTE COLLECTION REMINDERS

Landscape waste collection with the Village's contracted waste hauler, Groot, began on Monday, April 1st. This service for residents will run weekly through November 25th. Residents can dispose of grass clippings, shrubbery, small tree limbs, weeds, and leaves through this program.

To participate in the landscape collection service, residents can utilize the following options:

- **Sticker Service:** Residents may purchase stickers at \$2.50 each to be placed on 32 gallon containers or a kraft bag. There is no limit to the number of containers that may be placed curbside that have a sticker on them. Stickers may be purchased at Village Hall (2301 E. Sand Lake Road) and CVS (2020 E. Grand Avenue).
- **Subscription Service:** Residents may opt into the subscription service for yard waste collection. This service is \$175 for 2024. With the subscription, residents may place up to four 32 gallon containers or kraft style bags each week; any additional containers would require a sticker. To set up this service, please contact Groot at 847-693-2700.



50/50 PROGRAMS

Lindenhurst offers reimbursement to residents that have planted a tree, added shoreline buffer plantings or purchased a rain barrel and/or compost bin.

- Program dollars will be dispersed by the Village to the homeowner after proof of purchase and residency.
- Households may participate one time during the Village's fiscal year (May 1- April 30).
- Residents must submit a receipt to Village Hall for reimbursement.
- First-come, first-served basis as budgeted funds are available.

These programs also help the Village further our sustainability efforts by enhancing our forestry landscape, preserving the shorelines of our lakes, improving stormwater drainage, and reducing water consumption. For program details, please visit our website, www.lindenhurstil.org/5050programs. Reimbursement forms can be found under the Community Resources tab.



UTILITY BILL ONLINE PAYMENT OPTIONS

Residents can take advantage of the Village's online utility bill system, at no additional cost. Residents can use InvoiceCloud to pay their utility bill, view the bill or receive paperless billing through the e-bill program. To register, visit www.lindenhurstil.org and click "Pay Your Utility Bill" on the homepage. Please contact Village Hall at (847) 356-8252 if you have any questions about online utility bill payments.



The John Janega Memorial Park, located between Hazelwood and Hickory Drives, honors longtime Lindenhurst resident John Janega. Originally named Willow Park, it was renamed in 1991 by the Lindenhurst Park District to recognize Janega,

known as the "Guardian of Willow Park," for his dedication to providing a safe and clean environment for the youth. Janega was a founding member of the Lake Villa Township Lions Club, a VFW member, and a St. Mark Lutheran Church member. His friend, John Miller, the longtime owner of Linden Barber Shop, played a key role in the park's re-dedication. In 2008, the Lions Club made a significant donation for new park equipment, dedicating it to John and Merilee Miller for their support of youth programs. The park improvement project received the "Best Management Practice

Project of the Year" award in 2009 and a "Conservation and Native Landscaping Award" in 2013.



John Janega Memorial Park

UPCOMING EVENTS

FOURTH OF JULY July 4

Village Hall is closed for regular business

LABOR DAY

September 2

Village Hall is closed for regular business

FOOD TRUCK EXTRAVAGANZA

August 4

11:30 am- 2:30 pm
Lindenhurst Village Hall

LINDENFEST

August 22- 25

Thursday: 6:00- 10:00 pm
Friday: 6:00 pm- 12:00 am
Saturday: 12:00 pm- 12:00 am
Sunday: 11:00 am- 5:00 pm

Parade

Saturday, August 24 at 10:30 am

For more information please visit www.lindenfest.org.

LINDENHURST PARK DISTRICT EVENTS

Music in the Parks Concert Series

June- August
Wednesday's
7:00- 8:30 pm

Touch a Truck

Saturday, August 17
10:00 am- 12:00 pm
Heritage Trails Park & Millburn Middle School

Visit www.lindenhurstparks.org for Lindenhurst Park District family and adult events.

LINDENHURST CITIZENS' ACADEMY BEGINS IN SEPTEMBER

The applications for the 2024 Lindenhurst Citizens' Academy are now open! Formed in 2018, the Lindenhurst Citizens' Academy aims to educate our community on the daily operations of the Village that include informational workshops on the Police Department, Public Works and Administration. Weekly sessions will cover topics that include budget preparation, water/sewer distribution, patrol operations and many other topics!



The citizens' academy is an 8 week program that is held once a week on Wednesdays every week from 6:30-8:30pm run from September-November (skipping the week of Halloween). Lindenhurst Citizens' Academy applications will be open from July through August. Citizens' Academy classes must have no less than 8 and no more than 15 participants. Applications will be considered on a first-come, first-serve basis after a background check is completed. Applications and program information can be found by visiting the Village website at www.lindenhurstil.org/citizensacademy. We hope to see you there!

VILLAGE BEGINS UNKNOWN WATER SERVICE LINE SURVEY& INVENTORY

The Village's Public Works department has been diligently complying with Illinois EPA and United States EPA requirements to create a water service line inventory and identify any lead service lines in our community. Although lead is not present in the Village's treated drinking water or in the approximate 68 miles of water mains that deliver drinking water to Lindenhurst homes and businesses, services within the home or business may contain lead fittings if constructed before 1988.



Public Works has used data collected over several years, including installation records, permits, subdivision mapping, and field inspections, to assist in identifying the type of material used in the Village's 5,200+ water service lines. After looking through the data, the Village has identified 1,100 services within the Village as "unknown" types of water service line material. To determine the water services considered "unknown", Public Works has mailed out letters to these homes asking for their assistance in identifying the type of materials used inside the house. If you have any questions or want to learn more about the water service line inventory, please visit the Village's lead service inventory resource page at www.lindenhurstil.org/leadserviceinventory.

FOOD TRUCK EXTRAVAGANZA EVENT- AUGUST 4TH

Join us on Sunday, August 4th at Village Hall for the Village's Food Truck Extravaganza from 11:30 am- 2:30 pm! This year's event will have a variety of food trucks that include:

- Curious Crow
- The Lumpia Lady
- Supreme Fries and More
- Sarge's Beef
- Gracie's Kitchen
- 9th Hour Brewing
- Three Legged Brewery
- With a Cherry on Top Soft Serve



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Trustee Patty Chybowski
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Trustee Patrick Dunham
Trustee Ronald Grace
Trustee Heath Rosten
Trustee Dawn Suchy
Village Clerk Melissa Forsberg



Village Board meetings are scheduled on the second and fourth Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall, 2301 E. Sand Lake Road.